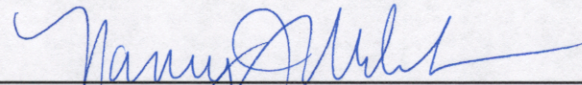
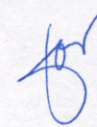


**STATE OF ALASKA  
DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES  
DIVISION OF MINING, LAND AND WATER  
DIRECTOR'S DECISION**

On January 4, 2002 the Alaska Department of Fish and Game announced plans to restrict commercial salmon fishing in the Naknek/Kvichak District of Bristol Bay to the Naknek River Special Harvest Area, beginning June 1, 2002 and until further notice. On March 5, 2002 the Shore Fishery Unit of the Division of Mining, Land and Water sent a letter to all Bristol Bay shore fishery lease holders informing them that rents for 2002 would be waived if the Naknek/Kvichak District remained closed up to June 17, 2002. The district remained closed and no regular legal fishing periods occurred for set netters in the Bristol Bay Naknek-Kvichak District for 2002.

Under the authority of AS 38.05.020 and 11 AAC 64.220 (HARDSHIP CLAUSE; WAIVER OF RENTAL) the Division of Mining, Land and Water, Shore Fishery Unit, **will waive rentals for the period January 1, 2002 through December 31, 2002** for all shore fishery leases located within the Naknek/Kvichak District 2002 in conjunction with ADF&G's legal closure of this district.

  
  
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Bob Loeffler, Director

7-29-02  
Date

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