



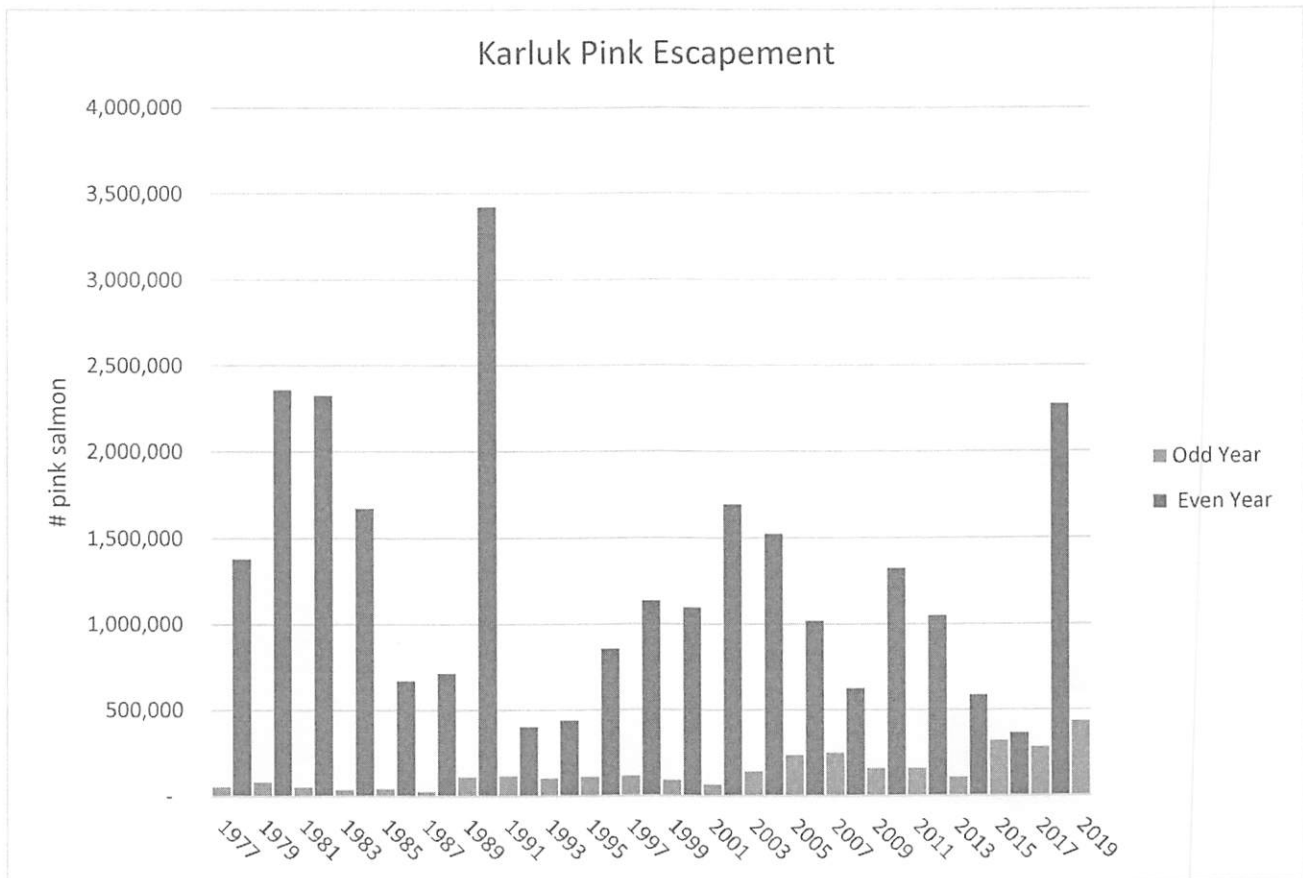
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### Support for Proposal 70



The NWSA would like to point out that the Karluk pink escapement was very similar in 2015, 2016, 2017, and 2019 – roughly 350,000 pink salmon. The 2016 escapement of 360,000 pinks produced the enormous 2018 escapement of 2,275,000 pinks. Although certainly not guaranteed, there is no reason to imagine that a similar recruit per spawner event couldn't happen in the future in an odd year. It is completely possible that there could be 2.5 million pink salmon up Karluk River in 2021. Proposal 70 simply allows the Department to appropriately manage the resource in such a situation.