



COOK INLET FISHERMAN'S FUND

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Senate Resources
Senator Cathy Giessel, Chair
State Capitol, Juneau, AK

Hello Lawmakers and or Committee Members,

Cook Inlet Fisherman's Fund (CIFF) is a non-profit fishing organization of over four hundred members. CIFF was created in 1975 to act as a single entity that speaks for all fishing gear types and advocates for a coastal community.

A quick question! When was there ever a Board of Fish appointee with a PHD in fish or wildlife resources? Now there is. Dr. Roland Maw, who has a PHD. in Wildlife Management and extensive fisheries knowledge and experience. Herein lies an opportunity to choose science over politics. The last decade has not served habitat, king salmon or the users well. Now is the time to do something different. The Governor believes in Dr. Maw and so do we. Dr. Maw is highly qualified. Please do what is best for Alaska's fisheries and fish habitat. Confirm Dr. Roland Maw.

Thank you,

John McCombs, President
cc. Governor Walker
All Legislators