

Chairman Woods and Board Members,

My Name is Brian Koski. I am a third generation Fishermen in the Kasilof section of the ESSN fishery. I grow up on the beach. Started off as Grandpas helper, then picking down the beach nets, then running boats. I have had my permit sense my grandfather's passing. I have a son that just turned two and I look forward to teaching him how to become a fishermen. I witness this fishery go down hill since 2012. Everything is about the Trophy Kenai River King, or the Kenai River Sockeye. What about the Kasilof river?

I support a 600' Kasilof district commercial fishery during this low abundance of Kenai River Kings. There is already regulation in place about 600'. I would like to see this use more extensively, in 2015 we used it 6 times exclusively in the Kasilof section. It is high on harvest of Kasilof sockeye and low impact to the Large Kenai River bound kings.

A simple and affective plan could look like 4 periods a week at 12hrs around high tide to high tide, I know this is 48 hours a week, but it isn't because of how big the tidal range is in cook inlet. These nets go dry for most of the periods and are still extremely affective.

If the preseason forecast is between 13,500 – 15,000 then there will be limited fishing periods in the Kasilof 600' section will be no more than 48 hrs. a week with a mandatory closure on Friday. If it is projected at the midway point on or about July 27th that the SEG is not going to be met. Then immediately closure for the rest of the season.

I would like to see a plan that includes the Kasilof 600' section opened and Separated from the Kenai districts. This would be a helpful tool in controlling the large escapement into the Kasilof river. Many of my fellow fishermen worry about the 1 million sockeye escapements into the Kasilof river 2 years in a row. I have witness this firsthand how effective the Kasilof section 600' fishery can be in harvesting Kasilof sockeye and low harvest of large Kenai Kings.

Thank you,

Brian Koski

600' Kasilof Section

Appendix A4.—Commercial sockeye salmon harvest by area and date, Upper Cook Inlet, 2015.

Upper Subdistrict Set Gillnet		244-22		244-25		244-31		244-32		244-41		244-42		Total		
Ninilchik		Cohoe		Kasilof Terminal		South K-Beach		North K-Beach		Salamatof		E. Forelands				
Date	Daily	Cum	Daily	Cum	Daily	Cum	Daily	Cum	Daily	Cum	Daily	Cum	Daily	Cum	Daily	Cum
22 Jun	6,235	6,235	3,159	3,159	8,721	8,721	8,721	8,721							18,115	18,115
24 Jun	4,838	11,073	3,904	7,063	4,227	12,948	4,227	12,948							12,969	31,084
25 Jun	10,058	21,131	2,495	9,558	2,372	15,320	2,372	15,320							14,925	46,009
27 Jun	19,986	41,117	4,670	14,228	7,450	22,770	7,450	22,770							32,106	78,115
29 Jun	13,646	54,763	6,629	20,857	8,760	31,530	8,760	31,530							29,035	107,150
30 Jun	17,001	71,764	4,400	25,257	4,300	35,830	4,300	35,830							25,701	132,851
2 Jul	14,247	86,011	5,695	30,952	11,013	46,843	11,013	46,843							30,955	163,806
4 Jul	9,748	95,759	8,004	38,956	9,305	56,148	9,305	56,148							27,057	190,863
6 Jul	10,757	106,516	7,002	45,958	6,374	62,522	6,374	62,522							24,133	214,996
7 Jul					6,448	6,448									6,448	221,444
8 Jul					16,396	22,844									16,396	237,840
9 Jul	18,267	124,783	8,515	54,473	4,671	67,193	4,671	67,193	4,322	4,322	6,578	6,578	2,542	2,542	44,895	282,735
10 Jul					2,988	25,832									2,988	285,723
11 Jul	12,696	137,479	7,797	62,270	2,649	28,481	4,792	71,985	6,295	10,617	6,957	13,535	2,513	5,055	43,699	329,422
12 Jul					1,181	29,662									1,181	330,603
13 Jul					17,725	47,387									17,725	348,328
14 Jul	10,659	148,138	9,289	71,559	8,001	79,986	8,001	79,986	5,458	16,075	9,104	22,639	2,341	7,396	44,852	393,180
15 Jul	7,571	155,709	4,908	76,467	7,117	87,103	7,117	87,103	4,187	20,262	6,746	29,385	2,242	9,638	19,596	412,776
16 Jul	13,508	169,217	10,384	86,851	7,373	94,476	7,373	94,476	4,187	20,262	6,746	29,385	2,242	9,638	44,440	457,216
17 Jul					12,050	59,437									12,050	469,266
18 Jul	20,909	190,126	21,740	108,591	8,470	67,907	16,902	111,378							68,021	537,287
19 Jul	13,636	203,762	6,228	114,819	7,907	119,285	7,907	119,285							27,771	565,058
20 Jul	15,904	219,666	13,785	128,604	4,716	124,001	4,716	124,001	8,600	28,862	17,357	46,742	2,537	12,175	62,899	627,957

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*Sockeye
Harvested in*

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Upper Subdistrict Set Gillnet

Date	244-21 Nimilchik		244-22 Cohoe		244-25 Kasilof Terminal		244-31 South K-Beach		244-32 North K-Beach		244-41 Salamatof		244-42 E. Forelands		Total	
	Daily	Cum	Daily	Cum	Daily	Cum	Daily	Cum	Daily	Cum	Daily	Cum	Daily	Cum		
21 Jul	9,079	228,745	4,346	132,950	3,061	70,968	8,134	132,135							24,620	652,577
22 Jul	8,901	237,646	3,520	136,470	6,244	77,212	8,291	140,426							26,956	679,533
23 Jul	12,472	250,118	15,665	152,135	849	78,061	10,203	150,629	11,338	40,200	24,953	71,695	9,064	21,239	84,544	764,077
24 Jul					11,890	89,951									11,890	775,967
25 Jul	15,770	265,888	6,226	158,361	114	90,065	8,463	159,092	10,345	50,545	28,515	100,210	7,677	28,916	77,110	853,077
26 Jul	23,608	289,496	19,987	178,348	127	90,192	10,681	169,773	13,820	64,365	22,356	122,566	5,374	34,290	95,953	949,030
27 Jul	11,122	300,618	6,124	184,472	13	90,205	7,692	177,465	13,966	78,331	30,753	153,319	7,733	42,023	77,403	1,026,433
28 Jul	7,091	307,709	2,875	187,347	2,429	92,634	2,833	180,298							15,228	1,041,661
29 Jul	9,245	316,954	5,345	192,692	611	93,245	5,035	185,333	8,451	86,782	21,422	174,741	7,609	49,632	57,718	1,099,379
30 Jul	6,867	323,821	2,819	195,511			2,498	187,831	4,852	91,634	21,486	196,227	8,256	57,888	46,778	1,146,157
31 Jul	2,822	326,643	1,989	197,500	3,579	96,824	2,138	189,969	4,436	96,070	20,869	217,096	6,156	64,044	10,528	1,156,685
1 Aug	4,811	331,454	6,080	203,580	1,323	98,147	3,082	193,051	5,259	101,329	11,053	228,149	4,439	68,483	46,757	1,203,442
2 Aug					3,513	101,660			3,976	105,305	15,594	243,743	4,687	73,170	24,264	1,227,706
3 Aug	4,681	336,135	4,369	207,949			2,254	195,305	4,891	110,196	29,852	273,595	10,272	83,442	35,561	1,263,267
5 Aug	5,463	341,598	6,743	214,692			2,546	197,851	4,069	114,265	24,321	297,916	7,555	90,997	59,767	1,323,034
6 Aug	9,063	350,661	5,661	220,353			2,166	200,017	5,610	119,875	15,257	313,173	5,327	96,324	52,835	1,375,869
8 Aug	5,416	356,077	4,200	224,553			1,127	201,144	2,911	122,786	9,173	322,346	3,181	99,505	36,937	1,412,806
9 Aug	4,272	360,349	1,680	226,233			1,134	202,278	2,500	125,286	12,092	334,438	4,698	104,203	22,351	1,435,157
10 Aug	3,332	363,681	1,495	227,728			1,264	203,542	2,500	125,286	12,092	334,438	4,698	104,203	25,381	1,460,538
12 Aug									4,154	129,440	13,076	347,514	3,568	107,771	20,798	1,481,336

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*Total Harvest
109,386 Sockeye*

6,949

12,749

21,559

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