

PROPOSAL 53

5 AAC 24.360 Copper River District Management Plan.

Allow the Copper River District commercial salmon fishery to open for the first two periods, then close until the Copper River cumulative salmon management objective is met, as follows:

Allow commercial fisheries to open for the first two openers as a test fishery, then close until the Copper River cumulative management objective is met.

This will spread the commercial use throughout the season and allow earlier stock to go upstream.

What is the issue you would like the board to address and why? We have concerns of early run wild stocks reaching the upper Copper River tributaries.

Did you develop your proposal in coordination with others, or with your local Fish and Game Advisory Committee? Explain. We spoke with Wrangell St. Elias NPS and ADF&G about our concerns regarding Salmon in the Copper River and its tributaries.

PROPOSED BY: Copper Basin Advisory Committee

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