

Emergency Petition Support

RC080

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Dear Alaska Board of Fisheries Members,

My name is Sarah Frostad-Hudkins. I am a 3rd generation commercial fisherman. My family has harvested salmon along the same plot of land on Salamatof Beach for nearly 100 years. We have always been proud of being family owned and operated and currently fish alongside my children and grandchildren, our 4th and 5th generation fishermen.

We believe that the Emergency Petition, RC 004, follows the emergency petition procedure, per the Joint Board Petition Policy 5 AAC 96.625, effective September 19, 2019, which states: (d) The public has come to rely on this regularly scheduled participatory process as the basis for changing fish and game regulations. Commercial fishermen, processors, guides, trappers, hunters, sport fishermen, subsistence fishermen, and others plan business and recreational ventures around the outcome of these public meetings.

Because of Covid 19 our opportunity for due process has been denied, thus taking away our opportunity to submit this new information in cycle. The relief for the ESSN's must come at this time before an over 100 year fishery is decimated purely based on a pandemic scheduling that has pushed our new information out further than any due -process should.

We ask that based on the above, Joint Board Petition Policy 5 AAC 96.625, you please consider the Emergency Petitions submitted in concern for the Upper Sub District in Cook Inlet.

Sincerely

Sarah Frostad- Hudkins and family
Kenai, Alaska