

ACR 3

Reduce statewide private nonprofit salmon hatchery egg-take capacity to less than 100 million eggs annually (5 AAC 40.XXX).

CITE THE REGULATION THAT WILL BE CHANGED IF THIS ACR IS HEARD.

5 AAC

Title 16.10.470(f) Title 16.10.445(a)

WHAT IS THE PROBLEM YOU WOULD LIKE THE BOARD TO ADDRESS? STATE IN DETAIL THE NATURE OF THE CURRENT PROBLEM.

Alaska is releasing about 1.9 billion hatchery salmon per year. In total North Pacific nations are releasing more than 5 billion hatchery salmon. These releases require nutrition far in excess of the capacity of the Pacific Ocean's available food supply. Alaska's wild salmon stocks are starving and not abundant. Alaska's hatchery production needs to be less than 100 million salmon annually.

WHAT SOLUTION DO YOU PREFER?

Alaska's total hatchery production and releases need to be less than 100 million salmon annually.

STATE IN DETAIL HOW THIS ACR MEETS THE CRITERIA STATED BELOW.

for a fishery conservation purpose or reason:

a) PWS, Chignik, and Area M all have failed to meet their pink salmon production goals. Too many hatchery fish have depleted the available marine food supply and wild stocks are being harmed.

to correct an error in regulation:

to correct an effect on a fishery that was unforeseen when a regulation was adopted:

WHAT WILL HAPPEN IF THIS PROBLEM IS NOT SOLVED PRIOR TO THE REGULAR CYCLE?

Wild Alaskan fish stocks will continue to not meet production and escapement goals. Fishermen will continue to suffer economic injury from poor fishery management of excessive hatchery salmon releases. The North Pacific salmon food web will remain in depleted status.

STATE WHY YOUR ACR IS NOT PREDOMINANTLY ALLOCATIVE.

Just want the State of Alaska hatchery programs to stop harming wild salmon stocks and the North Pacific Ocean ecosystem.

IF THIS REQUEST IS ALLOCATIVE, STATE THE NEW INFORMATION THAT COMPELS THE BOARD TO CONSIDER AN ALLOCATIVE PROPOSAL OUTSIDE OF THE REGULAR CYCLE.

STATE YOUR INVOLVEMENT IN THE FISHERY THAT IS THE SUBJECT OF THIS ACR.

Commercial fisherman and subsistence user.

STATE WHETHER THIS ACR HAS BEEN CONSIDERED BEFORE, EITHER AS A PROPOSAL OR AS AN ACR, AND IF SO, DURING WHICH BOARD OF FISHERIES

No

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