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MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Kevin Messing, AAC Contact  
Department of Fish and Game

**FROM:** Scott Meriwether   
Special Assistant  
907.465.3509

**DATE:** October 20, 2014

**RE:** Filed Permanent Regulations: Board of Fisheries

Board of Fisheries Regulations re: March 17 - 21, 2014, Anchorage Meeting: Statewide  
King and Tanner Crab Fisheries: 5 AAC 35.525(b)(1)

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Attorney General File: JU2013200538 (Part 4)

Regulation Filed: 10/14/2014

Effective Date: 11/13/2014

Print: 212, January 2015

cc with enclosures: Linda Miller, Department of Law  
Dean Williams, Administrative Regulation Review Committee  
Judy Herndon, LexisNexis

**ORDER CERTIFYING THE CHANGES TO REGULATIONS  
OF THE ALASKA BOARD OF FISHERIES**


The attached two pages of regulations, dealing with commercial Tanner crab fishing, are certified to be a correct copy of the regulation changes that the Alaska Board of Fisheries adopted at its March 17-21, 2014 meeting in Anchorage, Alaska, under the authority of AS 16.05.251 and after compliance with the Administrative Procedure Act (AS 44.62), specifically including notice under AS 44.62.190 and 44.62.200 and opportunity for public comment under AS 44.62.210.

This action is not expected to require an increased appropriation.

On the record, in considering public comments, the Alaska Board of Fisheries paid special attention to the cost to private persons of the regulatory action being taken.

The regulation changes described in this order take effect on the 30th day after they have been filed by the lieutenant governor, as provided in AS 44.62.180.

DATE: August 25, 2014  
Juneau, Alaska

  
Kevin Brooks, Deputy Commissioner  
Department of Fish and Game

**FILING CERTIFICATION**

I, Mead Treadwell, Lieutenant Governor for the State of Alaska, certify that on

October 14, 2014 at 2:40p.m., I filed the attached regulations according to the provisions of AS 44.62.040 - 44.62.120.

  
Mead Treadwell, Lieutenant Governor

Effective: November 13, 2014

Register: 212, January 2015

STATE OF ALASKA  
DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME  
P.O. BOX 115526  
JUNEAU, ALASKA 99811

DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY

UNDER AS 44.17.010, THE AUTHORITY AND RESPONSIBILITY FOR ADOPTING  
REGULATIONS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME UNDER THE ALASKA  
ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURE ACT ARE DELEGATED TO KEVIN BROOKS,  
DEPUTY COMMISSIONER

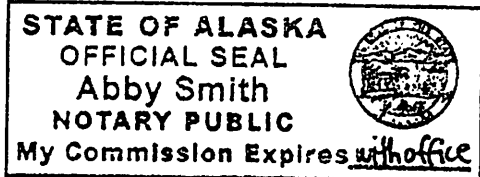
SIGNED:

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(Please print name)

SIGNED AND SWORN TO before me this 7 day of January, 2013.



Abby Smith  
Notary Public in and for the  
State of Alaska  
My commission expires: with office

**Chapter 35. Tanner Crab Fishery.**

**Article 10. Registration Area J (Westward).**

5 AAC 35.525(b)(1) is amended to read:

(1) to permit the escapement of undersize *C. bairdi* Tanner crab, pots used to take

*C. bairdi* Tanner crab in

**(A) Registration Area J, except the Bering Sea District, must have at least one-third of one vertical surface of the pot composed of not less than seven and one-quarter inch stretched mesh webbing or have no less than four circular escape rings of no less than five inches inside diameter installed on the vertical surface of the pot;**

**(B) the Bering Sea District,** must have at least one-third of one vertical surface of the pot composed of not less than six and one-half inch stretched mesh webbing or have no less than four circular escape rings of no less than four and one-half inches inside diameter installed in a manner on the vertical surface of the pot so that the bottom of a ring is no higher on the vertical surface than the first full mesh from the bottom of the pot; and

(In effect before 1981; am 6/28/81, Register 78; am 7/25/82, Register 83; am 6/30/83, Register 86; am 12/29/84, Register 92; am 7/14/85, Register 95; am 4/18/86, Register 98; am 7/12/86, Register 99; em am 3/16/88 – 7/13/88, Register 106; em am 6/23/88 – 10/20/88, Register 107; am 7/23/88, Register 107; am 9/19/90, Register 115; am 6/19/92, Register 122; em am

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11/13/92 – 3/12/93, Register 124; em am 12/17/92 – 4/16/93, Register 125; em am 3/26/93 – 7/23/93, Register 126; am 6/24/93, Register 126; am 9/29/96, Register 139; am 8/8/99, Register 151; am 8/31/2000, Register 155; am 9/30/2000, Register 155; am 8/24/2002, Register 163; am 8/14/2005, Register 175; am 9/12/2008, Register 187; am 6/20/2010, Register 194; am 7/16/2011, Register 199; am 6/27/2014, Register 210; am 11 / 13 /2014, Register 212 )

**Authority:** AS 16.05.251

# MEMORANDUM

## State of Alaska Department of Law

To: The Honorable Mead Treadwell  
Lieutenant Governor

Date: September 16, 2014

File No.: JU2013200538 Part 4

Tel. No.: 465-3600

From: Susan R. Pollard *SRP*  
Chief Assistant Attorney General  
and Regulations Attorney  
Legislation and Regulations Section

Re: Board of Fisheries Regulations re:  
March 17 - 21, 2014, Anchorage  
Meeting: Statewide King and Tanner  
Crab Fisheries:  
(5 AAC 35.525(b)(1))

We have reviewed the attached Board of Fisheries regulations regarding the Tanner crab fishery in Registration Area J (Westward).

This memorandum constitutes the written statement of approval under AS 44.62.060(b) and (c) that authorizes your office to file the attached regulations.

The regulations were adopted by the Board of Fisheries after the close of the public comment period.

The original affidavit of newspaper publication for these regulations was filed with Department of Law, project file JU2013200534, Register 209 (April 2014); we have included a photocopy of that affidavit of publication.

The July 14, 2014, certification of adoption order states that this action is not expected to require an increased appropriation.

SRP:lkr

Enclosures

cc: Honorable Cora Campbell, Commissioner  
Department of Fish and Game

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) ss.

FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT

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**AFFIDAVIT OF NOTICE OF PROPOSED ADOPTION OF REGULATIONS**  
**AND FURNISHING OF ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

I, Glenn Haight, Executive Director of the Alaska Board of Fisheries, being sworn, state the following:

As required by AS 44.62.190, notice of the proposed adoption of changes to 5 AAC dealing with subsistence, personal use, sport, and commercial king and Tanner crab fisheries in the state has been given by being

- (1) published in a newspaper or trade publication;
- (2) furnished to interested persons;
- (3) furnished to appropriate state officials;
- (4) furnished to the Department of Law, along with a copy of the proposed regulations;
- (5) electronically transmitted to incumbent State of Alaska legislators;
- (6) furnished to the Legislative Affairs Agency, Legislative Legal and Research Services;
- (7) posted on the Alaska Online Public Notice System as required by AS 44.62.175(a)(1) and (b) and 44.62.190(a)(1).

As required by AS 44.62.190(d), additional regulations notice information regarding the proposed adoption of the regulation changes described above has been furnished to interested persons and those in (5) and (6) of the list above. The additional regulations notice information also has been posted on the Alaska Online Public Notice System.

DATE: April 23, 2014  
Juneau, Alaska

W. H. Haight

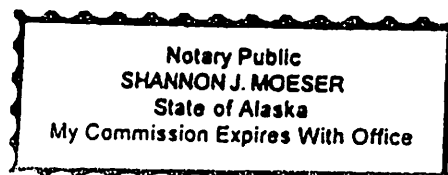
Glenn Haight, Executive Director  
Alaska Board of Fisheries

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO before me this 23 day of April, 2014.

Shannon L. Meser

Notary Public in and for the  
State of Alaska

My commission expires: *with office*





STATE OF ALASKA                     )  
  ) ss.  
FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT         )

**AFFIDAVIT OF ORAL HEARING**

I, Glenn Haight, Executive Director of the Alaska Board of Fisheries, being sworn, state the following:

On March 17-21, 2014, at the Sheraton Hotel, in the Howard Rock Room, 401 East 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Anchorage, Alaska, the Alaska Board of Fisheries presided over a public hearing held under AS 44.62.210 for the purpose of taking testimony in connection with the adoption of changes to 5 AAC dealing with the subsistence, personal use, sport, and commercial king and Tanner crab fisheries in the state.

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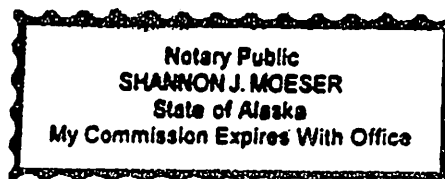
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# AFFIDAVIT OF PUBLICATION

STATE OF ALASKA  
THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

Joleesa Stepetin  
being first duly sworn on oath deposes  
and says that he is a representative of  
the Anchorage Daily News, a daily  
newspaper. That said newspaper has  
been approved by the Third Judicial  
Court, Anchorage, Alaska, and it now  
and has been published in the English  
language continually as a daily  
newspaper in Anchorage, Alaska, and  
it is now and during all said time was  
printed in an office maintained at the  
aforesaid place of publication of said  
newspaper. That the annexed is a  
copy of an advertisement as it was  
published in regular issues (and not in  
supplemental form) of said newspaper  
on

November 03, 2013

and that such newspaper was regularly  
distributed to its subscribers during all  
of said period. That the full amount of  
the fee charged for the foregoing  
publication is not in excess of the rate  
charged private individuals.

Signed

Subscribed and sworn to before me  
this 4th day of November, 2013

Notary Public in and for  
The State of Alaska  
Third Division  
Anchorage, Alaska  
MY COMMISSION EXPIRES

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    - c. Consider removing the exception allowing for dead king salmon to be taken but not retained in the Yukon Area Districts 1-3 commercial dip net and beach seine summer chum salmon fishery. (newly assigned Proposal 373 - formerly ACR9)
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Subscribed and sworn to before me  
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*[Signature]*  
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Anyone interested in or affected by subsistence, personal use, commercial fishing, sport, guided sport, or regulations is hereby informed that, by publishing this legal notice, the Board of Fisheries may consider any or all of the subject areas covered by this notice. Under AS 44.62.200(b), the board may review the full range of activities appropriate to any of the subjects listed in this notice. The board may make changes to the personal use, sport, guided sport or commercial fishing regulations as may be required to ensure the subsistence priority in AS 16.05.258. On its own motion, after public hearing, the board may adopt, amend, reject, supplement, or take no action on these subjects without further notice. In addition, the board may adopt other regulations necessary to implement, administer, or enforce the regulations adopted. **THE BOARD IS NOT LIMITED BY THE SPECIFIC LANGUAGE OR CONFINES OF THE ACTUAL PROPOSALS THAT HAVE BEEN SUBMITTED BY THE PUBLIC OR STAFF.** The language of the final regulations may be different from that of the proposed regulations. **YOU SHOULD COMMENT DURING THE TIME ALLOWED IF YOUR INTERESTS COULD BE AFFECTED.**

If you are a person with a disability who may need a special accommodation in order to participate in the process on the proposed regulations, please contact Glenn Haight at (907) 465-4110 no later than two weeks prior to the beginning of each meeting to ensure that any necessary accommodations can be provided.

**Statutory Authority:** AS 16.05 - AS 16.20, AS 16.40

**Statutes Being Implemented, Interpreted, or Made Specific:** AS 16.05 - AS 16.20, AS 16.40

**Fiscal Information:** The proposed regulatory actions are not expected to require an increased appropriation.

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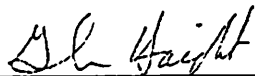
may consider any or all of the subject areas covered by this notice. Under AS 44.62.200(b), the board may review the full range of activities appropriate to any of the subjects listed in this notice. The board may make changes to the personal use, sport, guided sport or commercial fishing regulations as may be required to ensure the subsistence priority in AS 16.05.258. On its own motion, after public hearing, the board may adopt, amend, reject, supplement, or take no action on these subjects without further notice. In addition, the board may adopt other regulations necessary to implement, administer, or enforce the regulations adopted. **THE BOARD IS NOT LIMITED BY THE SPECIFIC LANGUAGE OR CONFINES OF THE ACTUAL PROPOSALS THAT HAVE BEEN SUBMITTED BY THE PUBLIC OR STAFF.** The language of the final regulations may be different from that of the proposed regulations. **YOU SHOULD COMMENT DURING THE TIME ALLOWED IF YOUR INTERESTS COULD BE AFFECTED.**

If you are a person with a disability who may need a special accommodation in order to participate in the process on the proposed regulations, please contact Glenn Haight at (907) 465-4110 no later than two weeks prior to the beginning of each meeting to ensure that any necessary accommodations can be provided.

**Statutory Authority:** AS 16.05 - AS 16.20, AS 16.40

**Statutes Being Implemented, Interpreted, or Made Specific:** AS 16.05 - AS 16.20, AS 16.40

**Fiscal Information:** The proposed regulatory actions are not expected to require an increased appropriation.



Glenn Haight, Executive Director  
Alaska Board of Fisheries

11/01/2013

Date

ADDITIONAL REGULATIONS NOTICE INFORMATION

(AS 44.62.190(d))

1. Adopting Agency: Alaska Board of Fisheries.
2. General subject of regulations: IN THE COOK INLET (INCLUDING KENAI PENINSULA, KENAI RIVER DRAINAGE, COOK INLET-RESURRECTION BAY SALTWATER, ANCHORAGE BOWL DRAINAGES, KNTK ARM DRAINAGES, SUSITNA RIVER DRAINAGE, AND WEST COOK INLET SPORT FISH MANAGEMNET AREAS), KODIAK AND CHIGNIK AREAS FINFISH FISHERIES REGULATIONS; STATEWIDE KING AND TANNER CRAB (EXCEPT SOUTHEAST/YAKUTAT AREAS) FISHERIES REGULATIONS; AND SUPPLEMENTAL ISSUES, INCLUDING GENERAL PROVISIONS, COMMERCIAL SCALLOP AND GROUND FISH FISHERIES IN THE STATE, COMMERCIAL SALMON FISHERIES IN THE YUKON AREA, AND SPORT FISHERY IN THE BRISTOL BAY AREA.
3. Citation of regulations: 5 AAC 01 - 5 AAC 77.
4. Reason for proposed actions: Implement, interpret, or make specific the provisions of AS 16.05 - AS 16.20.
5. Department of Law file number (if any):
  - JU2013200534 – Chignik Finfish
  - JU2013200535 – Lower Cook Inlet Finfish
  - JU2013200536 – Kodiak Finfish
  - JU2013200537 – Upper Cook Inlet Finfish
  - JU2013200538 - Statewide King and Tanner Crab (except Southeast/Yakutat)
6. Program category and RDU affected: Natural Resources and all RDUs.
7. Cost of implementation to the state agency and available funding: It is not possible to estimate the costs. However, these actions are not expected to require any additional costs.
8. The name of the contact person for the regulations:
  - Glenn Haight, Executive Director
  - Alaska Board of Fisheries
  - PO Box 115526
  - Juneau, AK 99811-5526
  - (907) 465-4110
  - Email: glenn.haight@alaska.gov
9. The origin of the proposed action:
  - ☒ staff or state agency
  - ☒ general public
10. Date: October 31, 2013
  - Prepared by: Glenn Haight
  - Glenn Haight, Executive Director
  - Alaska Board of Fisheries
  - (907) 465-4110