

Submitted by United Cook Inlet Drift Association

New Information regarding Proposal 135 as Amended with RC 236:

- The creation of the Anchor Point Section does not address the economic concerns of the City of Homer and the Homer Chamber of Commerce.
- The Homer-based gillnet fleet has not traditionally fished this area due to low abundance of sockeye in this area.
- There will be significant user conflicts (safety issues) with small recreational vessels fishing for halibut and trolling for king salmon in the Anchor Point Section.

Substitute Language for Proposal 135 as Amended with RC 236

5 AAC 21.353. Central District Drift Gillnet Fishery Management Plan

(a)(2)(A) from July 9 through July 20, [15]

(iii) at run strengths greater than 2,300,000 sockeye salmon to the Kenai River, the Commissioner may, by emergency order, open one additional 12-hour fishing period in the Expanded Kenai and Expanded Kasilof sections of the Upper Subdistrict and Drift Gillnet Area 1 **and Drift Gillnet Area 2**;

(a)(2)(B) from July 21 [16] through July 31,

(ii) at run strengths of 2,300,000 – 4,600,000 sockeye salmon to the Kenai River, fishing during one regular 12-hour fishing period per week will be restricted to any or all of the Expanded Kenai, Expanded Kasilof [, and Anchor Point] Sections of the Upper Subdistrict and Drift Gillnet Area 1; [, or restricted to any or all of the Expanded Kenai, Expanded Kasilof, and Anchor Point Sections of the Upper Subdistrict or Drift Gillnet Area 1; the other weekly 12-hour regular fishing period will be restricted to any or all of the Expanded Kenai, Expanded Kasilof, and Anchor Point Sections of the Upper Subdistrict;]

(iii) At run strengths greater than 4,600,000 sockeye salmon to the Kenai River [, one regular 12-hour fishing period per week will be restricted to any or all of the Expanded Kenai, Expanded Kasilof and Anchor Point Sections of the Upper Subdistrict] **there will be no mandatory restrictions during regular fishing periods;**

[(iv) additional fishing time is allowed only in any or all of the Expanded Kenai, Expanded Kasilof, and Anchor Point Sections of the Upper Subdistrict;]

(a)(2)(D) from August [1 through August] 15, there are no mandatory restrictions to regular periods, except that if the Upper Subdistrict set gillnet fishery is closed under 5 AAC 21.310(b) (2)(C)(iii), or the department determines that less than one percent of the season's total sockeye drift net harvest has been taken per fishing period for two consecutive fishing periods of the drift gillnet fishery, regular fishing periods will be restricted to Drift Gillnet Areas 3 and 4.

(b) (5) **Delete entire section**