



AMCC Bids Farewell to Becca Robbins Gisclair

Fisheries Director Position Open to Qualified Applicants

April 17, 2015

Dear AMCC friends & supporters,

After several years of working with AMCC, Becca Robbins Gisclair, our Fisheries Director & Senior Counsel, is moving on to her next role. Becca will be taking a position as Arctic Policy Manager with the Ocean Conservancy. Becca was a tremendous team member while at AMCC and we are extremely grateful for the experience and dedication that she brought to her role. We will miss her sharp mind and kind smile, but are happy to see her take on a new opportunity and we definitely plan to keep in touch.

AMCC is committed to making the transition a smooth one and continuing a high level of policy excellence with our next hire. We have a strong, resilient team in place as well as important collaborations that will help ensure we don't miss a beat on any of our important fisheries policy priorities.

With Becca's departure, we are also announcing a rare opportunity to join the AMCC staff team to fill the [Fisheries Conservation Director position](#). For more information about this opening, please [read the full job announcement here](#).

We thank you for your continuing support of AMCC!

Kelly Harrell
Executive Director



AMCC Fall 2014 Staff Retreat - Top, left to bottom right: Theresa, Kelly, Dorothy, Sam, Becca, Richell & Rachel



Left to right: Becca Robbins Gisclair with Kelly Harrell, Eileen Sobeck - Head of NOAA Fisheries, Steve Davis - NOAA Alaska & Dorothy Childers.



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April Council Meeting Tackles Chinook

Bycatch

North Pacific Fishery Management Council's April Meeting Wrap Up

April 16, 2014

The North Pacific Fishery Management Council (the Council) concluded its



April meeting last week following several days of discussion on the issue of salmon bycatch in the Bering Sea/Aleutian Islands fisheries. In-river salmon fishermen who are experiencing low returns of king salmon and restrictions on traditional subsistence harvest expressed deep concerns for the conservation of the ailing Chinook

Courtesy of Pacific NW National Laboratory population in western Alaska. On the other side was testimony from the pollock fleet unwilling to drop bycatch caps. AMCC supported the western Alaska communities in urging a reduced bycatch cap because of the serious state of the Chinook population and dire circumstances for families who rely on Chinook for local economies and a way of life.

The Council adopted a suite of measures anticipated to reduce Chinook and chum salmon bycatch... [Read full article.](#)

On Deck: Halibut Bycatch at June NPFMC Meeting

We leave the April Council meeting behind with a close eye on June's upcoming halibut bycatch decision in Sitka. The Council will be taking final action to reduce halibut bycatch in the Bering Sea/Aleutian Islands groundfish fisheries by up to 50 percent. After major declines in the directed fishery over the last 10 years, and a steady rate of bycatch in major groundfish operations, it's critical that the Council reduces halibut bycatch in June. We will continue to keep you informed in the coming weeks about ways you can help support meaningful halibut bycatch reductions. For more information and past updates on the halibut bycatch crisis visit www.akmarine.org.

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- ****Next Wednesday, April 22nd** AMCC's Executive Director, Kelly Harrell will be talking local seafood on [Hometown, Alaska](#) along with Cassandra Squibb from Copper River Seafoods. Call in with your seafood questions during the live broadcast, which airs from 2-3pm. Call 550-8433 if you're in Anchorage or 1-888-353-5752 (statewide).
- [North Pacific council cuts Bering Sea salmon bycatch caps](#) by DJ Summers, Alaska Journal of Commerce
- [Don Young seeks to unwind 'Alaska Model' for fisheries in Magnuson-Stevens Act](#) by Stosh Anderson in the Alaska Dispatch News
- [Homer's Salmon Sisters spread love of Alaska through art](#) by Elissa Brown, Alaska Dispatch News



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