

**PROPOSAL 64**

**5 AAC 01.244. Minto Flats Northern Pike Management Plan.**

Modify the daily bag limit to require retention of the first 10 fish caught and length limit for northern pike in the Chatanika Harvest Area subsistence fishery, as follows:

I recommend that the size restriction is done away with and replaced with the regulation stating: "Daily limit 10 pike, the first 10 fish over 24" must be kept; possession limit 20 pike."

**What is the issue you would like the board to address and why?** I would like the board to address the size restriction of only keeping 2 pike over 30 inches for the Tolovana River drainage pike subsistence fishery.

My family can usually afford to make this 60 mile roundtrip journey once a year in the late winter or early spring. While the days are longer it is still usually still very cold and time is not a luxury we have on the river. Having to release fish because they exceed 30" after we already have two of this size is burdensome and restricts my families ability to harvest this important source of food.

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