Seine fishing is practiced throughout the Aleutian Islands and is the traditional Unangax way for catching large amounts of fish for the community. This film takes a close-up look at how staff and campers from Camp Qungaayux (Camp Humpy) practice seine fishing at Humpy Cove, Unalaska. The film features local youth and Elders as they share their experiences growing up and learning how to seine for salmon. At Camp Qungaayux, staff and campers work together to catch dozens of fish and then fillet the fish on top of grass from the beach. Elder Vince Tutiakoff, of Unalaska, also shares his cultural and historical knowledge about seine fishing.

**UNANGAM TUNUU:**

- **Qungaayux (E)** – Male Pink Salmon (Humpy)
- **Adgayux (E)** – Pink Salmon
- **Kudmaciix (E)** – Seining Net
- **Niivudix (A)** – Seining Net

E = Qawalangin, or Eastern dialect
A = Niiguk, or Western or Atkan dialect

Qungaayux, also known as pink salmon or humpy, can often be found near the mouth of small streams, creeks and rivers because they go upstream to spawn.
Seine fishing involves a group of people working together to catch a large school of salmon using a mesh net. A seining net has a cork line and a lead line. The lead line is weighted and sinks to the bottom, while the cork line floats on top of the water. The net is connected to both the cork line and the lead line and is pulled by the boat in a big loop to encircle and catch the fish. A group of people on the other end then work together to pull the seining net full of fish to the shore.

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UNANGAIX WAY:
Udigdada (E) – Share
Udigida (A) – Share