

PROPOSAL 125

5 AAC 21.353. Central District Drift Gillnet Fishery Management Plan.

Repeal sections of the *Central District Drift Gillnet Fishery Management Plan* to provide additional commercial salmon fishing opportunity with drift gillnet gear as follows:

Delete 5AAC 21.353 (4) (e) (1) (A)(B)(C)(D) (2)(A)(B)(C)(3)

What is the issue you would like the board to address and why? The fishing area after August 1st had been inlet wide for a hundred year and was by a misguided Board generated Proposal three years ago. The data shows Northern District bound salmon stock are through the central District by Aug 1st. The closure implemented three years ago unnecessarily closed fishing on local west side salmon stocks that are remote, and get little to no sports fishing and with the closure get little or no commercial harvest.

It is poor management to close this area after Aug 1st which only results in little to no commercial harvest on surplus salmon.

PROPOSED BY: Central Peninsula Fish and Game Advisory Committee (HQ-F23-026)
