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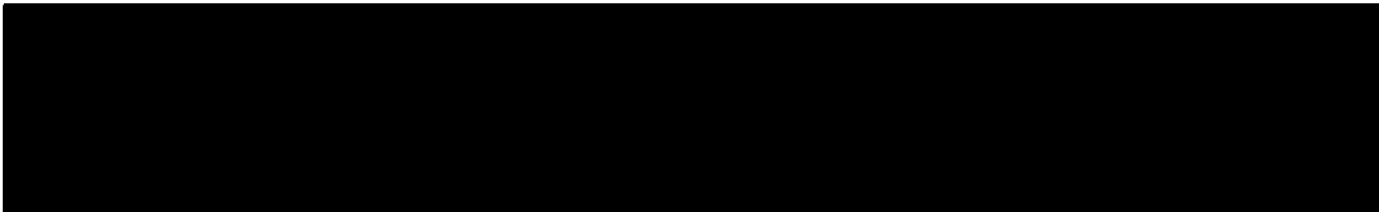
Dear Members of the Board of Fish:

I appreciate the opportunity to comment on the proposals being considered during the Upper Cook Inlet meeting of the Alaska Board of Fisheries. Although I have opinion on a number of the proposals, I will limit my comments to supporting the Alaska resident-only personal use salmon fishing and opposing efforts to hamper the ability of AK residents to access the fishery, specifically on the Kenai River.

Proposals 196-199 are transparent efforts to limit or prohibit access and, even worse, would, if implemented, make the fishery much more dangerous for the participants.

I oppose Mr. Koch's proposal 195 and support proposal 205. The Board of Fish in consult with ADFG biologists is best able to make decisions based on the management principals established by the Alaska Constitution and Alaska statutes.

The annual attacks on the Alaska resident-only personal use by UCIDA grows wearisome. Their litigation to assert federal management in Cook Inlet waters was bad enough.



P.S. Keep the Corridor in place!

Sincerely,

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