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In Region

- Community Health Aide 1 Brevig FT
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Minimum qualifications:

Benefits:

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Closing Date: Open Until Filled

Application Process:
To obtain a complete forms packet, please go to the city website at www.nomealaska.org and download the forms. Applications are also available at Nome City Hall.

Questions may be directed to Mike Heintzelman at 907-443-5262. Return completed application to Recruit-PD@nomealaska.org

A full description is available at www.nomealaska.org

11.5.2020

NOTICE OF DEFAULT AND ELECTION TO SELL UNDER DEED OF TRUST Trustee's Sale No

ELECTION TO SELL is given by CLEAR RECON CORP, as Successor Trustee under that certain Deed of Trust executed by YORK D MENDEN-HALL, A MARRIED PERSON, as Trustor, to FAIR-HALL, A MARRIED PERSÓN, as Trustor, to FAIR-BANKS TITLE, as Trustee, in favor of WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A., as Beneficiary, dated 1/7/2009, recorded 1/13/2009, as Instrument No. 2009-000018-0, and later modified by a Loan Modification Agreement recorded on 8/31/2017, as Instrument NO. 2017-000277-0, in the KOTZE-BUE Recording District, State of Alaska. The beneficial interest in the Deed of Trust has been assigned to FEDERAL HOME LOAN MORT-GAGE CORPORATION, AS TRUSTEE FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE FREDDIE MAC SEASONED LOANS STRUCTURED TRANSACTION TRUST, LOANS STRUCTURED TRANSACTION TRUST, SERIES 2018-2 and the record owner of the property is purported to be YORK D. MENDENHALL. Said Deed of Trust covers real property situation and Recording District, described as follows: in said Hecording District, described as follows: Lot Twenty-Eight (28), Block Five (5), Tract A, KOTZEBUE TOWNSITE, U.S. SURVEY NO. 2863 A&B; Records of the Kotzebue Recording District, Second Judicial District, State of Alaska. MORE ACCURATELY DESCRIBED AS: Lot 28, Block 5, Tract A, TOWNSITE OF KOTZEBUE, U.S. SURVEY NO. 2863 A&B, as shown on the plat of survey dated June 18, 1952 located in the plat of survey dated unite 15, 1952 located in life Kotzebue Recording District, Second Judicial District, State of Alaska. Commonly referred to as: 315 TUNDRA WAY, KOTZEBUE, AK 99752 APN: NONE ASSIGNED A breach of the obligation which said Deed of Trust secures has occurred in that Installment of Principal and Interest plus impounds and/or advances which became due on 8/1/2019 plus late charges, and all subsequent installments of principal, interest, balloon payments, plus impounds and/or advances and late charges that become payable.. By reason thereof, and under the terms of the Note and Deed of Trust, the beneficiary has declared all sums so secured to be immediately due and payable, together with any trustee fees, attorney fees, costs and advances made to protect the security associated with this foreclosure. The sum owing on the obligation good through 10/14/2020 is \$104,067.28 as

089767-AK This NOTICE OF DEFAULT AND

Unpaid Principal Balance: Late Charges. Beneficiary Advances TOTAL REQUIRED TO PAYOFF: \$104,067.28

\$94,952.44 \$6,986.19 \$128.85 \$1.999.80

If the default has arisen by failure to make payments required by the trust deed, the default may be cured and the sale may be terminated if: 1. Payment of the sum in default, other than the principal that would not be due if default had not occurred, and attorney and other foreclosure fees and costs actually incurred by the beneficiary and trustee due to the default is made at any time before the sale date stated in this notice or to which the sale is postponed; and 2. If Notice of Default has been recorded two or more times previously under the same trust deed and the default has been cured the trustee does not elect to refuse payment and continue the sale. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to demand of the Beneficiary, the Trustee hereby elects to sell the above described real property to satisfy the obligation, together with all accrued interest and all costs and expenses, at public auction, for cash, to the highest and best bidder, at the 2nd Judicial District: In front of the Nome Courthouse located at 113 Front Street, Nome, AK 99762, on 1/21/2021, at 10:00 AM. Beneficiary will have the right to make an offset bid at sale without cash. Anyone having an objection to the sale on any grounds whatsoever will be afforded an opportuity to be heard as to those objections if they bring a lawsuit to restrain the same. Dated: 10/14/2020 Clear Recon Corp 4375 Jutland Drive San Diego, CA 92117 Phone: 866-931-0036 By: Shella Domilos, Authorized Signatory for Trustee

10.22-29, 11.5-12

Trooper Beat

Miscellaneous: At approximately 12:40 p.m. Alaska State Troopers patrolled the village of Shaktoolik.

Saint Michael

Assault – DV: At approximately 6:45 p.m., Alaska State Troopers received a report of a DV Assault. Troopers arrested Curtis Tom, 28, of St. Michael, for Assault 4

10/24/2020

Norton Sound Region

Assault – DV: At approximately 1:52 p.m. AST received a report of a disturbance in the Norton Sound Region. Investigation revealed Arthur Kakoona, 43, of Brevig Mission, assault two family members. He was arrested for two counts of As-sault in the third degree (DV), transported and re-manded at AMCC.

Nome: AK20079802 Serve Court Documents

Violate Conditions: At 9:35 a.m., Alaska State Troopers received a report that Alfred Kakoona, 42, of Brevig Mission, had violated a Domestic Violence Protective Order (DVPO). Alfred was arrested and transported to AMCC in Nome where

10/25/2020 Norton Sound Region

Assault-DV: At approximately 8:18 p.m., Alaska State Troopers received a report of a disturbance

Assist Public: At approximately 3:04 p.m., Alaska

State Troopers assisted an individual in taking their DMV Test

Shaktoolik Assault – DV: At approximately 10:32 a.m., Alaska

State Troopers received a report of a disturbance

Upon conclusion of the investigation, Jay Asicksik, 40, of Shaktoolik, was arrested for four counts of Assault 3, four counts of Assault 4, Harassment 1 Assault 3, for and VCOR.

Brevig Mission
Suspicious circumstances: At approximately 12:12
p.m., Alaska State Troopers received a report of some suspicious circumstances. Investigation ongoing.

AK20080570 Serve Court Documents Nome AK20080697 Serve Court Documents Shaktoolik

Disturbance: At approximately 11:36 p.m., Alaska State Troopers received a report of a disturbance.

10/27/2020 Nome: MICS2, MICS 3; In January through October 2020, the Nome Office of the Statewide Drug Enforcement Unit's (SDEU) Western Alaska Alcohol and Narcotics Team (WAANT) lead a large-scale investigation into the sale and distribution of heroin and methamphetamine in Nome. Through the use of various investigative techniques and tactics, Investigators were able to determine numerous individuals were selling and distributing heroin and methamphetamine for \$100-\$120 per dose; an individual dose is one tenth of a gram (0.10g). It was also determined that ten doses, approximately 1 gram, is sold for \$1,000.00 in Nome. During the week of October 27, Nome WAANT lead a multijurisdictional drug enforcement opera isad a multiplicational original entering opera-tion to bolster leads and assist in the ongoing in-vestigative efforts. With the help of the Bethel WAANT Task Force which is comprised of Investi-gators from AST and the Bethel Police Depart-ment, Nome AST, Nome PD and the FBI Safe Streets Task Force, several search warrants were served which lead to the seizure of approximately 7 grams of heroin (approximately 70 doses) packaged for individual sale; the heroin seized is worth an approximate street value of \$7,000. Along with the heroin, approximately \$4,300.00 in cash, drug distribution and drug use paraphernalia were

seized. In total, 8 individuals were arrested and charged as a result of the investigations and operation: Felicia Larsen, age 25 of Nome, (MICS 2nd Degree x 7); Paul Benchoff Jr, age 34 of Nome, (MICS 2nd Degree x3, MICS 3rd Degree x1); Yonne Aukon, age 31 of Wasilla (MICS 2nd Degree x2); Joel Orazio 53 of Anchorage (MICS 2nd Degree x2); Ida Booshu, age 40 of Nome (MICS 2nd Degree x2); Daniel Atkinson age 59 of Nome, (MICS 3rd Degree x3); Michael McGowan Jr., age 28 of Nome (MICS 3rd Degree x1); and Joan Miller, age 34 of Nome (MiCS 2nd Degree x1) . All individuals were remanded at AMCC and held without bail pending arraignment.

10/28/2020

Norton Sound Region Welfare Check: At about 8:50 a.m., a welfare check was requested after an individual stated that their mom and boyfriend were fighting. VPSO responded and determined it was a verbal argument and no crime was committed.

Miscellaneous: At approximately 11:17 a.m. Alaska State Troopers assisted an individual in ob-

taining fingerprints for employment.

Disturbance: At approximately 3:05 p.m., Alaska

State Troopers received a report of a disturbance Investigation ongoing.

Brevig Mission

Assault: At approximately 11:45 p.m., Alaska State Troopers received a report of an Assault. Investi-

Nome

Civil Issue: At approximately 7:16 p.m., Alaska State Troopers received a report of a civil issue

Koyuk Native Corporation P.O. Box 53050 Koyuk, ALASKA 99753 Office (907) 963-2424 Fax: 963-3552 knoyn2015@outlook.com



ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS **POSTPONED**

The November 7, 2020 Koyuk Native Corporation Annual Shareholder meeting at the Koyuk School has been postponed until the 1st Saturday in January, 2021. Koyuk Malemute School doors open @ 10:00AM, meeting scheduled to start by 12:00PM.

*subject to change with the COVID pandemic.

Seawall

Nome Police Department 10/26/2020 - 11/01/2020

During this period there were 232 calls for service received at the Nome Police Communications Center; 82 (35%) of these calls involved alcohol.

The Nome Volunteer Ambulance Department responded to 8 ambulance calls. The Nome Volunteer Fire Department responded to 1 fire

Volunteer Fire Department responded to 1 fire call during this period.

NPD responded to 21 calls reporting intoxicated persons needing assistance. One person was remanded to AMCC as protective hold; and two persons remained at the hospital for medical evaluation/treatment.

There were five citations issued for minor con-suming alcohol and one open container citation.

Arrests

A total of 39 arrests made with 39 (100%) alcohol

Monday, Oct. 26, 2020

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Charges: Assault in the fourth degree; Criminal Mischief Fourth Degree; Arrest Warrant, Name: Darrin lyatunguk. Location: E. Kings Pl. Charge: Disorderly Conduct. Name: Cyrilene Okit-kun. Location: Greg Kruschek Ave. Charges: Criminal Trespass Second Degree

three counts Violating Conditions of Release. Name: Marvin Okleasik. Location: River St. Charge: Assault Fourth Degree, DV. Name: Dawn Oozevaseuk. Location: G St.

Wednesday, Oct. 28, 2020

Charges: Criminal Trespass First Degree; Resisting Arrest. Name: Courtney Kayouktuk. Location:

Charges: Two counts Assault in fourth degree; Harassment. Name: E.H.. Location: W. Kings Pl. Charge: Disorderly Conduct. Name: Justin Wilson Location: River St

Thursday, Oct. 29, 2020 Charge: Assault Third Degree. Name: Geoffrey Milligrock. Location: River St.

Friday, Oct. 30, 2020 Charges: Disorderly Conduct; Violating Conditions of Release. Name: Dawn Oozevaseuk. Location: River St

Charges: Eight counts of Violating Conditions of Release. Name: Victoria Simpson.. Location:

Saturday, Oct. 31, 2020

Charges: Felony Probation Violation, Violation Conditions of Release. Name: Brian Thomas. Location: W. Front St

Charge: DUI. Name: Nancy Analoak. Location: Bering St.

Sunday, Nov. 1, 2020

Charge: Violating Conditions of Release. Name: Sophie Iyapana. Location: W. 5th St. Charges: Disorderly Conduct; Resisting Arrest. Name: Justin Wilson. Location: River St. Charges: Violating Conditions of Release; Proba-

tion Violation. Name: Crystal Moses. Location: E. Charge: Probation Violation. Name: Jeffrey Sacla-

mana. Location: E. 4th Ave.
Charge: Violation Conditions of Release. Name:
Duane Johnson. Location: River St. Charges: Disorderly Conduct; Resisting Arrest.

Name: Tami Horton. Location: River St

A total of 7 traffic stops were conducted during this reporting period, with 2 citations and 5 warning issued. NPD responded to no motor vehicle acci-

Tuesday, Oct. 27, 2020 Charge: Failure to stop at stop sign, failure to carry

proof of insurance on demand. Name: Andrew Koweluk. Location: W. Front St.

Saturday, Oct. 31, 2020

Charge: Failure to Carry Proof of Insurance on Demand. Name: Kerribeth Bahr. Location: Bering

Disclaimer: This is a record of activity. The issuance of citations or the act of arrest does suance of citations or the act of arre-not assign guilt to any identified party.

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Shaktoolik Native Corporation

Notice of Annual Meeting of Shareholders

Shaktoolik Native Corporation will hold its Annual Meeting on Monday, November 16, 2020 at 10 A.M. or upon establishment of a quorum. This year the Shareholders will be electing seven (7) directors. Any shareholder 18 years of age or older, and in good standing, may file for nomination to the SNC Board of Directors. All candidacy forms must be filed and received, on or before, October 13, 2020, at the close of business day. All interested shareholders of the Shaktoolik Native Corporation may obtain forms from the Shaktoolik Native Corporation at the address listed above.

Court

Week ending 10/16/2020

Civil
No current civil cases on web site; start 2NO-20-00135CI

Small Claims No current small claims on web site: start 2NO-20-00010SC

Criminal
State of Alaska v. Max Wilson
(1/18/63); Judgment And Order Of
Commitment/Probation; CTN 001: Assault 3, C
Felony; Offense Date: 4/24/20; The following

charges were dismissed: CTN 002: Misconduct w/Weapons 4: CTN 003: Resist/Interfere Arrest By Force; Offense Dates: 4/24/20; Court 10/26/20 defense counsel Public Defender Agency (2NO) and the DA present; Count 001: 1 year, 0 days suspended; Surcharges and Costs due, as stated in judgment; Fine and Other Costs due as stated

State of Alaska v. MonaLisa Ann Washington (4/4/57); Dismissal; Count I: Liquor Importation Into Local Option Area; Filed by the DOL/OSPA 10/26/20.



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PUBLIC NOTICE STATE OF ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION

An application package for an Oil Discharge Prevention and Contingency Plan, under Alaska Statute 46.04.030 and in accordance with 18 AAC 75, has been received by the Department of Environmental Conservation. The details are as follow:

Applicant: Delta Western, LLC.

P.O. Box 230428 Anchorage, AK 99523

Proposed Activity: Review of a new plan application package for an Oil Discharge Prevention and Contingency Plan that

is required to commit adequate resources to meet all planning requirements for prevention and response for a realistic maximum discharge from the operations of Delta Western Alaska Barge Operations. Delta Western, LLC. intends to transport petroleum products through waters of the State of Alaska using tank

barges with a cargo capacity of up to 85,000 barrels.

Location: Statewide

Potential Results: A potential risk exists of oil spills entering the lands or waters of the state as a result of this operation.

Activity identified as: State Contingency Plan Number 20-CP-5204

http://dec.alaska.gov/Applications/SPAR/PublicMVC/IPP/CPlansUnderReview.

Any person wishing to submit a request for additional information or provide comments regarding this application may do so in writing to Cynthia Kirkham, Department of Environmental Conservation, SPAR/PPRP, 555 Cordova St, Anchorage AK, 99501, 907-334-5940 (phone), 907-269-7687 (fax), or cynthia.kirkham@alaska.gov.

The public comment period for this application begins on November 12, 2020 and ends on December 11, 2020. Requests for additional information and comments must be received by 5:00 pm on December 11, 2020. It is the responsibility of the commenter to verify that facsimile and email submissions are received by the deadline. An additional comment period may be provided in

Copies of the application package are available for public review at the following locations: the department's office at 555 Cordova St, Anchorage AK, 99501 and the department's website at

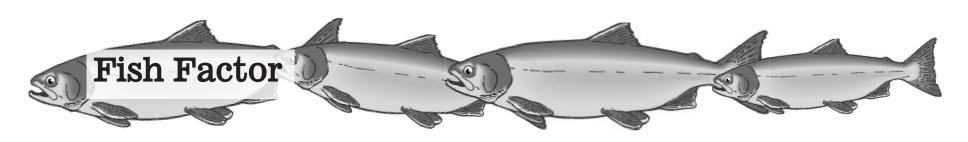
The department will hold a public hearing on the plan application if it determines that good cause exists. Residents in the affected area or the governing body of an affected municipality may request a public hearing by writing to the Department of Environmental Conservation, at the above address prior to November 27, 2020. The State of Alaska, Department of Environmental Conservation complies with Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990. If you are a person with a disability who may need a special accommodation in order to participate in this public process, please contact Kate Orozco at (907) 465-6171 or TDD Relay Service

1-800-770-8973/TTY or dial 711 prior to December 2, 2020 to ensure that any necessary accommodations can be provided.



Photo by Nikolai Ivanoff

SAFETY SOUND—Boaters travel ice free Safety Sound on November 1.



By Laine Welch

After a salmon season that successfully fished its way through a pandemic and upturned markets, the value of Alaska salmon permits is ticking up in two regions while toppling in others. Permit values are derived by the state Commercial Fisheries Entry Commission based on the average value of four permit sales.

One of the uppers is the bellwether fishery at Bristol Bay where driftnet permits are showing good gains after a strong fishing season, despite a disappointing base sockeye price of \$.70 a pound, down by nearly half from last year.

"Probably the lowest asking price out there right now is \$170,000," said Doug Bowen of Alaska Boats and Permits in Homer. "Of course, the next big news here for the Bay would be the forecasts for next year which are not out yet, and they could certainly have an influence on what people are willing to pay for those permits. But they have come up considerably from the low of \$150,000 before the season."

Alaskan Quota and Permits in Petersburg lists one Bristol Bay permit at \$195,000, while Dock Street Brokers has new drift listings at between \$170,000 and \$180,000.

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Kodiak was a bright spot for salmon seiners who caught an unexpected surge of more than 21 million pinks. That helped boost permit values for the first time in years. "Before the season, those Kodiak seine permits were probably worth around \$35,000. In recent sales, they've ticked up to around \$38,000 and we have them available on the market now at \$40,000. So they've trended up a bit."

Permit Master shows Kodiak seine cards listed between \$36,000-\$40,000, and \$45,000 at Dock Street. Elsewhere in Alaska, other salmon permit values have declined since last spring

At Cook Inlet, yet another lousy season has pushed down the value to the \$20,000 range, the lowest since

farmed salmon caused a crash decades ago. "Those Cook Inlet drift permits got up to as high as \$240,000 or \$250,000 at the high-water mark, and then when farmed salmon came along in the late 1980s and early '90s, the entire salmon industry crashed and the permit values dropped by 90% or more. I remember selling Cook Inlet drifts for \$10,000 at the bottom," Bowen said.

The Copper River drift fishery this year also was a wash.

"The fish just did not show up on the flats there. Before the season those permits were around \$140,000 give or take, and recent sales are around \$105,000," he said. "They've dropped a lot and there's not much movement there. Nobody wants to sell at those low prices."

Prince William Sound seiners did better in their fisheries, but those permit values also have taken a dip from \$140,000-\$145,000 before the season. "You could probably pick one up for \$130,000 now," Bowen said.

At Southeast Alaska, where a disaster has been declared after one of the worst seasons in more than 40 years, salmon permit values reflect the decline.

"The market for drift and seine permits is about flat with very little interest or movement in those Southeast permits," Bowen said. "Before the season, you could have picked up a drift permit for \$70,000. The lowest asking price out there now is probably \$67,000 so I would imagine you could pick one up for somewhere in the \$60,000 range. In the spring of last year, Southeast seine permits were around \$250,000; the asking price now is \$175,000."

Nowhere in Alaska has a salmon permit value dropped more than at Chignik, once the most exclusive in the state.

"They were probably the most expensive salmon permit on the market for a while at about a half a million dollars. There has been absolutely no activity in that Chignik seine permit market and the lowest asking price is probably about

\$90,000. But there is zero interest there," Bowen added.

Permit values at Area M (False Pass) also show little interest after a lousy season with no sales post-season. "We have a permit listed at \$185,000 and an offer of \$140,000," he added.

Despite the downturns, Bowen said most people are still optimistic about Alaska's iconic fishery and boat sales are brisk.

"You have to be willing to take a risk to plunk down a big chunk of cash for a boat in these times with so much uncertainty, but our boat sales are doing great," he said. "I don't think anything demonstrates confidence in the industry as much as buying a boat. It's a huge investment and people are making them."

Expos and All Hands

The coronavirus has derailed face-to-face fish gatherings and forced them to online venues, and there's a fishing industry dream of a lineup for this month. One perk of "going virtual" is that more people can tune in to all kinds of meetings, discussions and workshops no matter where they call home.

That will hopefully be the case at the Fishermen's Fall Expo at Sitka on November 11 and 12 hosted by the Alaska Longline Fishermen's Association and the Alaska Sustainable Fisheries Trust.

"Usually, it's Sitka fishermen and women that come in and get to participate in these trainings and workshops. But this year, we're hoping to have a broader scope of folks throughout the region and the state and maybe beyond, too. We've got quite a lineup and yes, it is a bit pot heavy," said Natalie Sattler, program coordinator, with a laugh.

Sattler is referring to the new lightweight, coiled pots that prevent whales from robbing black cod catches and are changing the game, especially for smaller boats. Manufacturers will be on hand with demonstrations; others will show how to set up boat decks and hydraulics for

longliners who are interested in switching to the whale-proof pots.

The new gear could lead to new fishing regulations and Sattler said a forum will discuss potential changes

"We want to help both hook and line and pot boats really coexist on the grounds and ensure that small boats continue to have a viable future in the sablefish fishery," she said.

Also in the lineup: updates on local mariculture, vessel energy efficiency, hybrid technology, management 101, and fishermen's ergonomics. "How to take care of your body when you're fishing to prevent certain injuries," Sattler explained. "So that'll be kind of fun to get folks up and moving in the comfort of their own homes."

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Get the latest updates on nearly every Alaska fish in the sea at the popular All Hands on Deck virtual meetings set for November 10-13 by the Alaska Seafood Marketing Institute. Each day will focus on marketing strategies and challenges for the fish and shellfish ASMI promotes in the U.S. and around the world. "ASMI's mission is to increase the economic value and awareness of the Alaska seafood resource and that's a really big lift," said Ashley Heimbigner, ASMI communications director. "And we couldn't do it without the input and guidance and 'on the ground' information we get from all of our industry partners and stake-

The All Hands lineup features the latest industry economic indicators presented by the McDowell Group, including Covid impacts around the world, trade disputes, and a roundtable forum with experts from the global seafood supply chain.

Every fish and shellfish species gets its own session, Heimbigner

"If you were to pop in to a crab species committee meeting, you might hear them discussing an overview of stock assessments in specific regions, or how consumer preferences are changing in certain countries or what product forms are gaining in popularity," she explained, adding that ASMI is excited about the potential to attract more attendees.

"This year is the opportunity to get more voices from more places and more aspects of our industry that maybe couldn't have made a trip to Anchorage to participate in previous years," she said.

The All Hands on Deck conference and documents will be posted to the ASMI website. Register for free at www.alaskaseafood.org.

Pacific Marine Expo, the West Coast's largest annual trade show, has been transformed to Expo Online from November 17-19 in Seattle, in partnership with National Fisherman. The three days of "conferences, contests and making connections" will showcase offshore wind power and commercial fishing, the latest in vessel design and gear technology, what's next for the Pebble Mine and a Fishing Industry Career Fair

The Expo plans to keep the show running through 2010 with monthly webinars that feature direct marketing, onboard safety drills, ocean health: reducing plastics, and Ask an Old Salt, to name a few. Register for free and get updates at www.NationalFisherman.com/

COVID fishing info gap

Federal fishery overseers want to fill in some information gaps in their understanding of economic impacts by hearing from West Coast and Alaska fishermen via a short survey.

Ocean Strategies is gathering the information and delivering it confidentially to NOAA to make sure those harvesters are included in the effort to document impacts to the commercial fishing industry.

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