## **PROPOSAL 59**

## 5 AAC 06.365. Egegik District Commercial Set and Drift Gillnet Sockeye Salmon Fisheries Management and Allocation Plan.

Repeal provisions directing the department to avoid continuous fishing with set gillnet gear in the Egegik District, as follows:

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[(g) IN THE SET GILLNET FISHERY, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL MANAGE, TO THE EXTENT PRACTICABLE, THE EGEGIK DISTRICT TO AVOID CONTINOUS FISHING WITH SET GILLNET GEAR.]

Remove the entire line item.

What is the issue you would like the board to address and why? In the set gillnet fishery, the department shall manage, to the extent practicable, the Egegik District to avoid continuous fishing with set gillnet gear.

Due to this line item, the set net fisherman had (in previous seasons) been required to set AND pull set gillnet gear each and every tide. This again, requires two sets and two pulls each and every day fishing periods were allowed.

In removing this, would give flexibility to the biologists to allow continuous fishing with set gillnet gear at their discretion.