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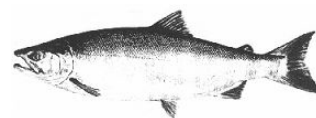
# ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME

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### NEWS RELEASE



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#### 2012 TAKU RIVER KING SALMON FORECAST

Sitka. . . The Alaska Department of Fish and Game announced today the following information concerning the preseason forecast for king salmon returning to the Taku River in 2012.

The **2012 pre-season terminal run forecast** for large Taku River king salmon is **48,036 fish**. The resulting **U.S. Allowable Catch (AC) is 6,703 large Taku Kings**. An AC of this size allows for limited directed commercial fisheries to occur in District 11 beginning in May. Taking into consideration recent trends in forecasts and forecast confidence intervals, department management of this fishery will be conservative. It is likely that both time and area will be significantly restricted. Once inseason Taku River king salmon stock assessment data is available the department will respond accordingly. A news release announcing specific opening times and areas will be released in mid-April, 2012.

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