

**PROPOSAL 273 – 5 AAC 02.220. Subsistence Tanner crab fishery.** Increase the Prince William Sound subsistence Tanner crab daily bag and possession limit to 25 male Tanner crab, as follows:

5 AAC 02.220 (3) - The daily bag and possession limit is twenty five male Tanner Crab.

**What is the issue you would like the board to address and why?** Subsistence catches for Tanner Crab are abundant. Current bag and possession limits burden harvesters with large fuel costs. Raising bag limits will lower fuel costs and provide more local residents with access to this resource. Additionally, reducing the cost of subsistence harvesting of crab will provide the Alaska Department of Fish & Game with additional data that it needs to make informed decisions.

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