

ALASKA BOARD OF FISHERIES

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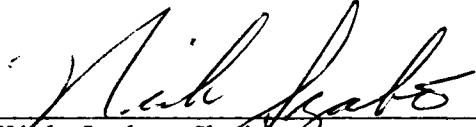
Relating to Fish Dumping

The Alaska Board of Fisheries finds that there has been considerable dumpage in the shrimp fishery and other trawl fisheries. The Board declares that these processes are wasteful because:

1. these practices result in economic loss and do not constitute utilization of the resource for the maximum benefit of the people;
2. these practices hamper proper management under the harvest level system of management and are contrary to conservation principles.

The Board also finds that curtailment of resource waste could provide more direct benefit to the State of Alaska for biological interactions and maximize future economic returns.

Therefore, the Board of Fisheries directs the staff of the Department of Fish and Game to close fishing seasons, as appropriate, when documented fish dumping practices are excessive.

  
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Nick Szabo, Chairman  
Alaska Board of Fisheries

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