

The Alaska Jig Association (AJA) would like to amend Proposal 167, in accordance with the amended changes made unanimously by the Kodiak Advisory Council (KAC). In addition, AJA wishes to further amend by striking the word "gear" from the second sentence of the proposal.

Please consider our amended version of Proposal 167 to read:

Proposal 167 5AAC28.050 Lawful gear for Groundfish

Prohibit vessels from having other groundfish gear or equipment onboard while participating in a groundfish fishery fishery using mechanical jigging machines or hand troll gear, as follows:

*In the Statewater jig fishery, vessels registered to jig Pacific Cod fish in the Prince William Sound, Cook Inlet, Kodiak, and South Alaska Peninsula may only carry mechanical jigging machines and hand troll gear. Longline reels and drums, and slinky pots are prohibited onboard while prosecuting the fishery, traveling to or from the fishing grounds, or offloading jig cod harvest.*