

**ALASKA BOARD OF FISHERIES
PRINCE WILLIAM SOUND FINFISH
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PRINCE WILLIAM SOUND 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.

Groundfish (9 Proposals)

Sport Groundfish (3 Proposals)

PROPOSAL 1

Reduce the bag and possession limits for lingcod in the Prince William Sound Area.

PROPOSAL 2

Reduce the bag and possession limits for lingcod in a portion of the Prince William Sound Area.

PROPOSAL 3

Modify and align bag and possession limits for rockfish in the Prince William Sound Area.

Commercial Groundfish (6 Proposals)

PROPOSAL 4

Establish a pelagic rockfish jig fishery with a separate guideline harvest level in the Outside District of the Prince William Sound Area.

PROPOSAL 5

Specify that bycatch allowance of lingcod in the Prince William Sound Area is measured as round weight.

PROPOSAL 6

Allow vessels fishing for halibut in the Prince William Sound Area to retain all Pacific cod bycatch when directed Pacific cod fisheries are closed due to reaching the federal halibut bycatch allowance.

PROPOSAL 7

Clarify lawful gear requirements for Prince William Sound Area groundfish fisheries.

PROPOSAL 8

Add specific registration requirements for Prince William Sound Area groundfish fisheries.

PROPOSAL 9

Clarify procedures for obtaining, completing, and submitting log sheets for the Prince William Sound Area sablefish fishery.

Salmon/Herring (43 Proposals)

Copper River Escapement Goal (1 Proposal)

PROPOSAL 10

Set an optimal escapement goal for Copper River sockeye salmon.

Upper Copper River Subsistence and Personal Use Salmon (8 Proposals)

PROPOSAL 11

Remove the requirement to open the Batzulnetas subsistence fishery by emergency order.

PROPOSAL 12

Require operators of fish wheels without live boxes to be present when fishing in the Glennallen Subdistrict subsistence fishery.

PROPOSAL 13

Prohibit using a dip net from a boat to harvest salmon in the Glennallen Subdistrict.

PROPOSAL 14

Modify the season dates for the Glennallen Subdistrict subsistence salmon fishery based on the pre-season king salmon harvest projection.

PROPOSAL 15

Prohibit the use of monofilament or gillnet mesh in dip nets.

PROPOSAL 16

Require log books for all charters operating in personal use and subsistence fisheries.

PROPOSAL 17

Extend the lower boundary of the Chitina Subdistrict downstream to the Uranatina River.

PROPOSAL 18

Repeal the reduction in maximum harvest level in the Chitina Subdistrict Personal Use fishery when the Copper River commercial fishery is closed 13 or more consecutive days.

Prince William Sound/Copper River Subsistence and Personal Use Salmon and Herring (4 Proposals)

PROPOSAL 19

Allow salmon to be taken for subsistence purposes at any time between May 1 and November 30 in the Copper River District.

PROPOSAL 20

Open all waters of the Copper River District to subsistence fishing for salmon from April 20 through October 15.

PROPOSAL 21

Close the Prince William Sound Area subsistence herring fishery, limit gear to 60 feet in length, and monitor the number of permits and area fished.

PROPOSAL 22

Allow Pacific herring to be taken for personal use in the Prince William Sound Area.

Upper Copper/Upper Susitna Rivers Sport (3 Proposals)

PROPOSAL 23

Prohibit catch-and-release sport fishing in the Upper Copper River and Upper Susitna River drainages.

PROPOSAL 24

Amend sockeye salmon regulations in the Gulkana River drainage.

PROPOSAL 25

Remove the unbaited, single-hook artificial lure restriction in flowing waters of the Upper Susitna River drainage.

Prince William Sound/Copper River Sport (2 Proposals)

PROPOSAL 26

Allow bow fishing for pink and coho salmon in the Valdez terminal harvest area.

PROPOSAL 27

Remove a closed water provision for Clear Creek.

Copper River Commercial Salmon (10 Proposals)

PROPOSAL 28

Repeal mandatory inside waters commercial salmon fishery closures in the *Copper River King Salmon Management Plan*.

PROPOSAL 29

Extend inside closure area to 1/4 mile off the southern shores of all barrier islands in the Copper River commercial drift gillnet salmon fishery.

PROPOSAL 30

Repeal certain closed waters provisions in the Copper River District commercial drift gillnet salmon fishery.

PROPOSAL 31

Reduce the maximum depth of drift gill nets in the Copper River District commercial drift gillnet salmon fishery to 29 meshes through the start of Statistical Week 24.

PROPOSAL 32

Prohibit commercial salmon fishing in the Copper River District, during the month of May, if the preseason forecast for Copper River king salmon is below the 20-year average, or 35,000 king salmon.

PROPOSAL 33

Prohibit sale of commercially caught king salmon in the Copper River District if restrictions on Copper River drainage subsistence fisheries have been implemented.

PROPOSAL 34

Prohibit commercial salmon fishing in the Copper River District until a salmon is recorded at the Copper River sonar.

PROPOSAL 35

Open commercial salmon fishing with drift gillnet gear in the Copper River District on the Monday or Thursday closest to May 1.

PROPOSAL 36

Open the Copper River District commercial salmon fishery for a minimum of two twelve-hour periods per week.

PROPOSAL 37

Repeal commercial salmon fishery closed waters near Kayak Island and allow commercial salmon fishing with drift gillnet gear near Kayak Island with the same boundaries in effect in 1980.

Prince William Sound Commercial Salmon (12 Proposals)

PROPOSAL 38

Modify purse seine gear length in the Prince William Sound Area.

PROPOSAL 39

Allow permit stacking and increase the amount of purse seine gear that may be operated from a vessel with two limited entry purse seine permit holders onboard in the Prince William Sound Area commercial salmon fishery.

PROPOSAL 40

Establish minimum operation depth for drift gillnet gear fished within 90 fathoms of a set gillnet in the Crafton Island Subdistrict.

PROPOSAL 41

Prohibit operation of commercial salmon drift gillnet gear within 60 fathoms of the shoreward of a set gillnet in the Crafton Island Subdistrict.

PROPOSAL 42

Repeal maximum length for set gillnet gear in the *Main Bay Salmon Hatchery Harvest Management Plan* and prohibit operation of a drift gillnet within 20 fathoms of a set gillnet.

PROPOSAL 43

Clarify provisions for operation of drift gillnet and set gillnet gear in the Main Bay Subdistrict.

PROPOSAL 44

Specify that operation of each set gillnet or drift gillnet must be performed or assisted by a Commercial Fisheries Entry Commission permit holder in the Prince William Sound Area commercial salmon fishery.

PROPOSAL 45

Limit each Commercial Fisheries Entry Commission permit holder to no more than four set gillnet sites deployed with lines and buoys in the Prince William Sound Area commercial set gillnet fishery.

PROPOSAL 46

Change boundary description of the Main Bay Subdistrict.

PROPOSAL 47

Include the value of all enhanced salmon produced in the Prince William Sound Area in the *Prince William Sound Management and Salmon Enhancement Allocation Plan*.

PROPOSAL 48

Allow commercial fishing for salmon in the Armin F. Koernig Hatchery Terminal and Special Harvest Areas prior to July 18.

PROPOSAL 49

Reduce harvest of sockeye salmon in the directed chum salmon fishery prior to July 18 in the Armin F. Koernig Hatchery Terminal and Special Harvest Areas.

Prince William Sound/Copper River Commercial Salmon Area Definitions (3 Proposals)

PROPOSAL 50

Define Copper and Bering River District seaward boundaries with geographic coordinates.

PROPOSAL 51

Amend district and subdistrict boundaries to match Alaska Department of Fish and Game statistical area boundaries within the Prince William Sound Management Area.

PROPOSAL 52

Amend Prince William Sound Area description to specify lines of longitude for the eastern and western boundaries.