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PUBLIC NOTICE OF THE DISCUSSION POINTS FOR PROPOSAL 249 ALASKA BOARD OF FISHERIES' UPPER COOK INLET TASK FORCE

The Upper Cook Inlet Task Force of the Board of Fisheries (Task Force) conducted its final meeting from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Thursday, February 14, 2013, at the Challenger Learning Center, 9711 Kenai Spur Highway, Kenai, Alaska.

The Board of Fisheries 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 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 purpose of the Task Force is to identify and discuss alternative management strategies that allow set gillnetting for sockeye salmon in the East side set gillnet fishery (ESSN) and inriver use of Kenai River king salmon during times of low king salmon abundance.

The Task Force Mission, Organization Statement, and all meeting information regarding the Task Force are available through the Department of Fish and Game Boards Support Section and will also be posted on the Upper Cook Inlet Board of Fisheries Task Force website at: <u>http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=ucitaskforce.main</u>

The Task Force discussion points for Proposal 249 is attached and can be found on the website above and Board of Fisheries website (under the Statewide Finfish and Supplemental Issues meeting information) at:

http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=fisheriesboard.meetinginfo

Comments about these discussion points or related issues may be submitted to the board via the public comment procedures outlined in the legal published notice for the 2012-2013 board regulatory meetings posted at:

http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/static/regulations/regprocess/fisheriesboard/pdfs/2012-

<u>2013/notice11-2-12.pdf</u>. To be included in the books prepared for board members before the March 19-24, 2013 meeting starts, comments must be received by March 5, 2013. Comments may be submitted later as record copies and will be part of the board's record for the March meeting. Any written public comments can be submitted via fax at (907) 465-6094 or mailed to the Alaska Department of Fish and Game, Boards Support Section, P.O. Box 115526, Juneau, AK 99811-5526 by the Alaska Board of Fisheries, Statewide Finfish and Supplemental Issue meeting comment deadline of March 5, 2013. (All Alaska Board of Fisheries public comment standards apply.)

<u>3/8/13</u> Date