

# Update Pacific States Marine Fishery Commission

## 2012 Cook Inlet Salmon Emergency Relief Program

March – May 2015

- ▶ February 2014 - NOAA Fisheries announced that \$75 million appropriated by Congress as part of the Fiscal Year 2014 federal budget will be allocated to six fisheries across the country that were declared fishery disasters by the Department of Commerce.
- ▶ Alaska received \$20.8 million for the Chinook Salmon Fishery failure in 2012; funds will be distributed in the following manner:
  - ▶ Direct payments to commercial salmon fishers (Cook Inlet and the Yukon and Kuskokwim Rivers)
  - ▶ Recreation fishing sector – sport fishing guides, sport fishing guide businesses, sport fishing related businesses and seafood manufacturing - (Cook Inlet Kenai Peninsula Freshwater, Cook Inlet Saltwater, Northern Inlet Freshwater areas)
  - ▶ Salmon disaster research, restoration, education, gear replacement/modification and outreach
  - ▶ Salmon Buying Stations and Processors in the Upper Cook Inlet area

## ➤ **Who is eligible?**

### ➤ **Sport Fishing Guide**

- ADF&G license in 2012 and in any one year between 2007-2011
- Submitted log book information as a guide to ADF&G in 2007-2011 in the Cook Inlet Peninsula Freshwater, Cook Inlet Saltwater & Northern Inlet Freshwater

### ➤ **Sport Fishing Guide Business**

- ADF&G Occupational License in 2012 and in any one year between 2007-2011
- Submitted guide log book information to ADF&G in 2007-2011 in the Cook Inlet Peninsula Freshwater, Cook Inlet Saltwater & Northern Inlet Freshwater

### ➤ **Sport Fish Seafood Manufacturing**

- State of Alaska Business License in 2012 for seafood manufacturing of finfish (NAICS Fresh/Frozen Seafood Processing or Seafood Canning)
- State of Alaska Business License in any one year between 2007-2011 (same NAICS category as your 2012 license)
- Physical address must be located in: Kenai Peninsula Borough (excluding Seward area) or Mat-su Borough (excluding South Denali area)
- Plus percentage of business and amount of loss qualifiers (see Sport Fish Business)

➤ **Eligibility Continued:**

➤ **Sport Fishing Related Business**

- State of Alaska Business License in 2012 for sport fishing related business – including, but not limited to: accommodations, air transportation/charters for fly-out fishing, boat landings, retail businesses for sport fishing related equipment, food services and fish taxidermy
- State of Alaska Business License in any one year between 2007-2011 (same NAICS category as your 2012 license)
- Physical address must be located in: Kenai Peninsula Borough (excluding Seward area) or Mat-su Borough (excluding South Denali area)
- 35% of business is Cook Inlet finfish related and a minimum of \$10,000 gross revenue from Salmon Sport Fishing Related Business in May-July in any one year 2007-2011
- Business income related losses from Cook Inlet finfish of at least 35% from May-July 2012 when compared to any one year 2007-2011



## HOW TO APPLY:

Applications in all of the listed categories have been mailed to businesses/individuals based on their ADF&G or State of Alaska license (applications were mailed March 5-9, 2015)

**If you have not received an application, or feel you qualify in more than one category please contact: [PSMFC – 503-595-3100](tel:5035953100) or [2012salmon@psmfc.org](mailto:2012salmon@psmfc.org)**

We have a Frequently Asked Questions document at our home website of:  
[www.psmfc.org](http://www.psmfc.org)

**Applications must be postmarked no later than May 29, 2015** to be considered for eligibility in this program. Your application will not be considered for payment until we have the completed form, completed and signed W9 and any required supporting documentation. Funds to be released after July 1, 2015.

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