

Arctic Fisheries

FY2024 Request: \$3,000,000

Reference No: 64783

AP/AL: Appropriation
Category: Development

Project Type: Research / Studies / Planning

Location: Statewide

House District: Statewide (HD 1-40)

Impact House District: Statewide (HD 1-40)

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Estimated Project Dates: 07/01/2023 - 06/30/2028

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Brief Summary and Statement of Need:

Alaska’s economic future is tied to the Arctic; as the Arctic opens, new opportunities will emerge. One of these is the potential development of fisheries. To support current subsistence fisheries and future developing commercial fisheries, baseline information on abundance, distribution, and life history is necessary for Arctic finfish (e.g., salmon, whitefish, sheefish, cod). Understanding Arctic finfish abundance and distribution dynamics will allow for the development of sustainable fisheries and more responsive fisheries management.

Funding:	FY2024	FY2025	FY2026	FY2027	FY2028	FY2029	Total
1002 Fed Rcpts	\$2,000,000						\$2,000,000
1004 Gen Fund	\$1,000,000						\$1,000,000
Total:	\$3,000,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$3,000,000

<input type="checkbox"/> State Match Required	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> One-Time Project	<input type="checkbox"/> Phased - new	<input type="checkbox"/> Phased - underway	<input type="checkbox"/> Ongoing
0% = Minimum State Match % Required		<input type="checkbox"/> Amendment	<input type="checkbox"/> Mental Health Bill	

Operating & Maintenance Costs:

	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Staff</u>
Project Development:	0	0
Ongoing Operating:	0	0
One-Time Startup:	0	0
Totals:	0	0

Prior Funding History / Additional Information:

Project Description/Justification:

Alaska Statute 44.99.105(b), the state’s official Declaration of State Arctic Policy calls for, “the development of the state’s natural resources in an environmentally and socially responsible manner is essential to the development of the state’s economy and to the well-being of the residents of the state.” This program directly supports compliance with the State Arctic Policy and directly supports Alaska Arctic Policy Commission Implementation Plan to promote economic and resource development as well as increase economic returns to Alaska and Alaskan communities and individuals from maritime and fisheries activities.