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ALASKA BOARD OF FISHERIES  
**Policy Regarding the Location of the Upper Cook Inlet Finfish Meeting**

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The Alaska Board of Fisheries (board) notes one of the most divisive issues it faces almost every year is not a regulatory subject, but rather where to hold the Upper Cook Inlet Finfish meeting. Boards since 1999 have chosen to hold this two-week long meeting in Anchorage. Other communities, principally Kenai/Soldotna, would like to host the meeting. While the board recognizes it cannot obligate future boards by its current decisions, it offers the following meeting schedule as a way to manage this ongoing issue.

The board recommends future boards rotate the Upper Cook Inlet Finfish meeting between the three principle communities of Kenai/Soldotna, Palmer/Wasilla, and Anchorage. This policy contemplates the meeting will rotate between these three communities throughout its 3-year meeting cycle. The board recommends holding the 2020 meeting in Kenai/Soldotna, the 2023 meeting in Wasilla/Palmer, and the 2026 meeting in Anchorage.

Adopted this 9th day of March 2018.

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John E. Jensen  
Chair, Alaska Board of Fisheries  
Vote: 4-2 (1 Absent)