

Dear Alaska Board of Fisheries
Board Support Section
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RC0021

Subject: Conservation Need---Dolgoi Fishery/ACR 5

Dear Alaska Board of Fisheries:



Up Chignik's Alec River w/o my mate— I lost her to the Area M Dolgoi Islands Area fishery!

The AK Board of Fisheries should consider asking the Department to amend their ACR 5 comments to reflect that the Dolgoi fishery has no conservation requirement whatsoever. Their main catch is Chignik-bound sockeye salmon. By current regulation, Dolgoi could be considered an entitlement fishery. It is wide open when other fisheries including the Chignik Management Area fishery are completely closed for escapement.

All fisheries have an inherent responsibility to 'share in the burden of conservation' and the Dolgoi fishery should not be an exception. ACR 5 addresses this and has absolutely nothing to do with the 191,000 sockeye-catch limit.

Sincerely,

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