

# *Oral Report to the Alaska Board of Fisheries 2013*

## Review of Salmon Escapement Goals in the Chignik Management Area



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# *Presentation Objectives*

- Reference policies
- Describe team formation and approach
- Identify escapement goals and review methods
- Present recommendations



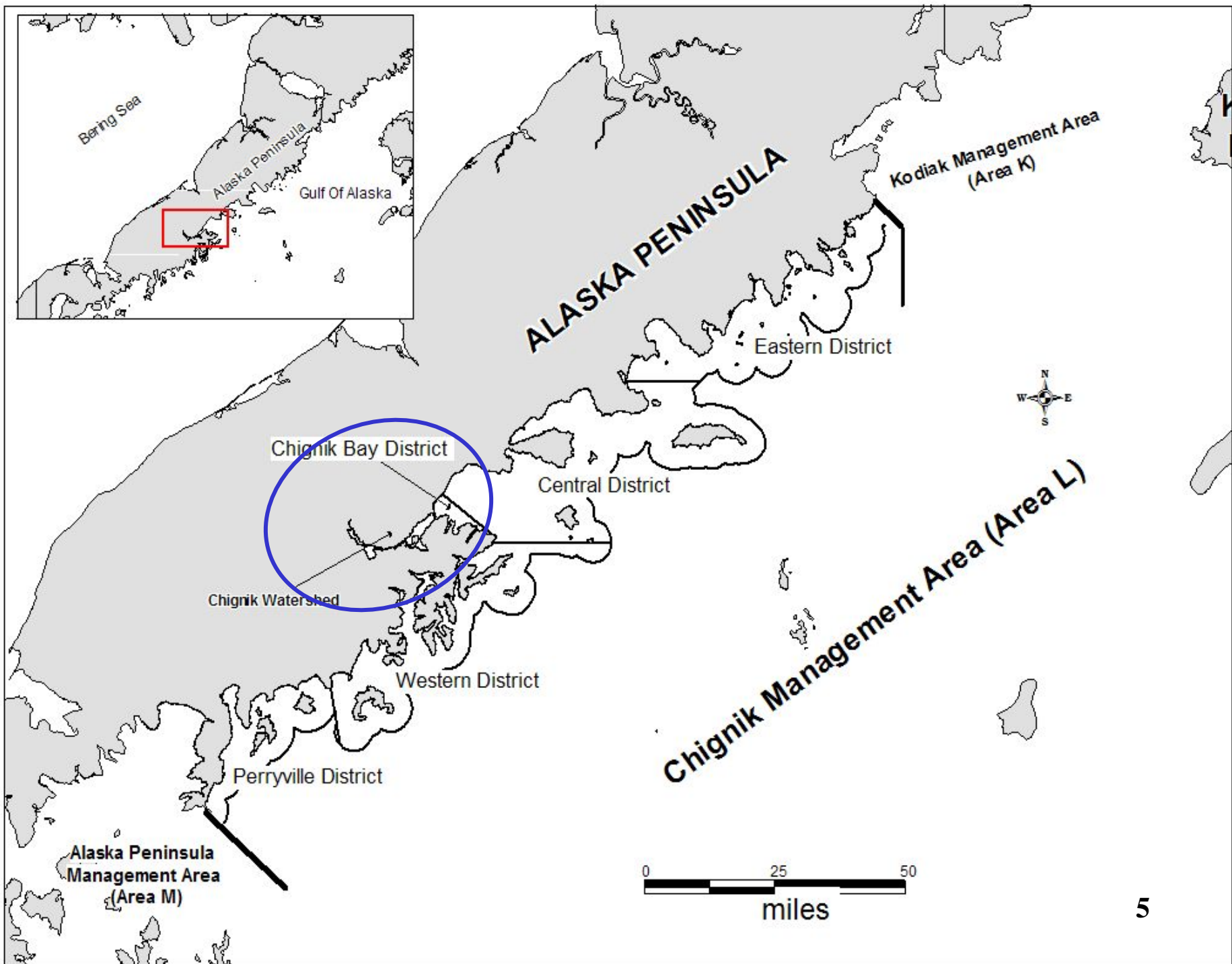
# ***Policy and Escapement Goal Definition***

**This review was based on:**

- **Policy for the Management of Sustainable Salmon Fisheries (SSFP; 5 AAC 39.222)**
- **Policy for Statewide Salmon Escapement Goals (EGP; 5 AAC 39.223)**
- **Two important terms defined in the SSFP are:**
  - biological escapement goal (BEG)**
  - sustainable escapement goal (SEG)**

# *Review Approach and Process*

- **Three-year interval**
- **Review available stock data**
- **Determine appropriate goal type and methods**
- **Perform analysis, assess goal range, team review**
- **Develop draft recommendations for directors of Commercial Fisheries and Sport Fish**
- **Post-meeting memo signed by directors**



## King salmon

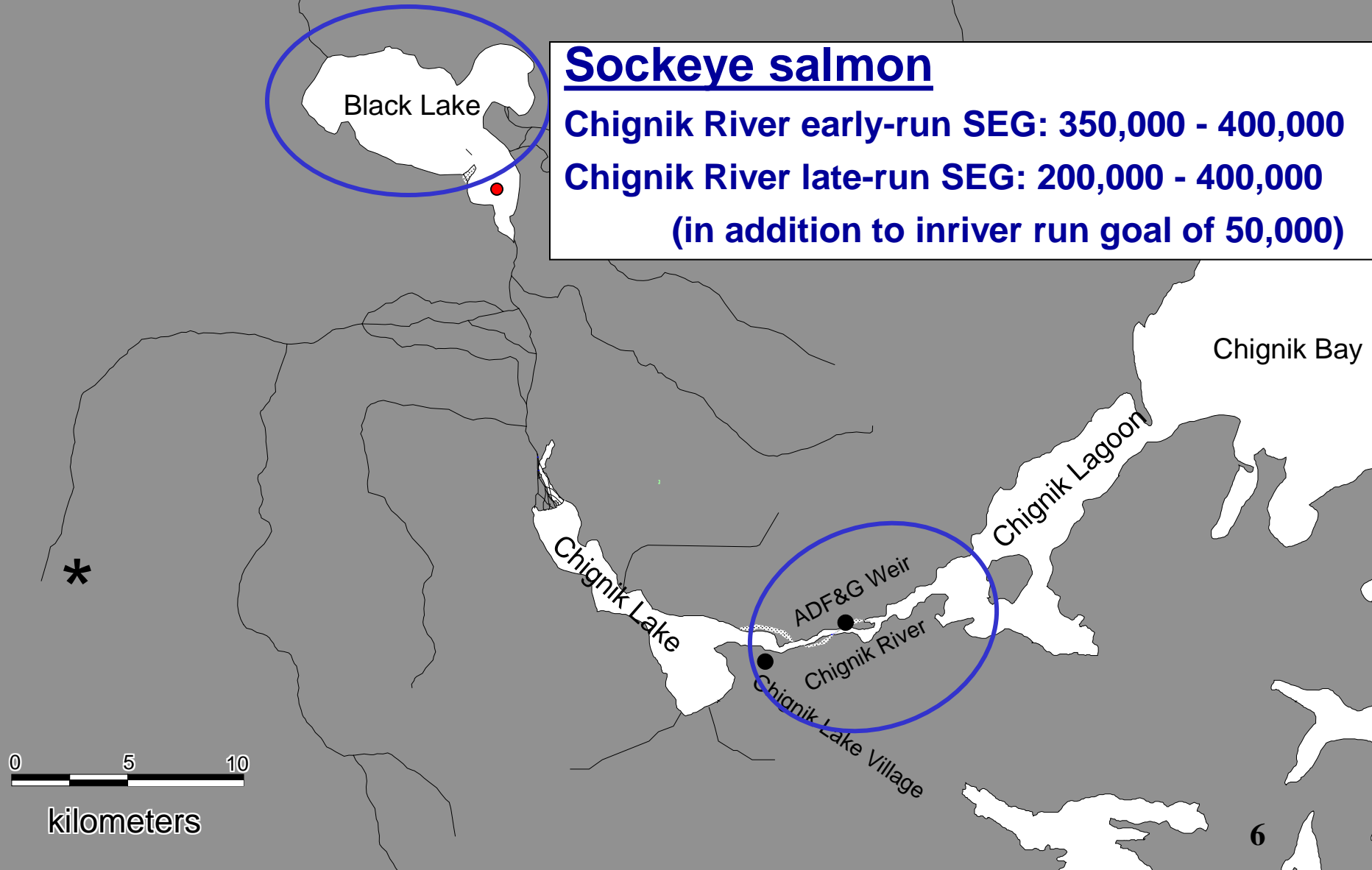
Chignik River BEG: 1,300 – 2,700

## Sockeye salmon

Chignik River early-run SEG: 350,000 - 400,000

Chignik River late-run SEG: 200,000 - 400,000

(in addition to inriver run goal of 50,000)



# Chum salmon

42 streams in 5 districts

Aggregate SEG: 57,400

# Pink salmon

49 streams in 5 districts

Even-year aggregate SEG: 200,000 – 600,000

Odd-year aggregate SEG: 500,000 – 800,000



# *Primary Methods*

## Spawner-recruit analysis (SRA)

- Used for either BEGs or SEGs





# ***Summary: Methods and Recommendations by Goal***

## **Recommendations:**

- **King salmon BEG: no change**
- **Pink salmon SEGs: no change**
- **Chum salmon SEG: no change**

# *Summary: Methods and Recommendations by Goal*

## Recommendations:

- **Sockeye salmon:**
  - Late-run: no change to SEG
  - Early-run: change SEG (350,000 - 400,000) to BEG (350,000 - 450,000).
- Previous SEG based on percentile method.
- Updated analysis extended the data series providing more data contrast for significant spawner-recruit analysis allowing estimate of  $S_{msy}$  (408,721 ).
- Department assessed interaction between two lakes.
- Changing from fixed cut-off date (July 4<sup>th</sup>) between 2 runs using genetic analysis.

# Questions?

