

72nd Pacific States Marine Fisheries Commission Annual Meeting



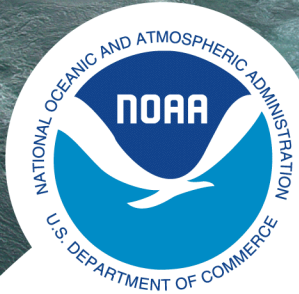
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Alaska Updates

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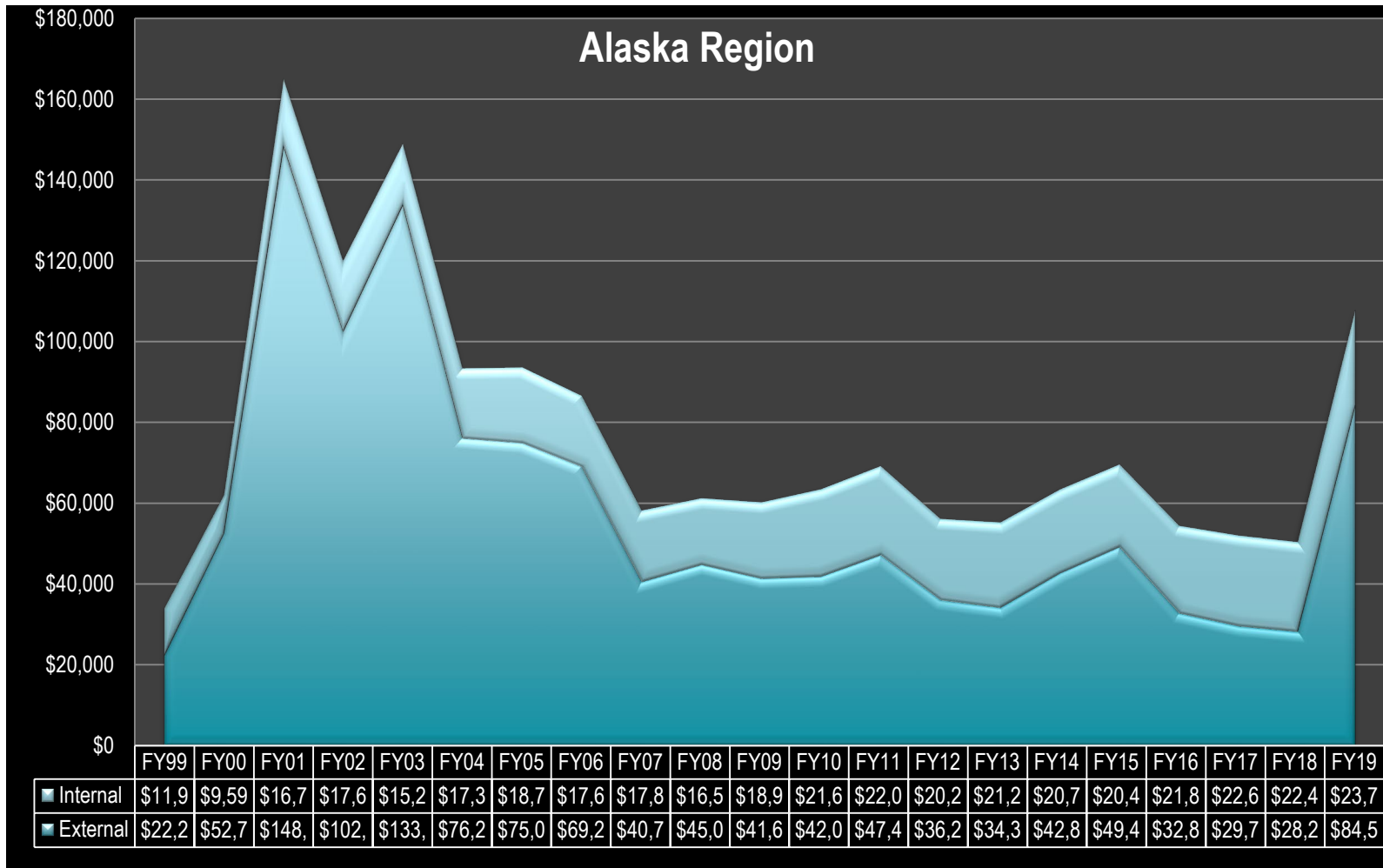


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Alaska Region Operational Status

- ✓ Personnel
- ✓ Budget
- ✓ Mission

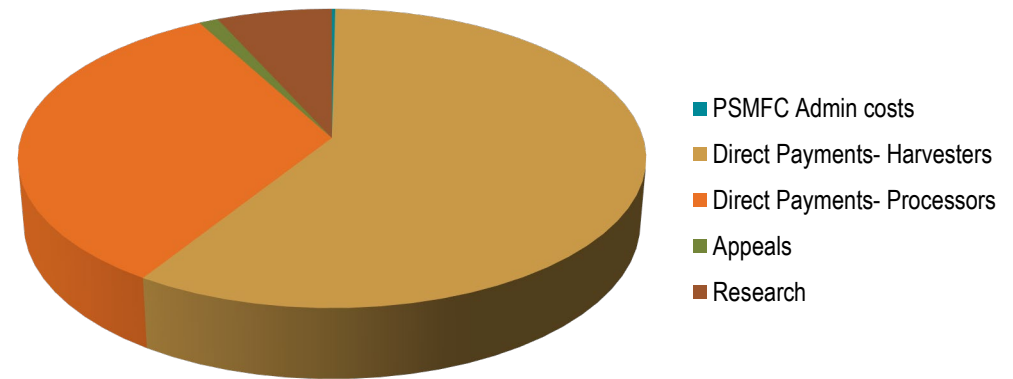
Alaska Region Budget FY02-FY19



NMFS Alaska Partnerships with PSMFC

Award Title	Amount
Alaska Fisheries Information Network	2,921,240
Composite Award (multiyear/25 sub-projects in FY19)	2,018,047
Economic Data Report	217,553
Electronic Technologies	1,130,136
2016 Pink Salmon Fisheries Disaster	53,849,765
2019 Total:	\$60,136,741

2016 Gulf of Alaska Pink Salmon Commercial Fisheries Failure



2016 Pink Salmon Fishery Disaster	
PSMFC Admin costs	106,000
Direct Payments- Harvesters	31,492,000
Direct Payments- Processors	17,700,000
Appeals	606,000
Research	3,630,000
Total- Award #1	53,534,000
Municipalities	2,827,332
Total Allocation	56,361,332



Alaska Mariculture

Alaska Region 2019 Updates:

- Mariculture Coordinator Position
- Formed Mariculture Team
- Supported Part Time Sea Grant Mariculture Agent
- Sponsoring Alaska Mariculture Workshop

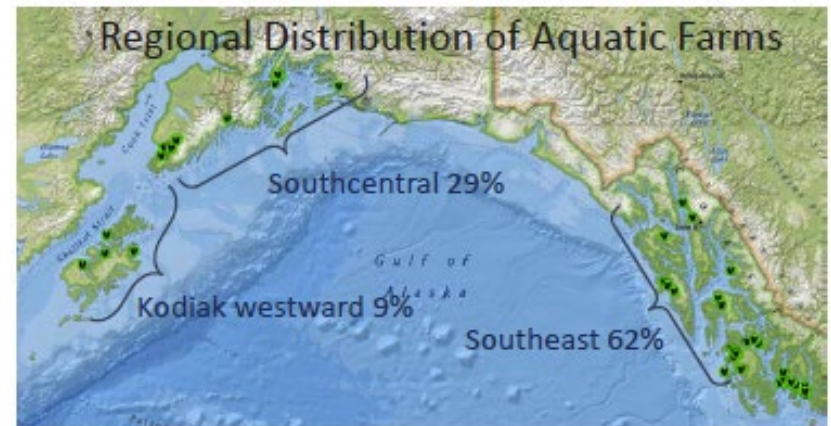
Primary Species Cultivated:

Shellfish

- Pacific oyster (*Magallana gigas*) 95%
- Blue mussel (*Mytilus trossulus*)
- Pacific geoduck (*Panopea generosa*)

Seaweed (macroalgae)

- Bull kelp (*Nereocystis luetkeana*)
- Sugar kelp (*Saccharina latissima*)
- Ribbon kelp (*Alaria marginata*)



- **Protected Resources: Ice Seals**

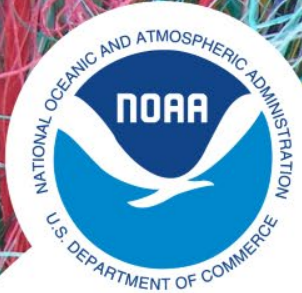


Protected Resources: Fur Seals

Final Rule Revising Subsistence Harvest Regulations

- Significantly Streamlines Regulation
- Extends Hunting Period
- Reopens the Take of Small Number of Male Pups

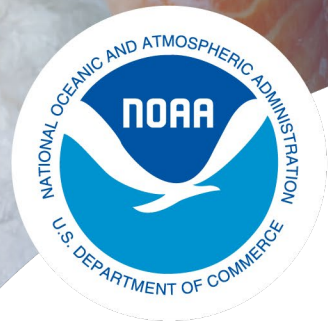




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Litigation Updates:

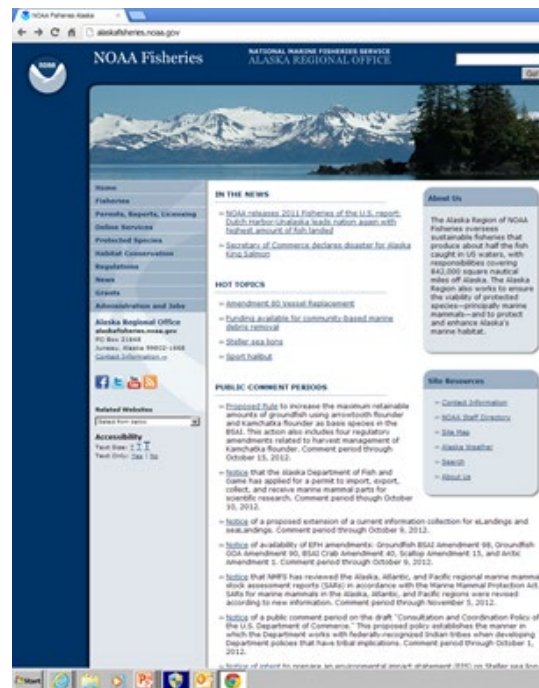
- **Groundfish Forum v. Ross**
- **Cook Inletkeeper v. Ross**
- **Mothership Fleet Cooperative v. Ross**
- **Center for Biological Diversity v. Ross**
- **United Cook Inlet Drift Ass'n v. NMFS**



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