

ALASKA BOARD OF FISHERIES
October 15-16, 2014
Work Session
Agenda Change Request Index of Comments

This index of on-time advisory committee and public comments shows either SUPPORT or OPPOSITION for the individual ACRs at this meeting. The center column indicates a comment was made but without a clear indication of support or opposition. The reference number (ACxx or PCxx) refers to the Advisory Committee comment number or Public Comment number. The full comment as submitted can be found in the Advisory Committee tab or Public Comment tab of the board book (Record Copy 1). The notation of "S/A" indicates support as amended.

		SUPPORT	GENERAL COMMENT	OPPOSITION
Bering Sea Tanner and Norton Sound King Crab Fisheries (5)				
ACR 1	Reduce the size of exploitable legal male Tanner crab, from 5.5 inches to 5 inches carapace width, for purposes of calculating total allowable catch in waters east of 166° W longitude in the Bering Sea District (5 AAC 35.508 (g)(5)).	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Unalaska/Dutch Harbor AC 1 		
ACR 2	Change the <i>C. bairdi</i> Tanner crab regulatory fishing season closure date from March 31 to May 15 in waters west of 166° W longitude of the Bering Sea District (5 AAC 35.510 (f)(1)).			
ACR 3	Increase the allowable level of incidental harvest of <i>C. bairdi</i> Tanner crab allowed while directed fishing for Bristol Bay red king crab east of 166° W longitude from the current level of 5%, up to the amount of <i>C. bairdi</i> individual fishing quota held by the vessel operator (5 AAC 35.506 (i)(2)).			
ACR 4	Develop a guideline harvest level for the Norton Sound red king crab winter commercial fishery (5 AAC 34.915. (a)(1)).	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Norton Sound Economic Development Corporation PC 5 		

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ACR 5	Change the duration of the Norton Sound winter through-the-ice commercial king crab fishing season to be open by emergency order on or after January 15 and close April 30, unless extended by emergency order (5 AAC 34.910(d)(2)).	•Norton Sound Economic Development Corporation PC 5		
Kuskokwim River Salmon Fisheries (3)				
ACR 6	Require four-inch mesh subsistence gillnets to be operated only as set gillnets in the Kuskokwim River during times of king salmon conservation. (5 AAC 07.365(d)(2)).			
ACR 7	Change Kuskokwim River District 1 boundaries (5 AAC 07.200 (a)).			
ACR 8	Subdivide Kuskokwim River king salmon ANS by geographic area and allocate Kuskokwim River king salmon subsistence harvest under a Tier II system (5 AAC 01.286. (b) and 5 AAC 01.2xx NEW).	• Grant Fairbanks PC 1		
Yukon River Salmon Fisheries (2)				
ACR 9	Allow drift gillnet subsistence fishing after July 15 in the upper section of Yukon River Subdistrict 4A for the harvest of summer chum salmon (5 AAC 01.220. (e)(1)).			

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ACR 10	Allow subsistence fish wheel fishermen in the Yukon Area to retain king salmon when some harvest is justified based upon inseason run assessment (5 AAC 01.220 (n)(2)).			
Bristol Bay Salmon Fisheries (2)				
ACR 11	Change the Naknek-Kvichak District boundary line at Graveyard Point to include two historically fished set net sites (5 AAC 06.350).	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Janet and Curt Armstrong PC 2 ● Nora Armstrong Johnson PC 3 ● Bristol Bay Economic Development Corporation PC 41 		
ACR 12	Bristol Bay sockeye salmon optimum escapement goals (Chapter 06 Bristol Bay Area).	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Bristol Bay Economic Development Corporation PC 40 		
Cook Inlet Salmon Fisheries (9)				
ACR 13	Allow the commercial set gillnet fishery in the Kasilof Section to be opened within one-half mile of shore when the department is concerned with the conservation of king or sockeye salmon headed to the Kenai River (5 AAC 21.365(f)).	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Kenai/Soldotna AC 3 ● Christine Brandt PC 48 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Kenai River Sportfishing Association PC 17 ● Gary Hollier PC 39

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ACR 14	Restrict mesh size to no larger than 4¼ inches in the Kasilof Section set gillnet commercial fishery when the Kasilof River sockeye salmon escapement goal is being met or exceeded (5 AAC 21.331(b), 5 AAC 21.365).			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kenai/Soldotna AC 3 • Kenai River Sportfishing Association PC 17 • Gary Hollier PC 39
ACR 15	Amend provisions within the Kenai River Late-Run King Salmon Management Plan that restrict set gillnetting in the Upper Subdistrict to no more than 12 or 36 hours per week by allowing the department to manage the Kasilof and Kenai/East Foreland sections separately of each other (5 AAC 21.359 (e)(3)(A) and (B)).	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kenai/Soldotna AC 3 • Christine Brandt PC 48 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kenai River Sportfishing Association PC 17 • Gary Hollier PC 39
ACR 16	Amend provisions within the Kenai River Late-Run King Salmon Management Plan that restrict set gillnetting in the Upper Subdistrict to no more than 36 hours per week by allowing the department to manage the Kasilof and Kenai/East Foreland sections separately of each other (5AAC 21.359 (e)(3)(A)).			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kenai River Sportfishing Association PC 17 • Gary Hollier PC 39
ACR 17	Modify the Kenai River Late-Run King Salmon Management Plan (5 AAC 21.359(e)) to allow up to four set gillnets per permit to be fished that do not exceed 105 fathoms in the aggregate, with no single net exceeding 35 fathoms in length, consistent with (5 AAC 21.331(d)).	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kenai/Soldotna AC 3 • Gary Hollier PC 39 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kenai River Sportfishing Association PC 17

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ACR 18	Eliminate restrictions in August to the Upper Subdistrict set gillnet commercial fishery by deleting provision (f) in the Kenai River Late-Run King Salmon Management Plan (5 AAC 21.359(f)).			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Kenai/Soldotna AC 3 ● Kenai River Sportfishing Association PC 17 ● Gary Hollier PC 39
ACR 19	Allow a person who owns two set gillnet permits to register and operate the permits in different registration areas in Cook Inlet (5 AAC 21.345).			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Kenai/Soldotna AC 3 ● Kenai River Sportfishing Association PC 17 ● Gary Hollier PC 39
ACR 20	Modify how the one percent rule in August is calculated for the Central District drift gillnet fishery in Upper Cook Inlet (5 AAC 21.353(e)).			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Kenai/Soldotna AC 3 ● Matanuska Valley AC 4 ● Matanuska-Susitna Borough PC 7 ● Matanuska-Susitna Borough Fish and Wildlife Commission PC 14 ● The Greater Palmer Chamber of Commerce PC 15 ● Kenai River Sportfishing Association PC 17 ● Howard Delo PC 26 ● Alex Hills PC 30 ● Gary Hollier PC 39 ● Terry Nininger PC 46 ● Jehnifer Ehnmann PC 52
ACR 21	Establish a tier drawing and limit harvest in the Upper Cook Inlet personal use salmon fishery (5 AAC 77.540).			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Kenai/Soldotna AC 3 ● Matanuska Valley AC 4 ● Kenai River Sportfishing Association PC 17 ● Gary Hollier PC 39

Southeast Herring Fisheries (2)

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ACR 22	Limit the size of a closed herring pound as follows: a closed herring pound shall be a no more than 10' X 20' X 30" (should be 30') deep (5 AAC 27.130(e)(1)(B)&(C).		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Boards Support Section PC 24 	
ACR 23	Eliminate single-permit closed pounds and/or reduce kelp allocations in the herring spawn on kelp in pounds fishery in (5 AAC 27.185(c), (d), and (e)).			
State-waters Pacific Cod Fisheries (2)				
ACR 24	Increase the South Alaska Peninsula state-waters Pacific cod fishery guideline harvest level from 30% to 50% of the estimated total allowable harvest of Pacific cod for the federal Western Gulf of Alaska (5 AAC 28.577 (h)(1)).	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Unalaska/Dutch Harbor AC 1 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Freezer Longline Coalition PC 23 Groundfish Forum PC 28
ACR 25	Increase the Dutch Harbor Subdistrict state-waters Pacific cod fishery guideline harvest level from 3% to 6% of the estimated total allowable harvest of Pacific cod for the federal Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Area (5 AAC 28.648 (e)(1)).	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Unalaska/Dutch Harbor AC 1 Andrew Wilder PC 31 Buck Laukitis PC 34 Aleutian Pribilof Island Community Development Association PC 50 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bering Sea Pot Cod Cooperative PC 22 Freezer Longline Coalition PC 23 United Catcher Boats PC 29
General Provisions (1)				
ACR 26	Redefine the method used to determine maximum overall length of salmon purse seine vessels (5 AAC 39.117).	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Beaver Nelson PC 19 Timothy J. Moore PC 20 Leroy L. Cabana PC 21 Buck Laukitis PC 33 		
Sport Fishery Statewide Provisions (1)				

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ACR 27	<p>Modify statewide regulations to provide for the continuation of sport fishing business and guide registration and reporting and vessel registration requirements to be legally consistent with statutory requirements after the repeal of AS 16.40.260 – AS 16.40.299 (5 AAC 75.075; 5 AAC 75.076; 5 AAC 75.077; 5 AAC 75.995).</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Southeast Alaska Fishermen's Alliance PC 6 • Halibut Coalition PC 11 		