



Alaska Board of Fisheries

BRISTOL BAY FINFISH

November 28–December 3, 2018

Dillingham Middle School, Dillingham

**TENTATIVE COMMITTEE ROADMAP
(47 proposals)**

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE – GROUP 1: SUBSISTENCE SALMON, SPORT FISHING (22 proposals: Chair - Payton)

Subsistence Salmon (5 proposals)

- PROPOSAL 18 Repeal limits to subsistence fishing periods in the Nushagak District.
- PROPOSAL 19 Allow subsistence fishing for salmon with dipnets near Dillingham.
- PROPOSAL 20 Allow use of drift gillnets not more than 10 fathoms in length for subsistence salmon fishing in the Wood and Nushagak Rivers near Dillingham.
- PROPOSAL 21 Allow subsistence fishing with hook and line attached to rod or pole in Six Mile Lake.
- PROPOSAL 22 Allow subsistence fishing for salmon in the Egegik District at any time from May 1 through September 30.

Rainbow Trout (3 proposals)

- PROPOSAL 47 Adopt the Southwest Alaska Rainbow Trout Management Plan.
- PROPOSAL 48 Modify the sport fishing season in the Naknek River drainage.
- PROPOSAL 49 Prohibit retention of rainbow trout by nonresident sport anglers in a portion of the Naknek River drainage.

Sport Fishing Guides (6 proposals)

- PROPOSAL 50 Prohibit guiding on the Naknek River drainage during spring from the marker at Lake Camp downstream to the marker at Rapids Camp.



- PROPOSAL 51 Establish a limited guide permit system between September 10 and October 20 in a portion of the Naknek River.
- PROPOSAL 52 Limit the number of clients a sport fishing guide or sport fishing guide business may have while targeting trout in a portion of the Naknek River drainage.
- PROPOSAL 53 Establish guide permits in a section of the Naknek River drainage.
- PROPOSAL 54 Limit the hours guides or clients can fish on a section of the Naknek River.
- PROPOSAL 55 Limit the days guides or clients can fish on a section of the Naknek River.

Methods and Means (2 proposals)

- PROPOSAL 56 Prohibit chumming by guides and other commercial users in portions of the Naknek River drainage sport fishery.
- PROPOSAL 57 Prohibit the use of certain sport fishing tackle in a section of the Naknek River drainage.

Sport Salmon (4 proposals)

- PROPOSAL 58 Close sport fishing for king salmon in a portion of the Naknek River drainage.
- PROPOSAL 59 Close waters to king salmon sport fishing in a section of the Naknek River drainage.
- PROPOSAL 60 Create a rod limit for nonresident anglers sport fishing for salmon on a portion of the Naknek River.
- PROPOSAL 61 Prohibit blocking access to sport fishing locations in the Naknek River.

Miscellaneous Sport (2 proposal)

- PROPOSAL 62 All sport-caught fish removed from the water in all freshwater drainages of the Bristol Bay Area must be retained.
- PROPOSAL 175 Align regulations for sport fishing services and sport fishing guide services in fresh and salt waters and update guide registration and reporting regulations.



**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE – GROUP 2: COMMERCIAL SALMON,
COMMERCIAL HERRING (25 proposals: Chair - Ruffner)**

Gear Specifications and Operations, and Description of Area/Fishing districts (8 proposals)

- PROPOSAL 23 Clarify that the holder of two drift gillnet limited entry permits may operate up to 150 fathoms of drift gillnet gear.
- PROPOSAL 24 Allow the holder of either two set gillnet or two drift gillnet limited entry permits to operate more gear than the holder of a single limited entry permit.
- PROPOSAL 25 Allow an individual holding two drift gillnet limited entry permits to operate up to 200 fathoms of drift gillnet gear.
- PROPOSAL 26 Allow the owner of two drift gillnet limited entry permits to operate 200 fathoms of drift gillnet gear from a single vessel.
- PROPOSAL 27 Allow the holder of two set gillnet limited entry permits in the Naknek-Kvichak, Egegik, and Ugashik districts to operate 100 fathoms of set gillnet gear.
- PROPOSAL 28 Allow commercial fishing for salmon, with set net gear only, within the section of the Kvichak River that borders Levelock Village land.
- PROPOSAL 29 Establish mesh size restrictions for the conservation of king salmon in the Naknek-Kvichak and Ugashik Districts.
- PROPOSAL 174 Clarify fishing areas, districts, sections, and gear specifications and operations for Sockeye Special Harvest Areas in Bristol Bay.

Registration and Reregistration, Vessel Specifications and Operations, Fishing Periods, and Closed Waters (6 proposals)

- PROPOSAL 30 Increase the maximum length for drift gillnet vessels from 32 feet in overall length to 42 feet in overall length.
- PROPOSAL 31 Delay implementation of the 48-hour district transfer notification period until the third Saturday in June.
- PROPOSAL 32 Extend duration of late-season fishing periods in the Naknek-Kvichak, Egegik, and Ugashik Districts.
- PROPOSAL 33 Allow the use of beach weirs in commercial salmon fishing in Bristol Bay.
- PROPOSAL 34 Reduce closed waters in the Naknek-Kvichak District.



PROPOSAL 35 Reduce closed waters in the Naknek-Kvichak District near Graveyard Creek.

Alagnak River Sockeye Salmon Special Harvest Area Management Plan and Naknek-Kvichak District Commercial Set and Drift Gillnet Sockeye Salmon Fisheries Management and Allocation Plan (2 proposals)

PROPOSAL 36 Repeal conditions that must be met prior to allowing commercial fishing for salmon in the *Alagnak River Special Harvest Area*.

PROPOSAL 37 Manage the Naknek and Kvichak sections independent of each other based on the harvestable surplus within each section and establish section-specific harvest allocation criteria so that 84% of each section's harvest is allocated to the drift gillnet fleet and 16% of the section's harvest is allocated to the set gillnet fleet.

Wood River Sockeye Salmon Special Harvest Area Management Plan, Nushagak District Set and Drift Gillnet Sockeye Salmon Fisheries Management Plan, and Nushagak-Mulchatna King Salmon Management Plan (6 proposals)

PROPOSAL 38 Repeal provisions to open the *Wood River Special Harvest Area* when the escapement of sockeye salmon into the Wood River exceeds 1,100,000 fish and the escapement is projected to exceed 1,400,000 fish.

PROPOSAL 39 Open the *Wood River Special Harvest Area* to both set and drift gillnet gear after July 17.

PROPOSAL 40 Establish a drawing system for use of the four furthest downriver set gillnet sites in the *Wood River Special Harvest Area*.

PROPOSAL 41 Reduce fishing time in the Nushagak District commercial salmon fishery when the Nushagak River sport fishery is restricted for king salmon conservation.

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PROPOSAL 43 Establish subdistricts in the Nushagak District.

Bristol Bay Herring Management Plan (3 proposals)

PROPOSAL 44 Allow any remaining unharvested Togiak District herring spawn-on-kelp allocation to be reallocated to the Togiak District sac roe herring fishery.

PROPOSAL 45 Allow unharvested Togiak District sac roe gillnet allocation to be reallocated to the Dutch Harbor food and bait herring fishery.

PROPOSAL 46 Increase the amount of harvestable surplus Togiak herring allocated to the purse seine fleet from 70 percent to 88 percent.