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Chignik Late-Run Sockeye Salmon Management for Subsistence

During the Chignik board meeting, the department will ask the board to clarify the intent of previous boards to provide additional escapement of the Chignik late-run sockeye salmon run for subsistence harvest during the fall. Based on previous board direction, the department manages the commercial salmon fishery to provide for an additional 25,000 sockeye salmon above the cumulative escapement objective for August (50,000) or a total of 75,000 fish. The department also manages for an escapement of 25,000 sockeye salmon in September to provide subsistence harvest opportunity. These 50,000 additional fish (25,000 fish in August and 25,000 fish in September) are considered an inriver run goal, which is in addition to the lower range of the sustainable escapement goal of 200,000 fish; language specific to the inriver run goal does not appear in regulation.