

**ADF&G-submitted king and Tanner crab proposals for the  
2017/18 BOF Southeast Shellfish meeting**

Tanner crab (one proposal):

1. 5 AAC 35.128(c) is added:

**(c) Notwithstanding 5 AAC 35.053(1), during the 14 days after the close of the commercial Tanner crab season in Registration Area A; a vessel or person that participated in a commercial Tanner crab fishery may operate commercial, subsistence, sport, or personal use pots in Tanner crab Registration Area A after putting Tanner crab pots in storage, as specified in 5 AAC 35.052, and, unless the registration is already invalidated under 5 AAC 35.020(k), after invalidating the vessel's Tanner crab registration by contacting, in person, a local representative of the department.**

Golden king crab (three proposals):

1. 5 AAC 34.125(b)(2) is amended to read:

(b)(2) when the commercial golden king crab season is open in Registration Area A, and the commercial red king crab or Tanner crab season is closed, no more than **80** [100] king crab pots may be operated from a vessel registered to fishing for king crab;

2. 5 AAC 34.115(b) is amended to read:

(b) In Registration Area A, the guideline harvest ranges for the taking of golden king crab in the following areas are:

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| (1) Northern Area:               | 0 – <b>145,000</b> [175,000] pounds; |
| (2) Icy Strait Area:             | 0 – <b>55,000</b> [75,000] pounds;   |
| (3) North Stephens Passage Area: | 0 – 25,000 pounds;                   |
| (4) East Central Area:           | 0 – <b>225,000</b> [300,000] pounds; |
| (5) Mid-Chatham Strait Area:     | 0 – 150,000 pounds;                  |
| (6) Lower Chatham Strait Area:   | 0 – 50,000 pounds;                   |
| (7) Southern Area:               | 0 – 25,000 pounds;                   |

3. 5 AAC 34.110(b) is amended to read:

(b) Male golden king crab may be taken only from 12:00 noon on the date with the smallest Juneau tidal range between February 10 and February 17, as announced by emergency order **through November 15**. [;UNTIL THE SEASON IS CLOSED BY EMERGENCY ORDER]