

Introduced by:	Johnson , Bagley, Mayor
Substitute Introduced:	11/25/14
Resolution 2014-066 (Johnson, Bagley, Mayor)	See Original for Prior History
Hearing:	11/25/14
Action:	Adopted
Vote:	9 Yes, 0 No, 0 Absent

**KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH
RESOLUTION 2014-066
(JOHNSON) SUBSTITUTE**

**A RESOLUTION RELATIVE TO KASILOF RIVER SOCKEYE SMOLT
ENUMERATION**

- WHEREAS,** the Kasilof River sockeye run is important both to the economy of the Kenai Peninsula Borough and to commercial, personal use and sport fisheries; and
- WHEREAS,** any disease or fresh water survival problems for sockeye will appear in smolt migration numbers two or three years before the problem can be recognized in adult returns; and
- WHEREAS,** the Alaska Department of Fish and Game (ADF&G) has, together with Cook Inlet Aquaculture Association, counted Kasilof River sockeye smolt out-migration numbers for most years since 1980; and
- WHEREAS,** after receiving a KPB Resolution requesting funding for a Kasilof River sockeye smolt enumeration project, the Alaska State Legislature gave a grant of \$25,000 to Cook Inlet Aquaculture Association; and
- WHEREAS,** the smolt enumeration project begins in June and extends into July, therefore taking place within two fiscal years; and
- WHEREAS,** the State of Alaska has granted the funds needed to perform the FY2015 June (\$25,000) part of the project, the funds needed to perform the FY2016 July (\$10,000) part of the project have not been granted; and
- WHEREAS,** about two weeks of field work typically takes place in July, as well as lab work, data analysis and the writing of a final report; and
- WHEREAS,** the ADF&G forecasts annual sockeye returns for the Kasilof River and uses smolt enumeration estimates in those calculations; and
- WHEREAS,** sockeye forecasts are very useful for fishers, for salmon processors, and for biologists,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH:

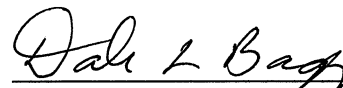
SECTION 1. That the Kenai Peninsula Borough Assembly asks the State of Alaska and the Alaska Department of Fish and Game to provide the \$10,000 needed to fund the FY2016 July portion of the Kasilof River sockeye smolt enumeration.

SECTION 2. That the Kenai Peninsula Borough Assembly asks the State of Alaska and the Department of Fish and Game to perform sockeye out-migration enumerations in the Kasilof River in the future.

SECTION 3. That copies of this resolution be sent to Kenai Peninsula Borough legislators and the Commissioner of the Alaska Department of Fish and Game.

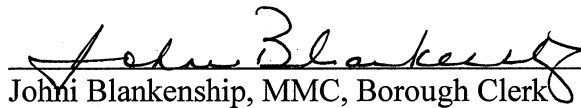
SECTION 4. That this resolution takes effect immediately upon its adoption.

ADOPTED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH THIS 25TH DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2014.

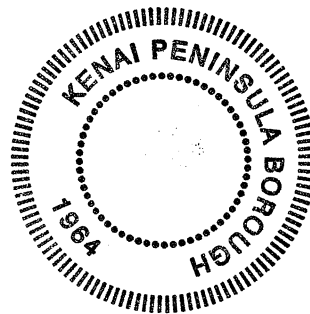


Dale Bagley, Assembly President

ATTEST:



John Blankenship, MMC, Borough Clerk



Yes: Cooper, Haggerty, Gilman, Johnson, McClure, Ogle, Welles, Wolf, Bagley
No: None
Absent: None