PROPOSAL 75 – **5 AAC 06.350. Closed waters.** Reduce the amount of time that certain waters in the Togiak District are closed to commercial fishing for salmon with a drift gillnet, as follows:

5 AAC 06.350. Closed Waters is amended to read:

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(e)(3) from June 1 through <u>July 11</u> [JULY 15], those waters of the Togiak District inside a line from 59° 03.19' N lat.., 160° 20.18' W. long. to 59° 01.76' N. lat., 160° 28.17' W. long. are closed to commercial fishing for salmon with a drift gillnet.

What is the issue you would like the board to address and why? The closed water section in the regulation was proposed by the community of Togiak in hopes of developing a Chinook management plan and to protect the Chinook salmon stock in Togiak. The problem is the unreasonable restriction of shallower calmer waters during the peak sockeye salmon fishing for a small amount of Chinook migrating through.

PROPOSED BY: Togiak Fish and Game Advisory Committee (EF-C15-055)