Chignik Management Area Salmon Fishery

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Overview

Geographic Description of the Chignik Management Area (CMA) Salmon Management and Harvest Strategy Historical Escapement, Harvest, and Value 2011, 2012, and 2013 Season Summaries Summary of Proposals

Black Lake (Early Run)

Chignik Lake (Late Run)

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Chignik Bay District Eastern District

Central District

Western District

Perryville District



Chignik Area Salmon Management

Chignik Salmon Management Plan (1999; 5 AAC 15.357)
In Effect From June 1st Through October 31st (EO)
Purse Seine and Hand Purse Seine Gear
Organized into Districts or Groups of Districts
(Eastern / Chignik Bay and Central / Western and Perryville)

Chignik River Sockeye Salmon Escapement Objectives

Early-Run SEG (through July 4): 350, Late-Run SEG (July 5 – September 30): 250, *Includes a 50,000 fish Inriver Run Goal (IRRG)

350,000 - 400,000 250,000 - 400,000* RG)

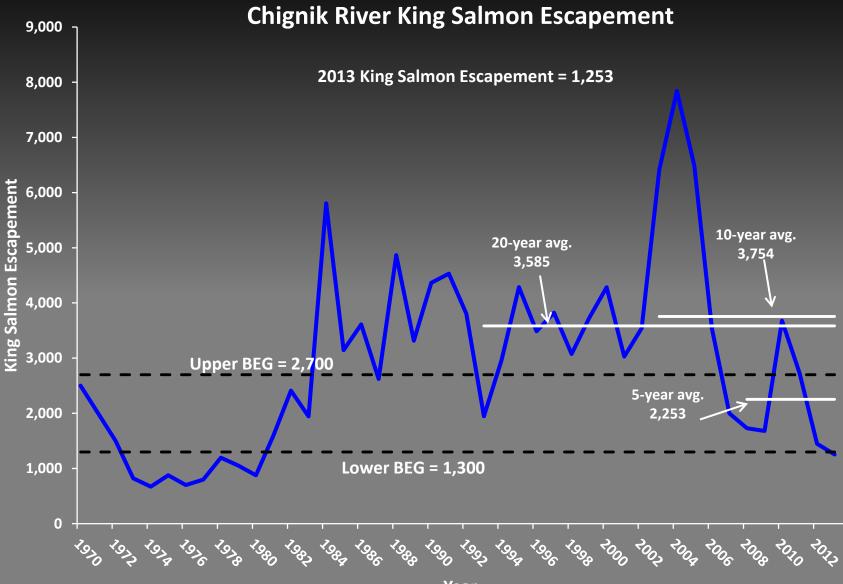
Eastern District Harvest Strategy

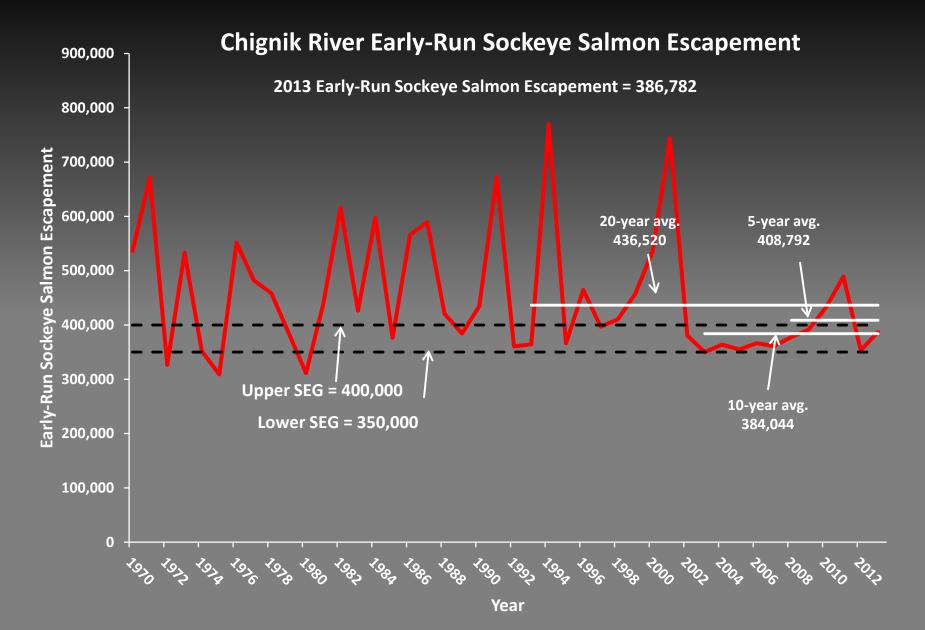
June: Early-Run Esc. Transition Period: Restricted (June 26 – July 8) Post Transition Period: Pink, Chum, Coho, Sockeye Salmon Esc. Chignik Bay and Central Districts Harvest Strategy

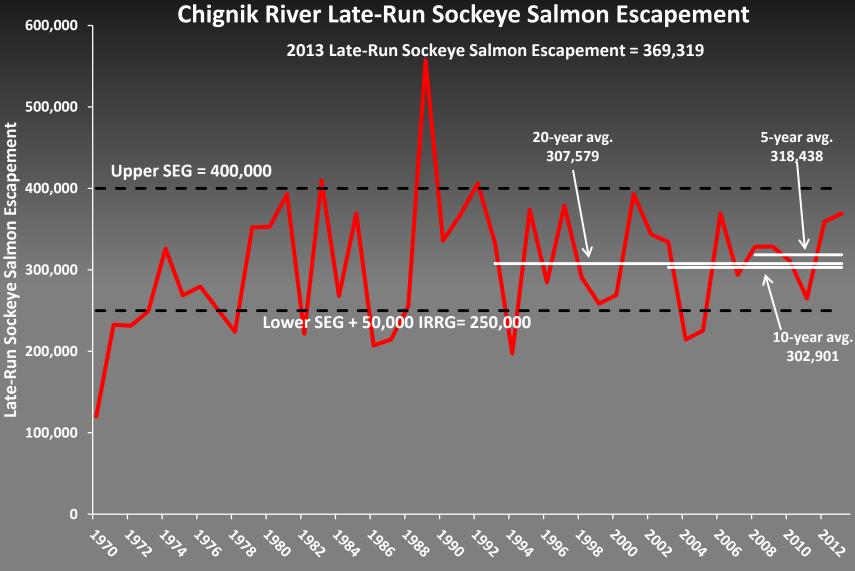
> June: Early-Run Esc. Transition Period: Early- and Late-Run Esc. Mid-July to September 14: Late-Run Esc. September 15: 48 Hours Per Week

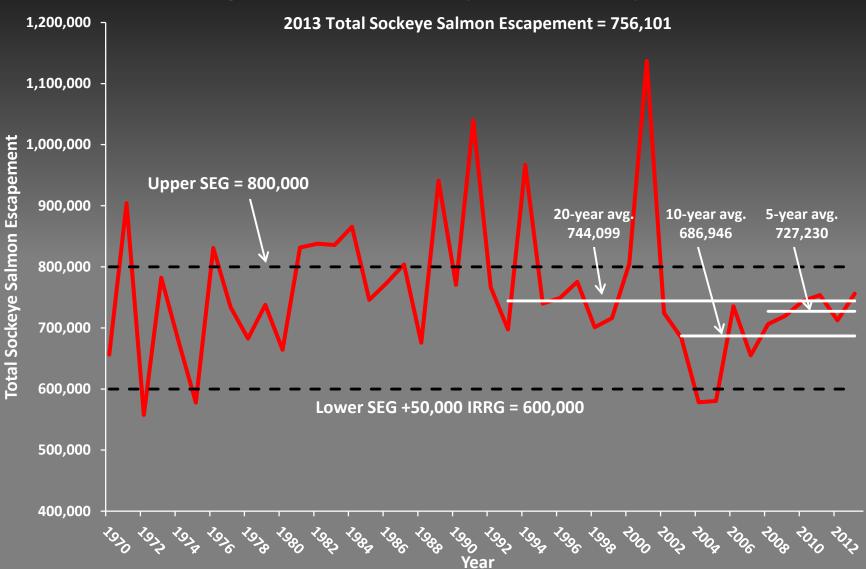
Western and Perryville Districts Harvest Strategy

June 1 – July 5: Early-Run Esc. (Western District) July 6 – August 20: Pink, Chum, and Late-Run Esc. Post August 20: Coho, Pink, Chum, and Late-Run Esc.

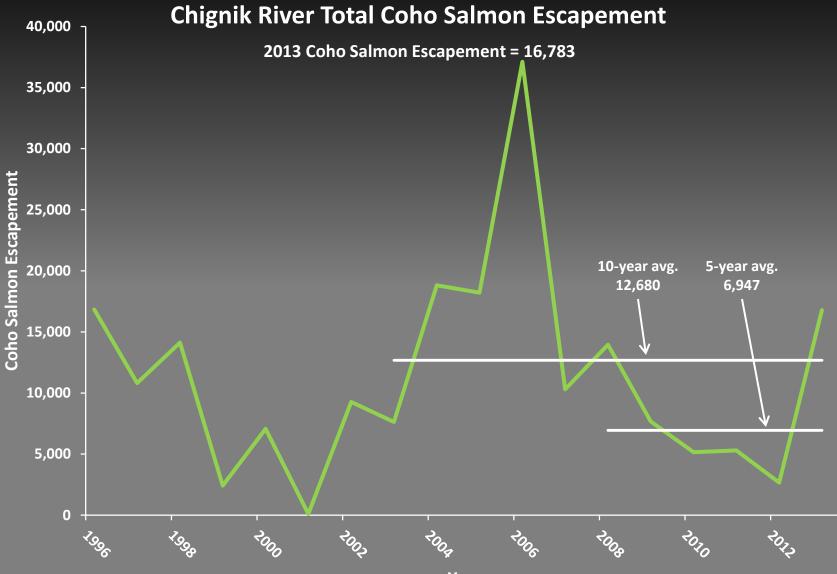




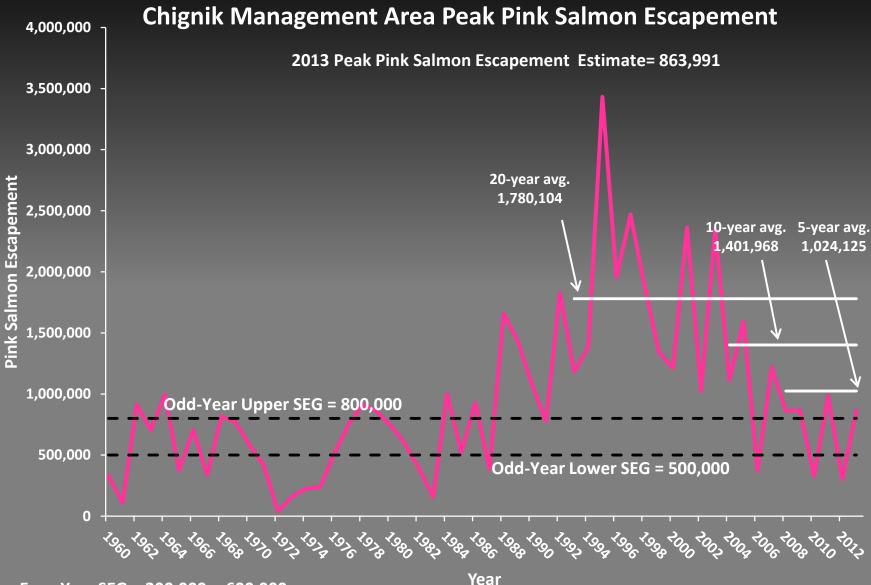




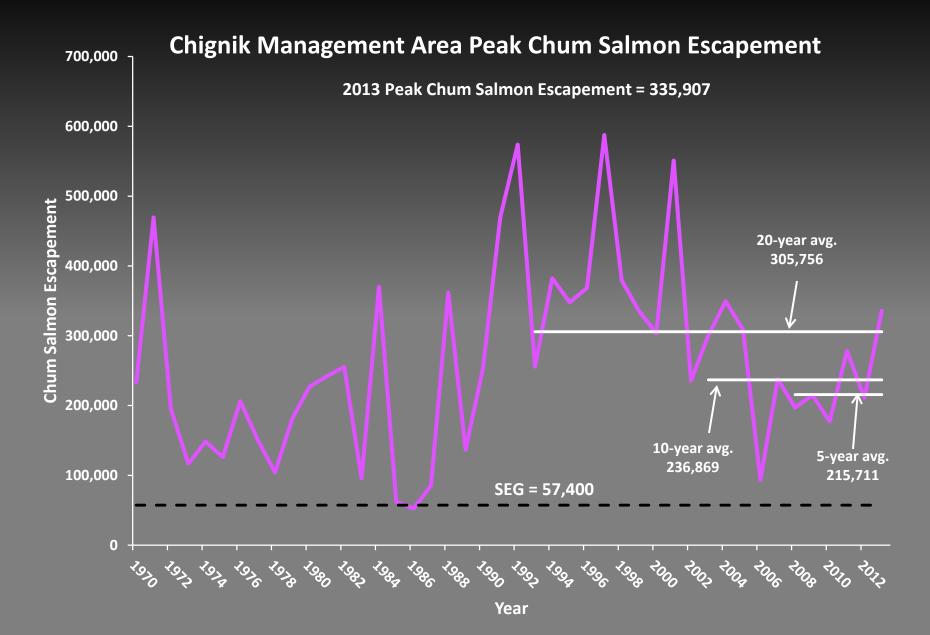
Chignik River Total Sockeye Salmon Escapement

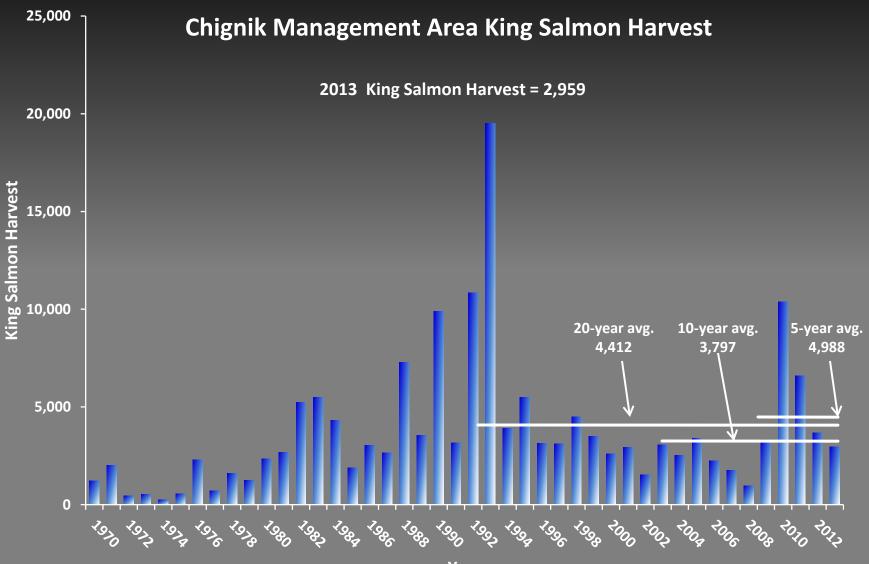


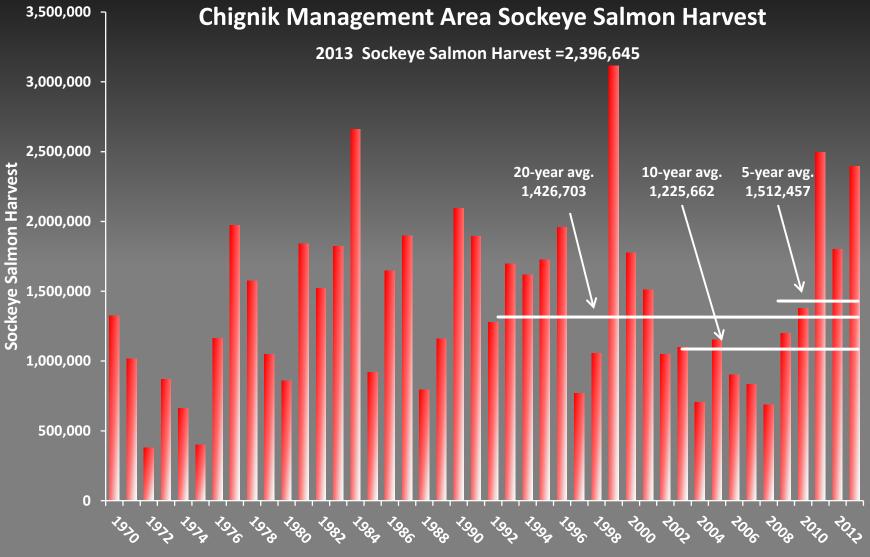
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Even Year SEG = 200,000 - 600,000

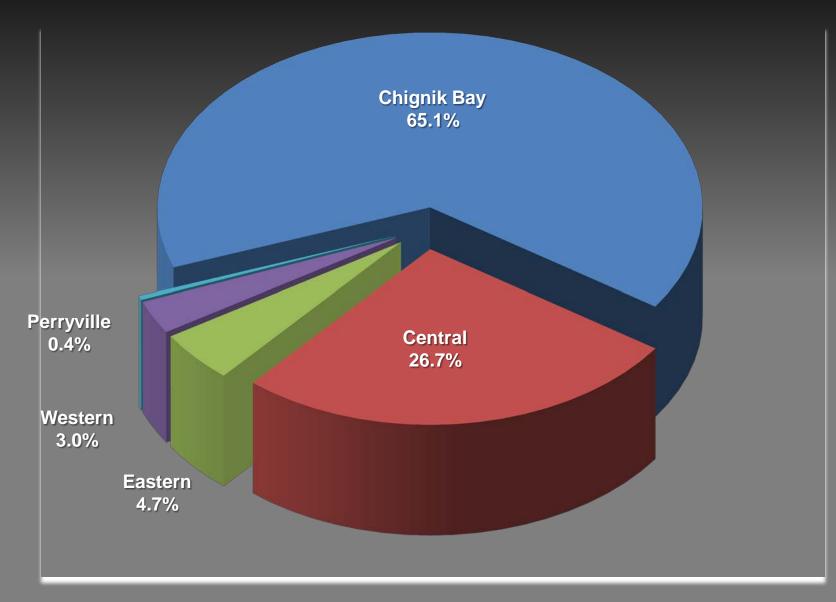


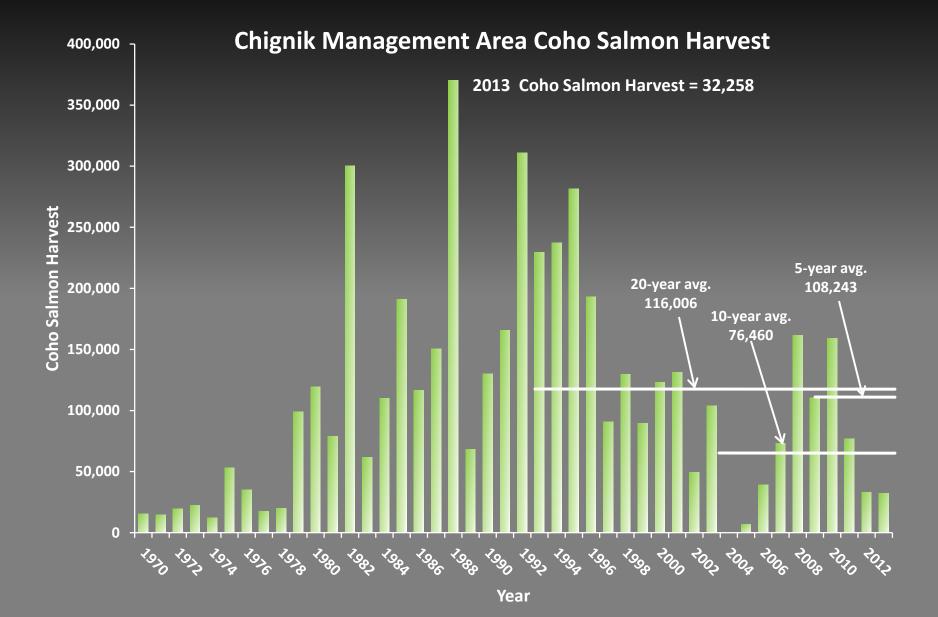


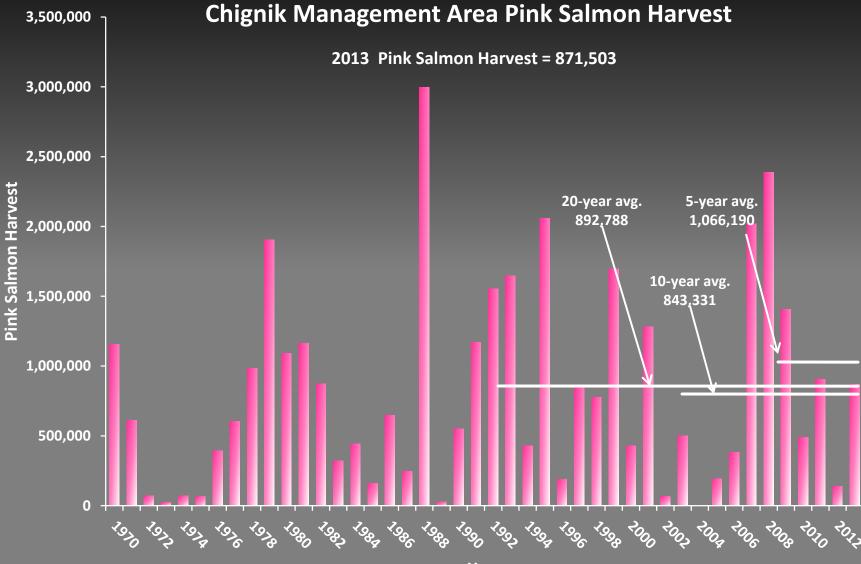


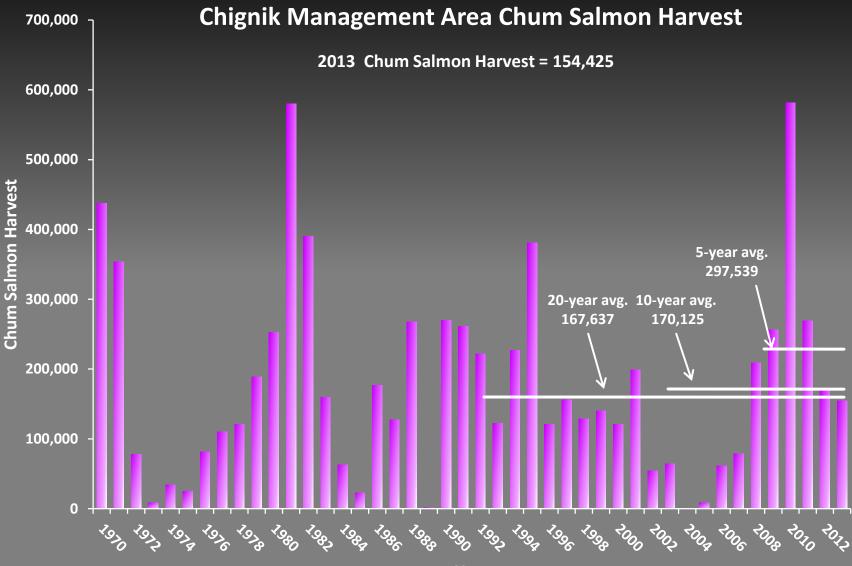
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Chignik Management Area Sockeye Salmon Harvest by District 2011-2013

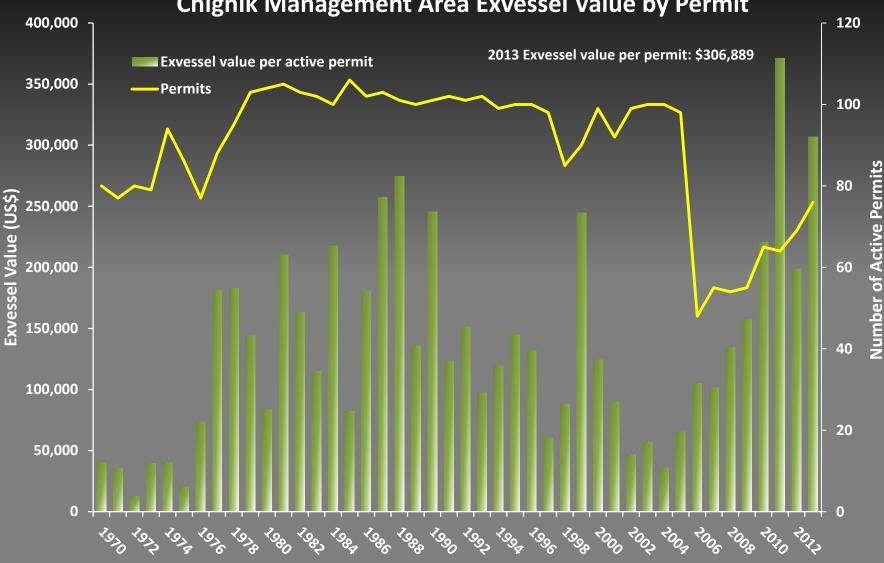








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Chignik Management Area Exvessel Value by Permit

Chignik Management Area 2011 Season Summary

Fishing Periods: June 5 – August 29 (74 Days)

Effort: 65 of 91 Permits Issued (71%)

King: Harvest: Sockeye: Coho: Pink: Chum:

6,586 2,497,004 76,792 905,166 269,503

Exvessel Value: \$23.7 million (Approximately \$371,000 Per Active Permit)

Chignik Management Area 2012 Season Summary

Fishing Periods: June 8 - September 9 (84 Days)

Effort: 70 of 91 Permits Issued (77%)

 Harvest:
 King:
 3,687
 Sockeye:
 1,800,121
 Coho:
 33,316
 Pink:
 137,706
 Chum:
 171,112
 Coho:
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Exvessel Value: \$13.7 million (Approximately \$199,000 Per Active Permit)

Chignik Management Area 2013 Season Summary

Fishing Periods: June 6 – August 27 (69 Days)

Effort: 77 of 91 Permits Issued (84%)

 Harvest:
 King:
 2,959
 Sockeye:
 2,396,645
 Coho:
 32,258
 Pink:
 871,503
 Chum:
 154,425
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Exvessel Value: \$23.3 million (Approximately \$307,000 Per Active Permit)

2013 BOF Proposals Staff Comments: RC 2, Tab 6

Proposal 38 – Open Western District in June and early July

Proposal 39 – Manage the Western and Perryville districts dependant on pink, chum, and coho escapements in Area M from early July to the end of September

Proposal 40 – Change "shall" to "may" relative to the use of emergency orders for the first fishing period of the season

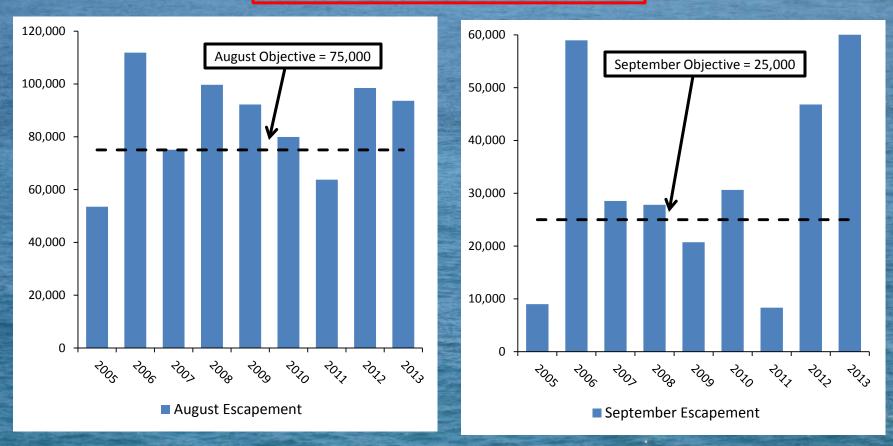
Proposal 41 – Change seine specifications for when a seine is considered to have stopped fishing

Proposal 42 – Increase the allowable hand and purse seine length in Eastern, Central, Western, and Perryville districts

Chignik River Late-Run Inriver Run Goal November 2004 – Chignik Board of Fisheries Meeting

50,000 August objective + additional 25,000 = 75,000

September objective = 25,000



July 2013 – Subsistence users concern that no provisions are listed in the Chignik Area Salmon Management Plan (5 AAC 15.357)