PROPOSAL 45

5 AAC 64.005. Description of the Kodiak Area.

Amend the boundaries of the Kodiak Road Zone salt waters, as follows:

5 AAC 64.005 is amended to read:

- (1) Kodiak Road Zone: all fresh waters of Kodiak Island [AND ALL SALT WATERS WITHIN ONE MILE OF KODIAK AND SPRUCE ISLANDS] that are east of a line extending south from Crag Point on the west side of Anton Larsen Bay to the westernmost point of Saltery Cove, including the waters of Woody <u>and</u> Long [AND SPRUCE] islands; <u>all salt waters inside or landward of</u> the following lines:
 - a) Anton Larsen Bay south and east of a line from Crag Point (57° 51.519'N, 152° 47.152'W) to Kizhuyak Point (57° 55.042'N, 152° 38.134'W)
 - b) From the outermost points of Shakmanof Cove (57° 55.309'N, 152° 36.964'W to 57° 55.552'N, 152° 35.358'W)
 - c) <u>From the easternmost point of Shakmanof Cove (57° 55.552'N, 152° 35.358'W) to</u> Otmeloi Point (57° 54.562'N, 152° 30.948'W)
 - d) <u>From Course Point near Split Rock (57° 53.534'N, 152° 27.944'W) to Termination Point (57° 51.373'N, 152° 24.107'W)</u>
 - e) <u>Termination Point (57° 51.373'N, 152° 24.107'W) to Miller Point (57° 50.243'N, 152° 21.159'W)</u>
 - f) Miller Point (57° 50.243'N, 152° 21.159'W) to Spruce Cape (57° 49.554'N, 152° 19.615'W)
 - g) Spruce Cape (57° 49.554'N, 152° 19.615'W) to the northern tip of Woody Island (57° 47.822'N, 152° 19.611'W)
 - h) The southern tip of Woody Island (57° 45.629'N, 152° 21.178'W) to Cliff Point (57° 43.512'N, 152° 26.622'W)
 - i) Cliff Point (57° 43.512'N, 152° 26.622'W) to Broad Point (57° 41.271'N, 152° 23.769'W)
 - j) <u>Broad Point (57° 41.271'N, 152° 23.769'W) to the northern tip of Chiniak Island (57° 37.705'N, 152° 9.043'W)</u>
 - k) The northern tip of Chiniak Island (57° 37.705'N, 152° 9.043'W) to Cape Greville (57° 35.308'N, 152° 9.367'W)
 - l) <u>Cape Greville (57° 35.308'N, 152° 9.367'W) to the eastern tip of Narrow Cape (57° 25.920'N, 152° 19.112'W)</u>
 - m) <u>The southern most part of Narrow Cape (57° 25.280'N, 152° 20.979'W) to Pasagshak Point (57° 25.269'N, 152° 28.998'W)</u>
 - n) North and east of a line from the outermost points of Pasagshak Bay (57° 25.269'N, 152° 28.998'W to 57° 25.984'N, 152° 31.129'W)
 - o) <u>From the westernmost point of Pasagshak Bay (57° 25.984'N, 152° 31.129'W) to Shark Point (57° 26.768'N, 152° 35.182'W)</u>
 - p) <u>From Shark Point (57° 26.768'N, 152° 35.182'W) to the westernmost point of Portage Bay (57° 27.975'N, 152° 41.144'W)</u>
 - q) From the westernmost point of Portage Bay (57° 27.975'N, 152° 41.144'W) to the westernmost point of Saltery Cove (57° 29.620'N, 152° 48.159'W)

What is the issue you would like the board to address and why? Current regulations aimed at conserving Kodiak Road Zone (KRZ) salmon runs have a saltwater boundary that extends one mile from the shoreline of the KRZ. These regulations are aimed at conserving local salmon runs and in particular coho salmon runs, while providing opportunity for anglers to have more liberal bag limits fishing offshore and targeting feeding coho salmon found in larger aggregations than the relatively small coho salmon runs of the KRZ. While the current regulations offer a buffer or measure of protection for coho salmon runs of the KRZ, the boundary line is difficult to determine for both anglers and for enforcement purposes due to the constantly changing shoreline of the KRZ as well as the arbitrary nature of a one mile boundary. This proposal would change the KRZ saltwater boundary to use local landmarks to define boundary lines that are easily observable by anglers while fishing but would allow for a sufficient area of protection for all KRZ salmon runs for conservation purposes. In the areas of the KRZ that are most prone to harvest of local stocks, such as bays and other enclosed areas, it would restrict more area than the current boundary but in areas that are not near salmon streams it would allow increased opportunity to fish schooling aggregations of coho salmon in nearshore areas of the KRZ that are not near enough to local KRZ salmon runs to be of concern for conservation of these runs.

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