

**STATE OF ALASKA
DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
DIVISION OF MINING, LAND AND WATER
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Public Notice

The Shore Fish Leasing Program within the Department of Natural Resources is evaluating Shore Fishery lease applications and amendments submitted during the 2015 application period. The public is welcome to review and comment on the proposed actions. To review the new application materials and view the associated maps, please visit the Shore Fishery Leasing Program website at: <http://dnr.alaska.gov/mlw/shore/index.cfm> and click on the 2015 Applications link under the Shore Fishery Index. Please follow the directions outlined at the end of this notice to submit any comments or protests. The Public Notice period begins **December 15, 2015**, and the deadline to submit written comments or protests is on or before **January 29, 2016**.

This public notice includes the following lease applications within the described fishing districts:

Alaska Peninsula

Southcentral District

Dwain A. Foster Sr., ADL 227894

Proposed lease amendment is for 1 net at 600 feet in length, located on the south side of the Alaska Peninsula on the east side of Pavlof Bay, within protracted Section 23, Township 54 South, Range 80 West, Seward Meridian.

Bristol Bay

Egegik District

Nancy L. Trott, ADL 202774

Proposed lease amendment is to adjust the southeast net further south for 1 net at 150 feet in length, located in Bristol Bay on the north shore of Egegik Bay, within protracted Section 32, Township 22 South, Range 50 West, Seward Meridian.

Richard D. Bekoalok, ADL 232283

Proposed lease is for 1 net at 300 feet in length, located in Bristol Bay within Egegik River between King Salmon Island and Egg Island, within protracted Section 5, Township 23 South, Range 49 West, Seward Meridian.

Robert Weinberg, ADL 232304

Proposed lease is for 1 net at 300 feet each in length, located in Bristol Bay within Egegik River between King Salmon Island and Egg Island, within protracted Section 5, Township 23 South, Range 49 West, Seward Meridian.

Naknek-Kvichak District

Shayan Rohani, ADL 201709

Proposed lease amendment is for 1 net at 300 feet in length, located in Bristol Bay on the east side of Kvichak Bay, approximately 2.25 miles southeast of Graveyard Point, within protracted Section 32, Township 15 South, Range 46 West, Seward Meridian.

Donald L. Huizenga, ADL 232214

Proposed lease is for 1 net at 300 feet in length, located in Bristol Bay on the east side of Kvichak Bay, approximately 1200 feet north northwest of Libbyville, within protracted Section 24, Township 16 South, Range 47 West, Seward Meridian.

Jeffrey L. Elbie, ADL 232229

Proposed lease is for 1 net at 300 feet in length, located in Bristol Bay on the east side of Kvichak Bay, approximately one mile southwest of the mouth of the Naknek River, within protracted Section 18, Township 17 South, Range 47 West, Seward Meridian.

***John B. Roehl, ADL 232236 (competing with ADL 232318)**

Proposed lease is for 2 nets at 150 feet each in length, located in Bristol Bay on the east side of Kvichak Bay, approximately 1.1 miles northeast of Libbyville, within protracted Section 13, Township 16 South, Range 47 West, Seward Meridian.

***Alfred M. Quintel, ADL 232318 (competing with ADL 232236)**

Proposed lease is for 1 net at 300 feet in length, located in Bristol Bay on the east side of Kvichak Bay, approximately 1.1 miles northeast of Libbyville, within protracted Section 13, Township 16 South, Range 47 West, Seward Meridian.

Irene E. Wilson, ADL 232287

Proposed lease is for 1 net at 300 feet in length, located in Bristol Bay on the east side of Kvichak Bay, approximately 0.8 miles north northeast of the mouth of the Naknek River, within protracted Section 5, Township 17 South, Range 47 West, Seward Meridian.

Peter Ludvick Jr., ADL 232288

Proposed lease is for 2 nets at 150 feet each in length, located in Bristol Bay on the east side of Kvichak Bay, approximately 1.5 miles southeast of Graveyard Point, within protracted Section 32, Township 15 South, Range 46 West, Seward Meridian.

Pavel R. Vitek, ADL 232319

Proposed lease is for 2 nets at 150 feet each in length, located in Bristol Bay on the east side of Kvichak Bay, approximately 6 miles southwest of the Naknek River, within protracted Section 34, Township 17 South, Range 48 West, and protracted Section 3, Township 18 South, Range 48 West, Seward Meridian.

Duane Niehuis, ADL 232329

Proposed lease is for 1 net at 300 feet in length, located in Bristol Bay on the east side of Kvichak Bay, approximately 4 miles southwest of the mouth of the Naknek River, within protracted Section 26, Township 17 South, Range 48 West, Seward Meridian.

Flint B. Nienhuis, ADL 232330

Proposed lease is for 1 net at 300 feet in length, located in Bristol Bay on the east side of Kvichak Bay, approximately 4.5 miles southwest of the mouth of the Naknek River, within protracted Sections 26, 27, 34 and 35, Township 17 South, Range 48 West, Seward Meridian.

Nushagak District

Shawn T. Oles, ADL 232285

Proposed lease is for 1 net at 300 feet in length, located in Bristol Bay on the west side of Nushagak Bay, and on the southwest side near the mouth of the Igushik River, within protracted Section 16, Township 17 South, Range 58 West, Seward Meridian.

Togiak District

Christine C. Poulsen, ADL 232323

Proposed lease is for 2 nets at 150 feet each in length, located in Bristol Bay on the west side of Kalukak Bay, approximately 25.8 miles southeast of Togiak, Alaska, within protracted Section 22, Township 15 South, Range 63 West, Seward Meridian.

Cook Inlet

Northern District

Patric T. Thistle, ADL 24300

Proposed lease amendment is to adjust the location of 3 (HW&LW) nets at 210 feet each in length, located in northern Cook Inlet, southwest of the Ivan River, within protracted Sections 5 and 8, Township 13 North, Range 8 West, and Sections 26 and 27, Township 13 North, Range 9 West, Seward Meridian.

Richard J. Thistle, ADL 232321

Proposed lease is for 3 nets at 210 feet each in length, located in northern Cook Inlet immediately southwest of the mouth of the Ivan River, within protracted Sections 5 and 8, Township 13 North, Range 8 West, Seward Meridian.

Michael E. Wood, ADL 232322

Proposed lease is for 3 (HW&LW) nets at 210 feet each in length, located in northern Cook Inlet approximately .75 miles southwest of the mouth of the Ivan River, within protracted Sections 7 and 8, Township 13 North, Range 8 West, Seward Meridian.

Southern District

Kevin L. Seville, ADL 226707

Proposed lease amendment is for 1 net at 210 feet in length, located in southern Cook Inlet near English Bay and Port Graham, within protracted Sections 25 and 36, Township 9 South, Range 16 West, Seward Meridian.

Prince William Sound

Eshamy District

***David W. Fleming, ADL 32881 (competing with ADL 221686)**

The proposed lease amendment adds 1 net at 300 feet in length, located in Prince William Sound, on the south shore of the mouth of Main Bay, within protracted Section 3, Township 5 North, Range 8 East, Seward Meridian.

***Susan Harvey, ADL 221686 (competing with ADL 32881)**

The proposed lease amendment adds 1 net at 300 feet in length, located in Prince William Sound, on the south shore of the mouth of Main Bay, within protracted Section 3, Township 5 North, Range 8 East, Seward Meridian.

Comments or protests regarding a lease or amendment application must be submitted in writing and directed to the Regional Manager of the Southcentral Region Land Office of the Division of Mining, Land and Water at 550 W 7th Ave, Suite 900C Anchorage, AK 99501-3577. A protest must clearly state the nature and purpose of the protest in accordance with 11 AAC 64.450 and be submitted to both the applicant and the Department of Natural Resources by certified or registered mail no later than **January 29, 2015**. Protests postmarked after this date will not be accepted. To request the mailing address for a particular applicant, please contact one of the Shore Fish representatives listed below:

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For more information on how to submit comments or protests, please do not hesitate to contact the Shore Fish staff for assistance.

Sincerely,

The Shore Fish Leasing Team

11 AAC 64.450. PROTEST.

(a) A person may protest an application for or the location of a shore fishery lease site by mailing a statement of protest to the applicant and to the director. The protest may be filed from the time a site has been staked until the last date for filing a protest, as determined and published in writing by the department. The postmark date of the statement of protest constitutes the date of protest. If a protest is filed, the director will not issue a lease until resolution of the protest.

(b) A statement of protest must be in writing, must be signed by the protester, and must contain

- (1) the protester's name and mailing address;
- (2) the protester's limited entry permit number or interim-use salmon setnet permit, if any;
- (3) the applicant's name and address as shown on the staking sign;
- (4) a brief statement of reasons why the protester believes that the lease site location is invalid or that the protester is more qualified to fish at the lease site; affidavits may be included to support the reasons set out in the statement; and
- (5) a brief statement of the relief requested, which may be either denial of the lease site location, or a determination that the protester is more qualified to fish from the lease site and more entitled to lease the site than is the applicant.

(c) The applicant shall prepare a brief written response rebutting the protester's statement; the applicant shall mail the response to the protester and to the director within 30 days after receiving the statement of protest. Affidavits may be included to support the facts set out in the response.

(d) The director will base a decision resolving a protest on the criteria contained in AS 38.05.082 and on the protest, response, supporting affidavits, and hearing, if one is conducted. The decision constitutes the final departmental action unless it is appealed. Authority: AS 38.05.020, AS 38.05.082