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**TENTATIVE COMMITTEE ROADMAP  
(26 proposals)  
Alaska Board of Fisheries  
STATEWIDE FINFISH & SUPPLEMENTAL ISSUES  
March 17-21, 2026 - Anchorage**

**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE – GROUP 1: COMMERCIAL FISHERIES (13 proposals, 3 SOC Action Plans) Chair: Wood**

*Groundfish gear, closed waters, and fishing periods (12 proposals)*

- Proposal 11 Close state waters to commercial groundfish fishing with trawl gear west of 170° W. longitude.
- Proposal 163 Define all trawl gear operated inside state waters as non-pelagic and develop new performance and monitoring standards to allow state-waters pelagic trawling to occur on a case-by-case basis.
- Proposal 164 Establish bottom contact monitoring requirements for pelagic trawl gear operated inside state waters.
- Proposal 165 Establish salmon excluder requirements for all pelagic trawl gear operated inside state waters.
- Proposal 166 Amend statewide definition of a mechanical jigging machine.
- Proposal 167 Prohibit vessels from having other groundfish gear or equipment onboard while participating in a groundfish fishery using mechanical jigging machines or hand troll gear.
- Proposal 168 Prohibit vessels from having more than one groundfish gear type onboard when participating in a state-managed groundfish fishery.
- Proposal 169 Create a definition of groundfish coil spring or ‘slinky pot’.
- Proposal 173 Provide emergency order authority to define fishing boundaries when regulatory markers are lost, destroyed or otherwise absent
- Proposal 174 Allow the engine of a purse seine vessel or skiff to be shut off when the purse seine is deployed.
- Proposal 186 Reduce commercial salmon fishing opportunity with drift gillnet gear in the Central District of the Cook Inlet Area.
- Proposal 187 Close the Tsiu River and all waters within one quarter mile of the Tsiu River and Kaliakh River confluence to commercial fishing for salmon.



*Dipnet gear definition (1 proposal)*

Proposal 175 Modify dipnet mesh-size and configuration.

*Stock of Concern Action Plans (3)*

Yukon River Chinook Salmon

Yukon River Fall-run Chum Salmon

Kwiniuk River Chinook Salmon

**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE – GROUP 2: HATCHERIES (3 proposals) Chair: Carpenter**

Proposal 170 Reduce the permitted egg take level of each hatchery permit containing pink and chum salmon by 25% of the current permitted capacity for those species.

Proposal 171 Amend Prince William Sound hatchery permits to reduce pink salmon egg take capacity.

Proposal 172 Board generated regulation that places a moratorium on pink and chum hatchery production.

**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE – GROUP 3: SUBSISTENCE AND SPORT FISHERIES AND GEAR (10 proposals) Chair: Irwin**

*Subsistence fisheries (1 proposal)*

Proposal 162 Prohibit commercial transport services in subsistence fisheries.

*Sport fisheries (9 proposals)*

Proposal 176 Allow anglers fishing from the same vessel to pool bag and possession limits.

Proposal 177 Allow anglers fishing from the same vessel to pool bag and possession limits.

Proposal 178 Modify the definition of bag limit.

Proposal 179 Establish a statewide annual limit for king salmon of 10 fish.

Proposal 180 Establish a statewide annual limit for king salmon of five fish.

Proposal 181 Align regulatory and statutory language for sport fishing gear.

Proposal 182 Establish bow fishing as lawful sport fishing gear for species without a bag or possession limit.

Proposal 183 Amend regulations requiring conditions of fish available to inspection while in possession.

Proposal 184 Align the sport fish definition of rockfish with the statewide definition.