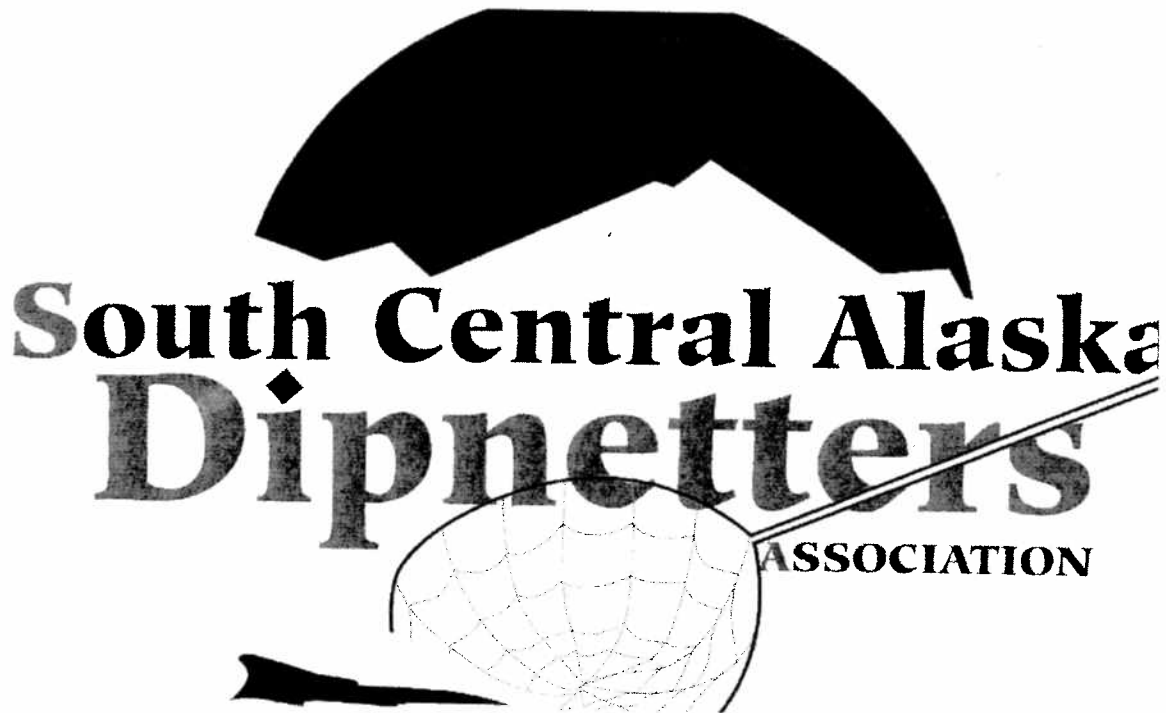


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Representative Bill Stoltze,

February 5, 2010

Please let me say thank you to all in the Legislature that are involved with SJR 22 and HB 266. I am glad to see that you are helping to ensure that Alaskan residents would have some priority when it comes to our resources, in times of shortages.

As you all must be aware, there are over 90,000 Alaskan residents that benefit from personal use fishing in our great state. Whether it is done in Chitina, The Kenai/Kasilof or even China poot, Alaskans from throughout the state put fish into their freezers because of dipnetting.

I have to admit I am somewhat biased since I started SCADA a number of years ago. What keeps me working on keeping dipnetting from getting cut back is the feedback I get from mostly elderly Alaskan residents. Let me explain. Whenever I am quoted in the newspaper or go on talk radio, concerning dipnetting, I start to receive cold phone calls, usually that night.

It turns out that a lot of our elderly really depend on fish from personal use and these phone calls are a lot of "thank you's" for standing up and fighting to keep personal use in play. I have been amazed at the amount of seniors that have looked up my last name in the phone book to call and tell me that they appreciate my efforts and really depend on these fish. That is what keeps me going.

My hat is off to all of you that support Alaskan residents.

Thank You again,

Ken Federico, SCADA, ~~715-836~~