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February 11, 2019

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Sincerely,  
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Keith Mantey  
14865 Sterling Hwy

Cooper Landing, AK 99572

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Tourism is also critical in providing jobs to Alaskan families. Sport and tourism fishing should have a higher priority. It provides much more income per fish than wholesale commercial fishing. Many guest won't return because fishing has turned bad year after year now. To many of these fish have been taken commercially at the mouth of the Kenai River and all the business that rely on tourism, which is the whole Kenai - Soldotna - Cooper Landing area, have been put at the back of the bus too many years. THIS tourism economy is much more important than wholesaling fish which profits much less per pound of fish. Tourism supports the general economy because it bring additional customers to the state who spend money... lots of money. They won't come if the fishing is bad. The elite few license holders that monopolize fishing get a disproportionate cut of the fish.

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wasilla, AK 99645

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Kevin Thurman  
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Sterling, AK 99672

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Sincerely,  
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Kristin Mellinger  
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Sincerely,

Kristin Mellinger

Kristine Ogonowski  
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Wasilla, AK 99623

February 17, 2019

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The Alaska Constitution Article VIII, Section 2. General Authority reads: The legislature shall provide for the utilization, development, and conservation

of all natural resources belonging to the State, including land and waters, for the maximum benefit of its people. Section 3. Common Use reads: Wherever occurring in their natural state, fish, wildlife, and waters are reserved to the people for common use. These two sections clearly state the importance of our natural resources to the people of Alaska. That includes the consumption, development and conservation of our salmon all across the state. The Constitution provides for the common law doctrine that natural resources are managed as a public trust for the benefit of the people as a whole, rather than for the benefit of the government, corporations, or private persons. (See Alaska's Constitution, A Citizen's Guide (5th edition) by Gordon Harrison, Alaska Legislative Affairs Agency.) Section 4. Sustained Yield reads: Fish, forests, wildlife, grasslands, and all other replenishable resources belonging to the State shall be utilized, developed, and maintained on the sustained yield principle, subject to preferences among beneficial uses. This section reinforces Section 2 and State law defines maximum sustained yield as "the achievement and maintenance in perpetuity of a high level annual or regular periodic output of the various renewable resources of the state land consistent with multiple use" (AS 38.04.910). Mr. Harrison continues his discussion, "The qualifying phrase "subject to preferences among beneficial uses" signals recognition by the delegates that not all

the demands made upon resources can be satisfied, and that prudent resource management based on modern conservation principles necessarily involves prioritizing competing uses."

Clearly, our Constitution is placing the benefits of the Alaskan people before those of profit-driven corporations, businesses, government or a select group of private persons. The Board of Fish needs to follow the intent of the Alaska Constitution.

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Kurt MacKenzie  
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Wasilla, AK 99654

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Laurie Fagnani  
2559 Loussac Drive

Anchorage, AK 99517

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Tight lines,  
Laurie Fagnani

Lowell Ainsworth  
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Anchorage, AK 99507

February 18, 2019

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Don't Cater to the Commercial Fish People !!!!!

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Lowell Ainsworth

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anchorage, AK 99515

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Marty Thurber  
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Kenai, AK 99611

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Please consider the benefit for Alaskans to fish for themselves over the profits made by a few commercial set net fishermen.

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Melina Westall  
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Anchorage, AK 99501

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Michael Bell  
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Wasilla, AK 99629

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The most common form of food insecurity was an adult foregoing a meal once a week to ensure that a child does not go hungry. One portion of fish for a meal weighs about one-half pound. This equates to an adult foregoing 26 pounds of fish in skipped meals per year.

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For far too long the residents of Alaska have struggled to find fish in the rivers after using valuable PTO and spending large amounts of cash to try and catch fish to feed their family. There is next to nothing in the rivers these days as the residents get the crumbs. Reverse that trend and make it right for the residents.

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Sincerely,

Peter Maus



Rebecca Branson  
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Tara Hammond

Thomas Green  
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Palmer, AK 99645

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Timothy Martin  
P.o.box 16

Sterling, AK 99672

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I live up river somedays in july fishing is tough. Last year i caught 8 reds. Pretty bad year for us. Already facing tough financial times those fish feed our family. Please let more fish in the river before commercial guys get them .im not against commercial fishing just would like to see more oppurtunity during the season for us locals who need the fish.

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ANCHORAGE, AK 99507

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Anchorage, AK 99517

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Sterling, AK 99673

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Palmer, AK 99645

February 12, 2019

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