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ADF&G Boards Support Section Regarding Proposal 40: Opinion for the record.

Listening to the data I have heard (or lack thereof) for King Salmon around the bay and efforts to conserve this resource I would implore the board to consult the fishery management about potential implications on Kings by the substitute language presented RC-93.

Specifically regarding King Salmon interception, considering the distance set nets can fish from shore. Per the regulation nets can effectively fish "in the channel" the whole time throughout "wide open" or long fishing periods. For example fishing all the way through the "low switch".

It is my experience that most Kings I catch are caught at this low portion of the tide. Considering how much space would be opened up (it is vast) to this regulation without a similar recourse like the drift openers from 7' to 7' to preserve some escapement (and I assume Kings), I should think more thought should go into any decision of such magnitude.

Consider the vast area that will open up to fishing per the regulation. Please allow more time for public comment and consideration by management on such a drastic change!

I also repeat that NO ONE IS DISPLACED AND THE CURRENT REGULATIONS WORK FOR BOTH FISHERMEN AND MANAGEMENT IN OUR DISTRICT.

Thank you,

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