

PROPOSAL 47

5 AAC 01.630. Subsistence fishing permits and 5 AAC 77.5XX Personal use fishing permits.

Require inseason reporting in subsistence and personal use fisheries, as follows:

(6) subsistence fishing reports must be completed on forms provided by the department, **or using an online app or phone call** and submitted to the department office from which the permit was issued [at a time specified by the department] **within 5 days of harvest** for each particular area and fishery.

(6) personal use fishing permits must be completed on forms provided by the department, **or using an online app or phone call** and submitted to the department office from which the permit was issued [at a time specified by the department] **within 5 days of harvest** for each particular area and fishery.

What is the issue you would like the board to address and why? Require In-Season reporting of Subsistence and Personal Use Salmon within 5 days of harvest using an online app or phone call to the department.

Currently, participants in both fisheries are not required to report their harvest until well after the close of the season. Both fisheries take a substantial number of salmon, especially in low abundance runs. It is imperative that managers have real time data to use their EO authority to close fisheries when the security of the resource demands it. It is time for all users of these valuable resources to be accountable.

Did you develop your proposal in coordination with others, or with your local Fish and Game Advisory Committee? Explain. This Proposal was discussed and developed by the Copper River/Prince William Sound Advisory Committee.

PROPOSED BY: Copper River/PWS Advisory Committee

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