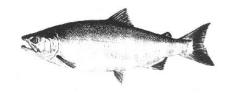
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<u>REVISED 2010 LOWER COOK INLET</u> COMMERCIAL SALMON HARVEST FORECAST

	Natural	Enhanced	Total
CHINOOK	a	a	1,200°
SOCKEYE	$92,200^{\rm b}$	$318,900^{c,d}$	411,100 ^d
СОНО	a a	a	13,100°
PINK	567,000	0	567,000
CHUM	$46,800^{\rm b}$	0	46,800
Total	706,000	318,900 ^d	1,039,200 ^d

^a Commercial harvest forecasts of Chinook and coho salmon represent average harvests since 1980 and are comprised of a combination of naturally-produced fish as well as fish produced from enhancement programs in LCI; no attempt is made to separate the two components.

The preceding numbers include the following natural and enhanced components:

^b Forecasts for naturally-produced sockeye and chum salmon are simply average annual commercial harvests since 1980 and 1989 (respectively).

^c Includes common property plus cost recovery harvests.

^d Revised sockeye totals are: 296,500 (enhanced) and 388,700 (total); revised all-species total is 1.016.800 – see footnote "b" in table below.

ENHANCED RUNS				
SOCKEYE SALMON	PINK SALMON			
Kirschner Lake	11,400			
Leisure Lake	44,300			
Hazel Lake	27,000			
Tutka Lagoon	38,800			
Bear Lake	175,000			
English Bay Lakes	0^{a}			
Port Graham Hatchery	$22,400^{b}$			
TOTAL	318,900			

NATURAL RUNS					
SOCKEYE SALMON°		PINK SALMON			
Southern District ^d	40,900	Southern District	106,400		
Outer District	19,800	Outer District	395,200		
Eastern District	6,200	Eastern District	0		
Kamishak Bay District	25,300	Kamishak Bay District	65,400		
TOTAL	92,200	TOTAL	567,000		

^a No or minimal contributions to commercial sockeye salmon harvests due to questionable run strength resulting from interruption of stocking program.

b The figure for Port Graham Hatchery sockeyes was revised AFTER release of the original preseason forecast, to a new total of 0 (zero); as a result, the revised LCI enhanced-only sockeye TOTAL is 296,500.

^c Numbers for natural sockeye harvests are not forecasts but simply represent 1980-2009 average commercial catches.

d Incidental harvest of fish not originating from the Southern District.