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UPPER COOK INLET COMMERCIAL FISHING ANNOUNCEMENT No. 10 EMERGENCY ORDER NUMBER 2S-10-11

Upper Cook Inlet Commercial Fishing Announcement No. 10 opens set gillnetting in that portion of the Kasilof Section of the Upper Subdistrict within ½ mile of the mean high tide mark on the Kenai Peninsula shoreline from 8:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, July 13, 2011.

The escapement rate of sockeye salmon into the Kasilof River is proceeding at a rate greater than that needed to assure optimum escapement levels, while Kenai River sockeye salmon total return levels are not yet known. In order to harvest surplus Kasilof stocks, given the scenario just described, additional fishing time in the above-described area is warranted.