

PROPOSAL 17

5 AAC 77.549. Personal Use Coho Salmon Fishery Management Plan.

Require that the permit holder be on site during the operation of personal use set gillnet gear, as follows:

5 AAC 77.549 is amended to read:

...

(f) the permit holder shall be physically present at the set gillnet at all times when it is being used to take fish;

What is the issue you would like the board to address and why? This proposal seeks to require that personal use set gillnet permit holders remain on site while fishing gear is in operation. Having this requirement in regulation will aid in enforcement and monitoring of this fishery. In recent years, this fishery has been closed by emergency order after only one fishing period. Requiring permit holder presence at the set gillnet site for this fishery has been one of the long-standing stipulations specified in the permit that has been required for this fishery.

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