

PROPOSAL 141

5 AAC 09.365. South Unimak and Shumagin Islands June Salmon Management Plan. 5 AAC 09.330. Gear.

Amend the *South Unimak and Shumagin Islands June Salmon Management Plan* to require the department to manage the June fishery by emergency order to close those areas within the management plan. Amend **5 AAC 09.330. Gear.** to allow other gear types to be used in the commercial fishery, as follows:

Fishing season and periods would be operated by Emergency Order in Area M during the month of June **OR** Selective gear types (Seines, Dip Nets, Hook and Line and other gear types) that can selectively harvest sockeye releasing all other types of salmon bound for Arctic, Yukon and Kuskokwim areas may be used to harvest sockeye salmon.

What is the issue you would like the board to address and why? I would like the Alaska Board of Fish to limit the number of AYK bound Salmon (Chinook, Chum and Coho) that can be incidentally harvested in the Aleutian Islands/Shumagin Islands/Alaska Peninsula area OR close the Area M fishery for the month of June. **Reason is:** Indigenous Peoples on the Yukon River are not allowed to harvest ANY OF THESE SALMON for sustenance that this area freely harvests commercially on their way to their spawning grounds **AND** spawning escapement for these salmon stocks are not being met.

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