

**PROPOSAL 47**

**5 AAC 24.370. Prince William Sound Management and Salmon Enhancement Allocation Plan.**

Amend *Prince William Sound Management and Salmon Enhancement Allocation Plan* to provide management guidance for reducing Coghill District harvest of salmon stocks bound for other districts, as follows:

Add the words; (5) Coghill District: Prior to July 21, the department shall manage to reduce the harvest of stocks bound for other districts

**What is the issue you would like the board to address and why?** The gillnet group harvest large numbers of salmon in the Coghill District, both wild and enhanced, bound for other areas, in conjunction with the enhanced Chum and wild Sockeye fishery prior to July 21. The intercepted enhanced fish are predominately Pink salmon bound for the Valdez Hatchery which is not part of the PWS Enhanced Salmon Allocation Plan. The wild fish intercepted are Chum and Pink salmon predominately bound for the Northwest District and the Northern District, both of which are exclusive Seine areas. The wild interception occurs at a time that Seine fishery managers are looking for adequate escapement necessary to commence fishing opportunity for the Seine Fleet.

**PROPOSED BY:** Northwest and Alaska Seine Association

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