



ALASKA BOARD OF FISHERIES

Statewide Finfish

Anchorage, March 9–12, 2019

PRELIMINARY SUMMARY OF ACTIONS

This summary is informational only. The actions indicated below will have legal effects in regulations that provide the sole legal action of the board. All references to meeting materials, including this summary, may be located on the Board of Fisheries meeting website at:

<http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=fisheriesboard.meetinginfo&date=03-09-2019&meeting=anchorage>.

Board Members Present

Reed Morisky, Chair

Robert Ruffner, Vice Chair

Orville Huntington

Al Cain

John Jensen

Fritz Johnson

Israel Payton

C=Carried, C/A=Carried as amended, F=Failed, F/A=Failed as amended, N/A=No Action

<i>Action</i>	<i>#</i>	<i>Proposal</i>	Audio Tracking Info**
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE – GROUP 1: SUBSISTENCE, SPORT, UPPER COOK INLET COMMERCIAL SALMON, AND BRISTOL BAY COHO SALMON (6 proposals – Chair Payton)			
<i>Harvest Reporting (2 proposals)</i>			
F (0-7)	161	Require weekly reporting of salmon harvest by all permit or license holders.	<i>BOF Meeting 03-10-19: 04:04:20 PM</i>
F (0-7)	162	Require biweekly reporting of all sport, personal use, and subsistence king salmon catch.	<i>BOF Meeting 03-10-19: 04:11:12 PM</i>
<i>Waste of subsistence-caught fish (2 proposals)</i>			
C/A (7-0)	163	Prohibit the intentional waste or destruction of subsistence-caught fish. (<i>Substituted with language found in RC 39.</i>)	<i>BOF Meeting 03-10-19: 04:15:33 PM</i>
N/A (7-0)	164	Prohibit the intentional waste or destruction of sheefish. (<i>No action was taken based on the Board’s action on Proposal 163.</i>)	<i>BOF Meeting 03-10-19: 04:20:21 PM</i>



<i>Upper Cook Inlet Commercial Salmon (1 proposal)</i>			
C (6-1)	181	Exempt EO hours used in the NKB 600-foot fishery from weekly EO hourly restrictions, making use of the NKB area consistent with the Kasilof Section 600-foot fishery and the KRSHA.	<i>BOF Meeting 03-10-19: 04:21:41 PM</i>
<i>Bristol Bay Area Nushagak River Coho Salmon Management Plan (1 proposal)</i>			
F/A (3-2)	182	Modify the Nushagak River Coho Salmon Management Plan to provide additional fishing opportunity when the department projects the sustainable escapement goal range of 60,000–120,000 coho salmon will be achieved. <i>(Failed after substituted with language in RC40. Members Johnson and Jensen were recused due to conflict of interest with Proposal 182.)</i>	<i>BOF Meeting 03-11-19: 08:48:41 AM</i>
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE – GROUP 2: GUIDE VESSEL REGISTRATION, STATEWIDE METHODS AND MEANS AND COMMERCIAL SEINE GEAR, POLICY/ALLOCATION, AND DEFINITIONS (9 proposals – Chair Cain)			
<i>Guide vessel registration (1 proposal)</i>			
F (1-6)	165	Allow a fishing guide vessel to de-register after registration in a calendar year.	<i>BOF Meeting 03-11-19: 09:10:47 AM</i>
<i>Methods and means (2 proposals)</i>			
C/A (7-0)	166	Require rockfish to be released at depth. <i>(Substituted with language found in RC 37. The board noted its intent to have this statewide language supersedes similar regulations in Prince William Sound and Southeast areas.)</i>	<i>BOF Meeting 03-11-19: 09:13:38 AM</i>
F (0-7)	167	Allow the use of two artificial flies.	<i>BOF Meeting 03-11-19: 09:25:49 AM</i>
<i>Seine gear specifications and operation (1 proposal)</i>			
C (7-0)	168	Specify that any line used to make the attachment between a skiff and a purse seine used in a commercial salmon fishery may not exceed 10 fathoms in length. <i>(Substituted with language found in RC38. The board noted its intent to have this statewide language supersedes similar regulations in all other areas.)</i>	<i>BOF Meeting 03-11-19: 09:38:36 AM</i>
<i>Policy/Allocation (3 proposals)</i>			
F (0-7)	169	Repeal and readopt the Policy for Statewide Salmon Escapement Goals.	<i>BOF Meeting 03-11-19: 10:14:56 AM</i>
F (0-7)	170	Amend the Policy for the Management of Sustainable Salmon Fisheries to include management targets.	<i>BOF Meeting 03-11-19: 10:42:19 AM</i>



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F (2-5)	171	Modify criteria for the allocation of fishery resources among personal use, sport, and commercial fisheries.	<i>BOF Meeting 03-11-19: 10:47:46 AM</i>
Definitions (2 proposals)			
C (7-0)	172	Define “bow and arrow”	<i>BOF Meeting 03-11-19: 11:12:20 AM</i>
C (7-0)	173	Define “ecotourism” (<i>Substituted with language found in RC 42.</i>)	<i>BOF Meeting 03-11-19: 11:15:16 AM</i>
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE – GROUP 3: ALEUTIAN ISLANDS KING AND TANNER CRAB (2 proposals – Chair Johnson)			
Aleutian Islands King and Tanner Crab (2 proposals)			
C (7-0)	179	Adopt a new Aleutian Islands golden king crab harvest strategy. (<i>Substituted with language found in RC27.</i>)	<i>BOF Meeting 03-11-19: 11:39:28 AM</i>
C/A (6-1)	180	Establish commercial state-waters red king crab and Tanner crab fisheries in the Aleutian Islands. (<i>Substituted with language found in RC 33.</i>)	<i>BOF Meeting 03-11-19: 11:50:19 AM</i>

* The audio tracking information correlates with the meeting audio available at the bottom of each meeting page. The entry “Day 2, October 19, 2016” indicates the meeting day. The start time indicates when board discussion on the proposal began according to the meeting audio.

Other Board Action/Issues/Discussion:

Miscellaneous Business:

- Emergency Petition: Yakutat Tlingit Tribe, Subsistence Chinook harvest.**
 The Board reviewed the Yakutat Tlingit Tribe Emergency Petition (RC 4, RC 14). Department of Law provided comments on the petition (RC45). A motion for the Board to find an emergency failed (3-3). (*Member Huntington absent.*)

*BOF Meeting
03-11-19:
02:01:23 PM*
- Draft Finding on Religious and Ceremonial Use of King Salmon on the Yukon River.** The Board reviewed and adopted unanimously the amended language to the draft finding in RC 36.

*BOF Meeting
03-11-19:
02:18:50 PM*
- Delegation of Authority – ePermits/Harvest reports for sport, personal use, and subsistence fisheries.** The Board reviewed and unanimously approved the delegation of authority as written in RC 41. (*Member Huntington absent.*)

*BOF Meeting
03-11-19:
02:22:56 PM*
- Upper Cook Inlet Meeting Location.** Member Cain requested Board discussion on the Upper Cook Inlet BOF meeting location, but did not ask for reconsideration as Member Huntington was not present.

*BOF Meeting
03-11-19:
02:24:47 PM*

The meeting adjourned a day early, March 11, 2019, at 2:49pm.