

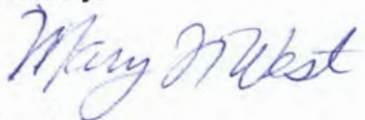
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What I have considered my rich lifestyle has rarely been represented by money in the bank. It only resonated in my fisher, and enviable subsistence lifestyle on this Alaska Peninsula. This is my Costco, my Safeway, and my livelihood. Myself, and thousands of Bristol Bay drainage resident permit holders are urging this board and ADF&G to close this Outer Port Heiden district. I question the legality of ever opening. Our Naknek/Kvichak Advisory Committee is proactive. We did not get to openly comment on this district or express how this may affect subsistence use.

Know that we have had great respect for past Board of Fish members, and our ADF&G. We have entrusted you with this resource, and all of our Alaska Peninsula resources of both Fish and Game. "White man from town " and we giggle. Can you hear the voices from the people your rulings will affect? For every drainage resident representing themselves at these meetings, there are at least ten you did not see. We are like the Tundra mice, or Meshik's wolves.

We are the indigenous people, and when this fishery is exploited past the "sustainable resource" level, we will still be here. Probably defending ourselves from Meshik's many wolves, while we eat their mice! You have heard paid speakers, rehearsed speakers, and people who can hardly speak because of emotion. We are at the point of cry or fight. We did not come to cry!

Sincerely,



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