

PROPOSAL 44

5 AAC 64.030. Methods, means, and general provisions – Finfish.

Prohibit multiple hooks in Kodiak Island fresh waters as follows:

In all freshwaters of Kodiak Island only a single hook may be used for sportfishing.

What is the issue you would like the board to address and why? Fish mortality in Kodiak Island freshwaters and catch and release is the issue I would like to address. Most of Kodiak Island is remote. Catch and release is a major way of fishing. I want to see a ban on treble hook use in all freshwaters of Kodiak Island because it is hard on fish and promotes higher mortality. The Alaska Department of Fish and Game has been stagnant on this issue for ever. I want that changed for the sake of all salmon and trout populations on Kodiak Island. All lure companies now offer a single hook option for their lures. Flies are single hook anyway. It should be a universal theme in the name of conservation and ethical sportfishing.

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