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## **Employment**

## **Seeking Qualified Applicants**

# **NORTON SOUND HEALTH CORPORATION**

#### In Nome

tant II starting \$34.52/hr DOE FT FY2021, Accounts Payable Technician \$20.85/hr DOE

Administration: Education Coordinator \$29.57/hr DOE, Outreach Coordinator (OPEN REGION WIDE) \$34.52/hr DOE

Behavioral Health Services: Assistant Administrative Director \$40.40/hr DOE Administrative Specialist II starting \$20.85/hr DOE, Recovery Coach \$20.85/hr DOE Corporate Housing: Property Manager starting \$34.52/hr DOE

Electronic Health Record: EHR Support Specialist starting \$23.32/hr DOE Environmental Services: EVS I starting \$18.00/hr DOE, Laundry worker starting \$18/

Eye Care: Optician \$19.91/hr DOE, Administrative Specialist II \$20.85/hr DOE Forensic Services: SART Patient Advocate staring \$27.31/hr DOE

In-Home Support Program: Direct Care Attendant starting \$18.52/hr DOE, Personal Care Attendant starting \$18.00/hr DOE

Information Services: Computer Network Village Travel Technician starting \$27.31/hr Laboratory: Uncertified Phlebotomist starting \$20.85/hr DOE and Point of Care Testing

Technician starting \$23.32/hr DOE Materials Management: Materials Support Tech \$18.52, Purchasing Expeditor

\$20.85/hr DOE, Patient Driver Relief starting \$20.85/hr DOE Nutrition Services: Cook \$23.32/hr, Food Service Supervisor \$23.32/hr DOE Office of Environmental Health: Environmental Health Specialist \$31.98/hr DOE,

Environmental Health Technician \$24,93/hr DOE

Patient Financial Services: Health Information Technicians \$19.91/hr, Patient Act Representatives \$19.91/hr and a Business Office Trainer \$24.93/hr

Patient Housing: Manager of Patient Housing \$34.52/hr DOE Patient Hostel: Guest Services Coordinator \$19.91 + DOE, Quarantine Assistant \$19.91/hr DOE

Plant Operations: FT Office Manager \$34.52/ hr DOE, FT Maintenance Engineer II \$27.31/hr DOE. Fleet Maintenance

Quyana Care: CNA starting \$24.93/hr DOE Sanitation: Administrative Specialist II \$20.85/hr DOE

Security: Security Officer I \$18 52/hr DOE

Village Health Services: Administrative Specialist I \$19.91/hr DOE

#### **In Our Village Communities:**

In-Home Support Program Brevig – FT Stebbins – FT

Shishmaref - FT Savoonga – FT Wales - PT35

Point of Care Assistant FT in all Tribal Healer: Village Based FT

Village Based Counselor: White Mountain PT625 Certified Medical Assistant -Unalakleet FT

CHAP Supervisor Instructor -In Region

#### Community Health Aide Positions:

- 1 Brevig FT
- 2 Elim PT625
- 2 Gambell FT 1 Golovin PT625
- 2 St. Michael FT
- Savoonga PT75
- 1 Shishmaref PT625
- 1 Teller PT75
- 1 White Mountain PT625

#### Certified Travel Specialist Brevig - Relief Elim - Relief

- Gambell Relief
- 1 Koyuk Relief 1 Little Diomede - Relief
- 2 Shaktoolik PT625, Relief 2 Shishmaref - PT 625, Relief

#### Clinic Maint, Tech

Koyuk FT Little Diomede FT St. Michael FT

- 1 Brevig Rel 1 Elim PT50
- 1 Gambell Rel 1 Golovin Rel
- 2 Kovuk PT50. Rel 2 Little Diomede PT50, Rel
- 1 Savoonga Rel
- 1 Shishmaref Rel 1 St Micheal Rel
- 1 Stebbins Rel
- 1 Unlakleet Rel

#### 1 White Mountain Rel

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Brevig Mission Elim Gambell Golovin In Region

Koyuk St Michael Shaktoolik
Shishmaref Teller White Mountain

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NEC will fill only one of the positions below, and both positions are open until filled:

- Youth Services Manager: Non-exempt, Regular Full-Time. The pay range is \$28.41 \$34.94 D.O.E.
- Youth Services Specialist: Regular Full-Time, Non-Exempt. The pay range is \$23.79 \$33.92 D.O.E.

Apply today! NEC has great benefits and competitive salaries. Go to www.necalaska.org for a job description and application. Questions? Contact Cathy at 907-443-2246 or cathy.lyon@necalaska.org. When possible, NEC will extend a hiring preference for employment in accordance with section 7 (b) of Public Law 93-638.

NEC is a drug free workplace. When required, applicants must pass a criminal history check to be considered.

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WANTED-Large bull muskox horn, moose/caribou antler, old ivory, Eskimo artifacts. Call Roger 304-1048 or email nomerog@hotmail.com

# • Employment

# JOB OPENINGS

NMS is hiring for Full-Time, Seasonal, Snowplow Operator to support the Nome School District. This position requires operating a snowplow to remove ice and snow from roads, parking lots, and other assigned areas. Early morning 5:00AM starts, extended hours, and weekend duty including holidays may be required. Starting rate of pay is \$25-\$30/hr (DOE). Contact Matt Barone, NMS Maintenance Foreman, at (907) 434-1933 or mbarone.nms@nomeschools.org.

Visit <u>www.nmsusa.com/employment</u> to apply today.



#### COURT CASE MANAGER II ALASKA COURT SYSTEM NOME TRIAL COURT \$29.69 MINIMUM HOURLY

The Nome Trial Court is looking for two individuals to represent the mission of the Alaska Court System as Court Case Managers II. The incumbents will perform a variety of clerical and technical functions in support of court operations.

A complete list of duties and recruitment information is available on Workplace Alaska, <a href="http://doa.alaska.gov/dop/workplace">http://doa.alaska.gov/dop/workplace</a>. Applicants must submit a complete Applicant Profile which includes a cover letter and current typing certification through Workplace Alaska by 5:00 p.m. by Tuesday, December 15, 2020.

THE ALASKA COURT SYSTEM IS AN EEO EMPLOYER AND PROUDLY PROMOTES DIVERSITY

## • Employment



#### **JOB OPENING**

The City of Nome is accepting applications for:

Position: Equipment Operator-Seasonal, On-Call

Range: 14A - 14C

**Salary:** \$26.91 - \$28.97/hour

Hours: On Call

Qualifications:

Now accepting applications for an Equipment Operator for the Public Works Department. This is a part-time, on-call position for winter season 2020-2021. Four years of experience in the operation of various types of road maintenance equipment such as trucks, loaders, and graders is preferred. Must have a valid Alaska driver's license and have an acceptable driving record. Must possess a valid Commercial Driver's License (CDL).

Must be 18 years or older.

Closing Date: Open Until Filled

Applications may be obtained from City Hall, or <a href="https://www.nomealaska.org">www.nomealaska.org</a>. Deliver completed application to City Hall. For more information contact City Manager at <a href="manager@nomealaska.org">manager@nomealaska.org</a>.

The City of Nome is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

# **Stebbins Native Corporation**

P.O. Box 71110 Stebbins, AK 99671 (907) 934-3074

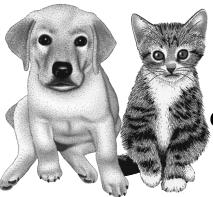
The Stebbins Native Corporation will postpone the **2019 Stebbins Native Corporation Shareholder's meeting** until further notice due to the COVID-19.

Any questions, please call the Stebbins Native Corporation at **(907) 934-3074**.

Quyana, SNC

Krier, Inc. dba Polar Liquor Store located at 224 Front Street, Nome is applying for transfer of a Package Store AS 04.11.150 liquor license to Carr-Gottstein Foods Co., dba Hanson Trading Co. located at 415 Bering Street, Nome. Interested persons should submit written comment to their local governing body, the applicant, and to the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board at 550 West 7th Ave. Suite 1600 Anchorage AK 99501 or alcohol.licensing@alaska.gov.

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# PLEASE HELP

Adopt a Pet or make your donation today!

Dog food, cat food, cat litter and other donations are always welcome at the Nome Animal Shelter!

Nome Animal Control & Adopt-A-Pet 443-8538 or 443-5262

## Legals

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT

In the Matter of the Estate of Nancy A. Walunga, Deceased

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that June Walunga has been appointed Personal Representative of the above named estate. All persons having claims against the deceased are required to present their claims within four months after the date of the first publication of this notice or said claims

will be forever barred. Claims must be presented to Daniel Duame, Atty, 18146 E. Merry Cir., Palmer, AK 99645. Attorney for Personal Representative, Daniel Duame. AK Bar # 8811191

Koyuk Native Corporation P.O. Box 53050 Koyuk, ALASKA 99753

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# ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS POSTPONED

The November 7, 2020 Koyuk Native Corporation Annual Shareholder meeting at the Koyuk School has been **postponed until the 1**<sup>st</sup> **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.



# Notice of Public Review for Draft Kawerak Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

Kawerak, Inc. invites the public to comment on the **Draft Kawerak Transportation Improvement Program (TIP): FFY 2021 to 2025 from December 3rd – 17th, 2020**.

Kawerak's TIP: FFY 2021 to 2025 is the region's short range transportation programming document that contains transportation improvement projects including local road, pedestrian projects proposed for funding based on anticipated available federal, state and local funding over the next five years (FFY 2021 to 2025). All projects that receive federal funds, are subject to a federally required action, or are regionally significant need to be included in the TIP. The TIP must be financially constrained and must be updated at least every four years.

Copies of the Draft Kawerak TIP: FFY 2021 to 2025 are available for public review and comments from December 3rd – 17th, 2020, you can request a copy of the Draft TIP by emailing <a href="mailto:etungwenuk@kawerak.org">etungwenuk@kawerak.org</a> or by calling 907-443-4250.

Written comments may be submitted to **Sean McKnight**, **PE Transportation Program Director** by email to <a href="mailto:smcknight@kawerak.org">smcknight@kawerak.org</a>. Written comments must be received at Kawerak no later than **3:00PM on December 17th 2020**.

The Bureau of Land Management's (BLM) Anchorage Field Office announces the availability of the Bering Sea-Western Interior (BSWI) Proposed Resource Management Plan (RMP) / Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS). This RMP replaces the 1981 Southwest Management Framework Plan and a small portion of the 1986 Central Yukon RMP and will guide future land management actions.

The planning area consists of about 62.3 million acres of land, including 13.5 million acres of public lands managed by the BLM Anchorage Field Office. The proposed plan outlines the goals, objectives, and actions being considered to guide the long-term management of these public lands, including management of subsistence resources, mineral exploration and development, and recreation. The Proposed RMP/Final EIS analyzed five alternatives, including a no action alternative.

The Proposed RMP/Final EIS was developed following a 90-day public comment period during which 17 public meetings and ANILCA 810 hearings were held by the BLM in communities throughout the BSWI planning area. The BSWI Proposed RMP/Final EIS can be found on the BLM ePlanning website at

https://eplanning.blm.gov/eplanning-ui/project/36665/570. In addition, hard copies will be available for public inspection at the facilities listed below. Before visiting these facilities please contact them by phone to learn about their Covid-19 prevention protocols. Appointments and/or face coverings may be needed.

BLM Anchorage Field Office 4700 BLM Road Anchorage, AK 99507 (907) 261-1246 BLM Alaska Public Information Center James M. Fitzgerald Federal Building 222 West 7th Avenue Anchorage, AK 99513 (907) 271-5960

BLM Fairbanks District Office 222 University Avenue Fairbanks, AK 99709 (907) 474-2200 Alaska Resources Library & Information Services 3211 Providence Drive, Suite 111 Anchorage, AK 99508 (907) 786-7651



The Federal Register will publish the Bering Sea-Western Interior Proposed RMP/Final EIS Notice of Availability on December 4, 2020, beginning a 30-day protest period and a 30-day Governor's Consistency Review period for the proposed plan. Instructions for filing a protest can be found at <a href="https://www.blm.gov/programs/planning-and-nepa/public-participation/filing-a-plan-protest">https://www.blm.gov/programs/planning-and-nepa/public-participation/filing-a-plan-protest</a>.

https://www.blm.gov/programs/planning-and-nepa/public-participation/filing-a-plan-The BLM expects to release the Record of Decision for the plan in March 2021.

Future updates will be announced on the project website (<a href="www.blm.gov/alaska/BSWI">www.blm.gov/alaska/BSWI</a>) and through public notices, advertisements in local newspapers, postcards, and newsletter mailings.

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#### Court

#### Week ending 12/4/2020

Civil

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

Small Claims

Criminal

State of Alaska v. Michelle Ahnangnatoguk; 2NO-20-357CR DUI -Operate Vehic Under Influ Alc/Drug; Date of Offense: 6/13/20; 30 days, 27 days suspended; Remand to AMCC by 4:30 p.m. on 10/16/20; Fine, Police Training, Initial and Suspended Jail, Surcharges, and Cost of Imprisonment, due, as stated in judgment; Obey Driver's License Directives: Driver's license revoked for 90 days; Use An Ignition Interlock Device: After you regain privilege to drive or obtain a limited license, you must use IID as directed for 6 months; Costs of the IID will be deducted from the fine; Probation for 1 year; Obey all direct court orders listed above by the deadlines stated; Obey all state, federal, and local laws and ordinances; Do not possess, consume, or by alcohol for a period ending 10/13/21; Surrender driver's license and identification card; License and ID subject to cancellation under AS; Any new license or ID must list AS buying restriction during restricted period; Subject buying restriction during restricted period; Subject to warrantless breath test by any peace officer with probable cause to believe consumption of alcohol; Subject to warrantless search of residence for alcohol, upon probable cause.
State of Alaska v. Michelle Helen Ahnangnatoguk; 2NO-20-465CR Dismissal; Count I and II: Violation Of Conditions Of Release; Filed by the DAs Office 11/11/20.

DAs Office 11/11/20. State of Alaska v. Brenden Cy Pete (7/6/96);

Dismissal; Count I: Burglary 2°; Count II: Criminal Mischief 4°; Filed by the DAs Office 12/2/20. State of Alaska v. Renee Jessica Ellanna (10/18/95); 2NO-19-659CR Dismissal; Count I, II, III: Violation Of A Protective Order: Count IV: Violation Of Conditions Of Release; Filed by the DAs

office 12/2/20.
State of Alaska v. Renee Jessica Ellanna (10/18/95); 2NO-20-128CR Dismissal; Count I and II: Violation Of Conditions Of Release; Filed by the DAs Office 12/2/20.

State of Alaska v. Renee Jessica Ellanna (10/18/95); 2NO-20-350CR Dismissal; Count I, II, and III: Volation Of Conditions Of Release; Filed by the DAs Office 12/2/20.

State of Alaska v. Milton Tom (5/3/79); 2UT-15-157CR Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 113551092; Violated conditions of probation; Conditions of probation modified as follows: 1 year suspended time imposed, probation terminated, consecutive to the term in Case No. 2UT-18-

State of Alaska v. Milton Richard Tom (5/3/79) 2UT-18-161CR Judgment And Order Of Commit-ment; CTN 001: Assault 3-Commit Assault 4, 2+ Convictions; Offense Date: 10/4/18; Class: C Fel-ony; Sentencing Date: 11/80/20; 2 years, 0 years suspended; Unsuspended 2 years shall be served immediately; Police Training, and Initial Jail, Sur-charges due as stated in Order; Provide DNA upon request; Any appearance or performance bond in this case: is exonerated.
State of Alaska v. Robert Smith (8/2/59); Order

to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 117103401; Violated conditions of probation; Time served; Conditions of probation modified as follows: Remaining Suspended time is served; Probation revoked and all conditions are terminated.

State of Alaska v. Joann Catherine Kaningok (5/7/65); Order to Probation on Suspended Entry of Judgment; CTN 001: Amended AS04.11.499(a)(misd): Import Alcohol-Dry Area-Small Amit; Found guilty, pleaded guilty; Bond: Any app./perf.bond in this case is exonerated; This order applies to the entire case; Police Training Surcharge due; 2 years subject to probation con-

ditions set, as stated in the judgment; Hearing set for 8/3/22 at 1:00 p.m., Nome Court.
State of Alaska v. Leroy Kobuk Sr. (8/14/77); Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 113671287; Violated conditions of probation; Probation modified as follows: No jail time imposed, return to supervision. return to supervision.

## **Trooper Beat**

Gambell Assist Public: At approximately 4:48 a.m., Alaska State Troopers assisted an individual.

Norton Sound Region Sexual Abuse of a Minor: At approximately 3:17 p.m., AST received a report of Sexual Abuse of a Minor. Investigation ongoing.

11/26/2020

Disturbance: At approximately 10:07 a.m., AST received a report of a disturbance

Assist Medical: At approximately 11:05 a.m., AST assisted an individual who possibly needed medical attention.

11/27/2020

Assist Agency: At approximately 1:59 p.m., AST in Nome received a request for agency assistance from OCS responding to Diomede

11/28/2020

Shaktoolik Civil Issue: At approximately 1:57 p.m., AST in

Nome received a report of a civil issue. Troopers advised the complainant of their options

11/29/2020 Gambell

Welfare Check: At approximately 8:34 p.m., AST in Nome received a request for a welfare check to be conducted.

11/30/2020 Nome

Miscellaneous: At approximately 3:27 p.m., AST in Nome received a report regarding animals

Disturbance: At approximately 9:58 p.m., AST in Nome received a call regarding a disturbance and domestic violence assault in the village of Elim. VPOs responded to the scene, and Rebecca Takak, 41, of Elim, was arrested for DV Assault IV

Disturbance: At approximately 6:21 p.m., AST in Nome received a call regarding a domestic violence assault. Troopers responded.

12/1/2020 Nome Miscellaneous: At approximately midnight, AST in

Nome received a report from VPOs regarding jailguards for prisoners. Troopers advised VPOs

Warrant Arrest: At approximately 2 p.m., AST in Stebbins contacted Brenden Pete, 24. Pete was

placed under arrest on his outstanding \$500 felony warrant for Burglary 1, Assault IV x3, Criminal Trespass 1, Criminal Mischief 5, and PTRP for

Brevig Mission

Disturbance: At approximately 2:03 p.m., AST received a report of a disturbance in Brevig Mission. Troopers responded.

Assist Public: At approximately 8:09 a.m., AST in Nome received a request to conduct a welfare check on an individual in a local village. VPOs responded and provided assistance.

Disturbance: At approximately 8:29 a.m., AST in the Unalakleet service area received a call regarding a disturbance in the village of Stebbins. VPOs responded.

Miscellaneous: At approximately 9:24 p.m., AST conducted a village visit in Elim.

Savoonga Assist Medical: At approximately 9:33 a.m., AST received a notification of a Comfort One from an

Assist Public: At approximately 3:11 p.m., AST in Elim received a report of a request for public as-

individual in the village of Savoonga.

sistance. Troopers responded.

Brevia Mission

Search and Rescue: At approximately 6:02 p.m., AST in Teller received a call regarding a stranded boater. Local community members were ultimately able to rescue the individual from the stranded

Savoonga Assault – DV: At approximately 7:25 p.m., AST in Nome received a report from the village of Sa-voonga regarding a DV Assault. Troopers re-sponded and arrested Freida Okoomealingok for DV Assault x2.

Savoonga

Driving Under the Influence: At approximately 10:11 p.m., AST in Unalakleet received a call regarding a DUI from the village of Savoonga from VPSOs. Upon investigation, Wagner Mokiyuk, 26, of Anchorage, was arrested for DUI, Harassment I, and Resisting Arrest.

12/3/2020

Nome Assist Public: At approximately 10:18 a.m., AST in Nome recovered marijuana from a juvenile for dis-

Various; Serve Court Documents: AK20093646 Serve Court Documents 12/3 at 5:20 Nome

12/4/2020

Animal Call: At approximately 8:06 a.m., an injured red fox was located in the area of Front Street. The animal was dispatched and removed from the lane

### Seawall

Nome Police Department Weekly press releases Activities reported between 11/30/2020 – 12/06/2020

received at the Nome Police Communications Center; 71 (27%) of these calls involved alcohol. The Nome Volunteer Ambulance Department re sponded to 4 ambulance calls. The Nome Vol-unteer Fire Department responded to no fire calls during this period. NPD responded to 13 calls reporting intoxicated

persons needing assistance. Nobody was remanded to AMCC as protective hold; and 2 persons remained at the hospital for medical evaluation/treatment.

There were 3 citations issued for Minor Consuming Alcohol, one citation for open container and one for consuming alcohol in public; additional one citation was issued to Luis Brizuela for three

counts of Endangering the Welfare of a child in the second degree

Arrests

A total of 15 arrests made with 12 (80%) alcohol related

Monday, Dec. 1, 2020 Charge: Eight counts Violating Conditions of Re-lease. Name: Victoria Simpson. Location: River St. Charge: Assault in the fourth degree, DV. Name: Edwina Krier. Location: Bering St. Charge: Disorderly Conduct. Name: Cody Iya. Lo-

Charges: Disorderly Conduct; Assault in the fourth degree; Criminal Mischief in the fifth degree. Name: Tami Horton. Location: River St. Charges: Three counts of Violating Conditions of

Release. Name: Yvonne George. Location: Tobuk

Tuesday, Dec. 2, 2020

Charge: Warrant Arrest. Name: Aiden Douglas. Location: East 4th Ave.

Wednesday, Dec. 3, 2020 Charges: Warrant Arrest, Resisting Arrest. Name:

Jennifer Adsuna. Location: Front St. Charges: Violating Conditions of Release. Name: Robert Milton. Location: W. 2nd Ave.

Charges: Violating Conditions of Release; Petition to Revoke Probation (3x). Name: Jacob Seppilu. Location: W. 2nd Ave.

Thursday, Dec. 4, 2020

Trespass. Name: Adam Iyapana. Loca-Charges: Hespass. Name: Adam lyapana: Location: E. 6th Ave.
Charges: Trespass; Violating Conditions of Release. Name: Rebecca Kavairlook. Location: East

Charges: Felony Petition to revoke probation, Violating Conditions of Release. Name: Dustin Gologergen. Location: E. 4th Ave.

Saturday, Dec. 5, 2020

Charge: False reporting. Name: Devon Prentice. Location: Front St.

Charges: Criminal Trespass in the second degree.
Name: Gilbert Taxac. Location: Greg Kruschek

Charges: Criminal Trespass second degree; Resisting Arrest; Violating Conditions of Release. Name: Courtney Kayouktuk. Location: Front St.

Sunday, Dec. 6, 2020

Charge: Criminal Trespass first degree; Violating Conditions of Release. Name: Robert Smith. Location: River St.

A total of 3 traffic stops were conducted during this reporting period, with 3 citations issued. NPD responded to no motor vehicle accidents.

Charge: Criminal Trespass first degree. Name: Grace Olanna. Location: River St. .

Sunday, Dec. 6, 2020 Charge: Failure to carry proof of insurance. Name: Tristan Sahlin. Location: Prospect Place.

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

Charge: Failure to register vehicle. Suspect: WE. Location: Front St.

Charge: Operating Vehicle with expired registration. Name: Jake Stettenbenz. Location: Nome-

Thursday, Dec. 3, 2020

Teller Highway

# • Fish Factor

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buying is more canned and frozen products and that's where we've really seen some great market share gains," he explained. "It's probably one of the best times to be a frozen seller and to get new value-added products in the market." With COVID crippling the food service sector, Palmer said farmed fish has flooded into retail outlets and forced

a downward press on salmon prices. "These aquaculture produced salmon had a huge piece of the food service market and as that evaporated, they're still pulling fish out of the water. We've watched that industry go after the retail market more aggressively than they ever have. They've got the fish and they're going to find someplace to move it. We've watched prices go down, so we're slugging it out every day to keep our products on the shelf," he

Roughly 75 percent of the world's salmon is now farmed, added Kimball. But both men emphasized Alaska's biggest market competition comes from Russia. "When we're negotiating with some of our bigger export markets, whether it's salmon or whitefish, all of these global markets influence that," Palmer said. "For the last four years, Russia has had these huge production years on pink salmon and solid sockeye and chum production. That's what's really driven the market. Trying to put up product forms where we don't have to directly compete against Russia has been important.'

Both also bemoaned the trade imbalance that allows Russian-caught fish into U.S. markets while that country has not purchase a pound from the U.S. since 2014. "Russia has open access to our markets with no restrictions. I just don't understand the fairness of this," Palmer said. "We would rather just see open markets. We will compete against anyone, but if they're not going to give us access to their market, they shouldn't have unfettered access to

"If we can't sell our fish in Russia, they shouldn't be able to sell their fish in the United States." echoed Kimball. "I think that's going to continue to be a battle. We'll have to see with the next administration how that's going to materialize. But I anticipate that we're going to have to be at the table really early and carefully to make sure that we get our voices heard in this particular issue."

said that dealing with trade Both wars and currency fluctuations over the past several years "has been a big nightmare."

Tariff activity since 2018 on various fish ranges between 35 percent and 45 percent going into China,

Kimball said, and a new 35 percent tariff has been imposed on Alaska salmon going to Europe stemming from a government dispute over airplane subsidies.

"It is going to have an effect on our ability to get wild salmon into the European Union. With that kind of tariff, it's going to make it pretty darn tough," said Kimball. "But I would say that with many of these tariff challenges, what we've seen in China and other countries, the dynamics of this could change. So, we're heavily working on this from a political position standpoint. But if this remains, there is no question it's going to have a big influence on fish next year."

The ongoing influence of the COVID pandemic also remains a question. Most seafood companies picked up the tab this year to charter planes to transport tens of thousands of processing workers, rent hotel rooms for 14-day quarantines, purchase testing and prevention equipment - costs not reimbursed by federal relief funds. More strict state requirements for preventive protocols are already extended into 2021.

"In fact, they've been expanded," said Kimball. "We are all working with the state on surveying our community work forces and factories at places that operate year round, and we have to go to continuous monitoring of our employees there, including testing. So the handling of the workforce is getting more expensive, not less, as we head into 2021. It's just a big unknown at this point."

#### Share the Sea

Two million pounds of seafood turns into 8 million meals at Feeding America food bank networks across the nation. That's how much the Seattle-based nonprofit SeaShare has donated to Lower 48 states so far this year Alaskans in dozens of remote. communities also share in the seafood bounty.

"I think we're at 180,000 pounds which is over 720,000 servings this year, which is more than we normally do," said Jim Harmon, Sea-Share executive director.

SeaShare has positioned freezers full of fish in regional hubs at Juneau, Kodiak, Anchorage. Mat-Su, Kenai, Dillingham and Kotzebue that allows distribution to remote communities.

The program began in 1994 with bycatch donations from boats fishing the Bering Sea and has since expanded in the Gulf of Alaska to include 136 vessels, 12 shoreside processors, 34 catcher processors and three motherships.

To date, it has delivered more than 220 million seafood servings of fish to U.S. food bank networks.

SeaShare is the only group authorized to receive bycatch donations which today make up about 20 percent of the fish; the rest includes a wide array of smelt, halibut steaks, salmon burgers, breaded pollock portions and more, all processed and donated by seafood companies. "The nice thing is that the donations that the fishermen and processors make, it enables us to bring in other donations of freight, cold storage, packaging, and those things they wouldn't be able to donate if we didn't have the fish," Harmon said. Good protein is the hardest item to source and the demand on food banks has soared due to the COVID

pandemic. "The clients that go to food banks have doubled this year. I believe 22 percent of Americans are accessing food banks and that's unprecedented. That's an incredible need," Harmon

With many federal and state relief programs set to expire at the end of December, pressure will grow as food banks struggle to keep up with.

"There are all kinds of restrictions in place and volunteers have really dropped off, which most food banks rely on to distribute the hand outs and segregate all the different donations that come in," Harmon said. "It's scary to think about. It's going to come right after the holidays when those extra services run out."

Donations are more important than ever to fill the seafood pipeline. Harmon said every one dollar donated to SeaShare equals eight seaservings to Americans. For more information go to www.seashare.org

#### Fish skins cure

Fish skins that help regenerate human tissue have garnered a \$600,000 grant from the U.S. De-

fense Department to make them available to wounded soldiers. It's the third grant the Icelandic company Kerecis has received from the Defense Department's Combat Casualty Care Research Program (JPC-6). Kerecis has pioneered and patented the Omega-3 fish skins that need minimal processing and provide an infection barrier while enabling the body to regrow its own tissues. The skins already are used around the world in hospitals and by health care workers and consumers. Now, Kerecis will create field kits for use by the U.S. military.

The company says it "harnesses nature's own remedies," in this case the Omega-3 fatty acids and collagen found in cod fish skins. And because no disease-transfer risk exists between cold-water fish and humans, the skins are ideal for treating soldiers in the field.

Collagen is the most abundant protein in the human body and supports everything from our skin and bones to our toenails, and marine collagen is the same kind. While the marine collagen market is pegged to reach nearly \$1 billion by 2023, Alaska's skins are still dumped as wastes. For Alaska pollock, with catch volumes averaging over three billion pounds a year, that adds up to over 1.4 million pounds of skins, assuming a five percent yield, according to economist Dan Lesh of McKinley Research Group (formerly McDowell Group).

Pacific cod could produce nearly 1.4 million pounds of skins. The skin yield is in the 8 to 10 percent range for Alaska salmon. And they are loaded with healing goods: Studies show cod skins produce about 11 percent collagen and nearly 20 percent has been extracted from salmon