IPHC Regulations Proposal Submission Form

Proposal Title:__Charter Boat Trip Limits 3A_____

Year Proposed For: _____2017_____

Submission Information (Please print or type)

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1. What is the definition and objective of the proposal?

Seasonal trip limits of about 70 trips per charter boat & CHP should be considered in 3A instead of daily closures per week. The last few years with 1 trip per day & a day of week closure has reduced the average charter boat from 100 trips per year to about 70, it would be much easier for anglers and guides to manage their schedule with seasonal trip limits instead of daily limits. Boats are fishing now in rough weather and pushing the weather more than before, with seasonal limits boats can fish the calm days and take the rough days off, not to mention make it easier for the clients to manage their vacation schedule. Enforcement is easy with a booklet of 70 stamps given with your logbook each trip you must affix a stamp to your logbook page and when your out of stamps your season is fisnished.

2. Impacts: Describe who you think this proposed change might affect (include fishers, processors, agencies, and the public).

2a. Who might benefit from the proposed change?

.Guided anglers, & charter boat operators will benefit.

2b. Who might suffer hardships or be worse off?

All charter boat operators are restricted equally so is fair way to share the burden of conservation & allocation.

3. Are there other solutions to the problem described above? If so, why were they rejected?

Please attach any other supporting materials. All items submitted by **October 31, 2016** will be considered at the IPHC Annual Meeting. ***Remember to include contact information and signature.***