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Comments on Proposal 104

Board of Fisheries members should be aware of the devastating consequences of enacting these series of restrictions at this board cycle to the Cook Inlet commercial fisheries. The industry will be damaged, losing the baseline economies within southcentral communities many which have anchored these communities for decades.

The processing industry will be severally hindered and are forced into consolidating, processing remotely or closing as the result of your actions.

Family business, small businesses that have been in existence for decades will no longer exist. Support industries will no longer be able to remain in business. Small communities on the Kenai Peninsula will be injured and the cumulative effects will affect the Kenai Peninsula Borough in a significantly negative manner.

Board members should take caution in enacting so many critical changes in such a short time span and consider how previous boards minimized regulatory changes so as not to seriously injure so many entities.

The Board members should be aware of using stakeholder's information, data that attempts to use Department data but is in fact "fake data". They are agenda driven and some believe that they are politically motivated.

The Department has management authority and should be free from political constraints to offer accurate, unbiased data to Board members as they debate, discuss proposals. This board meeting exhibits an underlying attempt to control the free flow of information from the commercial and sports fishing staff.

Board members should acknowledge that actions that they take today will affect the lives of many, destroy the economy of many communities, add to the destruction of our state's economy, cause many entities to become insolvent and create a social demise in our Alaskan communities.

Your actions will be accountable by each and every one of you and no deflections of your actions will relieve you of your personal responsibility.

In disbelief,

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