

**SUGGESTED SUBSTITUTE LANGUAGE;**

Amend as follows:

5 AAC 21.359. Kenai River Late-Run King Salmon Management Plan.

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(d) If the projected late-run king salmon escapement is less than 15,000 king salmon 75 cm mid eye to tail fork and longer, the department shall

(1) close the sport fisheries in the Kenai River and in the salt waters of Cook Inlet north of the latitude of Bluff Point to the taking of king salmon;

(2) close the commercial drift gillnet fishery in the Central District within one mile of the Kenai Peninsula shoreline north of the Kenai River and within one and one-half miles of the Kenai Peninsula shoreline south of the Kenai River; and

(3) close the commercial set gillnet fishery in the Upper Subdistrict of the Central District, **except as provided in (e)(3)(H) of this chapter.**

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**(e)(3)(H) through December 31, 2022, if escapement of Kenai River late-run king salmon 75**

**cm mid-eye to tail fork and longer ADD [is projected to] exceed DELETE [s] 13,500 fish and Kenai and Kasilof river sockeye salmon escapement objectives are being met, fishing with set gillnet gear may be allowed by**

**emergency order within 600 feet of the mean high tide mark in the Upper Subdistrict.**

**Commercial fishing opportunity under this provision will be structured to maximize harvest of surplus sockeye salmon and minimize harvest of king salmon, based on inseason analysis**

**of ADF&G fish ticket, escapement, and other available information. The operation of set**

**gillnets by a CFEC permit holder in these openings shall be restricted to one of the following:**

(h) The provisions of (e) (3)(G) of this section do not apply to provisions of the Kasilof River Salmon Plan contained in 5 AAC 21.365 (f) that pertain to the Kasilof Special Harvest Area. **DELETE The provisions of (e) (3)(A) ---(C) of this section apply to provisions of the Kasilof River Salmon Management Plan contained in 5 AAC 21.365(f) that pertain to the Kasilof River Special Harvest Area.**

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