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5 AAC 21.359. Kenai River Late-Run King Salmon Management Plan.; 5 AAC 21. 366. Northern District King Salmon Management Plan.

Repeal 'paired restrictions' from Upper Cook Inlet salmon management plans as follows:

The new language would delete all paired restrictions. Management would be abundance based to harvest salmon surpluses and meet scientific escapement goals for BEG's or SEG's.

What is the issue you would like the board to address and why? Paired restrictions are creating chronic disasters for the commercial set net fishery and fishing related businesses and communities. Paired restrictions have not solved any fishing problems. They have only created massive over-escapement and lost harvest of millions of salmon. They negatively affect the commercial fishing industry, communities, National food source, interstate commerce, economies and also decreases future salmon production resulting from the effects of over-escapement. They also violate the Magnuson Stevens Act and other applicable laws.

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