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Board of Fisheries
Alaska Department of Fish & Game
PO Box 115526
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RE: Board of Fisheries 2017 Upper Cook Inlet Finfish

The City of Kenai respectfully requests that the Board of Fisheries schedule its 2017 Upper Cook Inlet meeting in the Kenai area.

Holding the meeting on the Kenai Peninsula would be fair and appropriate because the majority of proposals before the Board for consideration are relative to the Kenai or Kasilof Rivers and adjacent offshore Cook Inlet waters.

Additionally, a significant percentage of individuals attending the Board of Fisheries meetings in Anchorage are required to travel from the Kenai Peninsula and stay in hotels during the meetings, which constitutes a significant financial burden.

Kenai, and the surrounding area provides more than adequate support amenities for the Board and individuals attending the Board of Fish meeting, including but not limited to, hotels, restaurants, shopping venues, meeting facilities, medical facilities, etc., many of which are listed with the Kenai Chamber of Commerce & Visitor Center (<http://kenaiachamber.org>)

We strongly urge the Board of Fisheries to hold the Board of Fisheries 2017 Upper Cook Inlet meeting in Kenai.

If you have questions, please contact me at the above address. We look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

CITY OF KENAI

Pat Porter
Mayor