Southeast Alaska Drift Gillnet Task Force Agenda

Harrigan Centennial Hall, Sitka, Alaska

December 4, 2019, 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Teleconference: 800-944-8766; Enter 14557#

I. Introduction of meeting participants, distribute meeting materials, and review agenda – Troy Thynes (ADF&G) and Max Worhatch (USAG)

II. Review of 2019 season and 2020 season outlook

- A. 2019 Gillnet Fishery Harvest and Value– Handouts
- B. Tree Point Justin Breese
- C. Prince of Wales and Stikine Tom Kowalske
- D. Taku/Snettisham Scott Forbes
- E. Lynn Canal Nicole Zeiser
- F. 2019 Escapement Review Andy Piston

III. Hatchery Operators Summaries and Forecasts

- A. DIPAC Eric Prestegard
- B. NSRAA Steve Reifenstuhl
- C. SSRAA Dave Landis

IV. Discussion Topics

- A. Fish ticket reporting-species, numbers of fish, stat-area, nearest headland
- B. Accurate weekly boat counts (Managers)
- C. Clarity in announcements (Thynes)
- D. New stock of concerns (Heinl/Piston)
- E. Chinook salmon action plans-open for adjustments & any department recommended adjustments (Zeiser, Harris, & Meredith)
- F. King Salmon River Chinook salmon (Heinl/Piston/Harris)
 - a. Stream monitoring past and present
 - b. Stream viability
 - c. Escapement goal review
- G. McDonald Lake sockeye-current status and future plans (Piston/Meredith/Salomone)
- H. Taku sockeye salmon (Harris)
- I. Taku coho salmon treaty provisions overview (Harris)
- J. SEAK Coho (Thynes/Fair)
 - a. New Treaty considerations
 - b. Coho Management Plan/Troll coho management
 - c. New hatchery releases
- K. Department BOF proposals (Thynes)
- L. 6-inch mesh restriction (Managers)
- M. Salmon Disaster Relief (Fair)
 - a. 2016 department funds and use
 - b. Does 2019 qualify?
- N. Whale Critical Habitat

V. Future Task Force Meetings

A. Set next meeting time and place (Juneau). Adjourn.