

**ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME**  
**DIVISION OF COMMERCIAL FISHERIES**  
**NEWS RELEASE**



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**UPPER COOK INLET COMMERCIAL FISHING ANNOUNCEMENT No. 8**  
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Upper Cook Inlet Commercial Fishing Announcement No. 8 opens drift gillnetting in the Expanded Kenai and Expanded Kasilof Section (Figure 1) of the Upper Subdistrict on Saturday, July 13, 2013 from 9:00 a.m. until 9:00 p.m.

The sustainable escapement goal (SEG) for Kenai River late-run king salmon is 15,000 to 30,000 fish. As of July 11, approximately 25 percent of the late-run of Kenai River king salmon is complete based on historical run-timing. Through July 10, the DIDSON sonar cumulative estimate of king salmon passage into the Kenai River was 2,252 fish. Through July 11 the sport harvest of king salmon in the Kenai River, as estimated by an in-season creel survey, was 311 fish. At the current rate of harvest by the inriver sport fishery, the projected escapement is approximately 14,500 to 17,500 fish.

The cumulative passage estimate of sockeye salmon in the Kasilof River through July 11 is approximately 223,000 fish. In the Kenai River, the cumulative sockeye salmon passage estimate is approximately 109,000 fish. In order to slow the rate of escapement of sockeye salmon into the Kenai and Kasilof Rivers, while minimizing the harvest of Kenai River late-run king salmon, fishing with drift gillnetters in the Expanded Kenai and Expanded Kasilof Sections is warranted.

All areas and gear types will fish the regularly scheduled fishing period on Monday, July 15, 2013.

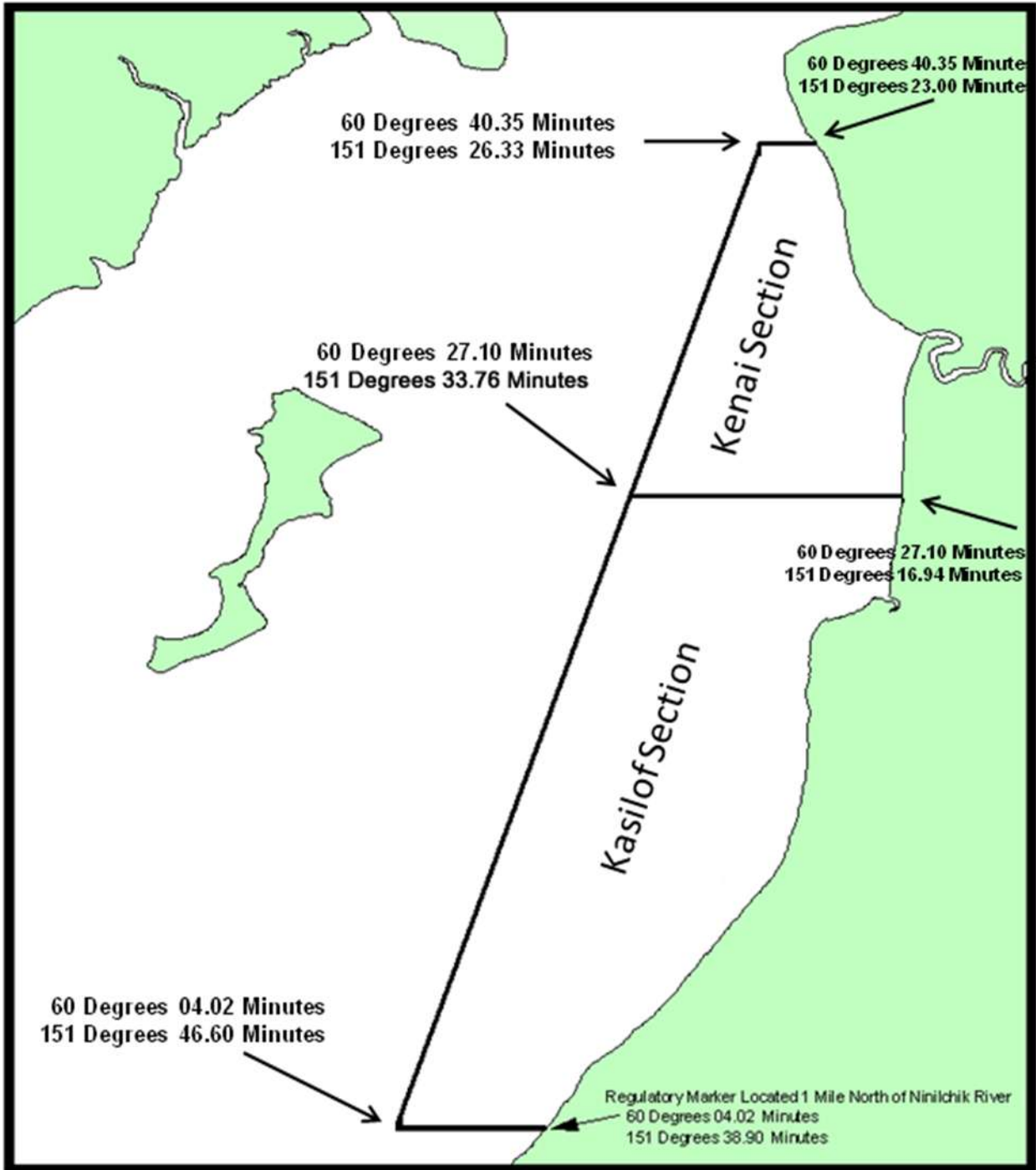


Figure 1. Map of the Expanded Kasilof and Expanded Kenai Corridors with waypoints.