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Your organization (if applicable)

- NA

What regulations you wish to change. Include management unit number and species. Quote the current regulation if known. If you are proposing a new regulation, please state, "new regulation."

- Modify the closure to seasonally allow Federal subsistence harvest of salmon within Summers Lake and inlet stream. Modify regulations to allow harvest of salmon by rod and reel only from January 1-August 15. Salmon other than King Salmon may be taken as follows: bag and possession limits of five and 10 fish, respectively, for fish 20 inches or greater; bag and possession limits of 10 fish for salmon other than King Salmon under 20 inches. The Council also requests a single hook provision for this regulation. Area closures would remain in effect for Morris Lake drainage and the Summers Lake outlet creek.

Write the regulation the way you would like to see it written in the regulations

Aleutian Islands Area

§____.27(e)(6)

(iv) You may not subsistence fish for salmon in the following waters:

(C) ~~All streams supporting anadromous fish runs that flow into Unalaska Bay south of a line from the northern tip of Cape Cheerful to the northern tip of Kalekta Point;~~

(ix) You may subsistence fish for salmon with rod and reel only in the following locations:

(C) Summers bay Lake and waters draining to Summers Bay Lake;

(1) Salmon other than king salmon may be taken January 1 through August 15 as follows; bag and possession limits of five fish, of which no more than two fish may be coho salmon and two fish may be sockeye salmon; rod and reel terminal tackle is restricted to a single hook.

(i) 20 inches or greater in length; bag limit of five fish and possession limit of 10 fish;

(ii) Less than 20 inches in length; bag and possession limit of 10 fish;

Explain why this regulation change should be made

This proposal allows Federally qualified subsistence users to harvest salmon by rod and reel in an area that is currently closed to Federal subsistence uses. The Federal Subsistence Board adopted this closure in 2001 to minimize disruption of the State's management of fish. Since 2001, use has been closed to Federally qualified subsistence users under State and Federal regulations but open to sport fishing under State regulations.

The Council is interested in providing Federal subsistence opportunity within the Summers Lake drainage through a conservation-minded approach. This proposal would limit gear type to rod and reel and enact limits and seasons in line with the State of Alaska sport fish regulations, meeting the requirements of ANILCA Title VIII. The Council recognizes that harvest of salmon with traditional subsistence means, methods and limits under Area Federal subsistence regulations could pose a conservation threat to this easily-accessible population. If enacted, this proposal would not affect existing closures to Area Federal subsistence fisheries, namely Morris Lake drainage and Summers Lake Outlet Creek.