

**ALASKA BOARD OF FISHERIES**  
**December 2-7, 2011**  
**PRINCE WILLIAM SOUND AND UPPER COPPER RIVER/  
UPPER SUSITNA RIVER FINFISH**

**PROPOSAL INDEX**

*Following is a list of proposals that will be considered at the above meeting sorted by general topic. A board committee roadmap will be developed and distributed prior to the meeting.*

**PROP  
NO. (96)**

**SUBJECT**

**PWS Groundfish and Herring (8)**

<b><u>N/A</u></b>	43	Restrict summer use of commercial bottom gear within three miles of shore.
<b><u>F</u></b>	44	Increase the rockfish bycatch allowance to sidestripe shrimp and sablefish from 10 to 30 percent.
<b><u>C</u></b>	45	Repeal one definition of mechanical jigging gear.
<b><u>F</u></b>	46	Revise regulations to include Eastern Gulf and PWS.
<b><u>F</u></b>	47	Amend dates of skate fishery in Eastern Gulf and PWS.
<b><u>F</u></b>	48	Allow for retention of spiny dogfish in Eastern Gulf and PWS.
<b><u>C</u></b>	49	Amend the current regulation to accurately reflect management lines and remove the reference to trawl gear for herring.
<b><u>F</u></b>	50	Clarify thresholds needed to open herring fishery in PWS.

**PWS and Copper River Subsistence and Personal Use (26)**

**Subsistence (21)**

<b><u>N/A</u></b>	51	Review the Copper River District salmon subsistence fishery C&T finding.
<b><u>F</u></b>	52	Specify open periods in the Copper River District subsistence fishery.
<b><u>N/A</u></b>	53	Amend regulation to combine subsistence areas in PWS.
<b><u>N/A</u></b>	54	Establish a positive C&T finding for the Chitina dipnet fishery.
<b><u>N/A</u></b>	55	Reclassify the Chitina dipnet fishery a subsistence fishery.
<b><u>C</u></b>	56	Amend the Copper River King Salmon Management Plan.
<b><u>F</u></b>	57	Prohibit netting of fish in Lake Louise, and Susitna and Tyone lakes.
<b><u>F</u></b>	58	Prohibit netting of fish in Lake Louise, and Susitna and Tyone lakes.
<b><u>F</u></b>	59	Prohibit netting of fish in Lake Louise, and Susitna and Tyone lakes.
<b><u>F</u></b>	60	Prohibit netting of fish in Lake Louise, and Susitna and Tyone lakes.
<b><u>N/A</u></b>	61	Prohibit netting of whitefish and lake trout in Lake Louise, and Susitna and Tyone lakes.
<b><u>N/A</u></b>	62	Prohibit netting of whitefish and lake trout in Lake Louise, and Susitna and Tyone lakes.
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<b><u>N/A</u></b>	65	Prohibit netting of whitefish in Lake Louise, and Susitna and Tyone lakes.
<b><u>F</u></b>	66	Prohibit bycatch, require ADF&G notification, and set season in the whitefish fishery.
<b><u>F</u></b>	67	Require ADF&G notification, set season, and limit bycatch in the whitefish fishery.
<b><u>C/A</u></b>	68	Establish closed areas and seasons, and prohibit bycatch in the whitefish fishery.
<b><u>N/A</u></b>	69	Establish closed area; and set season dates in the whitefish fishery.
<b><u>F</u></b>	70	Restrict netting of whitefish in Lake Louise, and Susitna and Tyone lakes.
<b><u>F</u></b>	71	Establish lake trout spawning closures in Tyone lakes complex. <i>(This proposal is listed under both Subsistence and Sport Fishing for this meeting.)</i>

### **Personal Use (5)**

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| <b><u>F</u></b>   | 72 | Rescind allocation reduction in the Chitina personal use fishery.      |
| <b><u>F</u></b>   | 73 | Increase harvest limit of king salmon in the personal use fishery.     |
| <b><u>F</u></b>   | 74 | Allow for retention of king salmon in the personal use fishery.        |
| <b><u>F</u></b>   | 75 | Increase limit for sockeye salmon in the Chitina personal use fishery. |
| <b><u>N/A</u></b> | 76 | Delay opening of Chitina personal use dipnet fishery.                  |

### **PWS and Copper River Commercial Salmon (43)**

#### **Permit Stacking (2)**

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| <b><u>F</u></b> | 77 | Amend the regulation to allow use of two set gillnet permits in Eshamy District. |
| <b><u>F</u></b> | 78 | Amend gear restrictions in PWS salmon purse seine fishery.                       |

#### **Fishing Gear (9)**

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| <b><u>C/A</u></b> | 79 | Ban use of deep gillnets in Montague District prior to Coghill, Eshamy, and Unakwik districts opening to deep gear. |
| <b><u>C/A</u></b> | 80 | Further define keg or buoy.   |
| <b><u>C/A</u></b> | 81 | Remove intent language and clarify anchoring and towing of drift gillnet gear.                                      |
| <b><u>C/A</u></b> | 82 | Revise purse seine mesh restrictions for commercial seining in PWS.   |
| <b><u>N/A</u></b> | 83 | Allow a purse seine chafing and border strip for the PWS salmon purse seine fishery.                                |
| <b><u>N/A</u></b> | 84 | Amend gear restrictions for PWS salmon purse seine fishery.   |
| <b><u>C/A</u></b> | 85 | Reduce gear limits for PWS salmon purse seine fishery.  |
| <b><u>N/A</u></b> | 86 | Revise lead mesh size for commercial seining in PWS.  |
| <b><u>N/A</u></b> | 87 | Revise lead mesh size for PWS salmon purse seine fishery.   |

#### **Fishing Districts (4)**

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| <b><u>C/A</u></b> | 88 | Create a subdistrict in the Coghill District for commercial salmon fishing.               |
| <b><u>F</u></b>   | 89 | Amend boundaries for the Northwest, Eshamy, and Coghill districts and Esther Subdistrict. |
| <b><u>C/A</u></b> | 90 | Correct regulatory boundary descriptions in Eshamy District.                              |
| <b><u>C</u></b>   | 91 | Correct regulatory boundary descriptions in Coghill and Northwestern districts.           |

#### **Fishing Seasons (1)**

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| <b><u>F</u></b> | 92 | Revise season description for the purse seine fishery in the Eastern, Northern, Northwestern, Southwestern, Montague, and Southeastern districts. |
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#### **Closed Waters (3)**

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| <b><u>F</u></b> | 93 | Close designated areas to commercial fishing in PWS.                   |
| <b><u>C</u></b> | 94 | Correct geographic description of closed waters in PWS Area districts. |
| <b><u>C</u></b> | 95 | Expand closed waters in Sheep Bay of the Eastern District.             |

#### **Management Plans (5)**

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| <b><u>F</u></b>   | 96  | Close commercial salmon fisheries in Main Bay, PWS, to avoid the 4th of July. |
| <b><u>C</u></b>   | 97  | Correct regulatory boundary descriptions in Main Bay alternating gear zone.   |
| <b><u>C/A</u></b> | 98  | Amend regulation regarding the Wally Noerenberg hatchery plan.                |
| <b><u>C/A</u></b> | 99  | Change the south end marker in the Armin F. Koernig Hatchery THA.             |
| <b><u>F</u></b>   | 100 | Adopt closures for sockeye salmon in Eshamy Lagoon.                           |

### **PWS Management and Allocation Plan (12)**

- N/A** 101 Revise the gillnet/seine allocation plan.
- F** 102 Amend the allocation plan for Eshamy District set gillnet group.
- F** 103 Amend the allocation plan for Eshamy District set gillnet group.
- F** 104 Designate area in the Coghill District for drift gillnet and purse seine gear.
- N/A** 105 Remove the gillnet fleet from the Coghill District on established dates.
- F** 106 Redefine the Coghill District boundary and open the district on an alternating gear type basis.
- F** 107 Drift gillnet group will have exclusive access to AFK chum salmon.
- N/A** 108 Reallocate chum salmon for the seine fleet in Port Chalmers.
- N/A** 109 Discontinue remote release of chum salmon at Port Chalmers and release them at Wally Noerenberg Hatchery.
- F** 110 Eliminate the mandatory closure prior to July 18 and amend fishing time and area provisions for the Southwestern District.
- F** 111 Modify the cost-recovery salmon harvest in PWS.
- F** 112 Increase period of time used in calculation of allocation in PWS allocation plan.

### **Use of Aircraft (1)**

- F** 113 Amend regulation regarding use of aircraft in PWS commercial fishery.

### **Reduce Hatchery Production (2)**

- N/A** 114 Reduce hatchery production of chum salmon in PWS.
- N/A** 115 Reduce hatchery production of chum salmon in PWS.

### **Copper River Commercial Salmon (4)**

- F** 116 Add restrictions on homepack from commercial fishing.
- F** 117 Establish an optimal escapement goal (OEG) for Copper River king salmon.
- C/A** 118 Restrict commercial fishing inside barrier islands prior to June 15.
- C** 119 Correct regulatory boundary descriptions in Copper River District.

### **PWS and Copper River Sport (19)**

#### **Prince William Sound (6)**

- C** 120 Increase sockeye salmon bag limit and allow snagging in Eshamy Bay.
- F** 121 Reduce sockeye salmon bag and possession limit in PWS.
- F** 122 Establish coho salmon limit for non residents in Hells Hole freshwater fishery.
- C** 123 Close Ibec Creek to sport fishing above the Copper River Highway.
- F** 124 Close 18 Mile Creek to sport fishing for coho salmon.
- C** 125 Amend Prince William Sound trout size regulations.

#### **Upper Copper River/Upper Susitna River (13)**

- F** 126 Allow king salmon fishing on Gulkana River five days per week June 10-August 10.
- N/A** 127 Restrict guided sport fishery when commercial fishery is restricted.
- N/A** 128 Establish a limit for shipping of fish out of state for non-resident sport fishermen.
- C** 129 Modify lake trout regulations in four area lakes.
- N/A** 130 Establish a maximum size limit for lake trout in Lake Louise and Crosswind Lake.
- N/A** 131 *\*Note: Proposal 131 was a duplicate of Proposal 71 and has been pulled.*
- F** 132 Close Paxson and Summit lakes to lake trout fishing September 1–October 1.
- F** 133 Allow use of bait October 1–July 31 in Paxson and Summit lakes.
- F** 134 Restrict guided sport fishery on Lake Louise, and Susitna and Tyone lakes.

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| <u>F</u>   | 135 | Restrict guided sport fishery on Lake Louise, and Susitna and Tyone lakes. |
| <u>C/A</u> | 136 | Modify rainbow trout regulations in Summit Lake (Tebay River drainage).    |
| <u>C</u>   | 137 | Align the Wild Arctic Grayling Management Plan with area regulations.      |
| <u>C</u>   | 138 | Open Tolsona Lake to sport fishing for burbot.                             |

*C=Carries, F=Fails, C/A=Carried as Amended, N/A=No Action*