

# Matanuska-Susitna Borough



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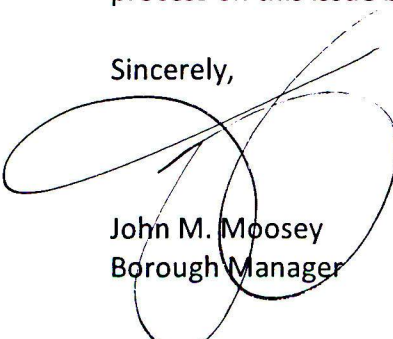
RE: Record Copy Comment — ACR11

Dear Chairman Jensen and Member of the Board of Fisheries,

The Matanuska-Susitna Borough Fish and Wildlife Commission recognizes and appreciates the new information from the Department's genetic study of commercially harvested salmon in Kodiak fisheries. Along with the author of this proposal, the Commission shares a concern that at times significant numbers of Upper Cook Inlet bound salmon are harvested in Kodiak fisheries. More specifically Commission members are concerned about impactful harvests of Stock of Yield Concern Susitna Sockeye Salmon in both Kodiak and Upper Cook Inlet fisheries, and resulting difficulties in obtaining adequate spawning escapements and reasonable harvest opportunities in Northern Cook Inlet waters.

Whether or not the Board chooses to consider ACR11 in a public meeting during the 2017 — 2018 meeting cycle, interception and impacts to Upper Cook Inlet bound salmon in Kodiak commercial fisheries will continue. Addressing this issue could likely have significant financial impacts on both Kodiak and Upper Cook Inlet user groups. Therefore, the Commission suggests the Board plan on providing opportunity for affected user groups to participate in the board process on this issue both in Kodiak and in the Upper Cook Inlet area at the appropriate time(s).

Sincerely,



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Borough Manager

