

# The Commercial Salmon Fisheries of the Kodiak Management Area



James Jackson

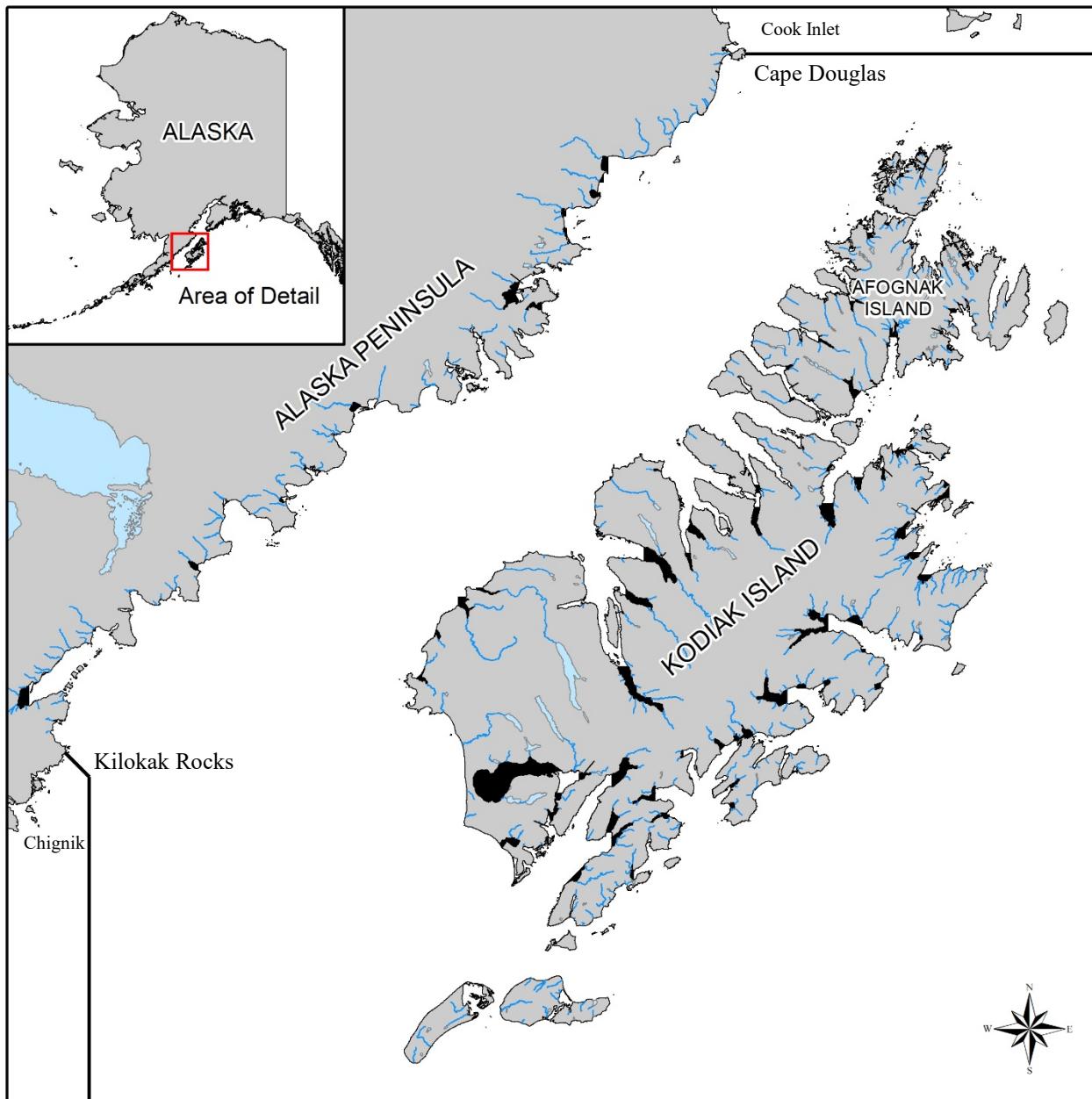
A Report to the Alaska Board  
of Fisheries  
January 2020

Oral Report: RC 3; Tab 2  
Staff Comments: RC 2

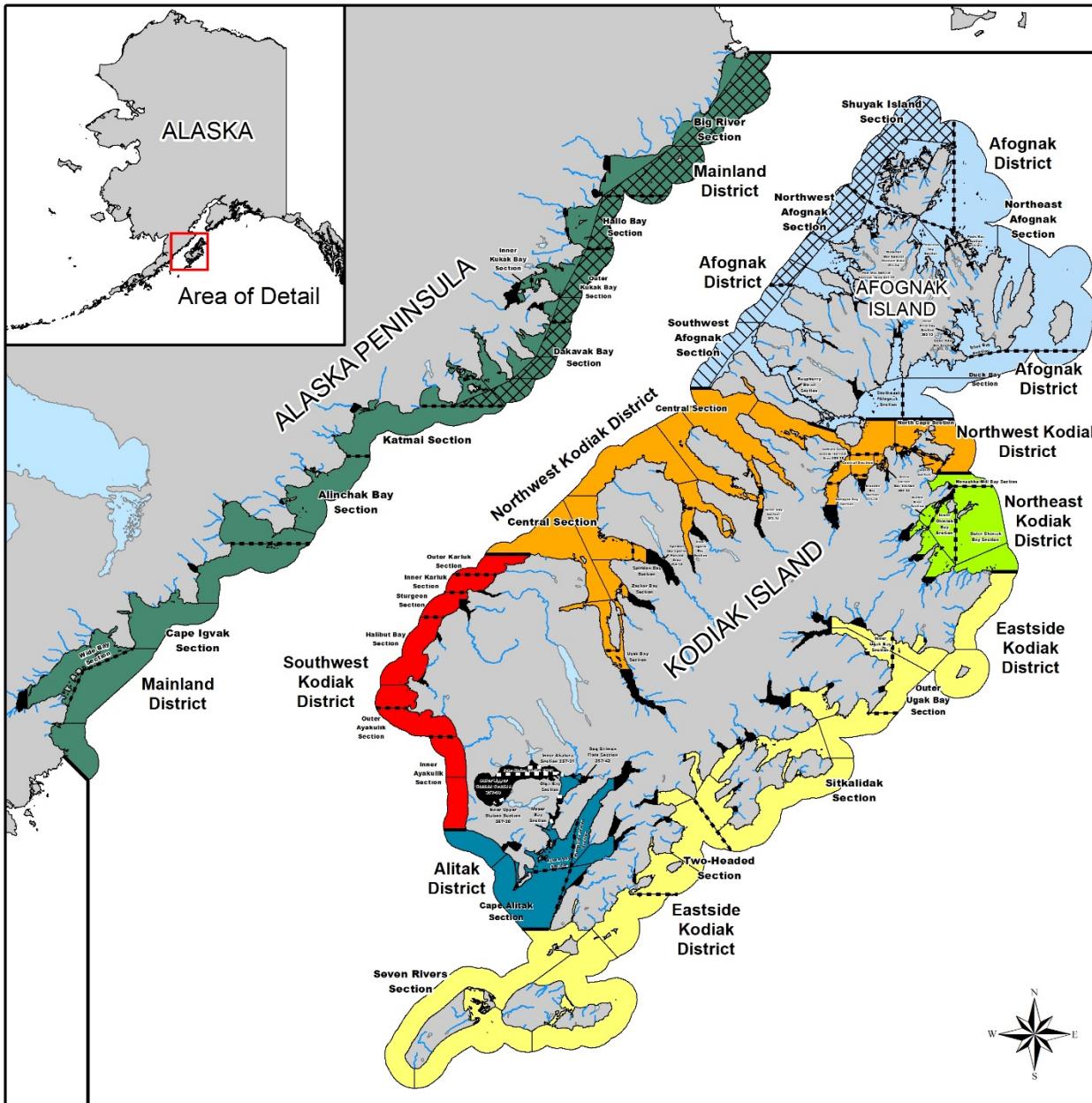
# Topics to be Covered:

1. Description of Kodiak management area
2. A brief description of the 9 major management plans
3. Average run timing by species
4. Gear types and permits fished
5. Harvest and escapement by salmon species

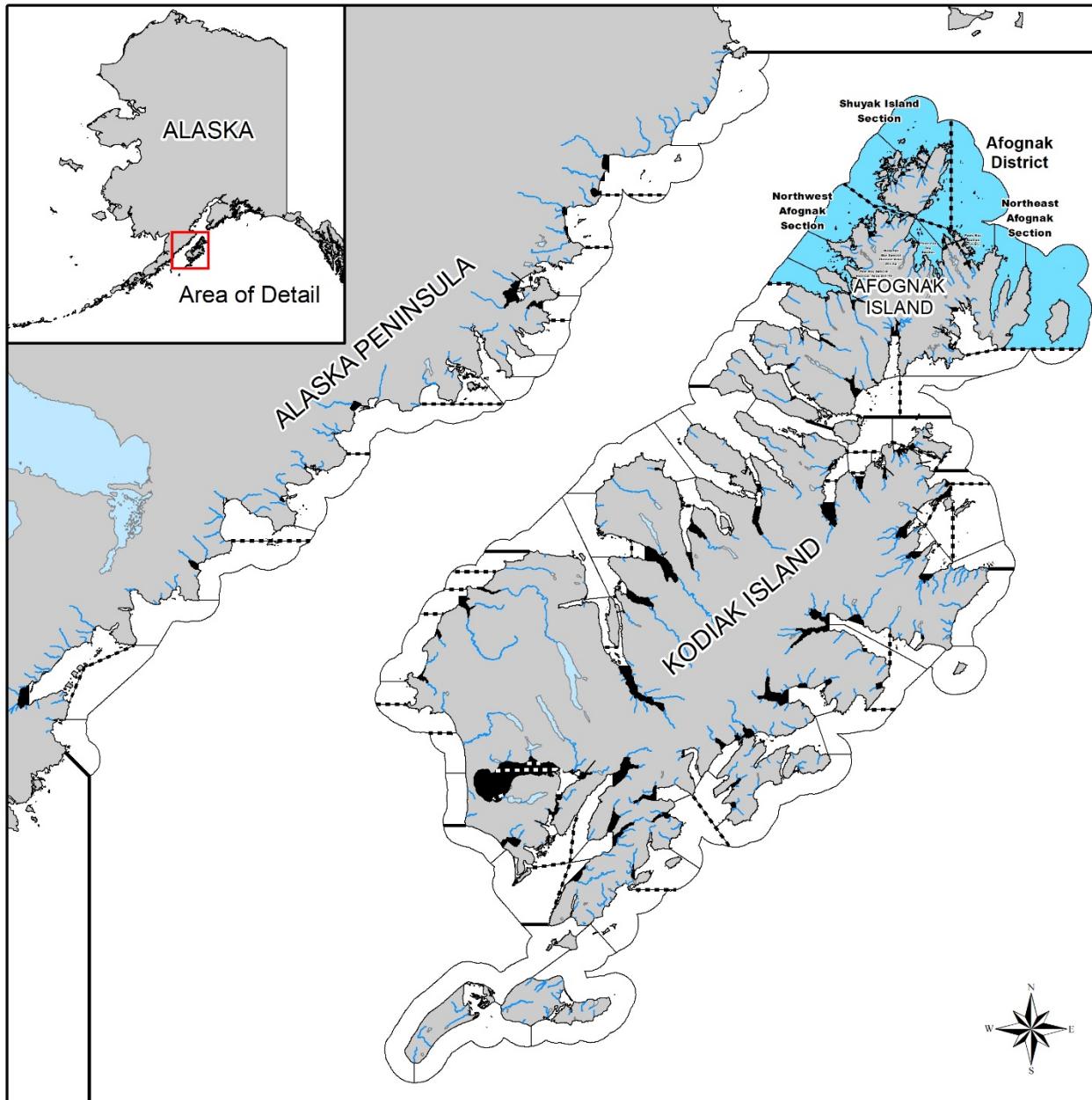
# Kodiak Management Area



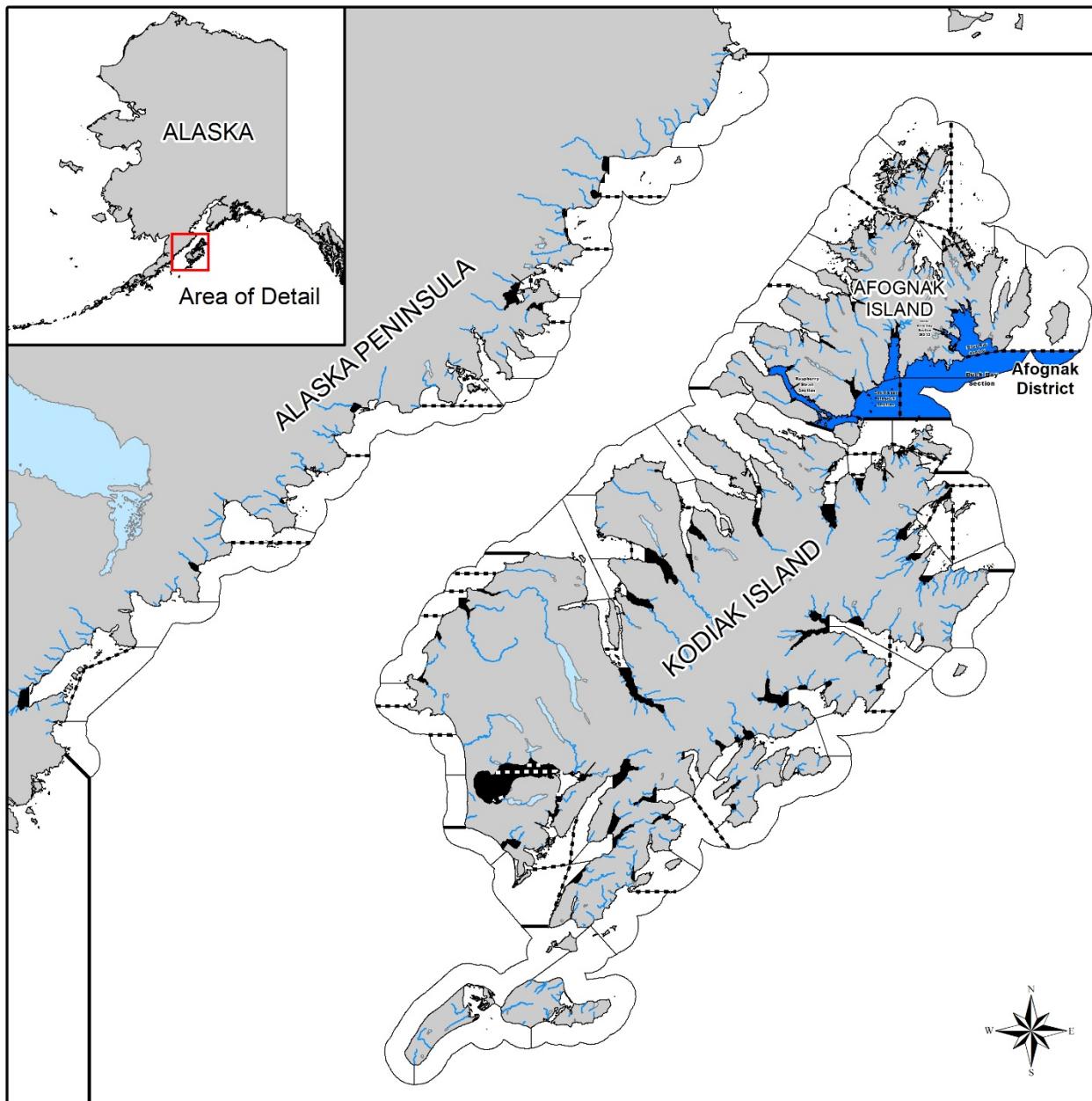
# Kodiak Area Salmon Districts



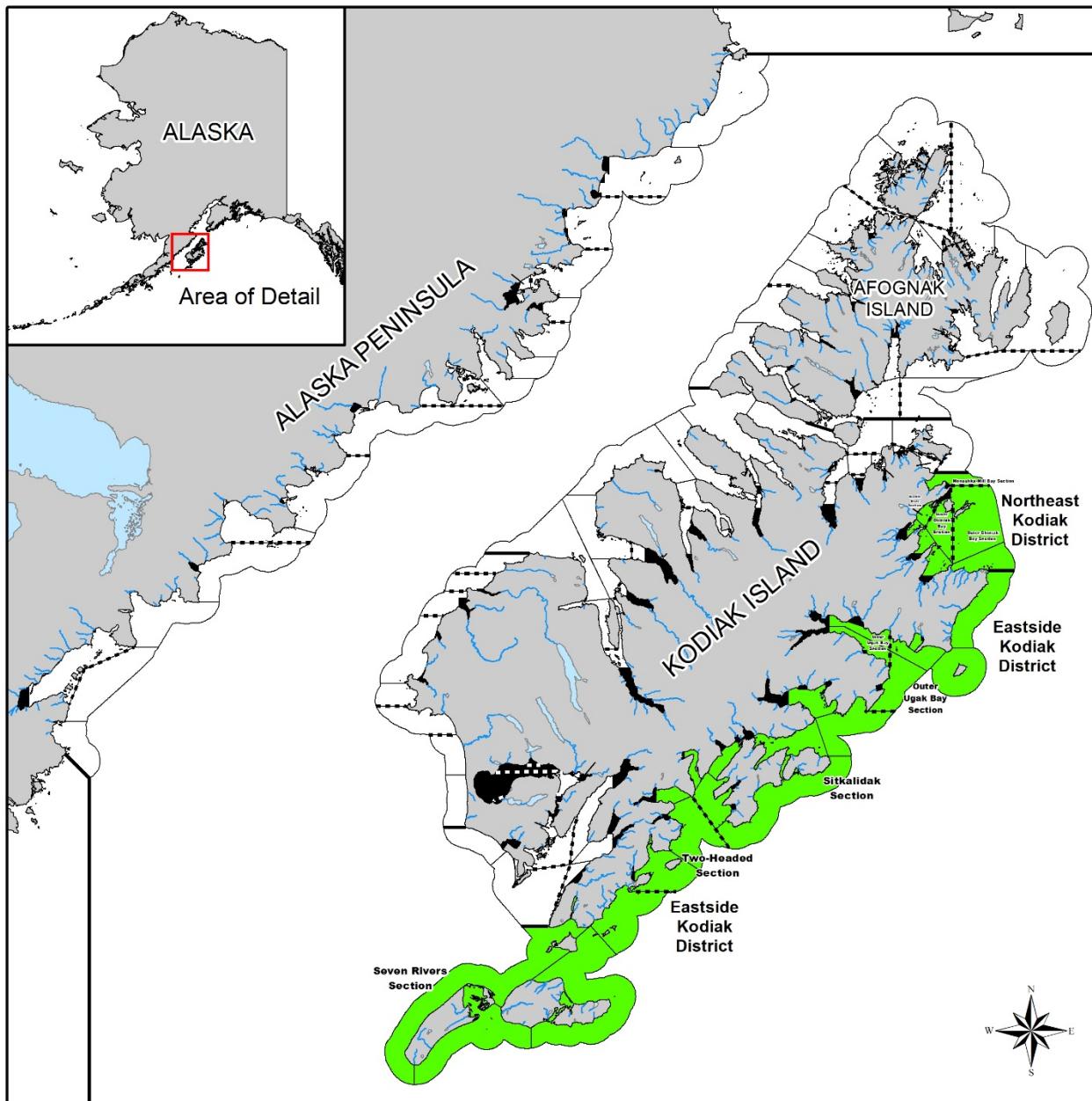
# North Afognak/Shuyak Island Salmon MP



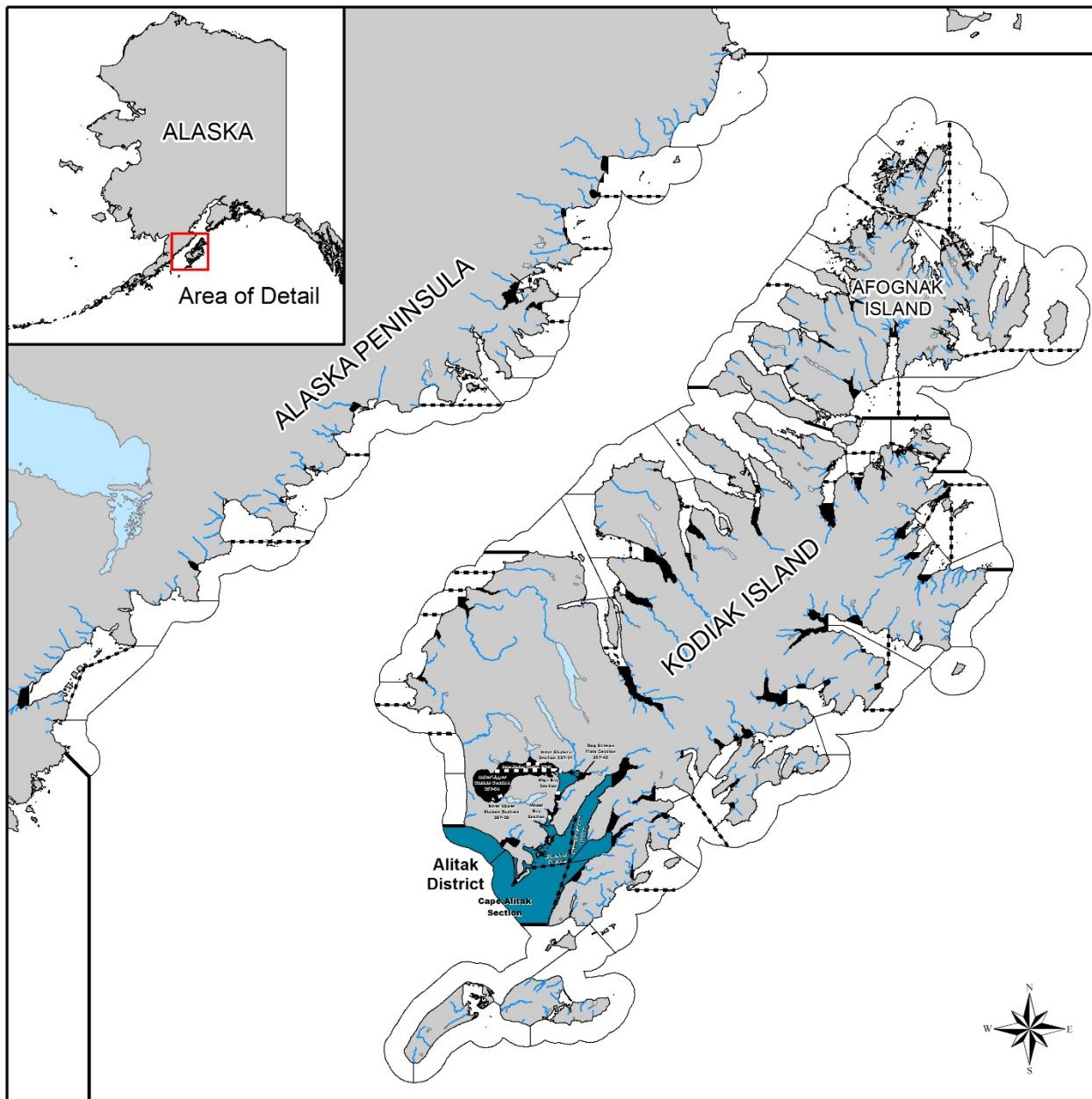
# East Afognak Salmon MP



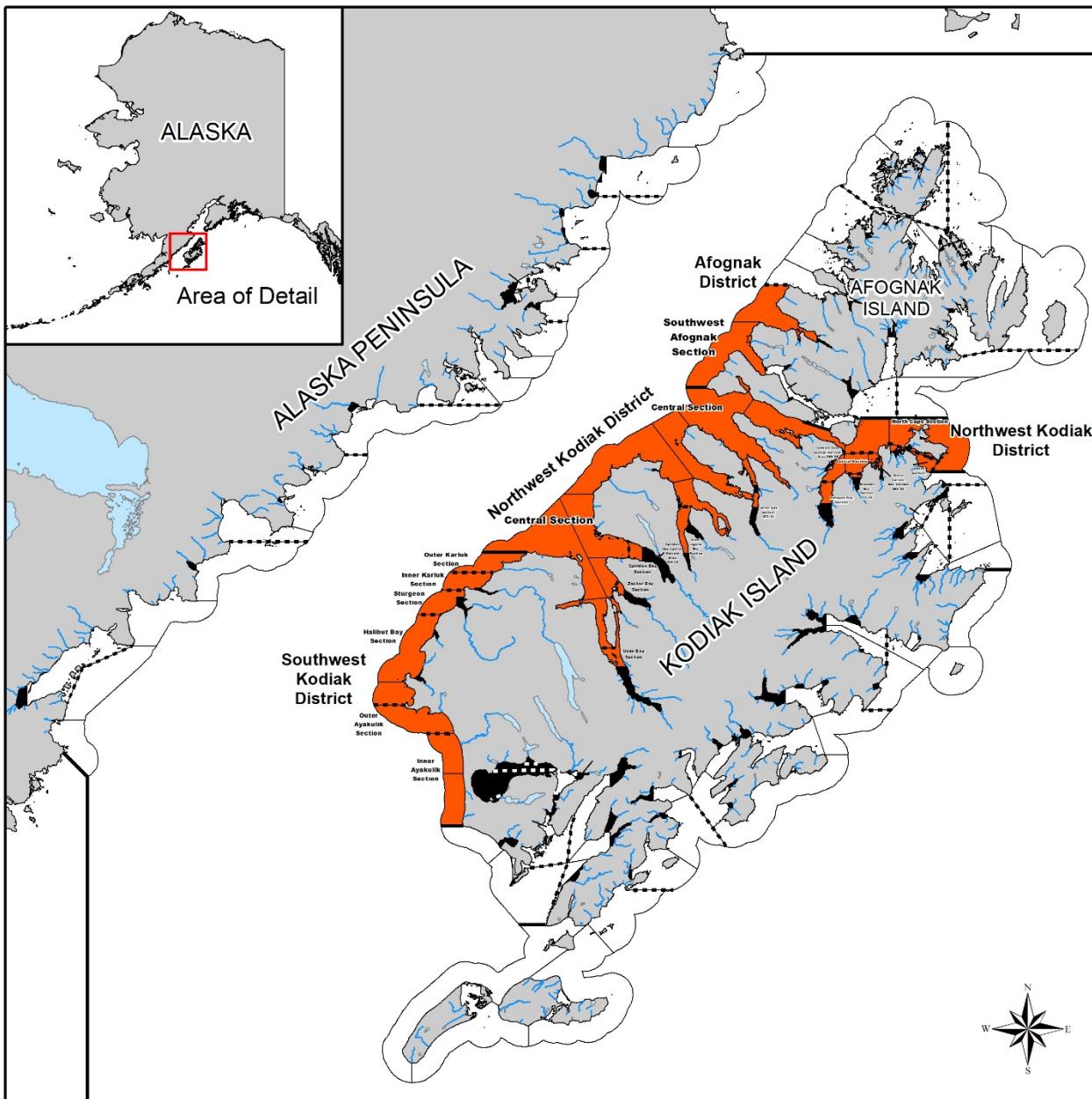
# Eastside Kodiak Salmon MP



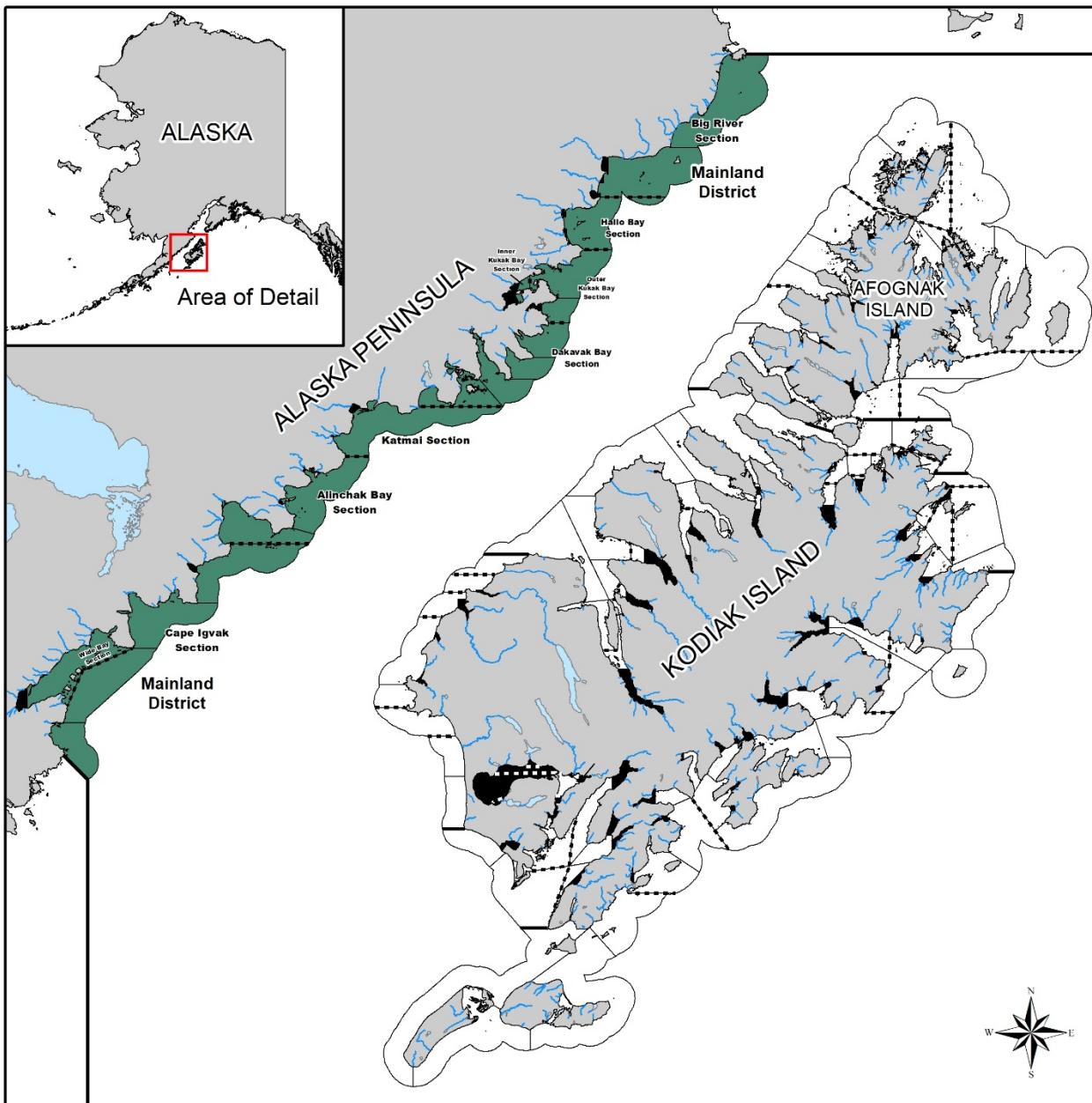
# Alitak District Salmon MP



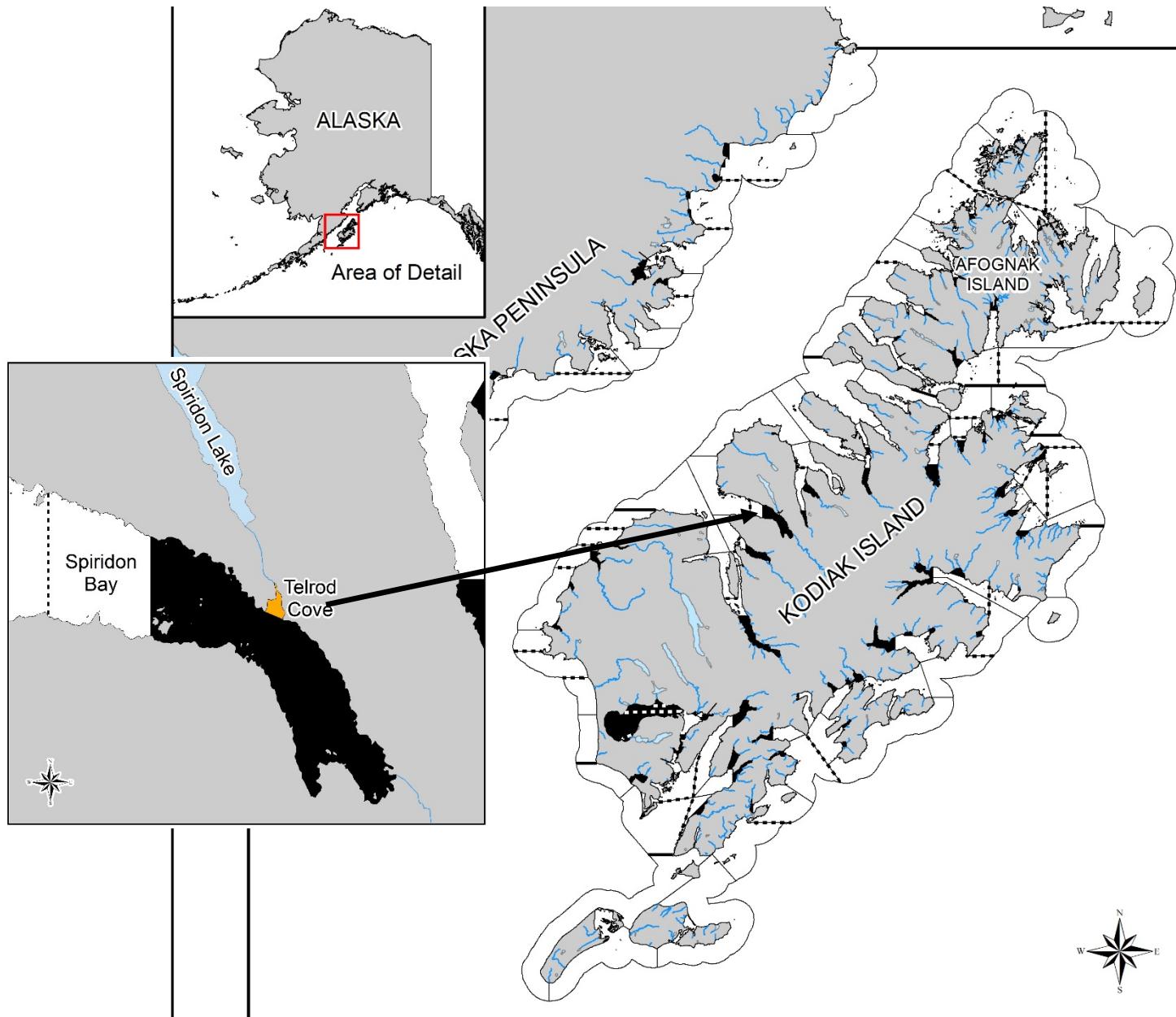
# Westside Kodiak Salmon MP



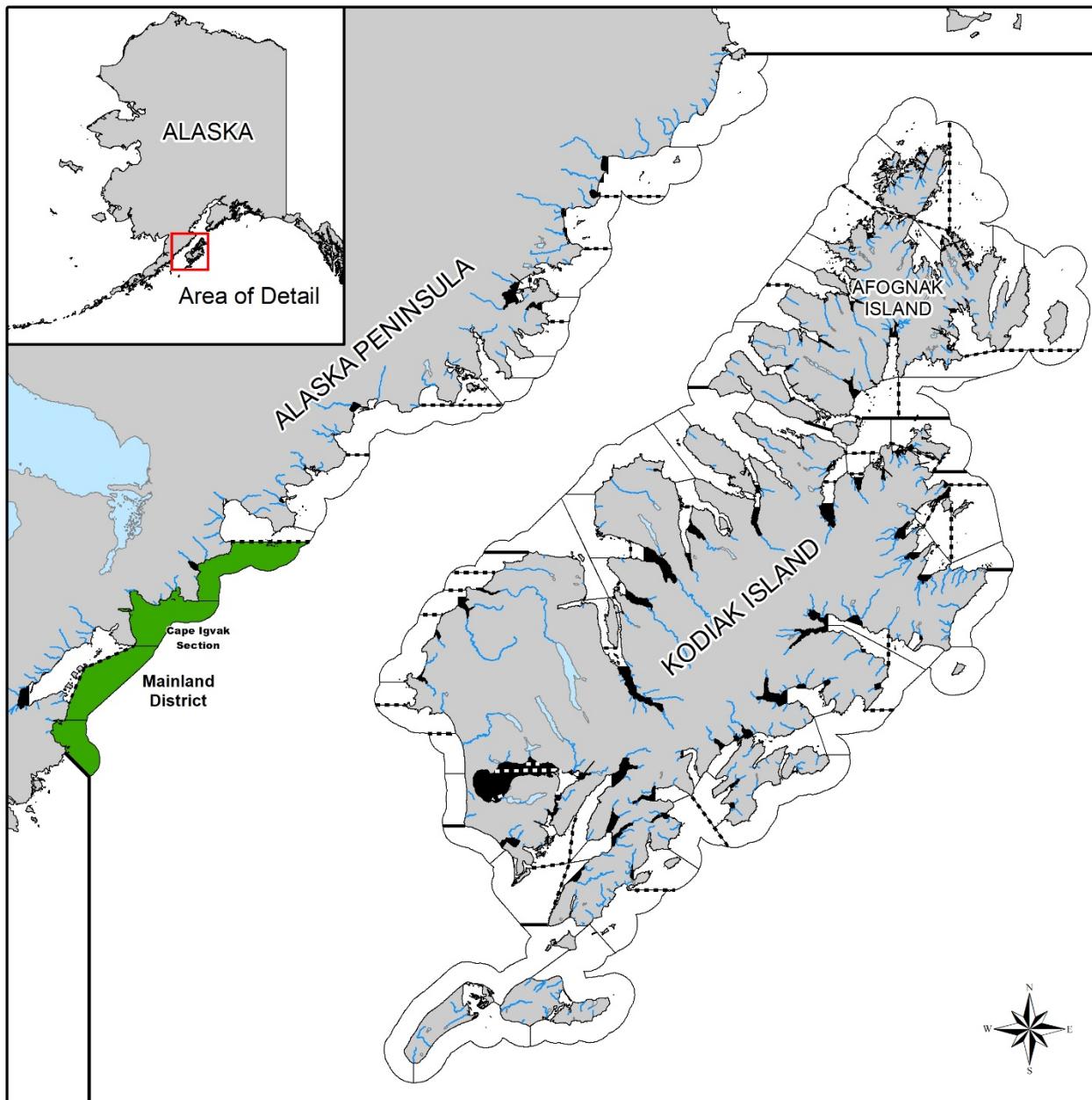
# Mainland District Salmon MP



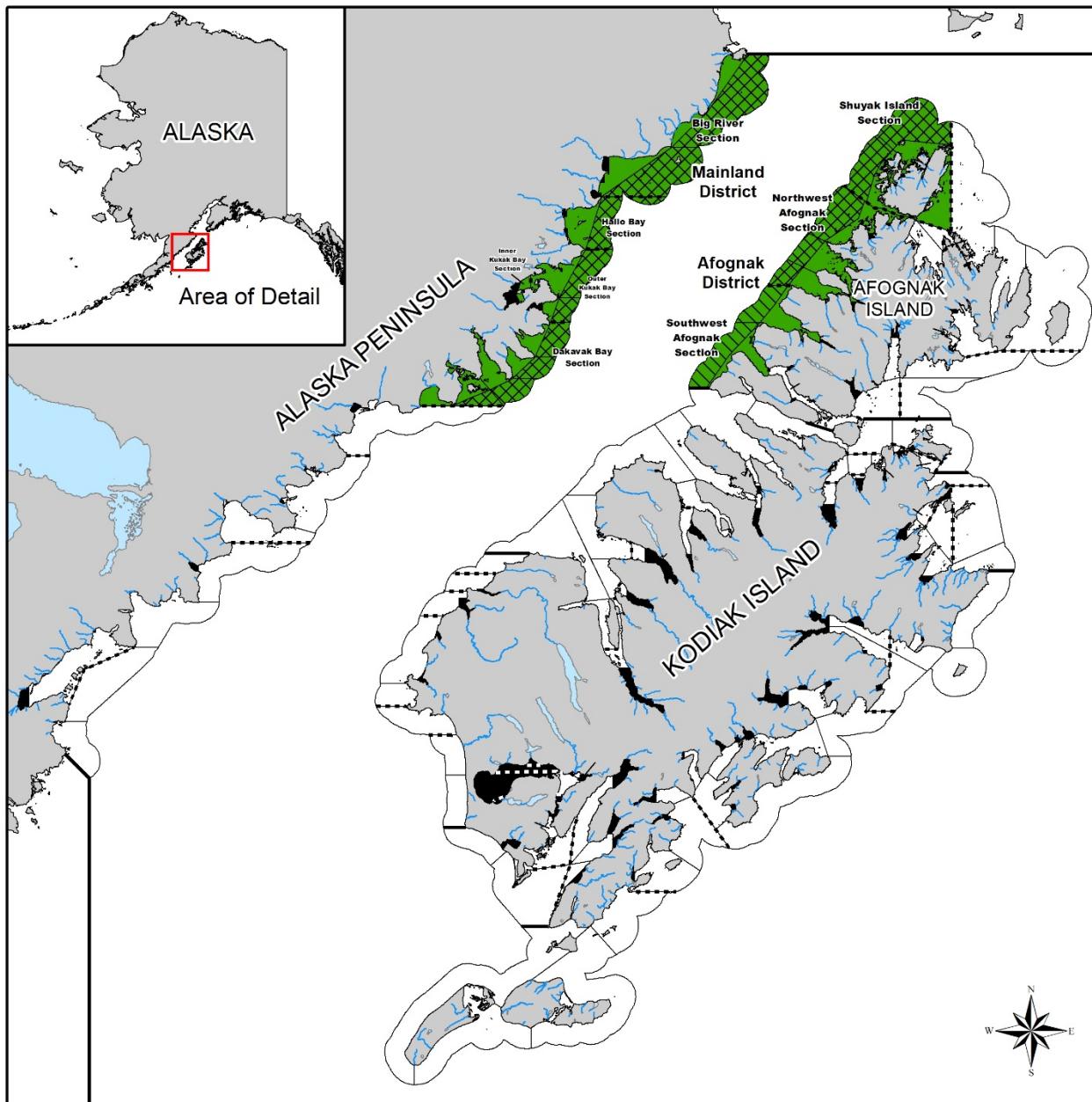
# Spiridon Bay Sockeye Salmon MP (Telrod Cove)



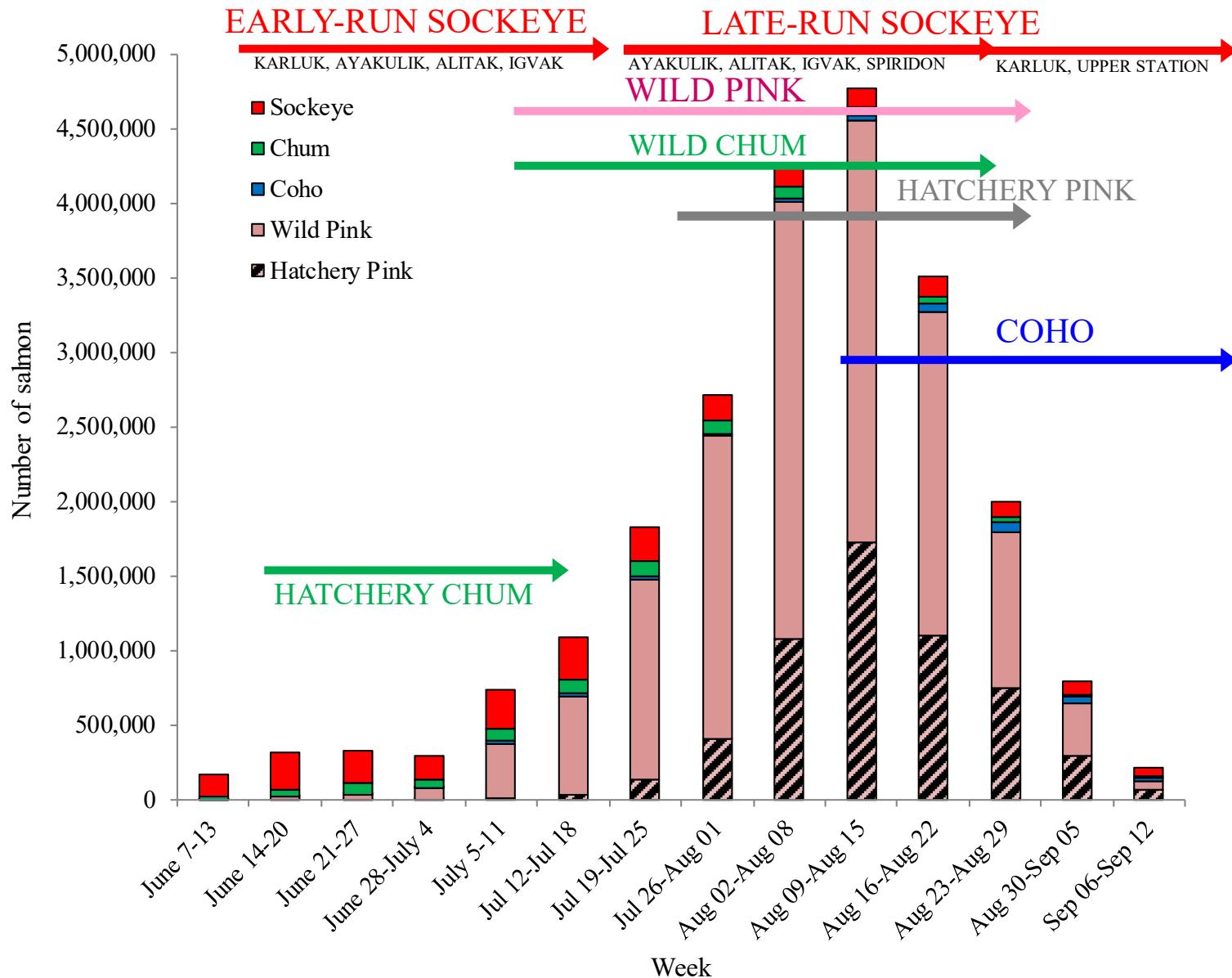
# Cape Igvak Salmon MP



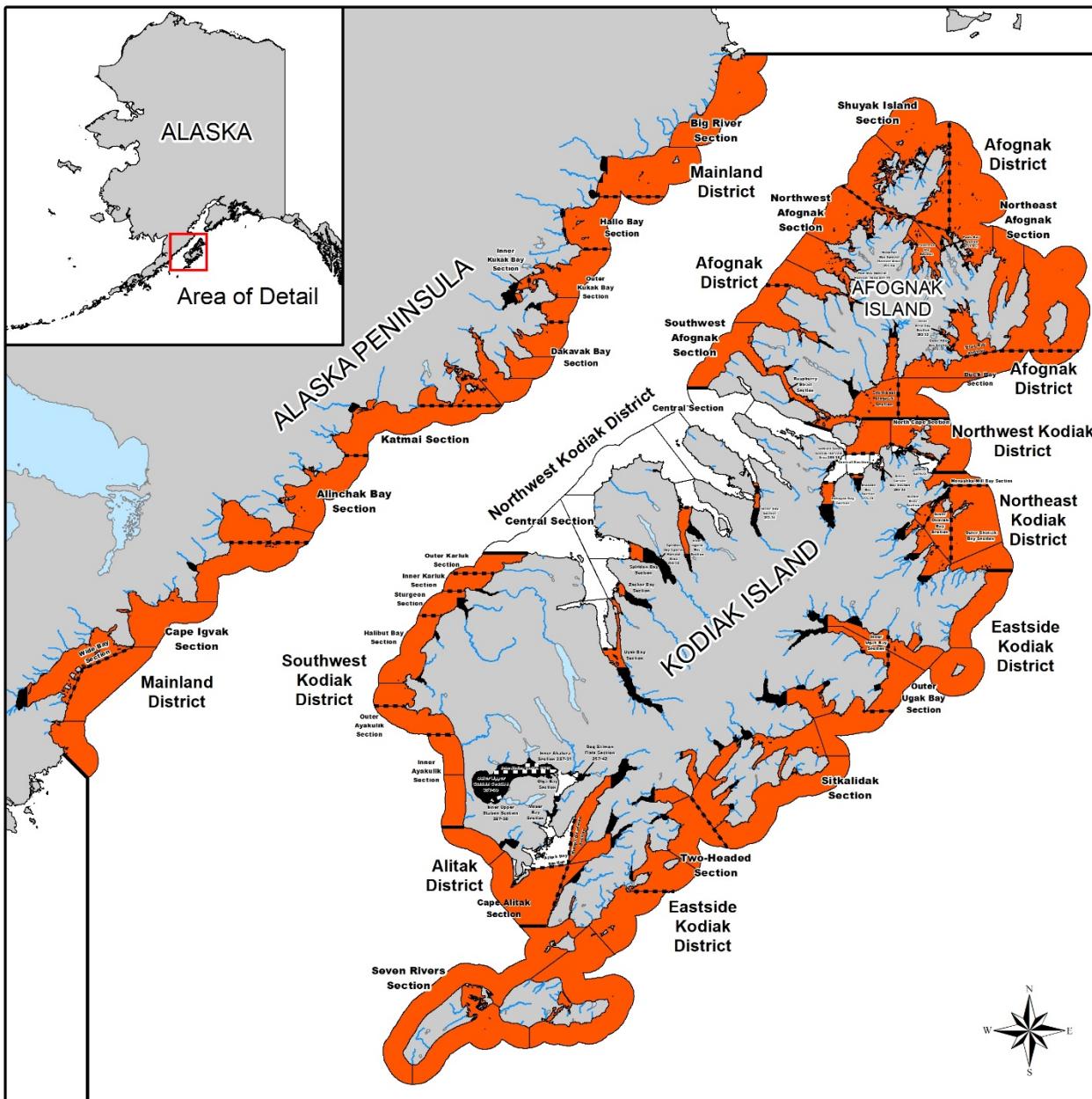
# North Shelikof Salmon MP



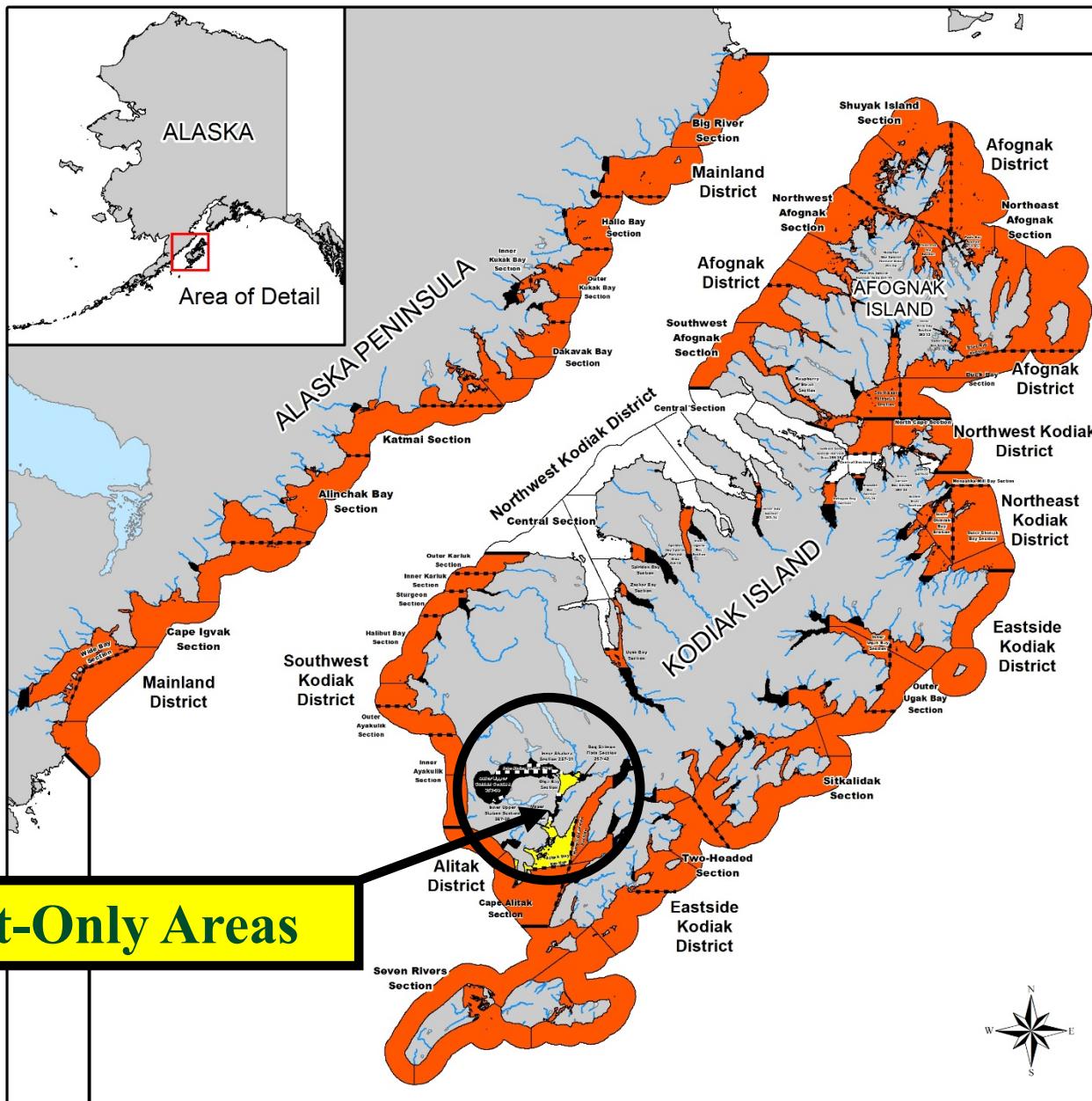
# Average Weekly Salmon Harvest for the KMA, 2000-2019



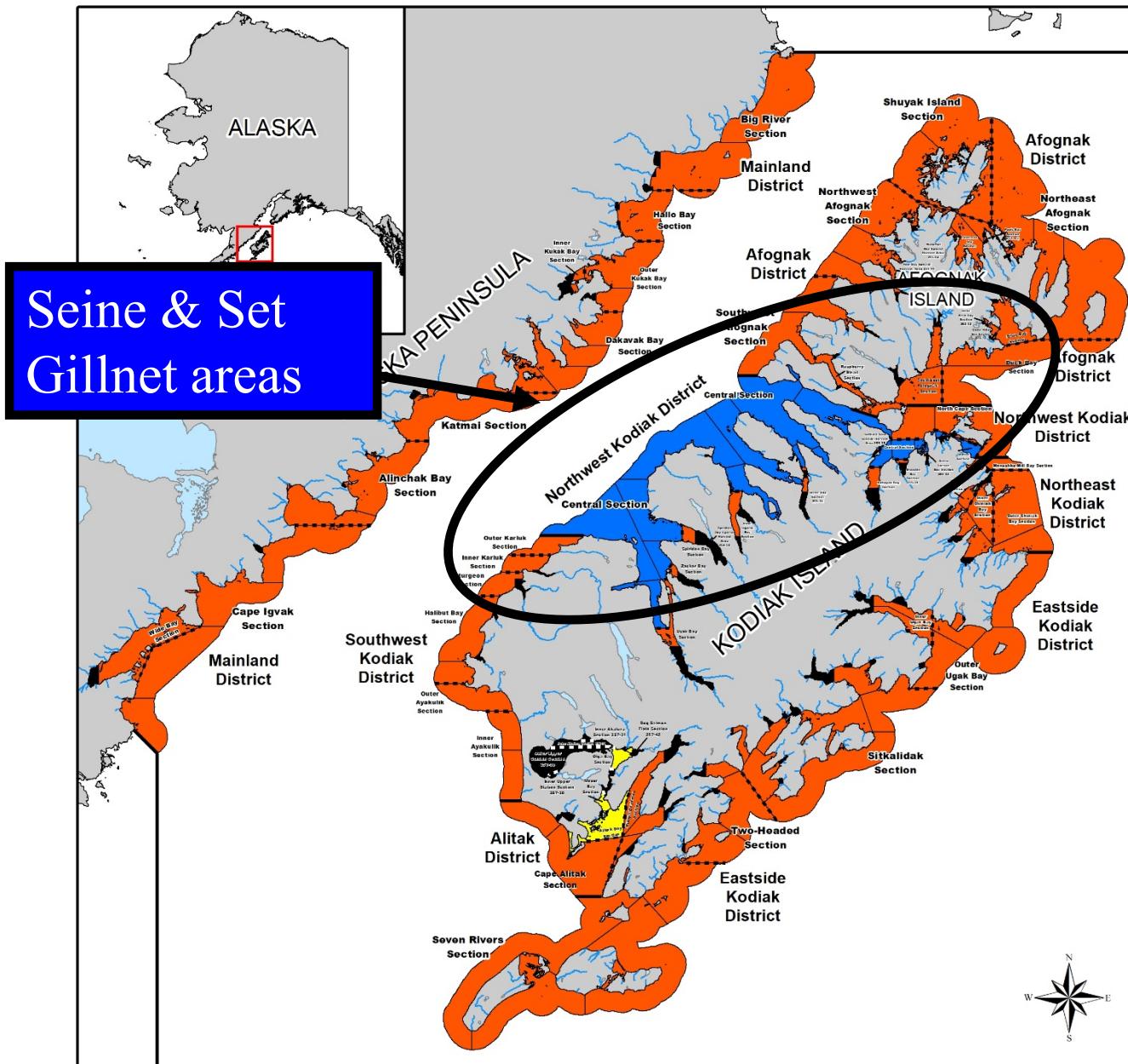
# Seine Only Areas



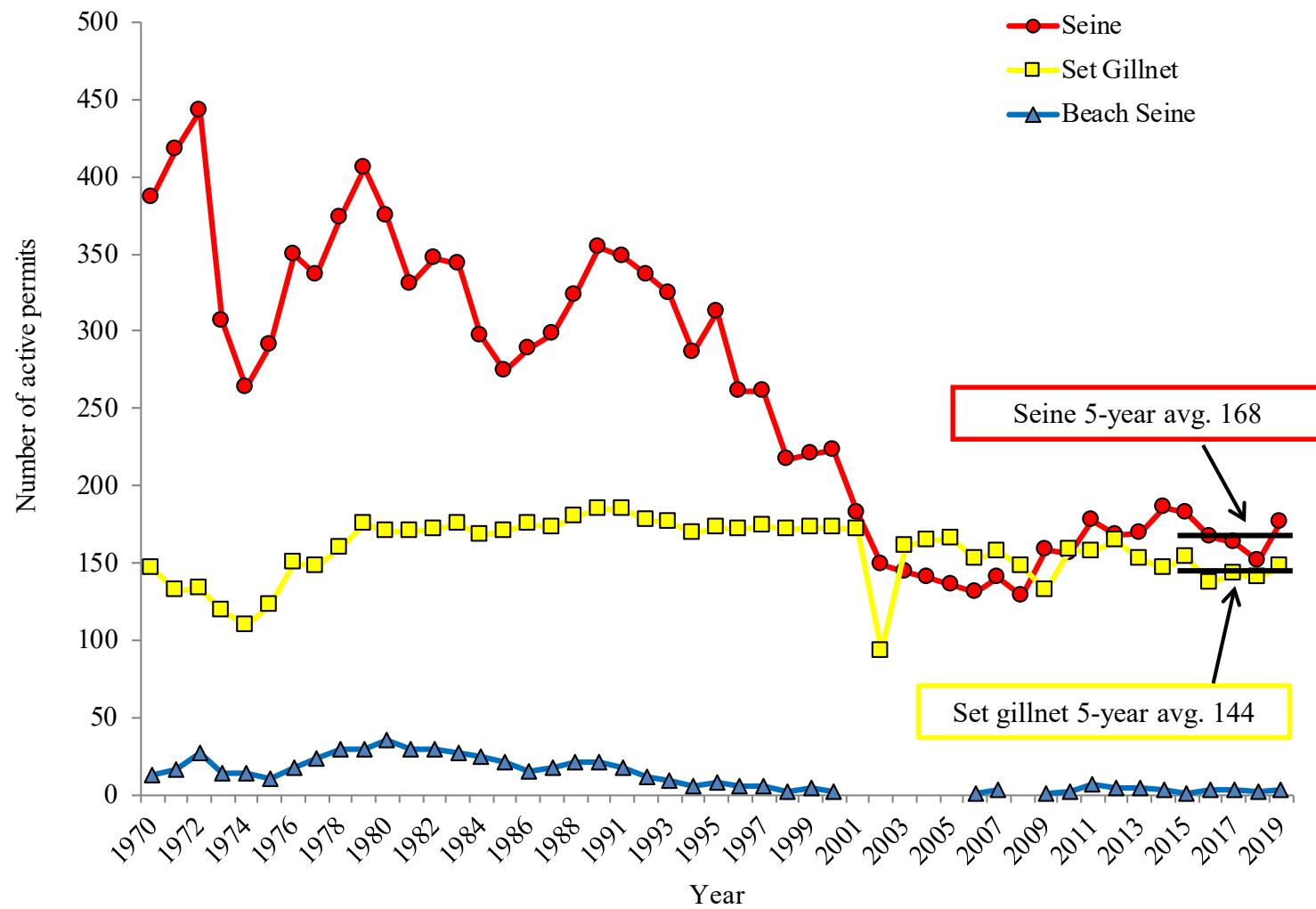
# Set Gillnet Only Areas



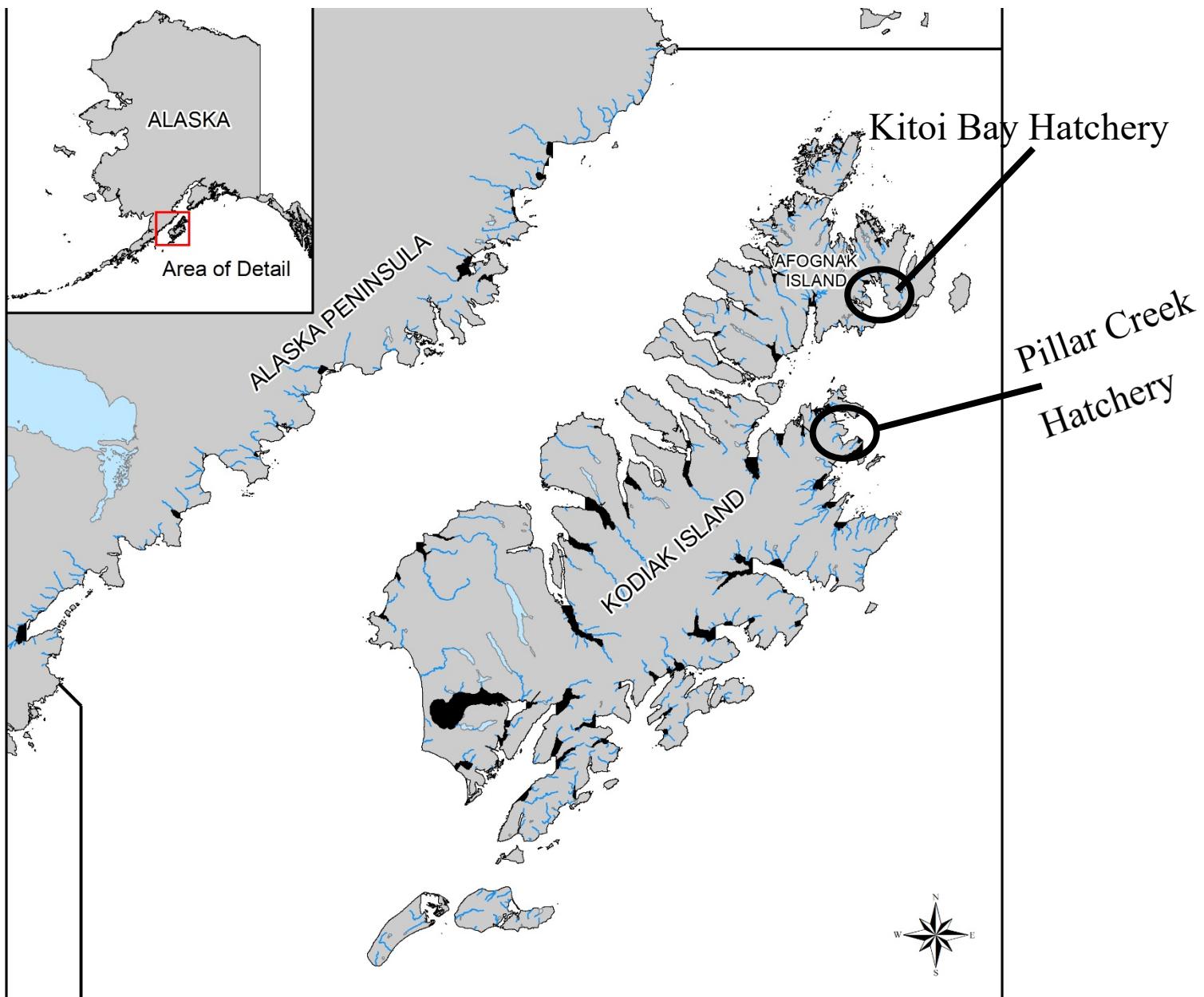
# Seine & Set Gillnet Only Areas



# Number of Active (Fished) Kodiak Area Commercial Salmon Permits

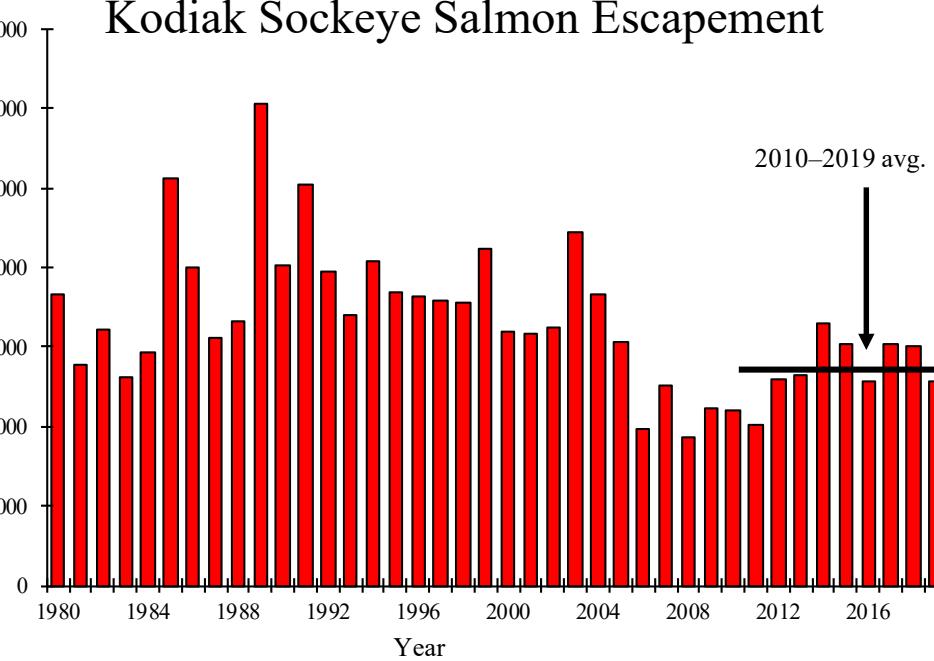


# Kodiak Hatcheries



## Kodiak Sockeye Salmon Escapement

Number of sockeye salmon

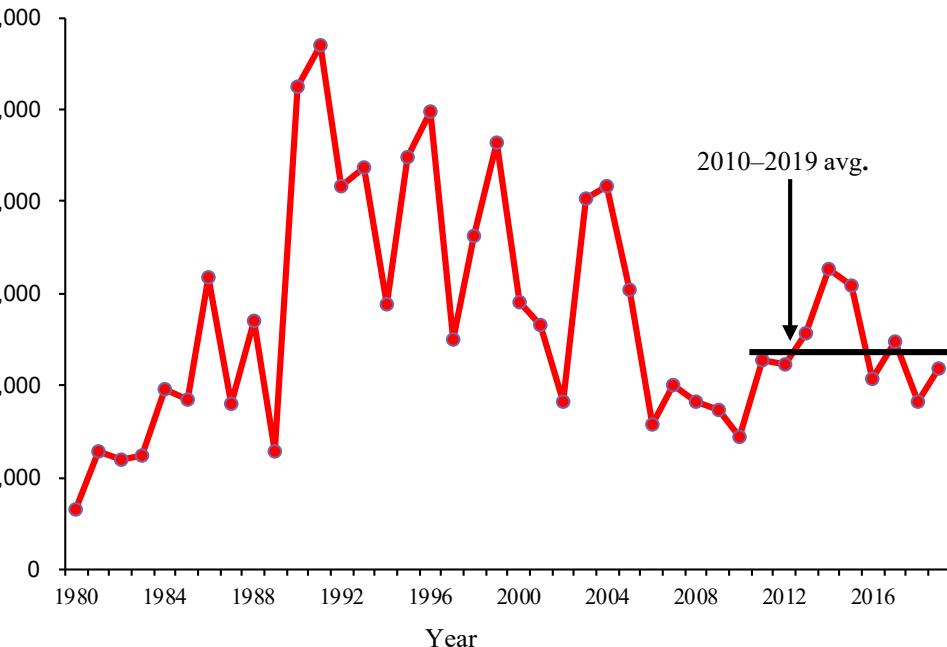


## Kodiak Sockeye Salmon Escapement

- 2010–2019 avg. escapement of 1,350,000 fish
- 2010–2019 avg. 86% of KMA escapement from Karluk, Ayakulik, Upper Station, and Frazer

## Kodiak Sockeye Salmon Harvest

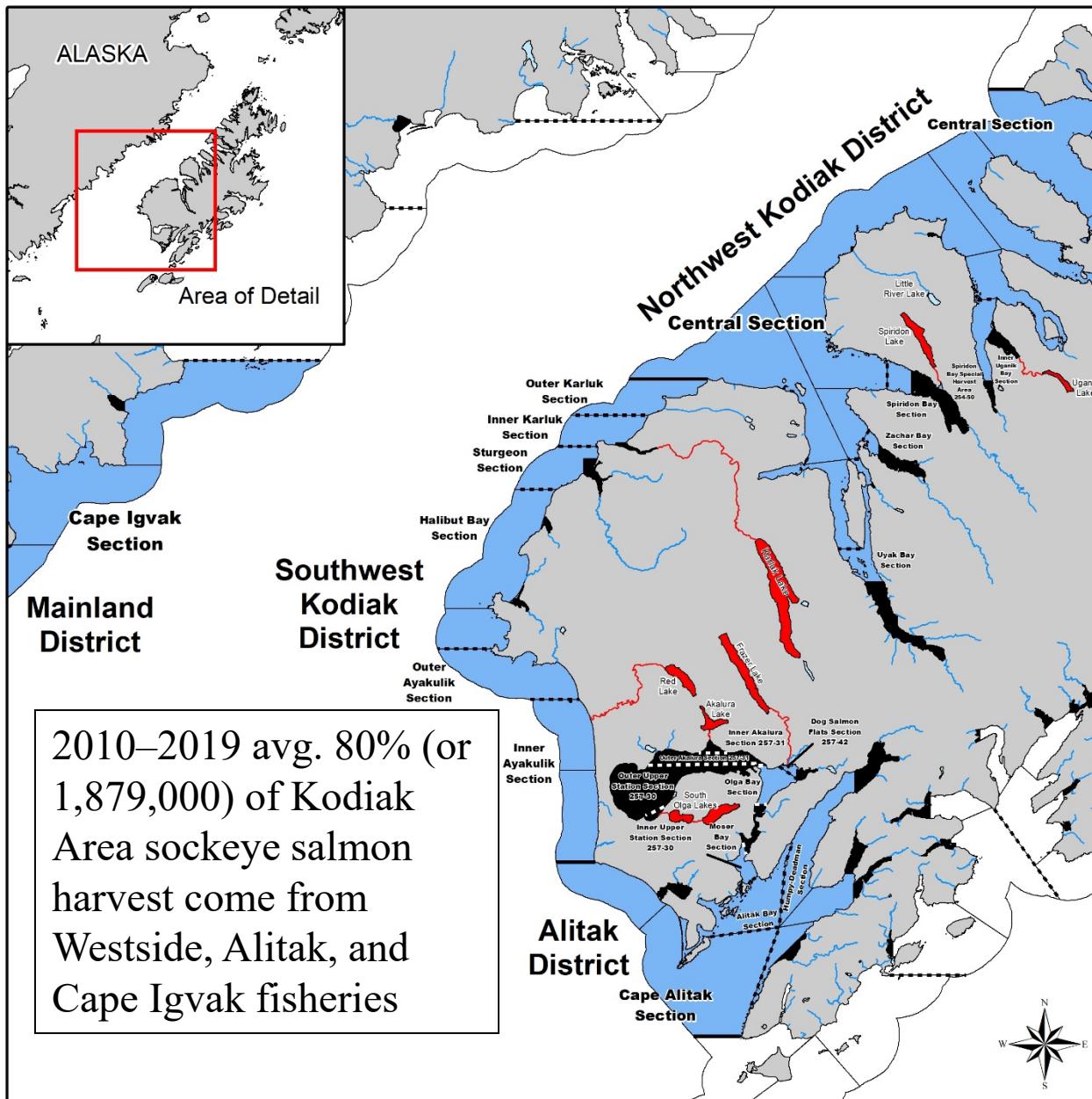
Number of sockeye salmon



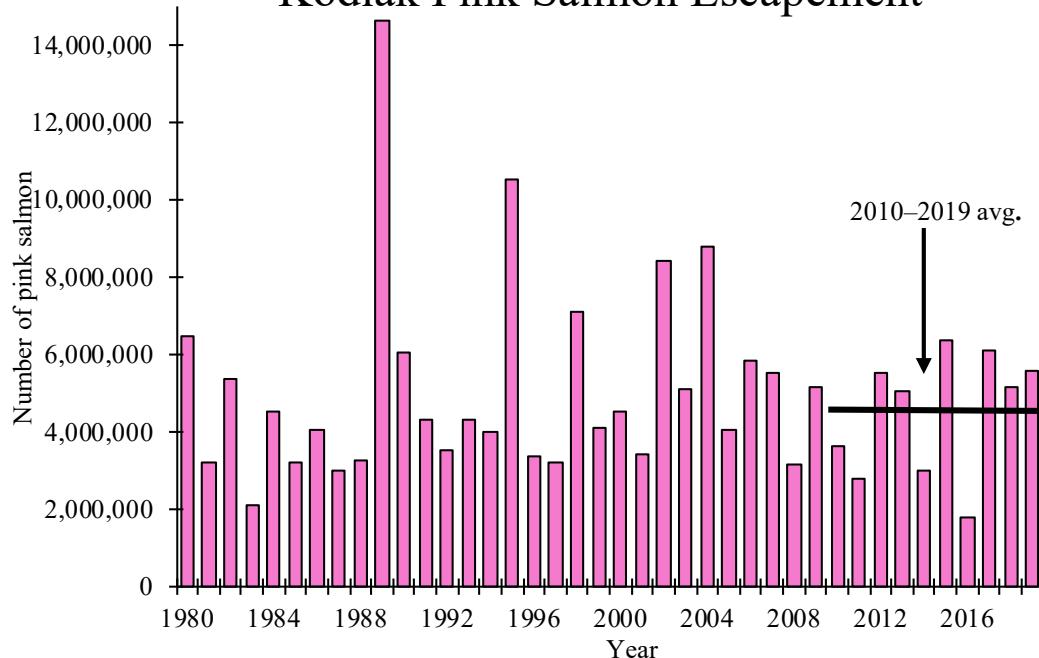
## Kodiak Sockeye Salmon Harvest

- 2010–2019 avg. harvest of 2,340,000 fish
- 2010–2019 avg. 80% (or 1,879,000) of KMA sockeye salmon harvest from Westside, Alitak, and Cape Igvak

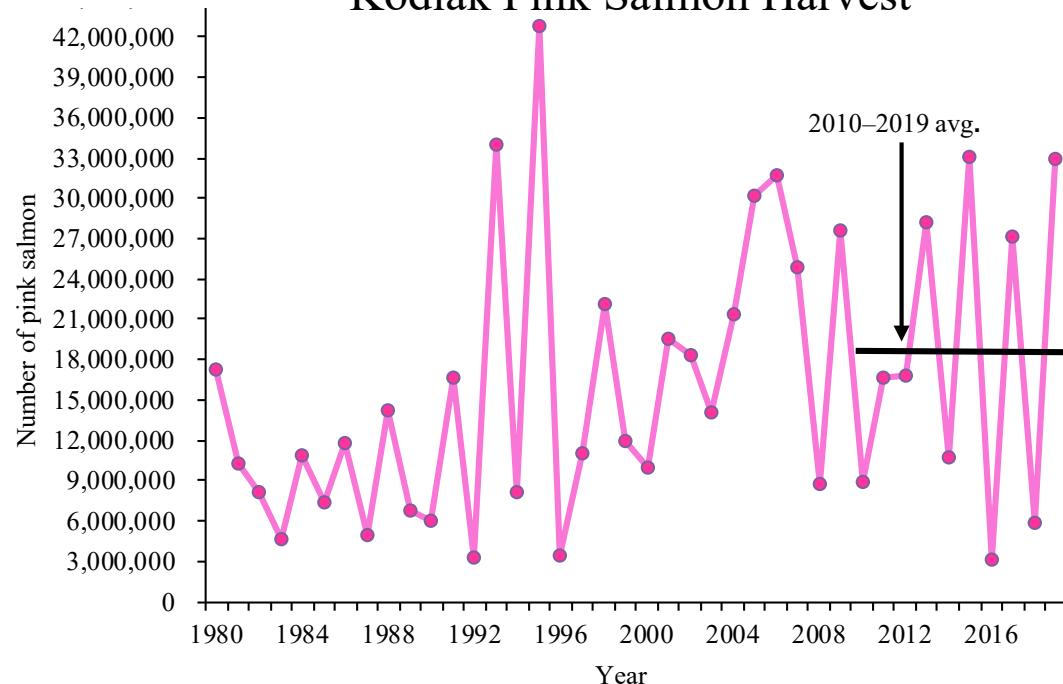
# Kodiak Area Sockeye Salmon Harvest



## Kodiak Pink Salmon Escapement



## Kodiak Pink Salmon Harvest



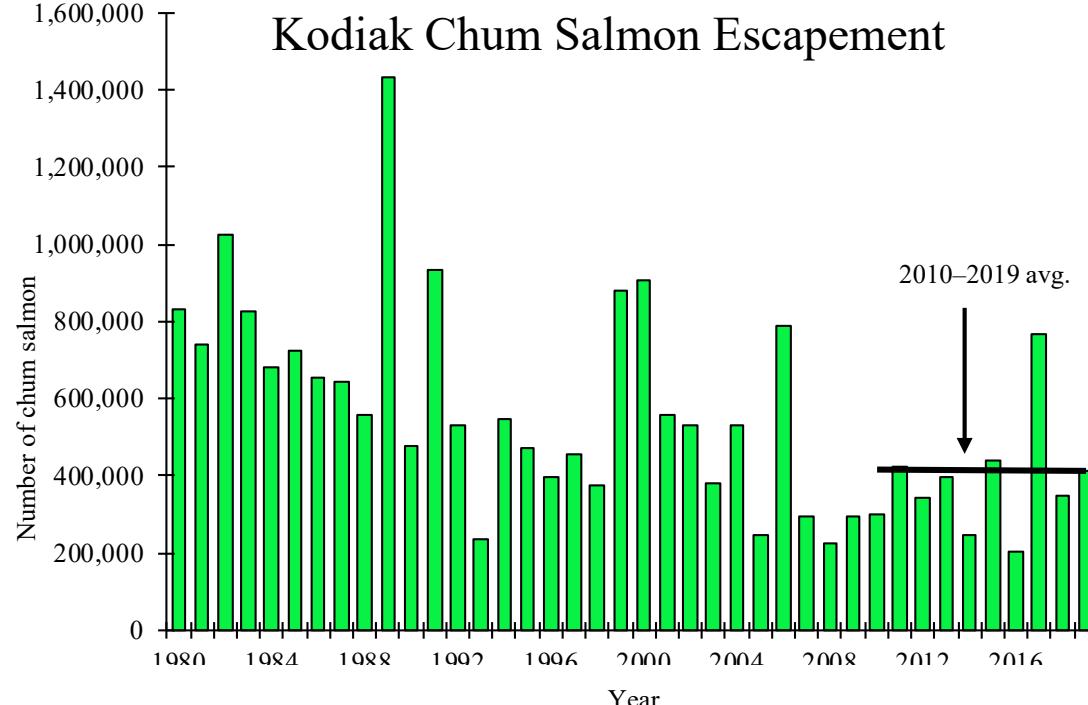
## Kodiak Pink Salmon Escapement

- Pink salmon are found in virtually every KMA stream
- Since 2007, odd-year dominance
- 2010–2019 avg. **index** escapement of 4,500,000 fish

## Kodiak Pink Salmon Harvest

- Variable relative abundance
- Harvest of 33 million (2019) to 3 million fish (2016)
- 2010–2019 avg. harvest of 18,500,000 fish
- 2010–2019 avg. 71% of KMA pink salmon harvested in non-hatchery areas

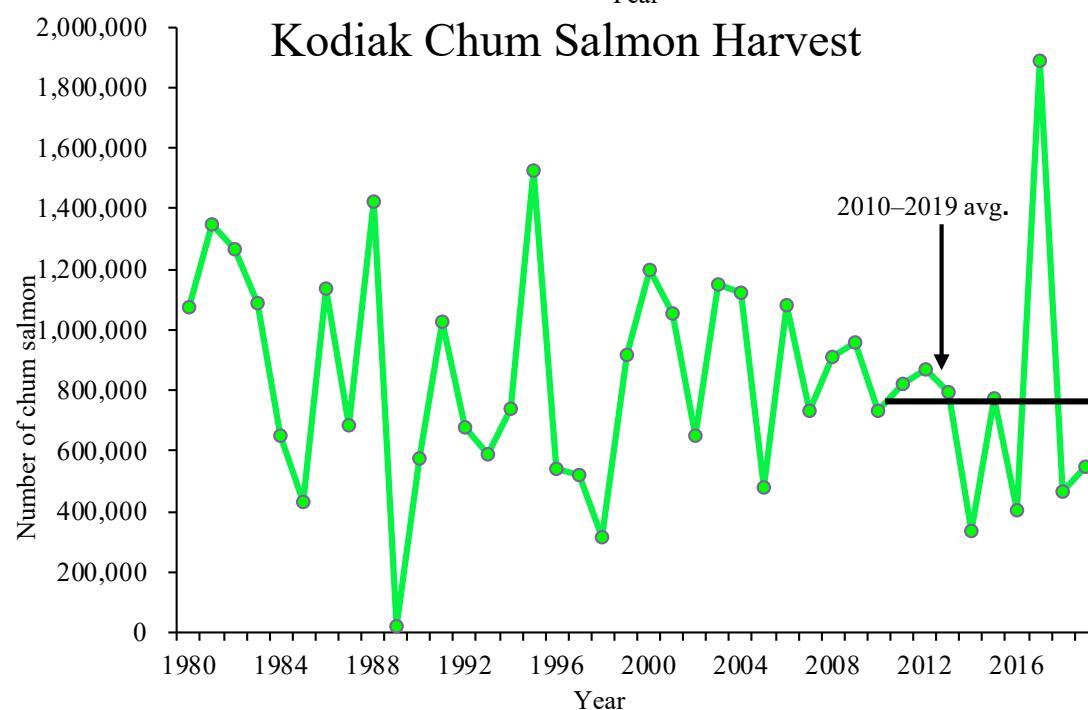
## Kodiak Chum Salmon Escapement



## Kodiak Chum Salmon Escapement

- Chum salmon are found in approximately 150 KMA streams
- 2010–2019 avg. index escapement of 387,000 fish
- Part of recent low escapement numbers reflect less aerial surveys

## Kodiak Chum Salmon Harvest

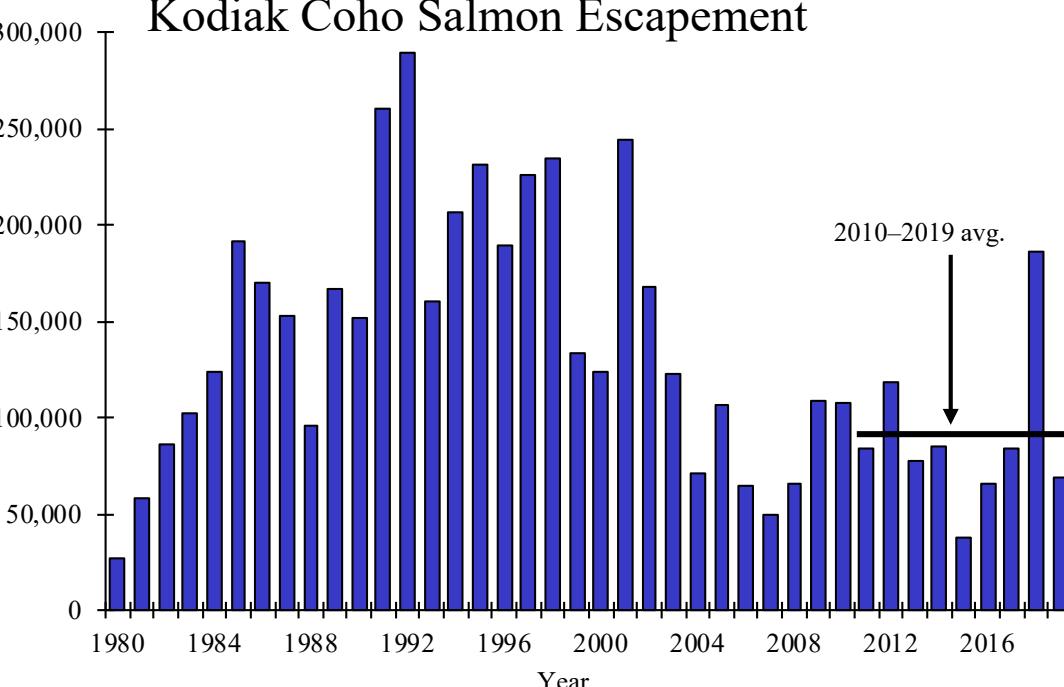


## Kodiak Chum Salmon Harvest

- 2010–2019 avg. harvest of 763,000 fish
- 2010–2019 avg. 82% of KMA chum salmon harvested in non hatchery areas
- Low harvest in 2014, 2016 and 2018 mostly due to weak pink run and restrictive fishing time

## Kodiak Coho Salmon Escapement

Number of coho salmon

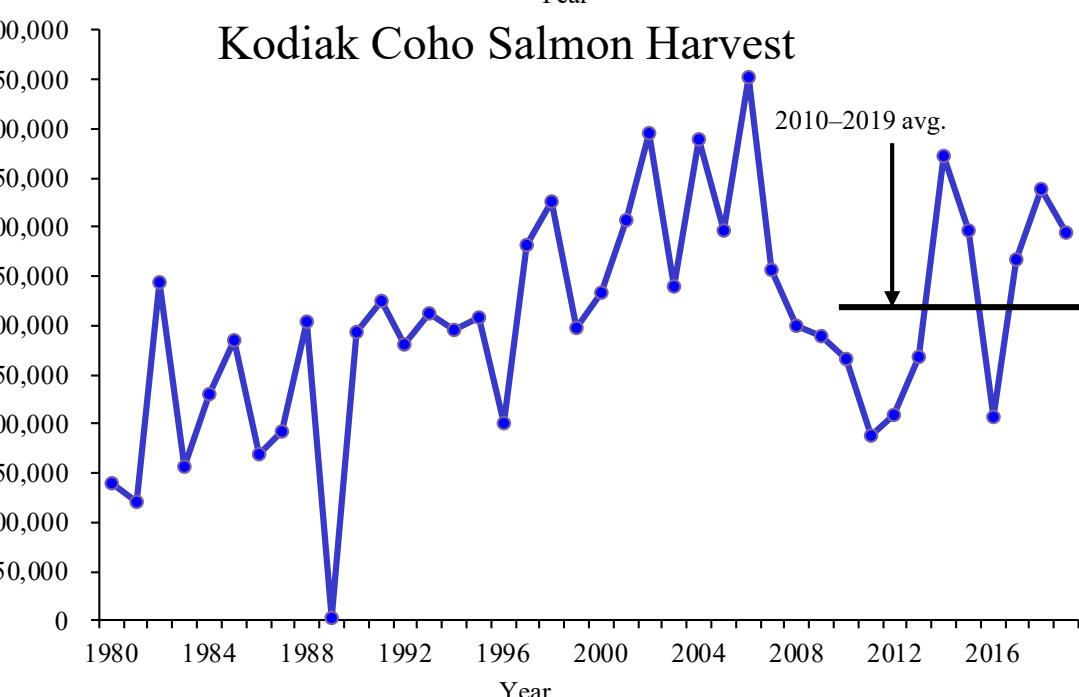


## Kodiak Coho Salmon Escapement

- Coho salmon are found in approximately 150 KMA streams
- 2010–2019 avg. 92,000 fish
- Part of recent low escapement numbers reflect less weirs, less weir time and less aerial surveys
- Kodiak has large coho stocks but the department but little money or resources to monitor

## Kodiak Coho Salmon Harvest

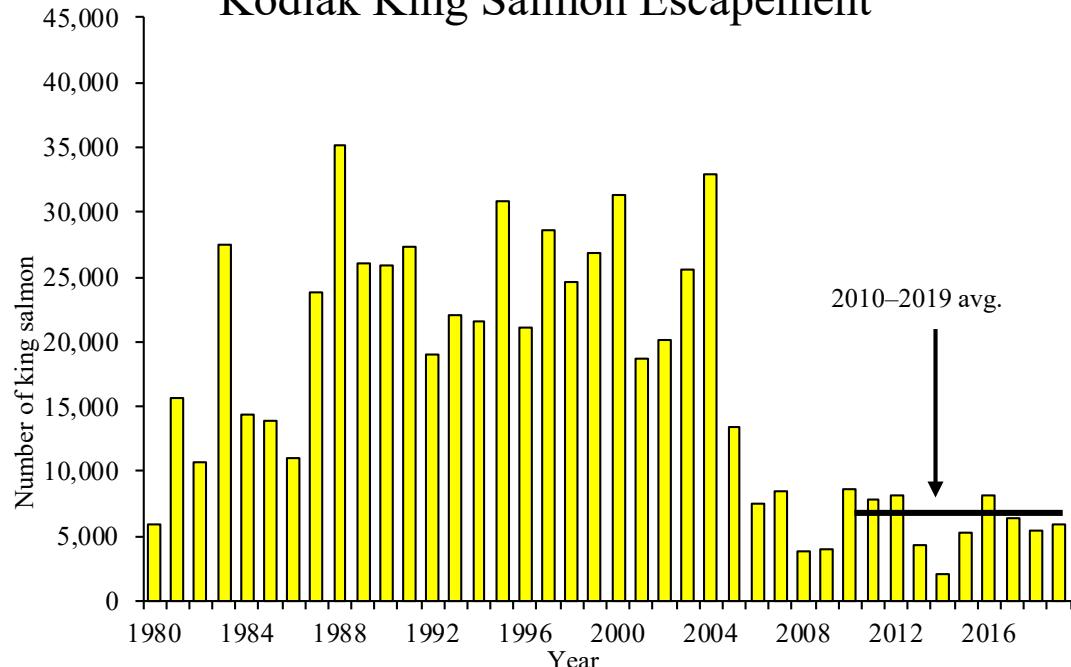
Number of coho salmon



## Kodiak Coho Salmon Harvest

- 2010–2019 avg. 320,000 fish
- 2010–2019 avg. 76% of KMA coho salmon harvested in non-hatchery areas

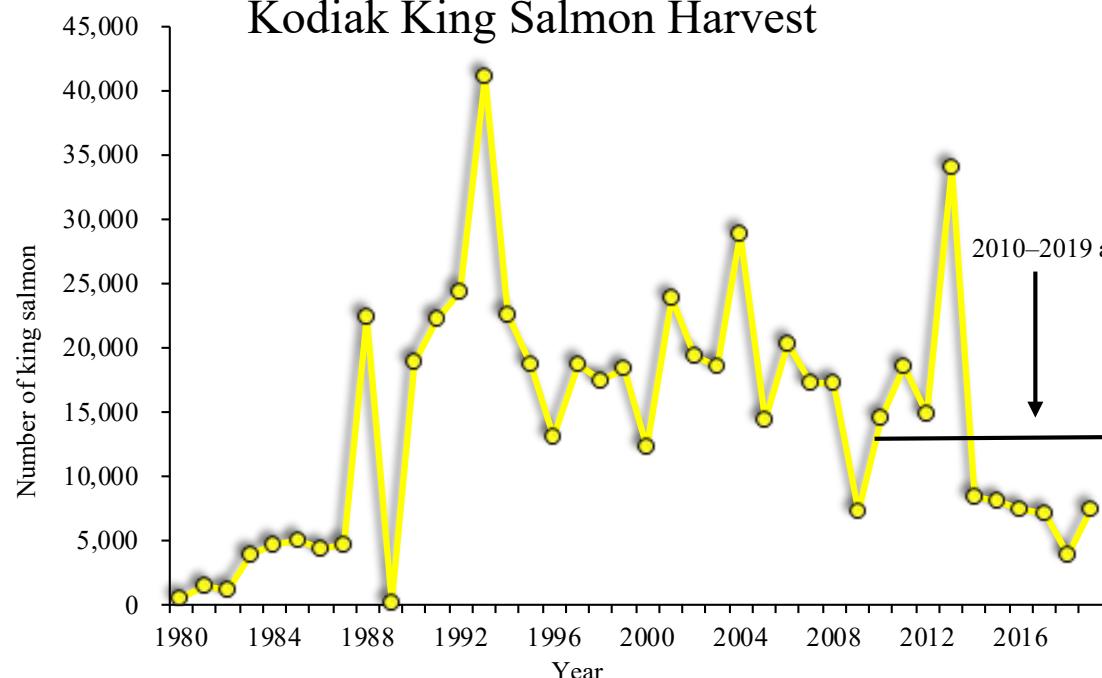
## Kodiak King Salmon Escapement



## KODIAK KING SALMON ESCAPEMENT

- KMA has two systems, Karluk and Ayakulik Rivers
- 2010–2019 avg. 6,200 fish
- Karluk king salmon listed as Stock of Management Concern in 2011

## Kodiak King Salmon Harvest

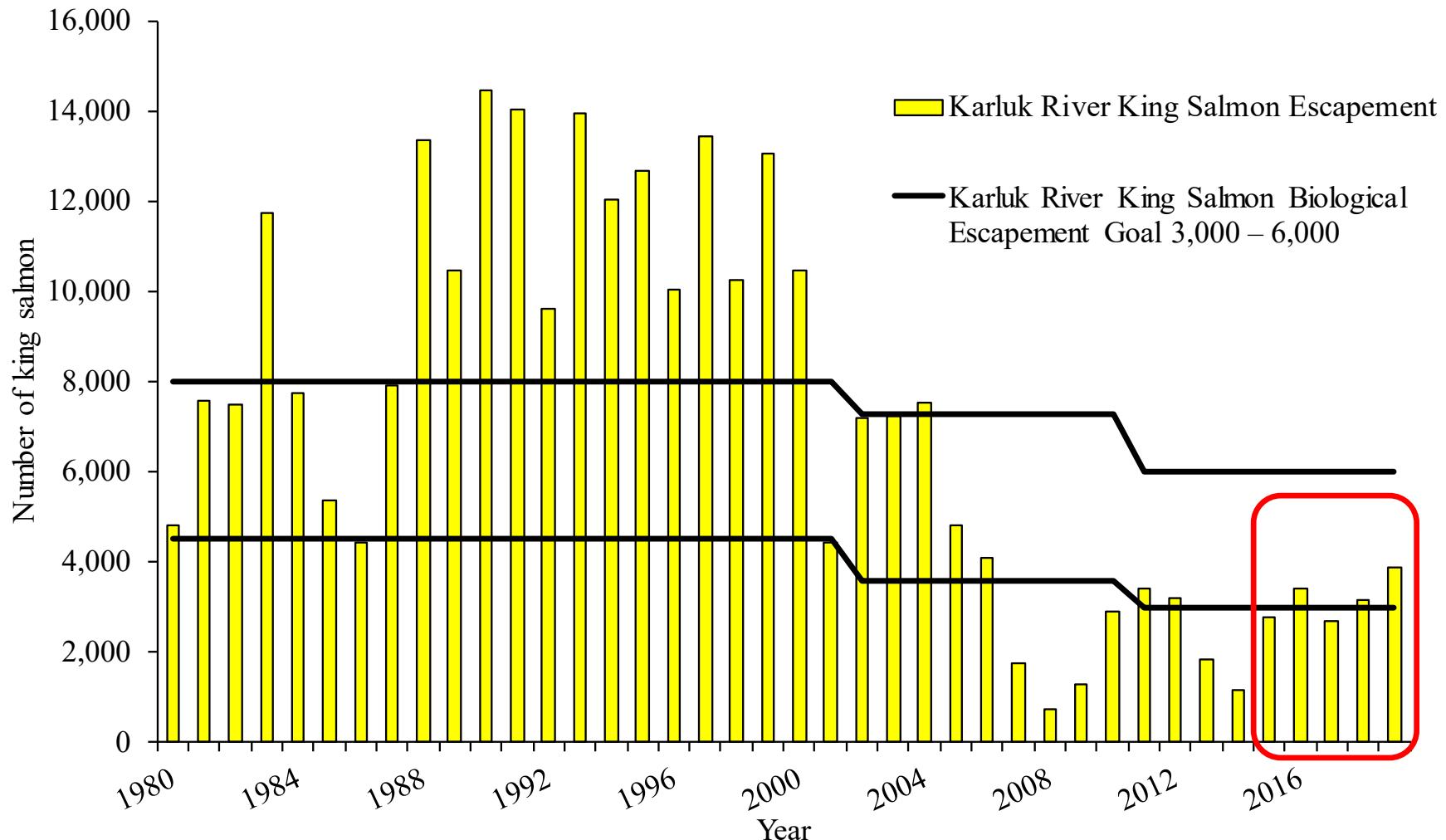


## KODIAK KING SALMON HARVEST

- 2010–2019 avg. 12,400 fish
- Significant decline in harvest the past 6 seasons
- Non retention on Westside of Kodiak 2011-2013
- June area wide non retention 2014-2019

# Karluk King Salmon Escapement

- Achieved the BEG of 3,000 to 6,000 for 3 of the past 4 years



# Questions