

**a line from Pinta Point at 57° 05.96' N. lat., 133° 52.82' W. long., to a point at 57° 13.08' N. lat., 133° 52.82' W. long., to the northernmost tip of Akusha Island at 57° 18.37' N. lat., 133° 39.48' W. long., to McDonald Rock Light at 57° 25.10' N. lat., 133° 37.83' W. long., to a point at 57° 35.92' N. lat., 133° 44.71' W. long.,**

**(3) Section 10-C: waters east of a line from Pinta Point at 57° 05.96' N. lat., 133° 52.82' W. long., to Cape Fanshaw Light at 57° 11.12' N. lat., 133° 34.43' W. long.**

5 AAC 38.076 (b)(1) and (2) are amended to read:

(1) Scallop Registration Area A (Southeastern Alaska) is Registration Area A, described in 5 AAC 38.100, except for all waters of District 16 as described in **5 AAC 33.200(p)** [5 AAC 31.105(P)];

(2) Scallop Registration Area D (Yakutat) is Registration Area D, described in 5 AAC 38.160, and all waters of District 16 as described in **5 AAC 33.200(p)** [5 AAC 31.105(P)];

5 AAC 38.105 is amended to read:

Registration Area A districts and sections are as described in **5 AAC 33.200** [5 AAC 31.105].

**What is the issue you would like the board to address and why?** There are currently two descriptions for Southeast Alaska region districts and sections: 5 AAC 31.105 and 33.200. The majority of regulations (29 regulations in total) refer to 5 AAC 33.200, including all salmon (5 AAC 29 and 33), subsistence (5 AAC 01 and 02), personal use (5 AAC 77), sport fish (5 AAC 47), herring (5 AAC 27), tanner crab (5 AAC 35), and king crab regulations (5 AAC 35) as well as regulations in 3 AAC and 20 AAC. The only regulations (4 total) that refer to 5 AAC 31.105 are found in shrimp (5 AAC 31) and miscellaneous shellfish (5 AAC 38). Removing district and section descriptions found in 5 AAC 31.105, adding District 10 section descriptions to 5 AAC 33.200 to accommodate the pot shrimp fishery, and making associated changes to other regulations would have no impact on fisheries management and would eliminate any confusion with any unintended differences between the descriptions. Both 5 AAC 31.105 and 33.200 were established prior to 1985. The department is unaware of why there was a need for two descriptions of the region's districts and sections.

**PROPOSED BY:** Alaska Department of Fish and Game (HQ-F24-155)  
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### ***Miscellaneous shellfish***

#### **PROPOSAL 230**

#### **5 AAC 38.XX Southeast Alaska Magister Squid Jig Fishery.**

Establish a commercial jig fishery for squid.

A commercial automated squid jig fishery that would have little or no bycatch would open in Southeast Alaska (season to be determined by department. Fishing may be restricted to one of two spawning events, either winter or summer, if it was felt there might be a biological concern regarding the volume of squid harvest). An annual stock report would be provided by the Department from which an annual TAC (Total Annual Catch) would be announced based on catch data provided by commercial logbooks as is done in most squid fisheries. Squid are very short lived (B.Magister in SEAK only live a year) and the biological risk from overharvesting is minimal

as this species reproduces quickly and would be resilient to any discovered overharvest. The Department would have the authority to level fees to this fishery if it were deemed necessary to cover any expenses to oversee the fishery.

**What is the issue you would like the board to address and why?** Open a directed commercial jig fishery for Squid (*Berryteuthis Magister* Armhook Squid) in Southeast Alaska coastal waters. Magister squid is an underutilized species that not only could provide a source of revenue for dwindling commercial fishermen, but also provide a mechanism to control their predation on other economically important commercial species such as all species of salmon, cod fish, and herring.

**Did you develop your proposal in coordination with others, or with your local Fish and Game Advisory Committee? Explain.** Yes. Juneau Douglas Advisory Committee voted unanimously to submit this proposal.

**PROPOSED BY:** Richard Yamada & Juneau Douglas Advisory Committee (EF-F24-076)  
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**PROPOSAL 231**

**5 AAC 38.XXX. New Section.**

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**PROPOSED BY:** Richard Yamada (HQ-F24-032)  
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**PROPOSAL 232**

**5 AAC 38.090 (d). Unlawful Possession of Miscellaneous Shellfish Aboard a Vessel.**

Allow for the concurrent possession of red and green urchin aboard.