

**PROPOSAL 43 – 5 AAC 06.370. Registration and reregistration.** Repeal set gillnet reregistration requirement for statistical areas within the Nushagak District as follows:

**5 AAC 06.370 (a) Registration and reregistration is amended to read:**

(2) in the Nushagak District, a

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(B) commercial salmon set gillnet CFEC permit holder shall register for a statistical area in that district;

(I) In the Nushagak District a CFEC salmon set gillnet permit holder intending to fish in a statistical area for which the permit holder is not registered, shall register for the new statistical area; **if transferring into the Nushagak District from any other fishing district, the permit holder must register** at least 48 hours before fishing in the new statistical area **(in accordance with 5 AAC 06.370 (b)).** [A SET GILLNET PERMIT HOLDER SHALL ALSO REGISTER THE SET GILLNET FOR THE NEW STATISTICAL AREA. REREGISTRATION IS ACCOMPLISHED BY THE PERMIT HOLDER, OR THE PERMIT HOLDER’S AUTHORIZED AGENT, COMPLETING A FORM PROVIDED BY THE DEPARTMENT AND SUBMITTING THE COMPLETED FORM, IN PERSON, TO AN AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OF THE DEPARTMENT. THE 48-HOUR NOTIFICATION PERIOD BEGINS WHEN THE REREGISTRATION FORM IS SIGNED BY THE AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OF THE DEPARTMENT. THE SET GILLNET PERMIT HOLDER MAY NOT FISH IN THE ORIGINAL STATISTICAL AREA DURING THE 48-HOUR NOTIFICATION PERIOD. THE NOTIFICATION PERIOD MAY BE REDUCED BY COMMISSIONER’S ANNOUNCEMENT.] **Reregistration is not required to fish different statistical areas within the Nushagak so long as you accurately record the fishing district and statistical area at the point of sale in accordance with 5 AAC 39.130(c)(7).** [AFTER 9:00 A.M. JULY 17.]

**What is the issue you would like the board to address and why?** The Nushagak District is currently the only fishing district within the Bristol Bay Area that requires set net permit holders to wait a 48-hour transfer period before fishing at a different location (known as a statistical area) within the same fishing district. Some less established, or new entrants into the fishery do not hold a shore fishery lease at a productive site; this would allow that person to find a more productive sight without being forced to miss out on the opportunity to fish their gear due to ADF&G office hours. Missing out on a single tide while waiting for the transfer period to be completed or rescinded could result in the substantial loss of opportunity.

Other solutions considered: Keep the 48-hour transfer period into and out of the Igushik River section. The Igushik River section is generally managed separately from the rest of the Nushagak District, allow fisherman to move from all one statistical area to another without having to reregister unless moving into/out of the Igushik section.

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