NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING OF THE ALASKA BOARD OF FISHERIES' UPPER COOK INLET TASK FORCE

The Upper Cook Inlet Task Force of the Board of Fisheries (Board) will meet from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Friday, November 16, 2012, at the Kenai Peninsula College, 156 College Road, Kenai, Alaska.

The Board established the Task Force to evaluate options for possible changes to the Kenai River Late-Run King Salmon Management Plan and associated Upper Cook Inlet salmon fisheries regulations. This Task Force is made up of two Board members (who will serve as co-chairs of the Task Force), three Upper Subdistrict set gillnet fishers, one drift gillnet fisher, two sports fishers, one sports guide, one personal use (dip net) fisher, and one marine recreation member.

The Task Force Mission and Organization Statement and tentative dates and locations of additional monthly meetings to be held in mid-December, mid-January, and mid-February are on the Board of Fisheries website at: <u>http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=process.main</u>.

No regulatory action will be taken at these meetings. It is intended that parliamentary procedures for Task Force work will follow the "New England Town Meeting" style, and that Task Force co-chairs will manage the meetings in a manner that encourages open and respectful exchange of information and ideas, seeking to achieve resolution of misunderstandings and consensus solutions where possible.

After the Task Force has completed the work from each meeting a written summary will be prepared to capture and summarize the general discussion and any recommendations of the Task Force, which will then be made available to the public.

Agenda topics for the November meeting will include but not be limited to: Review of task force mission and scope of effort, review of Kenai River Late-Run King Salmon Management Plan and other associated regulations, and discussion of whether modification of this Plan will achieve all necessary regulatory changes.

The agenda and meeting materials will be available through the Department of Fish and Game Boards Support Section and will also be posted on the Board of Fisheries website at: <u>http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=process.main</u>. Audio streaming will not be available on the website for this meeting. For information about the meeting or meeting materials, contact the Boards Support Section at (907) 465-4110.

If you are a person with a disability who may need a special accommodation in order to participate, please contact the Boards Support Section at (907) 465-4110 **no later than 4:00 p.m. on Thursday, November 8, 2012**, to ensure that any necessary accommodations can be provided.

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Monica Wellard, Executive Director Alaska Board of Fisheries

<u>11/6/12</u> Date