

## Mid-Lower Yukon Fish and Game Advisory Committee Meeting

Thursday, November 13th, Beginning at 1:00 PM, 2025

By Teleconference and Zoom

- I. Call to Order: *Chair, Bill Alstrom 1:47 PM 11/13/25*
- II. Roll Call:  
Alt. Joel Beans (Mountain Village), Bill Alstrom and Alt. George Beans (Andreafski), Alt. Ivy Lamont (Pitka's Point), Peter Tyson and Alt. Fran Thompson. – Quorum established with 4 members present.
- III. Fish and Game Staff Present: Sam Decker, Deena Jallen, John Chythlook, Madison Hardwig, Matt Olsen, Pat Jones  
Other Agencies: Holly Carol, USFWS
- IV. Guests Present: Olivia Haayee Irwin, Martin Kelly
- V. Approval of Agenda: Fran, Ivy. Approved - Unanimous
- VI. Reports
  - a. Chair's report: none
  - b. ADF&G:
    - b.i. Fisheries – Deena Jallen and Matt Olsen gave updates on the Yukon chum seasons. Sam Decker spoke to the group about Traditional Knowledge reports, seeking someone with knowledge of eel sticks.
    - b.ii. Board Support Updates – Savannah Hollingworth gave a quick update on what meetings will occur this season and the deadlines as well as membership and elections.
  - c. Other:
- VII. Public Comment: None
- VIII. New Business: Fisheries Proposals for AYK

| Alaska Board of Fisheries Arctic/Yukon/Kuskokwim Meeting Proposals<br>November 18-22, 2025   Fairbanks, AK   |   |               |   |
|--|---|---------------|---|
| Proposal Number  | Proposal Description  |               |   |
| Support,<br>Support as Amended,<br>Oppose,<br>No Action  | Number Support  | Number Oppose | Comments, Discussion (list Pros and Cons), Amendments to Proposal, Voting Notes   |
| <i>Note: Effective September 2019, when abstentions occur, the action or decision of a majority of the remaining members at a meeting at which a quorum is present is an act of the committee. For example, a vote tally of 7-6-2 means the motion carries. Members abstaining from voting must provide an explanation that is included in the committee record.</i> |   |               |   |
| 15   | Establish a 2 year closure on harvest of Yukon River Fall Chum salmon.  |               |   |
| Oppose   | 1   | 3             | Joel stated that Mountain Village has sent in a comment to oppose this proposal.  |
| 16   | Close the mainstem Yukon River to the use 4" or less mesh gillnets for Fall Chum salmon conservation.                       |               |   |
| Oppose   | 1   | 3             | George: Subsistence is not just one area of the river, the whole Yukon River participates. We've been going around with all these measures to conserve but numbers keep going lower and we are cut off even more. Not many people fishing 4 inch. I know I haven't, too cumbersome for me.<br>Bill- (in support) how is this going to affect other parts of the river? But we got to do something. We just don't have the means. We need some sort of reason. It is getting out hand. |
| 17   | Allow the use of 6" or less mesh gillnets during times of salmon conservation.<br>Proposal submitted by: Mid-Lower Yukon AC |               |   |
| Support  | 4   | 0             | We still submitted and support this proposal as long as it remains contained to those 3 rivers.   |

- IX. Set next meeting date: Beginning of January, by call of the chair
- X. Other - None
- XI. Adjournment: Motion made by George, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ivy. Adjourned at 3:37 PM.

Minutes Approved By: 

Date: 11/12/25