

2/27/16

Sand Point AC Minutes

Call to order @8:00 am

AC Members present: John Foster
 David Osterback
 Ben Mobeck
 Patrick Brown
 Melvin Larsen

Number of Members needed for Subcommittee Quorum: 3

Guests Present: Pat Martin
 Liza Mack
 Ernie Weiss
 Corey Wilson
 Ed Dersham
 Mike Kurtz
 Mike Stanley
 Robert Gould
 Henry Mack
 Alvin Osterback
 Paul Gundersen

On 2/27/16, the Sand Point AC Subcommittee met to discuss meeting with Chignik fishermen to form a compromise considering Proposals 185 and 186. Members from Sand Point, King Cove, and other areas agreed to form a task force to meet with Chignik fishermen. Four people were assigned to meet with the Chignik fishermen: Corey Wilson, a seiner from King Cove, Henry Mack, a set netter from King Cove, John Foster, a set netter from Sand Point, and Melvin Larsen, a seiner from Sand Point. There was unanimous agreement among the group for the composition of the task force.

The initial ideas set forth were the demands of Area M stakeholders in the compromise between Chignik and Area M stakeholders:

Area M fishermen agreed to set a cap of sockeye harvests at 167,000, concurrent with the June and post-June management plans until July 25 as follows:

5 AAC 09.365 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

(x) Commercial salmon fishing in the Belkofski Bay and Volcano Bay sections of the Southwestern District and the East and West Pavlov Bay sections of the South

Central District will be allowed, consistent with (d) of this section, until the harvest exceeds 167,000 sockeye salmon.

5 AAC 09.366 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

(x) Commercial salmon fishing in the Belkofski Bay and Volcano Bay sections of the Southwestern District and South Central District will be allowed, consistent with (d) of this section, until June 1 through July 25 harvest exceeds 167,000 sockeye salmon. Once 167,000 sockeye salmon have been harvested, commercial salmon fishing will be restricted to Belkofski Bay (284-42), East and West Pavlov Bay (283-23 & 283-25), Canoe Bay (283-24), and the Mino-Creek (283-15), Volcano Bay (284-36), Little Coal Bay (283-17) and Long Beach (283-26), Ukolnoi Island (283-20), Cape Tolstoi (283-21) terminal harvest areas as specified in (f) and (g).

In return, Area M stakeholders asked that the SEDM management plan be amended according to Proposal 179, which would recognize that 40% of the fish caught in SEDM are of Chignik origin versus 80% as it is written.

No consensus or compromise was reached in the task force meeting that took place between the Area M task force and the Chignik task force, comprised of Chignik fishermen George Anderson, Gary Anderson, Ben Allen, and Patrick Kosbruk.

Compiled by Patrick Brown (chair)

Approved by David Osterback (vice-chair)