

State of California
Department of Fish and Wildlife

Memorandum

Date: April 1, 2015

To: Sonke Mastrup
Executive Director
Fish and Game Commission

From: Charlton H. Bonham
Director



Subject: **Agenda Item for the April 17, 2015 Fish and Game Commission Teleconference Request to Amend Subsections (b)(91.1) and (b)(195) of Section 7.50, Title 14, CCR, Klamath River Basin Sport Fishing Regulations**

The Pre-adoption Statement of Reasons, Re: Request to amend Subsections (b)(91.1) and (b)(195) of Section 7.50, Title 14, CCR, Klamath River Basin Sport Fishing Regulations, is being submitted to the Fish and Game Commission (Commission) to show that sixteen people have provided public comments as of March 20, 2015. Additionally, the Department is making a specific recommendation regarding options for Klamath River spit area. There are no additional recommendations for regulatory changes since the public notice of the Initial Statement of Reasons.

After internal discussion and coordination with the Yurok Tribe, the Department is recommending Option 1 regarding the 2015 fall Chinook spit area regulations: that all legally caught Chinook salmon must be retained. Once the adult Chinook component of the daily bag has been retained, anglers are required to cease fishing in the spit area.

This regulatory proposal does not preclude anglers from leaving the spit area and fishing other areas once their adult daily bag has been taken. Anglers may fish other areas outside of the spit to fill the grilse (Chinook salmon <22 inches) component of their daily bag limit. This regulation also does not preclude anglers from filling a daily bag composed entirely of grilse salmon while fishing the spit area.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Stafford Lehr, Chief of Fisheries Branch, at (916) 327-8840 or at Stafford.Lehr@wildlife.ca.gov.

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