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Proposal 221 - OPPOSED

My name is Christine Poulsen, and I am a set gillnet fisherman in Kulukak Bay. I am adamantly opposed to Proposal 221. Forcing tenders to anchor 1,500 feet away from any set net gillnet would be dangerous, inconvenient and cost prohibitive. I need to deliver my fish as safely as possible and need the tender to be anchored in a safe location, out of weather, and as close to my operation as possible. Convenience is also a huge factor. When I have a load of fish, I want to be able to offload as quickly as possible and return to my site to work my gear. If I need fuel or groceries, I want to be able to easily access the tender, and with rising fuel costs, I want to be as close as possible to the tender. Tenders provide a valuable service to fisherman. To restrict tenders would be to restrict valuable services to fisherman. As a set gillnet fisherman, I rely on the services provided by the tender, and I would prefer the tender to be strategically located as close to my operation as possible. Thank you for your favorable consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

Christine Poulsen