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Central	Middle Nenana River
Delta	Middle Yukon River
Eagle	Minto-Nenana
Fairbanks	Ruby
GASH	Stony Holitna
Koyukuk River	Tanana-Rampart-Manley
Lake Minchumina	Upper Tanana Fortymile
McGrath	Yukon Flats

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**Resolution 4-13-23-D**

**Request US State Department to Bring Topic of Hatchery Production By Pacific Rim Countries  
to Reduce Output**

**Whereas:** all wild and hatchery and wild Salmon stocks are returning at a younger age and smaller in size throughout all the North Pacific and the Bering Sea.

**Whereas:** there is and has been many studies and research confirming that high production, and high releases of hatchery Pink and Chum fish, is the cause of very poor marine food biomass for developing Wild Alaskan Salmon stocks. (Chinook, Chum, Sockeye, Coho).

**Whereas:** loss of biomass of Zooplankton and other critical foods to Salmon growth and health is creating a **DESERT Marine Environment** for all Salmon Stocks rearing in the marine environment.

**Whereas:** decreases of Wild Salmon stocks size and fecundity is having devastating negative impacts to many Western Alaska and AYK river systems to make any escapement goals for the past four years.

**Whereas:** not achieving escapement goals for all salmon species on the Yukon river for four years, has led to Food Security issues, loss of Cultural Practices, and a destruction of a long standing **Ways of Life** along the Yukon river, due to **NO Harvest Opportunity**.

**Whereas:** in 2000 the AK Hatcheries agreed to reduce production by 25%, to the Board of Fisheries. Instead over the next decade they increase production and releases by 150%, thus flooding the marine ecosystem with voracious feeding Pink Salmon creating a tremendous cascading decline of the food Web for all Salmon Stocks.

**Whereas:** producing and releasing more Salmon fry to the Marine environment is like "pouring gas on the fire" in exacerbating and accelerating the negative impacts to Wild salmon stocks reared in the North Pacific and Bering Sea, critical to Subsistence Peoples in Alaska and other countries Indigenous peoples.

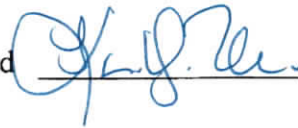
**Whereas:** it is in the best interest of all Pacific rim Countries to ensure a healthy and sustainable ecosystem for All Salmon production in the North Pacific and Bering Sea.

Therefore be it **Resolved:** the Eagle AC requests the United States State Department to bring to the table for discussion and possible voluntary agreement for reduction of hatchery Salmon by all Pacific Rim Countries members to the North Pacific Anadromous Fish Commission (NPAFC).

Supported by unanimous vote of the Eagle Fish & Game Advisory Committee.

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