PROPOSAL 259

5 AAC 32.150. Closed waters in Registration Area A.

Open all waters closed to commercial Dungeness fishing in Registration Area A between October 1 and November 30, annually.

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Closed waters in Registration Area A, the following waters are closed to the taking of Dungeness crab from Jan 1st-September 30th and from December 1st -31th.

What is the issue you would like the board to address and why? To better comply with the State Constitution to make resources available for maximum use consistent with the public interest, all closed areas in Registration area A should remain closed for 10 months of the year, but commercial opportunity available during the fall season.

Did you develop your proposal in coordination with others, or with your local Fish and Game Advisory Committee? Explain. No.