

NOTICE OF PROPOSED CHANGES IN THE  
REGULATIONS OF THE ALASKA BOARD OF FISHERIES

The Alaska Board of Fisheries proposes to adopt regulation changes in Title 5 of the Alaska Administrative Code, dealing with commercial king crab fishing in the Bering Sea and Norton Sound, including the following:

IN THE BERING SEA (REGISTRATION AREA Q) COMMERCIAL KING CRAB FISHERY:

In the Northern District of Registration Area Q (Bering Sea), change the boundaries between the Norton Sound Section and the St. Lawrence Island Section.

You may comment on the proposed regulation changes, including the potential costs to private persons of complying with the proposed changes. Written comments will be taken regarding the subjects in this notice as explained below. Written comments will be accepted on any subject in this notice and may be submitted to the Board of Fisheries any time before the proposal is voted on by the board in deliberations at the teleconference meeting scheduled below, but as a practical matter, comments submitted after the board begins deliberations on relevant proposals are likely to receive less consideration than comments submitted earlier. Written comments should be submitted by 5 p.m. on April 26, 2006, to: Alaska Board of Fisheries, Boards Support Section, P.O. Box 115526, Juneau, AK 99811-5526, or by fax to (907) 465-6094, to ensure inclusion in the board workbooks. Written comments are accepted by mail or fax; written comments become public records and are subject to public inspection. The board will not take oral public testimony at this meeting.

TENTATIVE MEETING SCHEDULE

May 3, 2006, 5:00 P.M.

Listen-only teleconference sites:

Juneau: ADF&G office, 1255 West 8<sup>th</sup> Street

Anchorage: ADF&G office, 333 Raspberry Road

Nome: ADF&G office, 103 East Front Street

Any changes to meeting locations, dates or times, or rescheduling of topics or subject matter will be announced by news release. Please watch for these announcements in the news media on the Boards Support Section website at <http://www.boards.adfg.state.ak.us> or call (907) 465-4110.

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 Jim Marcotte at (907) 465-4110 no later than April 26, 2006, to ensure that any necessary accommodations can be provided.

For a copy of the proposed regulation changes, contact the Boards Support section at the above address, or visit the website at: <http://www.boards.adfg.state.ak.us>

Anyone interested in or affected by the proposed regulation change 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. In addition, the board may adopt other regulations necessary to implement,

administer, or enforce the regulations adopted. On its own motion, at the scheduled meeting, the board will either adopt these or other provisions dealing with the same subject, without further notice, or decide to take no action on them.

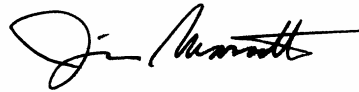
The language of the final regulations may be different from that of the proposed regulations. THE BOARD IS NOT LIMITED BY THE SPECIFIC LANGUAGE OR CONFINES OF THE ACTUAL PROPOSALS THAT HAVE BEEN SUBMITTED BY THE PUBLIC OR STAFF. Pursuant to AS 44.62.200(b), the board may review the full range of activities appropriate to any of the subjects listed in this notice. The board may also make changes to the commercial fishing regulations as may be required to ensure the subsistence priority in AS 16.05.258. YOU SHOULD SUBMIT WRITTEN COMMENT DURING THE TIME ALLOWED IF YOUR INTERESTS COULD BE AFFECTED.

Statutory Authority: AS 16.05.251; AS 16.10.190

Statutes Being Implemented, Interpreted, or Made Specific: AS 16.05; AS 16.10

Fiscal Information: The proposed regulation changes are not expected to require an increased appropriation.

DATE: March 30, 2006



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Alaska Board of Fisheries

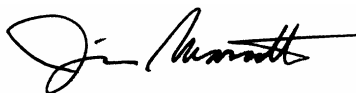
ADDITIONAL REGULATIONS NOTICE INFORMATION  
(AS 44.62.190(d))

1. Adopting Agency: Alaska Board of Fisheries.
2. General subject of regulation: Commercial king crab fishing in the Northern District of the Bearing Sea.
3. Citation of regulations: 5 AAC 34.
4. Reason for proposed action: Board consideration of proposed change in regulations following consultation with North Pacific Fishery Management Council. Implement, interpret, or make specific the provisions of AS 16.05, AS 15.10.
5. Program category and BRU affected: Natural Resources and all BRUs.
6. Cost of implementation to the state agency and available funding: These actions are not expected to require any additional costs.
7. The name of the contact person for the regulations:

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8. The origin of the proposed action:  
 staff or state agency  
 federal government  
 general public  
 petition for regulation  
 other (please list)

9. DATE: March 30, 2006



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