

Overview of Sport Fisheries in the Bristol Bay Management Area

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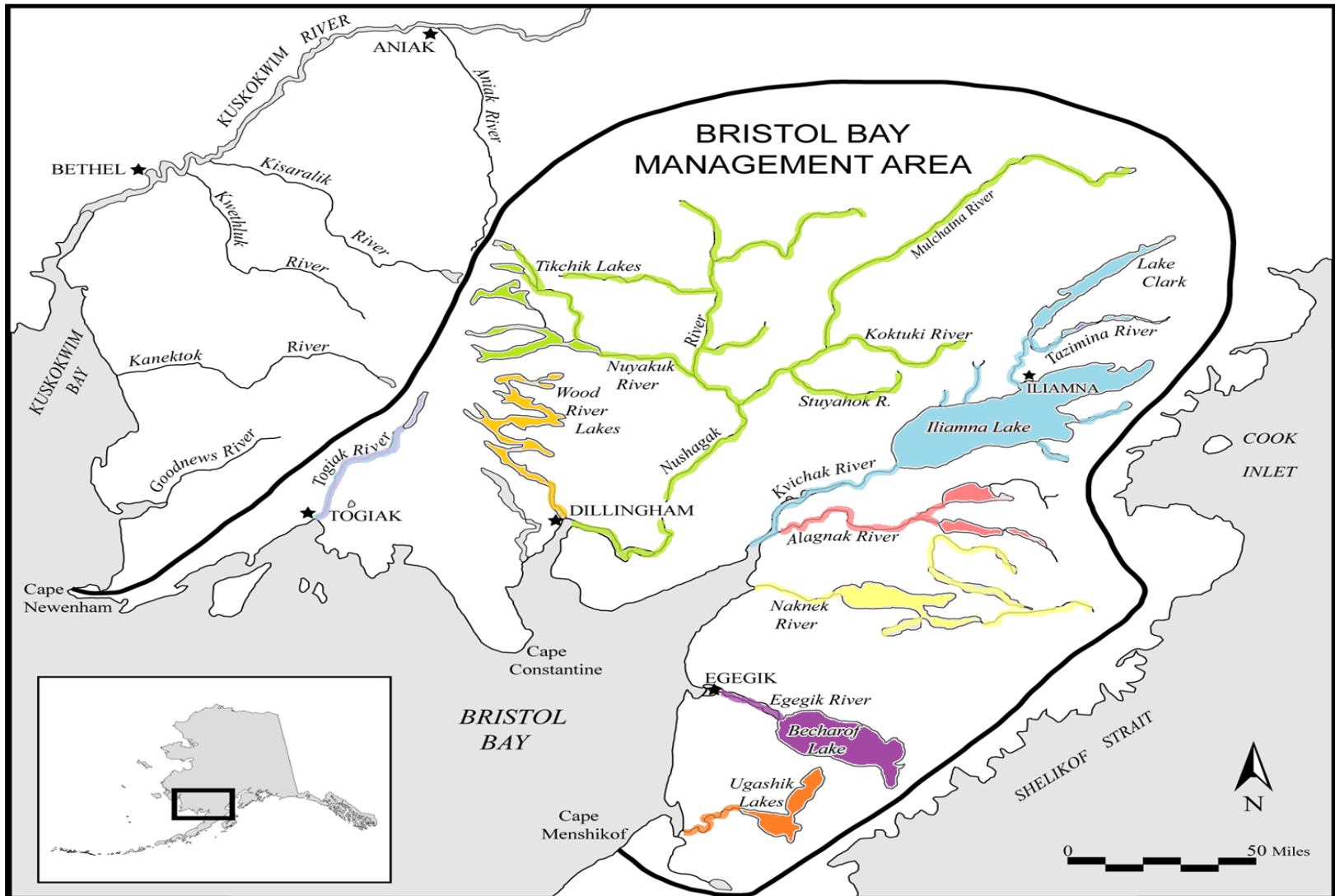
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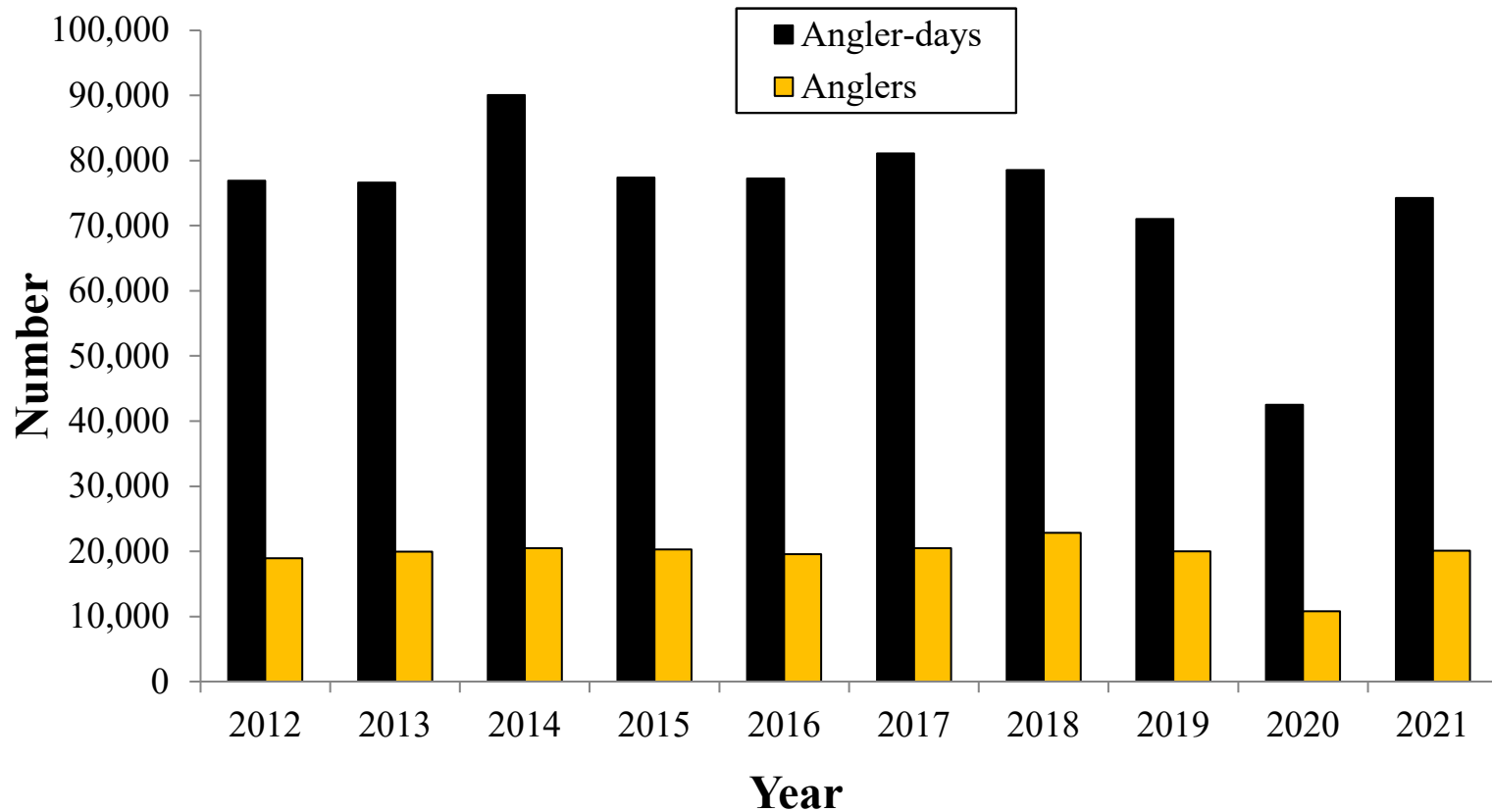
BRISTOL BAY MANAGEMENT AREA (BBMA)

- Approximately 40,000 square miles
- Cape Menshikof to Cape Newenham



Effort in the Bristol Bay Management Area

Sport fishing effort in angler-days and number of anglers in the BBMA, 2012-2021.



2022 Bristol Bay Sport Fishing Proposals

Nushagak/Mulchatna King Salmon Management Plan – 3 proposals – (11 – 13)

Methods/Mean – 3 proposals – (18 – 20)

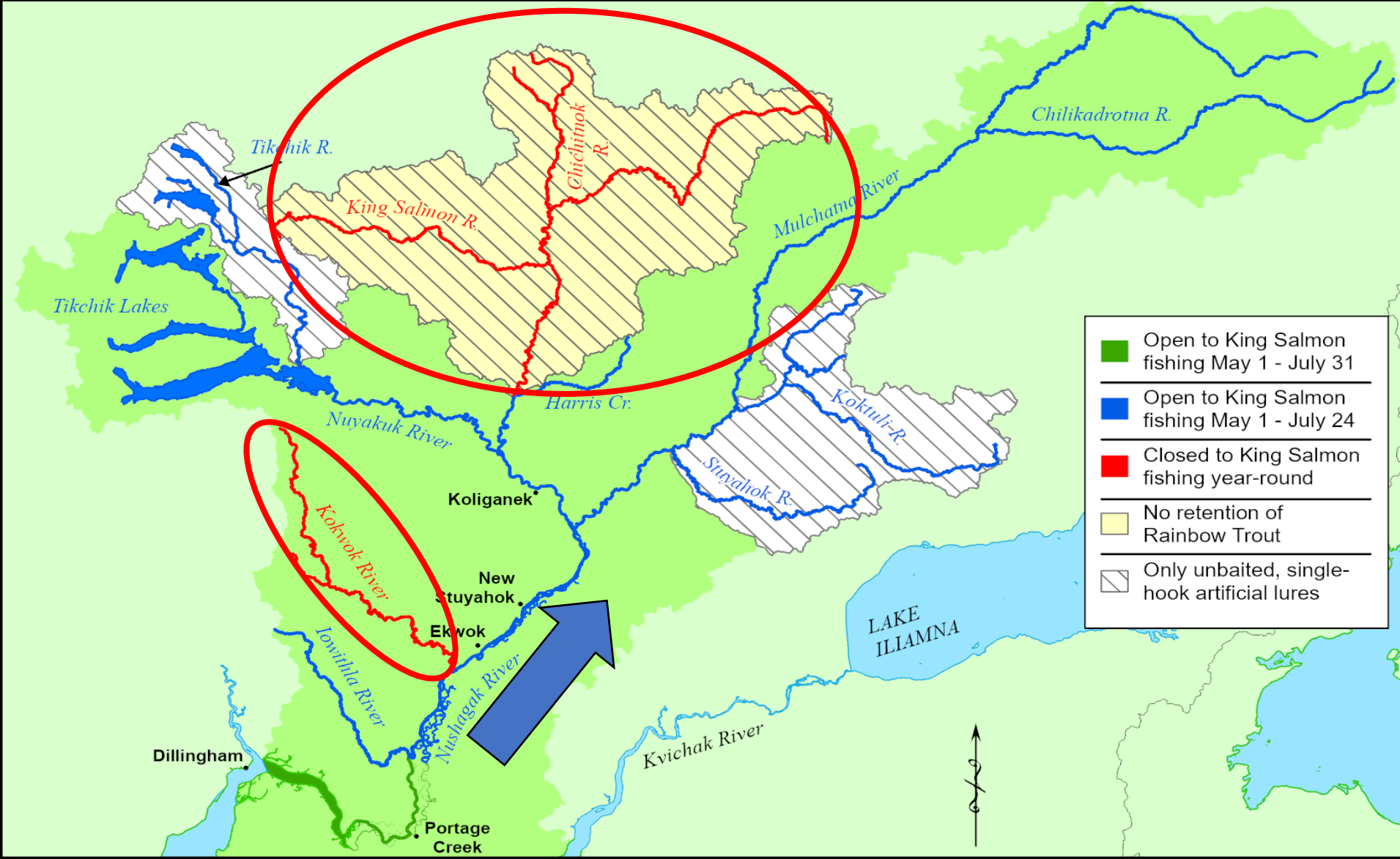
Salmon – 10 proposals – (22 – 29, 31 & 32)

Miscellaneous – 3 proposals – (17, 21, 30)



Relevant Data for Nushagak Drainage Proposals

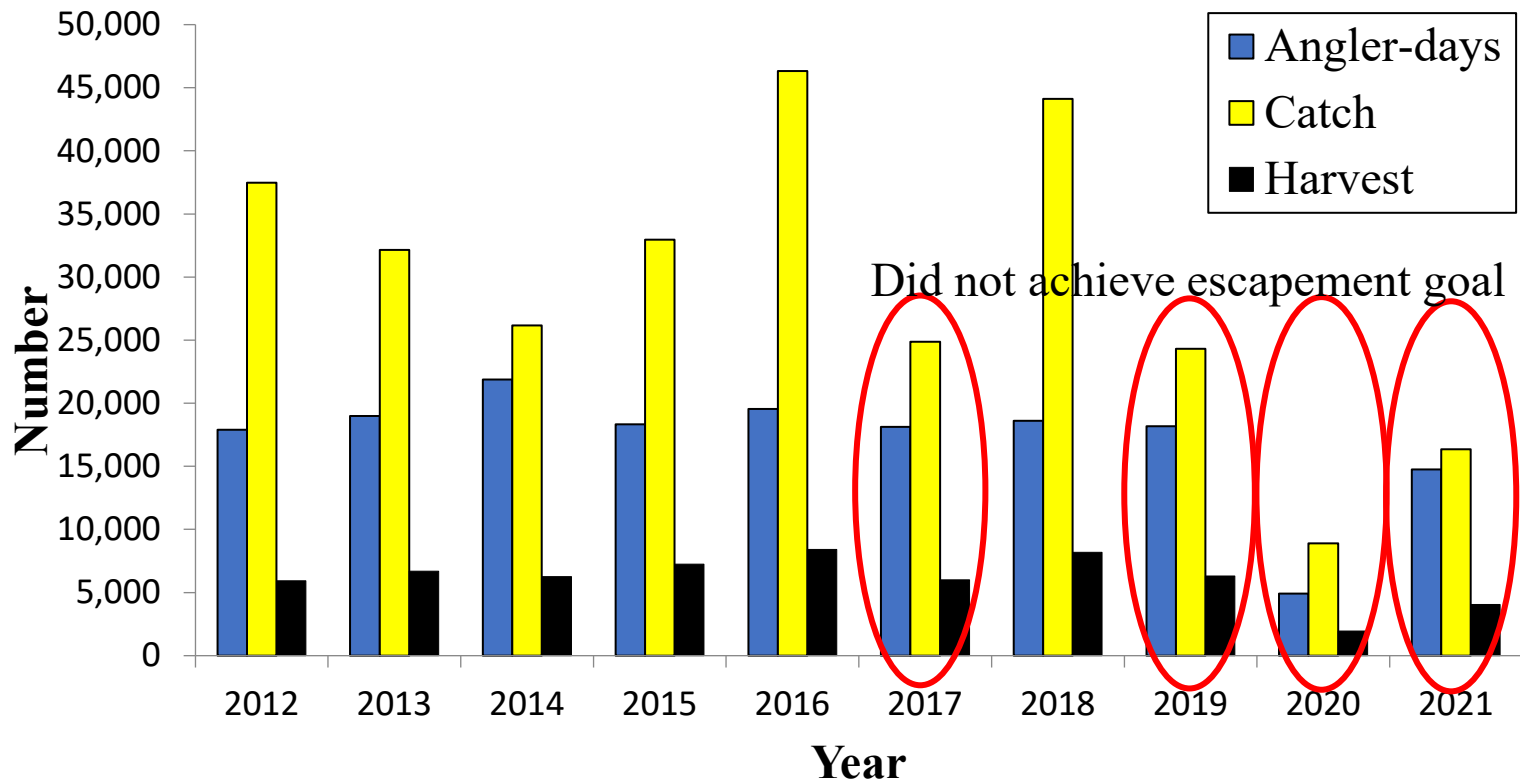
Nushagak/Mulchatna River Drainage



Nushagak River King Salmon

-Addressed in proposals 11, 12, 13, 28

Nushagak River sport fishing effort in angler-days, catch and harvest 2012-2021.



Upper Nushagak River King Salmon

-Addressed in proposal 28

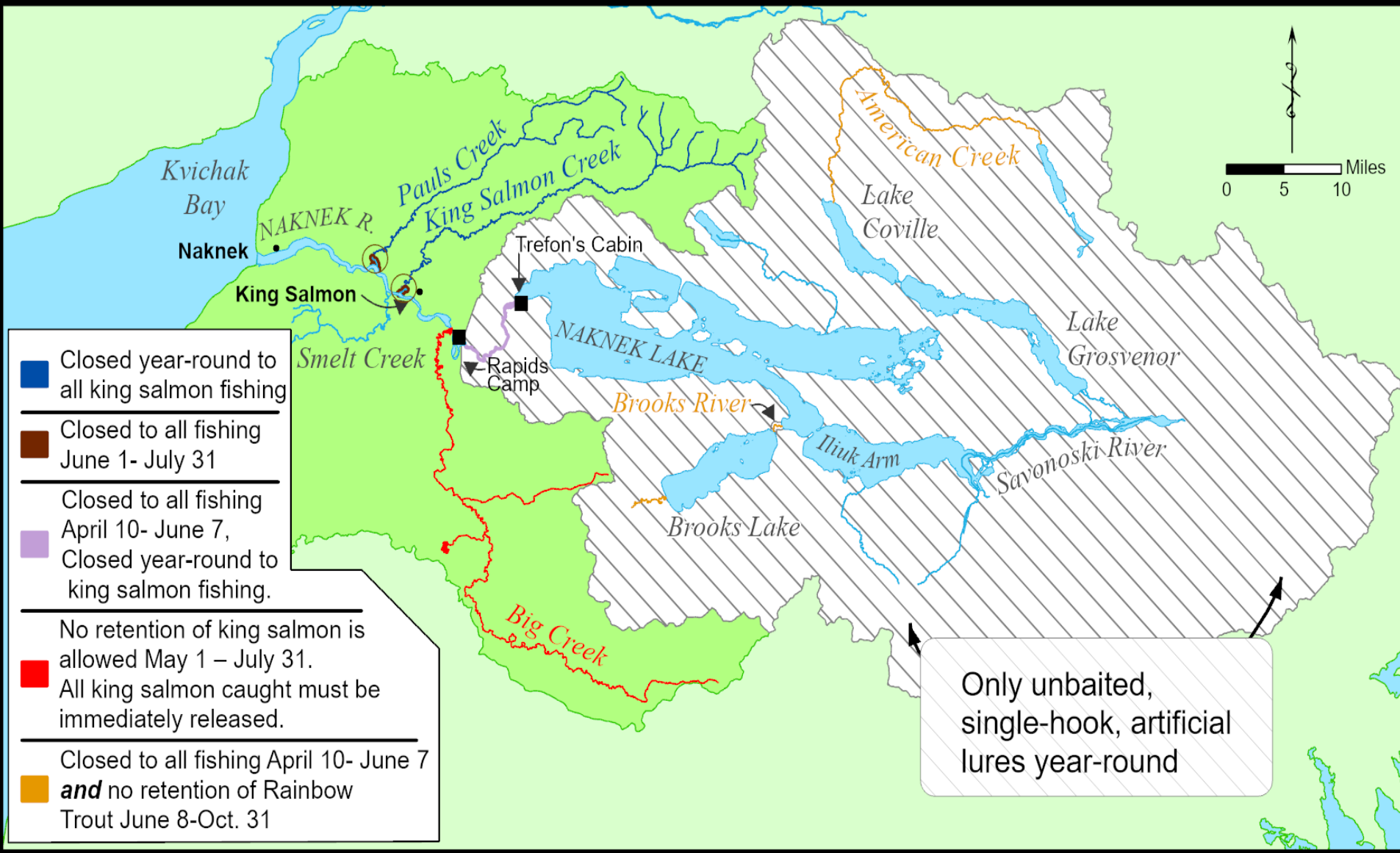
Nushagak River guided sport fishing effort in angler-days, catch, and harvest by location, 2007-2016.

Year	Nushagak above Mulchatna			Mulchatna			Nuyakuk		
	Anglers	Harvest	Catch	Anglers	Harvest	Catch	Anglers	Harvest	Catch
2007	1,008	6	126	374	12	349	219	0	0
2008	492	19	60	260	50	268	351	0	5
2009	286	38	97	112	13	66	276	15	53
2010	779	19	61	96	0	12	392	0	8
2011	731	1	34	185	12	83	249	0	32
2012	582	41	74	288	23	119	351	0	27
2013	634	1	5	650	316	1,184	334	0	46
2014	783	9	40	755	503	1,979	325	0	87
2015	818	5	100	949	274	2,004	315	6	80
2016	776	3	53	892	615	1,665	269	1	124
Average									
2007–2016	689	14	65	456	182	773	308	2	46
2012–2016	719	12	54	707	346	1,390	319	1	73



Relevant Data for Naknek Drainage Proposals

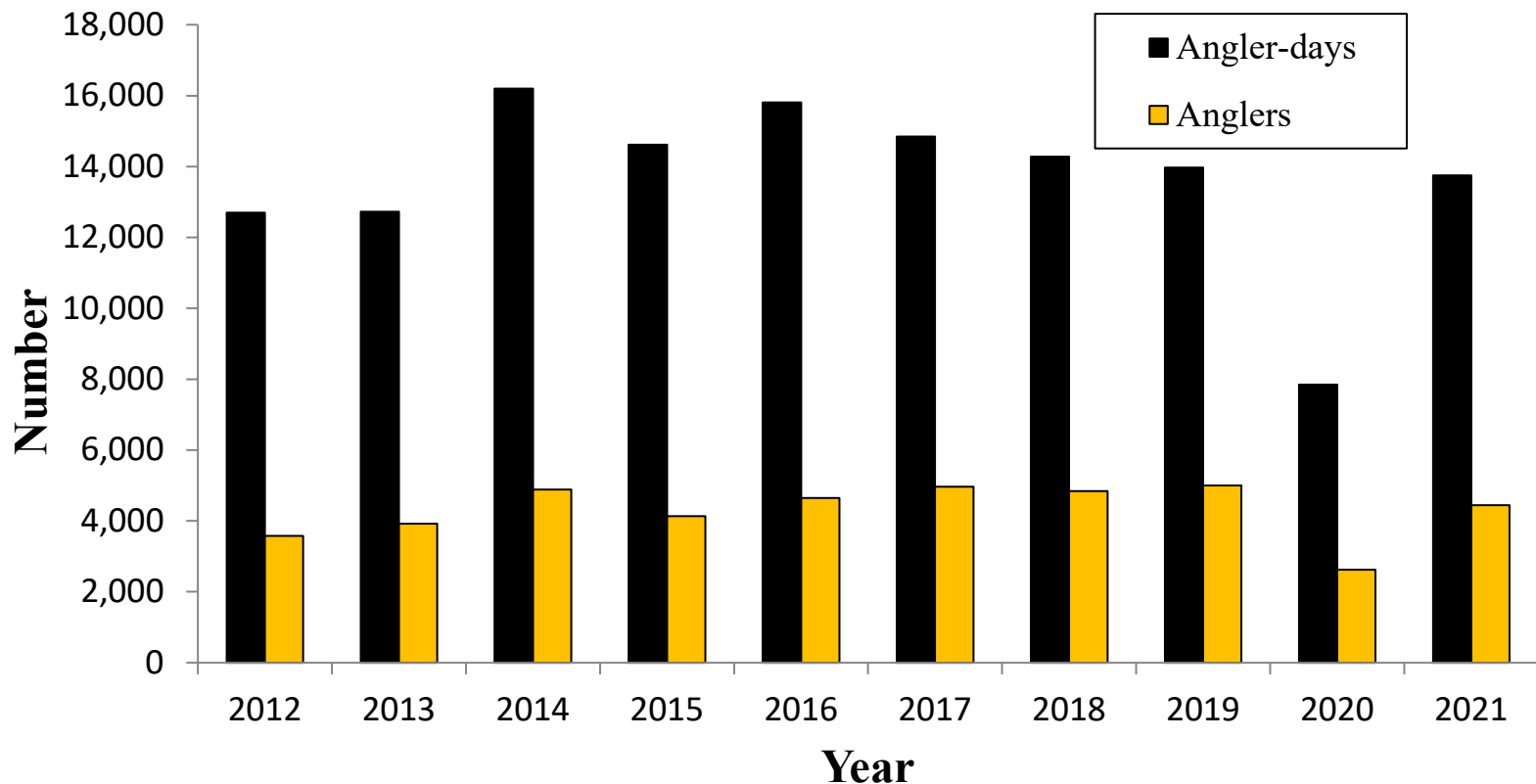
Naknek River Drainage



Naknek River Sport Fishing Effort

-Addressed in proposal 17

Naknek River sport fishing effort in angler-days and number of anglers, 2012-2021.



Naknek River Rainbow Trout Sport Fishing Regulations

-Addressed in proposal 18 & 19

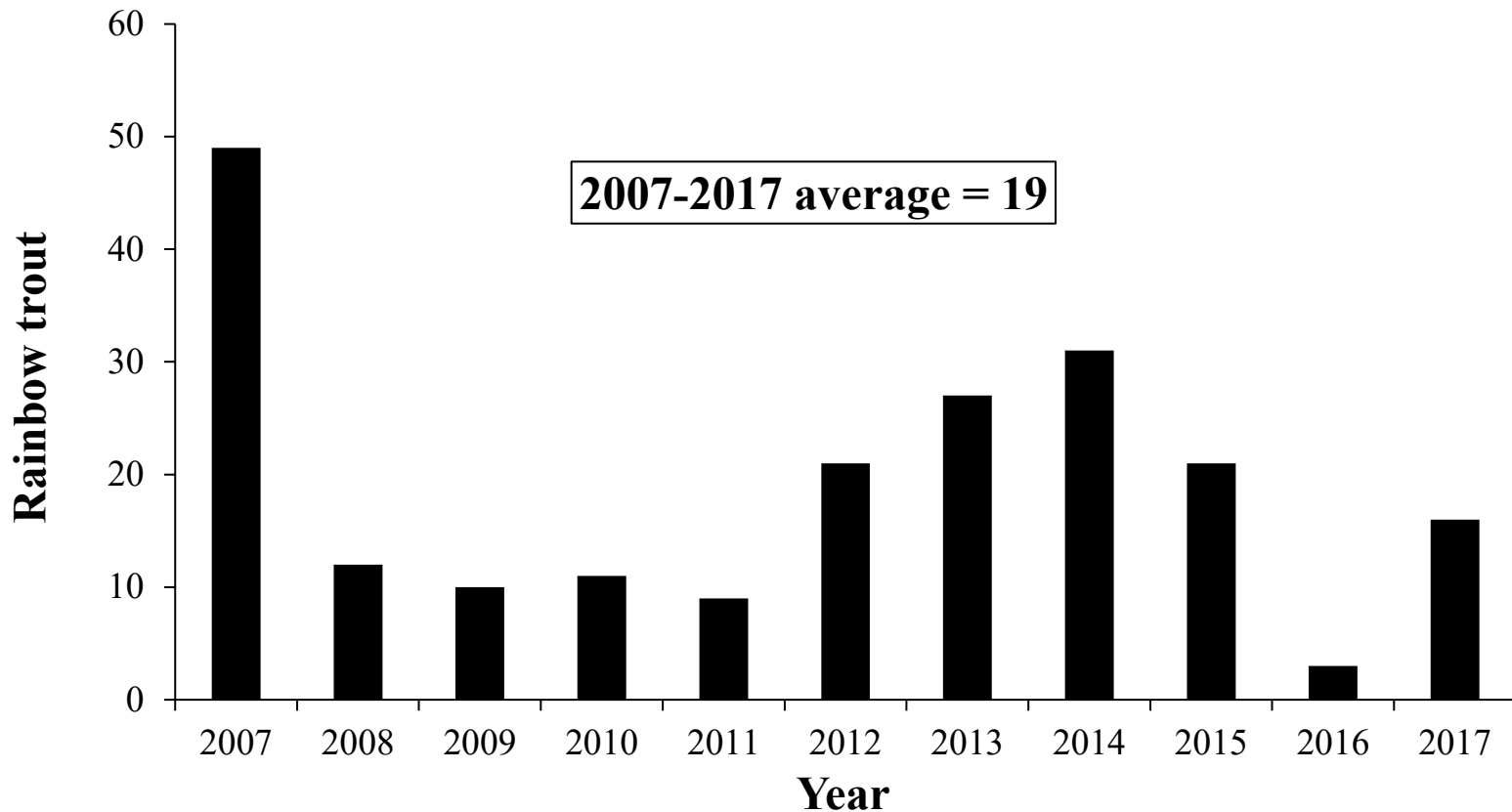
- Daily bag and possession limit:
 - June 8–October 31: one fish, must be less than 18”
 - November 1–June 7: five fish, must be less than 18”
- In all flowing waters upstream from an ADF&G regulatory marker at Rapids Camp, including all waters within one-quarter mile of all lake and outlet streams:
 - only unbaited, single-hook, artificial lures or flies may be used year round; and
 - all sport fishing is closed in the Naknek River above the ADF&G regulatory marker located at Rapids Camp from **April 10–June 7** to protect spawning rainbow trout.



Naknek River Rainbow Trout

-Addressed in proposal 21

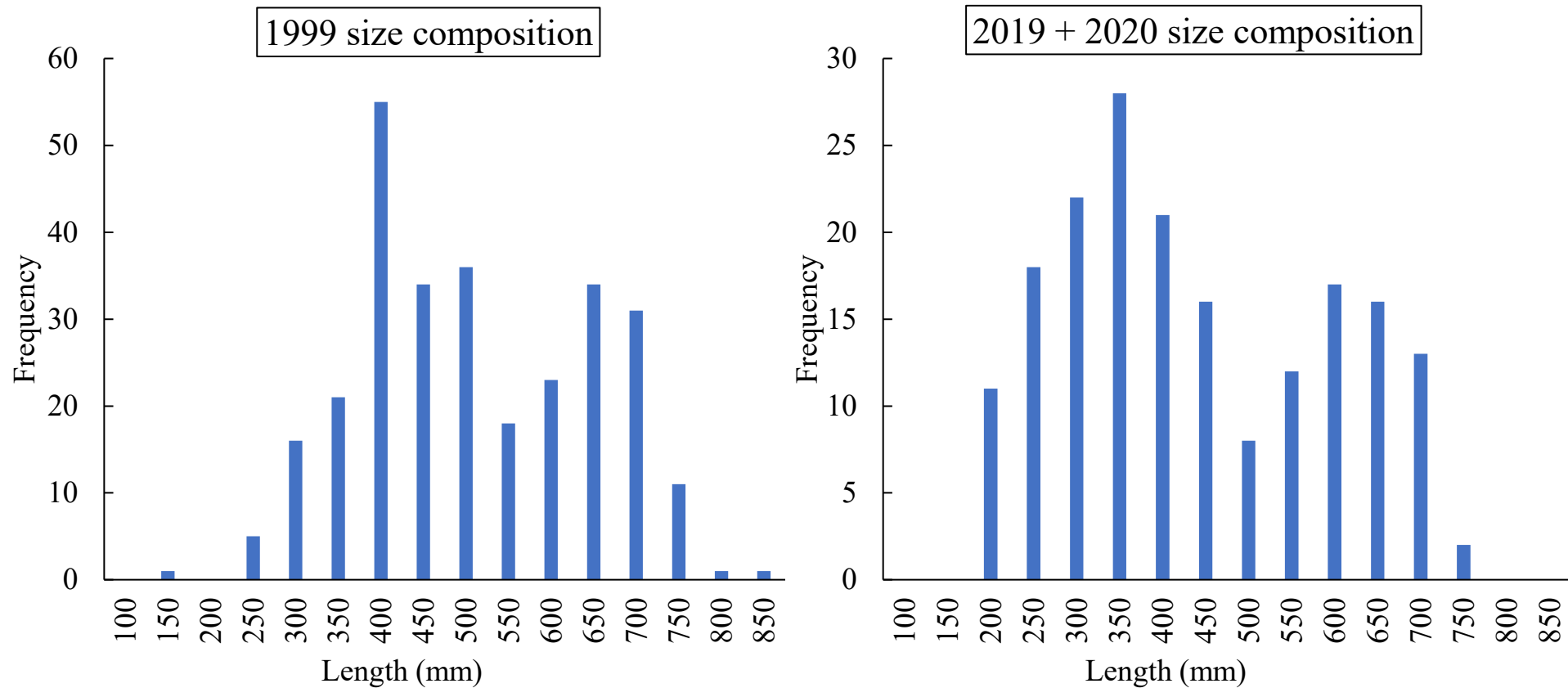
Guided nonresident harvest in the Naknek River, 2007-2017.



Naknek River Rainbow Trout

-Addressed in proposal 21

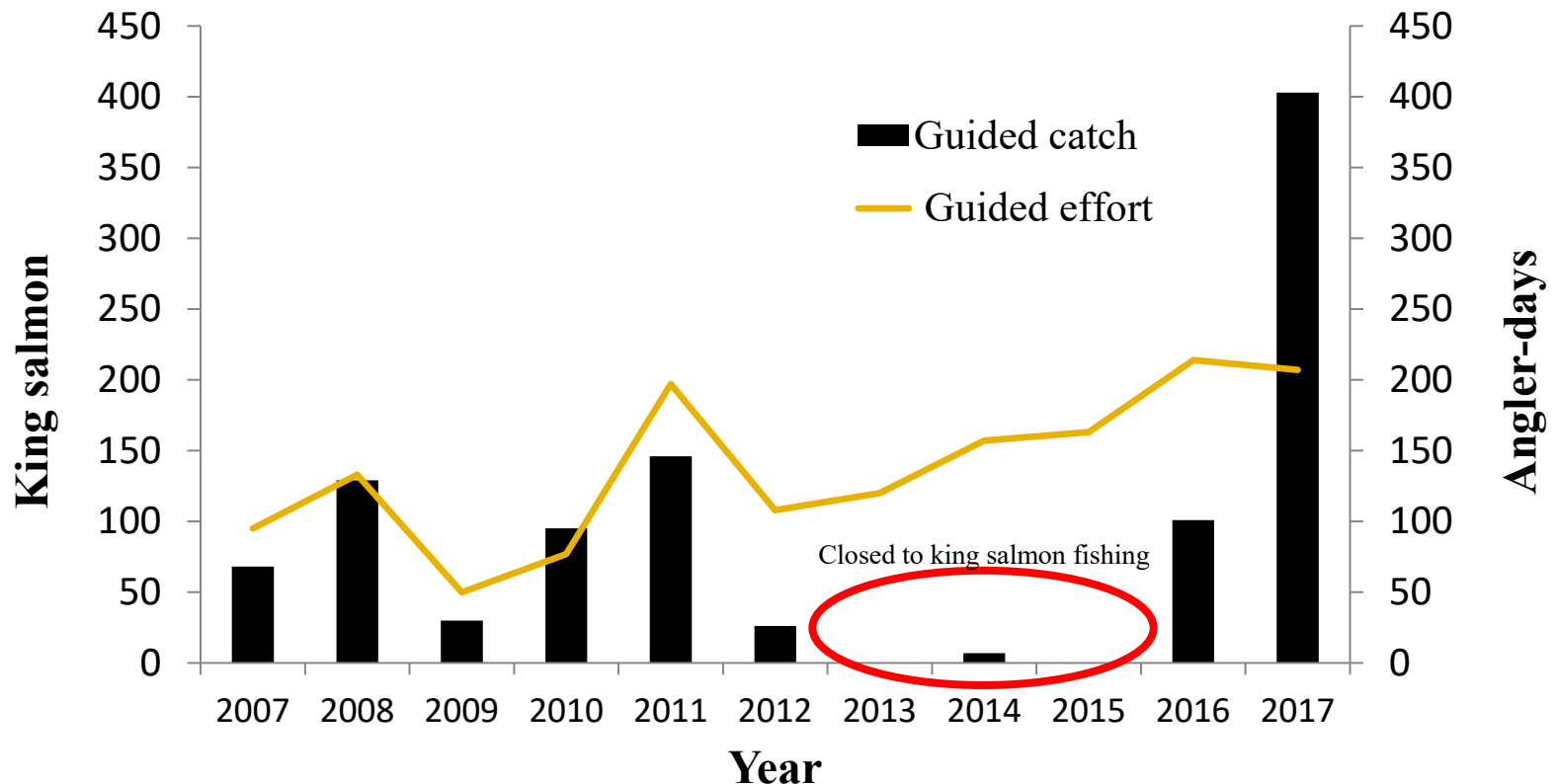
Size composition of rainbow trout caught in the sport fishery in the upper Naknek River, 1999 and 2019 - 2020.



Big Creek King Salmon

-Addressed in proposals 22 & 23

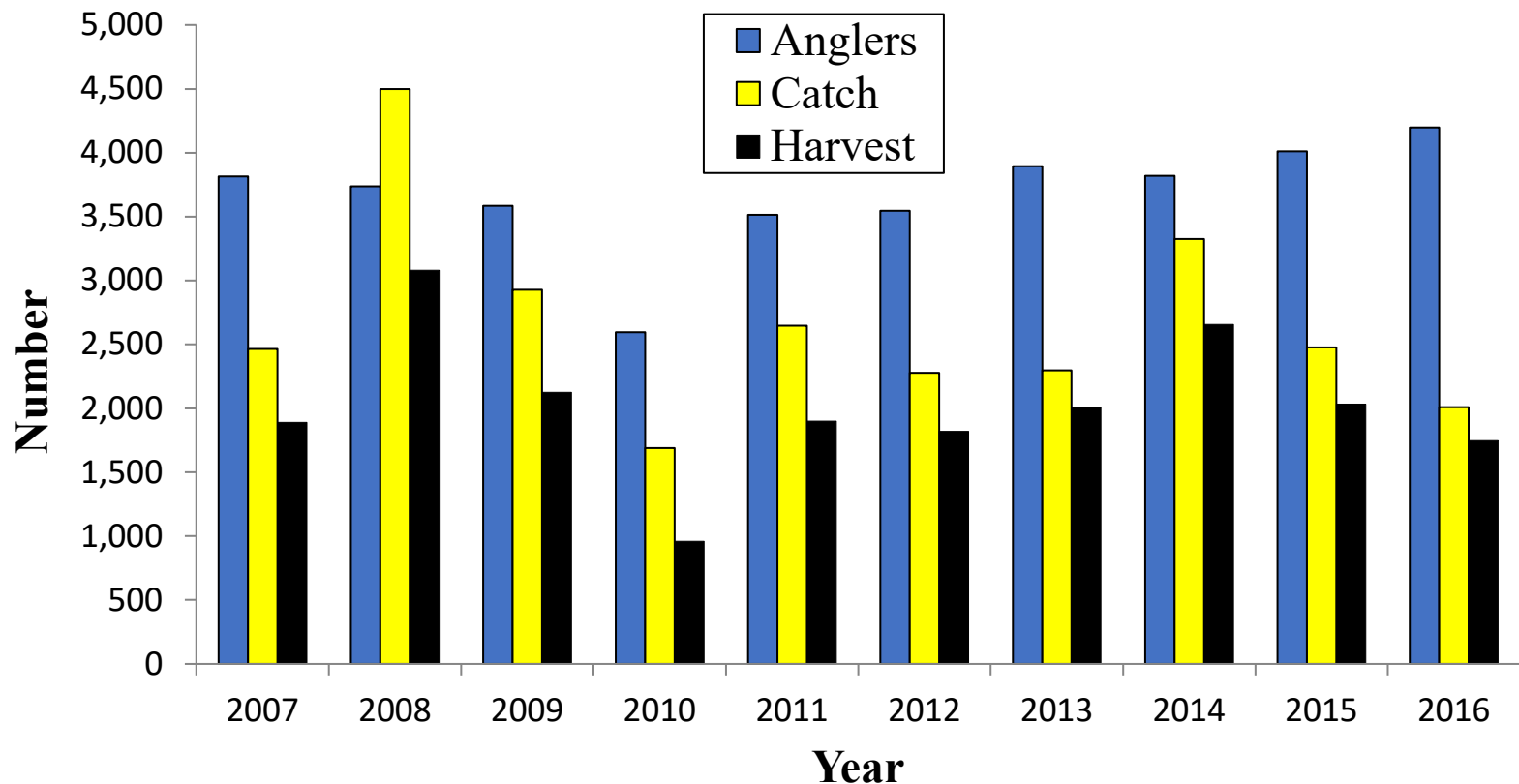
Guided sport fishing effort and catch of king salmon in Big Creek, 2007-2017.



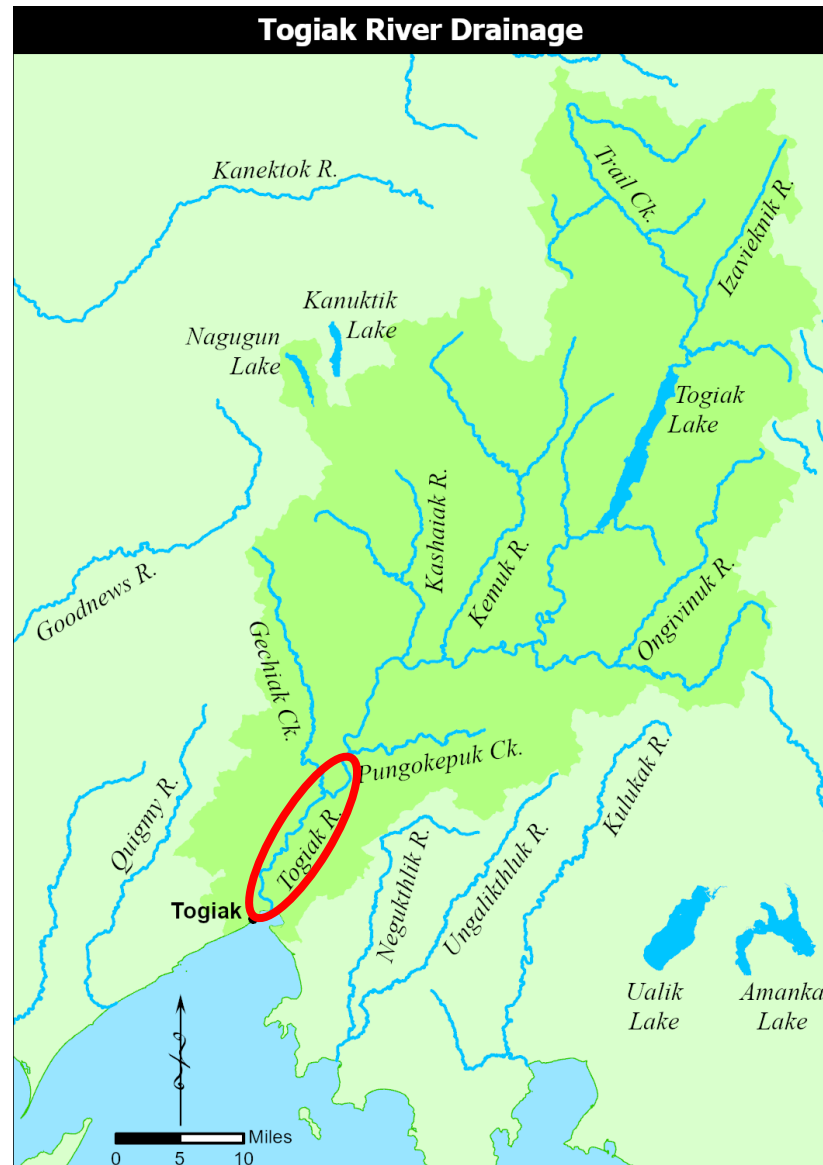
Naknek River Coho Salmon

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Guided Naknek River sport fishing effort in anglers, and catch and harvest, 2007-2016.



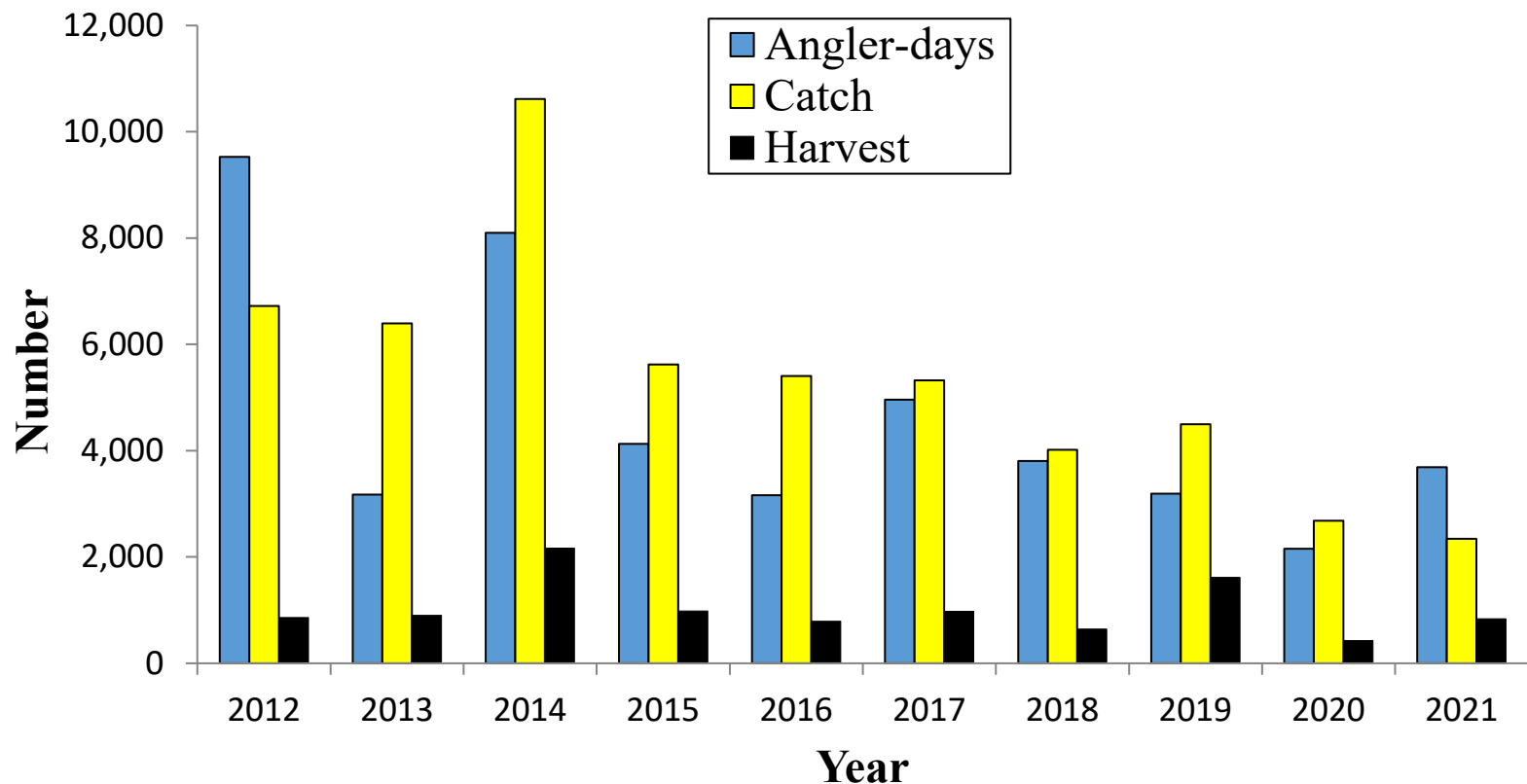
Relevant Data for Togiak Proposal



Togiak River King Salmon

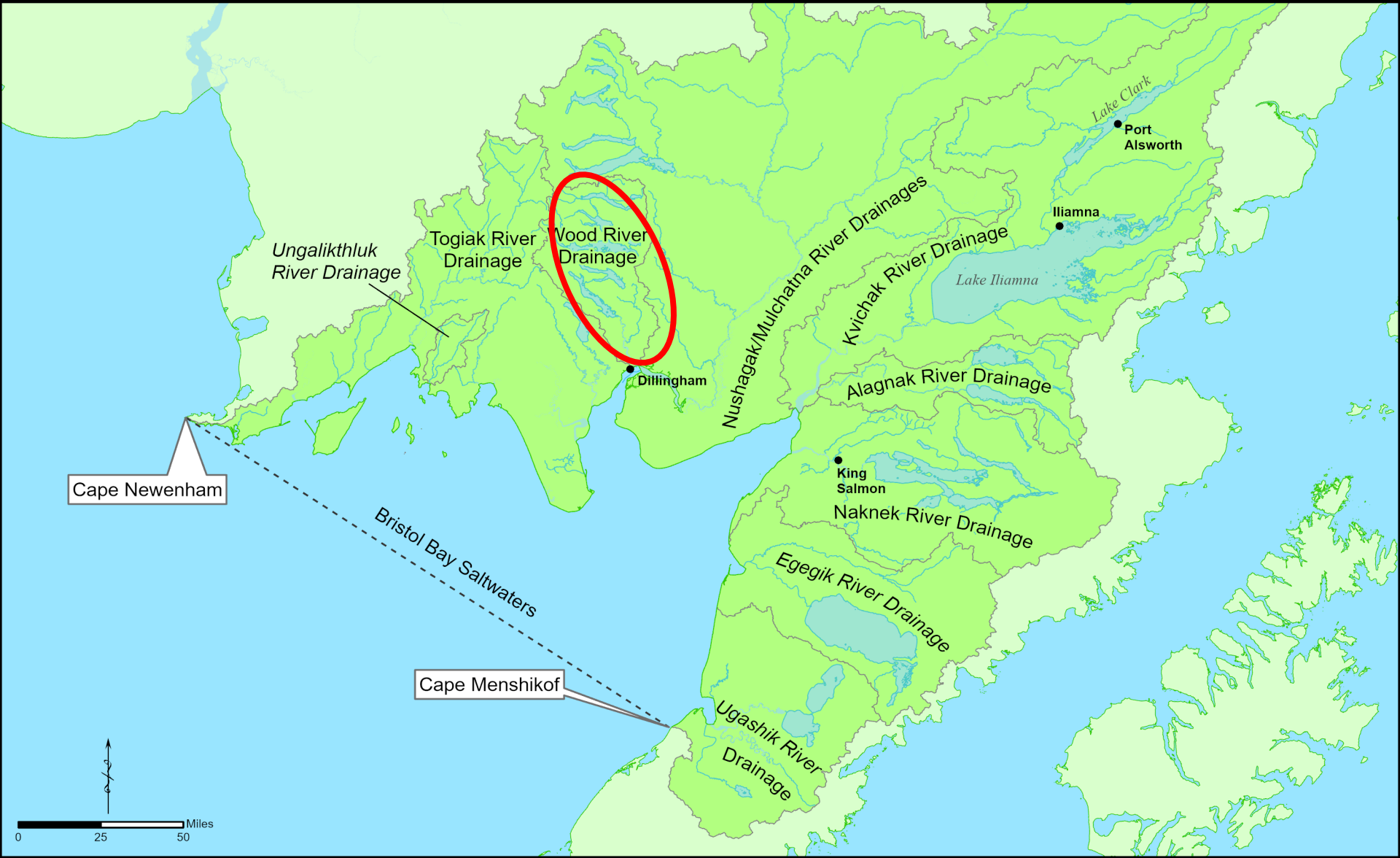
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Togiak River sport fishing effort in angler-days, catch, and harvest, 2012-2021.



Relevant Data for Other Area Proposals

Major Drainages of Bristol Bay



Sport Fishing Regulations Regarding Bait

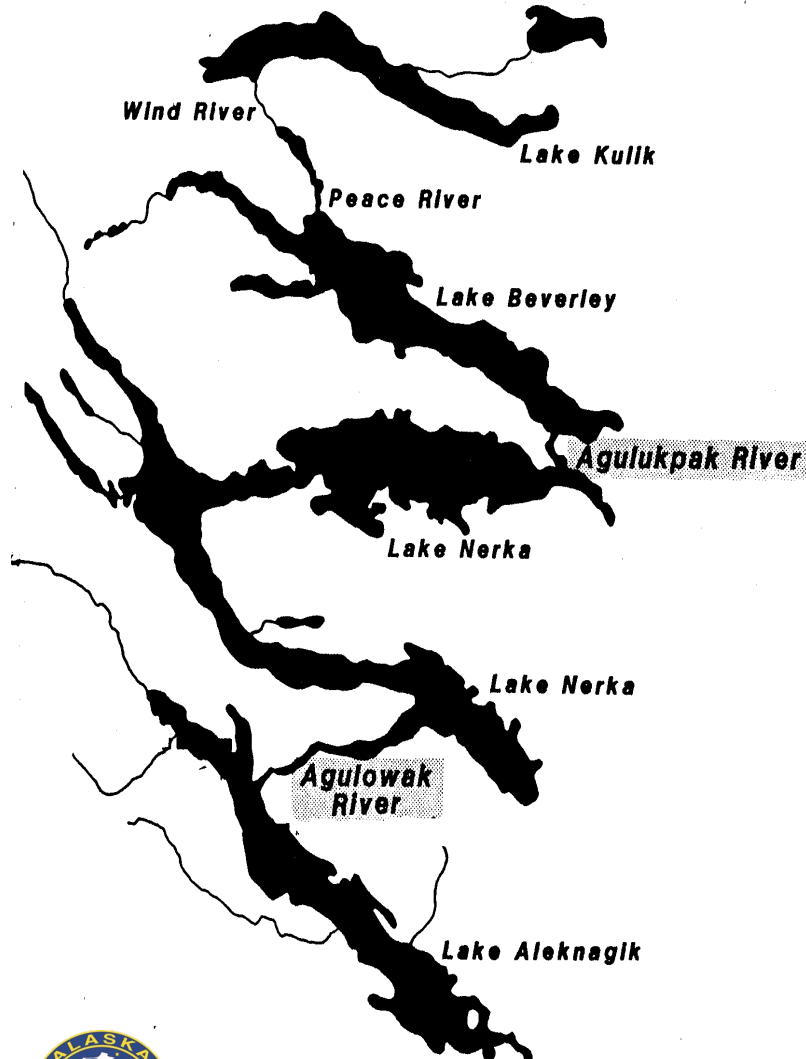
-Addressed in proposal 18

- **There are no bay-wide bait prohibitions in Bristol Bay**
- **Chumming:** in waters closed to the use of bait, sport fishing guides and guided anglers are prohibited from placing in the water any substance (bait) for the purpose of attracting fish by scent.
- **Drainages with existing bait restrictions:**
 - **Ungalikthluk River Drainage**
 - **Wood River Drainage**
 - **Nushagak River Drainage**
 - **Kvichak River Drainage**
 - **Alagnak River Drainage**
 - **Naknek River Drainage**



Wood River Lakes Sport Fishing Regulations

-Addressed in proposal 20



- **General:**
 - **May 1 – July 31: Open to fishing for king salmon.**
 - **King salmon limits:**
 - **Under 20" - 10 per day, 10 in possession.**
 - **Over 20" – 1 per day, 1 in possession, only 1 over 28"**
 - **Annual Limit of 2 over 20"**
- **Agulupak River:**
 - **Sept. 1 – June 7: Only unbaited, single hook, artificial lures or flies.**
 - **June 8 – Aug. 31: Only unbaited, single hook, artificial flies.**



Questions?

