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2025 Teleconference Reinstated

Following the recent announcement concerning the discontinuation of the 2025 Yukon River In-season Salmon Management Teleconferences, I am pleased to report that the collaborative efforts of the Yukon River Inter-Tribal Fish Commission and Tanana Chiefs Conference have resulted in the successful acquisition of the necessary financial resources to reinstate these crucial discussions. As a result of this funding, we will be able to conduct a series of ten conference calls over the course of the summer. These teleconferences will serve as vital platforms for information sharing, collaborative decision-making, and in-depth analysis of the evolving salmon run conditions throughout the Yukon River drainage. The calls will provide an opportunity for managers, scientists, tribal representatives, and other interested parties to exchange real-time data, discuss observed trends, evaluate the effectiveness of management strategies, and collectively adapt our approaches as the season progresses.

Initially created to facilitate communication between local users and fishery managers, these teleconference calls now require a significant reconstruction due to concerning ongoing declines. The original purpose of bridging the communication gap remains crucial, but the current circumstances necessitate a more robust approach. Our goal is to transform these calls into a platform that generates more actionable feedback, providing valuable insights and recommendations to relevant organizations and management entities. To ensure the teleconference calls effectively contribute to tangible improvements in fisheries management, and to provide updates on Yukon River research to interested parties, the call format, discussion topics, and feedback mechanisms will undergo restructuring of how the calls will be delivered.

Our first teleconference will be held on Tuesday, June 10th, at 1:00 p.m. Alaska Time (2:00 p.m. Pacific Daylight Time Canada). The call-in number is 1-800-315-6338, and the participation code is Yukon# (98566#). We expect these resumed teleconferences to significantly improve our collective ability to effectively manage and conserve the valuable Yukon River salmon resources.

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