PROPOSAL 67

5 AAC 34.225. Lawful gear for Registration Area E.

Establish a golden king pot limit in Registration Area E, as follows:

Amend the current regulations for king crab in area E to read as follows:

- 5 AAC 34.255 Lawful gear for Registration area E.
- (a) King crab may only be taken with king crab pots as defined in 34.050.
- (b) The overall pot limit for the golden king crab commercial fishery is 200 pots.
- (c) For the golden king crab commercial fishery, the vessel pot limit will be determined by dividing the overall pot limit (200) by the number of vessels registered for the fishery with a maximum vessel pot limit of 15 pots.

What is the issue you would like the board to address and why? There is no set pot limit in regulation for a fishery or for vessels participating. Adding a pot limit in regulation will allow the department more control in management of the fishery.

PROPOSED BY: Cordova District Fishermen United (HQ-F20-016)