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Hello Board Members,

Attached is the average historical harvest for the Cook Inlet drift fleet within the EEZ that will be closed beginning 2022.

According to ADF&G staff comments for ACR 10: "It is unknown to what extent harvest in the drift gillnet fishery may change because of this decision since it is impossible to determine how the fishery will respond to the closed waters."

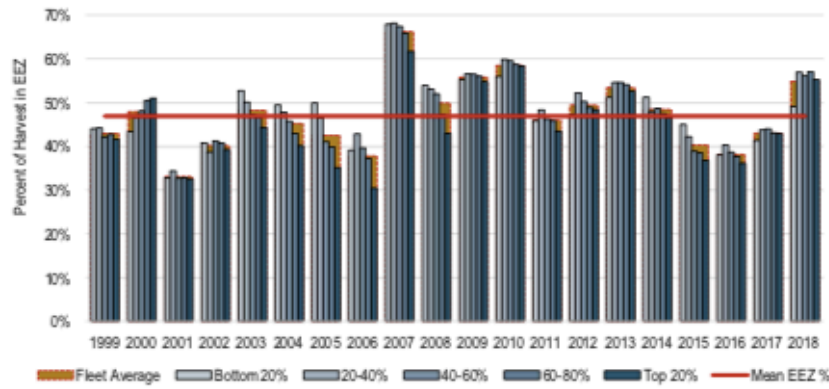
According to a consultant for NOAA, Environmental Assessment/Regulatory Impact Review for Proposed Amendment XX

to the Fishery Management Plan for the Salmon Fisheries in the EEZ Off Alaska written October 2020 states on Page 182 (figure 4-11 and the text citing that figure above it) the average sockeye harvest by the UCI drift gillnet fishery will be reduced by on average 47% due to the EEZ closure.

This is new information that has been presented since the last Upper Cook Inlet board of fish meeting. I believe that ACR 10 does address an effect of a regulation on a fishery that was unforeseen when that regulation was adopted.

Thank you,
Travis Every

Figure 4-10 Average annual percent of salmon harvest (in pounds) in the UCI salmon drift gillnet fishery inside the EEZ by catch percentile group, 1999–2018.



Source: Developed by Northern Economics based on ADF&G fish ticket data compiled by AKFIN in Comprehensive FT.

Figure 4-11 shows the estimated percentage of the UCI salmon drift gillnet fishery harvest that occurred inside the EEZ by species from 1999–2018. The EEZ accounted for an average of 47% of the harvest of sockeye salmon, the primary target species in the fishery, with a low of 26% in 2006 and a high of 66% in 2007; for coho salmon, the average was 50%, with a low of 40% in 2016 and a high of 62% in 2007; for chum salmon, the average was 51%, with a low of 36% in 2016 and a high of 62% in 2007; and for Chinook salmon, the average was 34%, with a low of 26% in 2005 and a high of 56% in 2009.

Figure 4-11 Approximate percent of salmon harvests (in numbers of fish) in the UCI salmon drift gillnet fishery inside the EEZ by species, 1999–2018.

