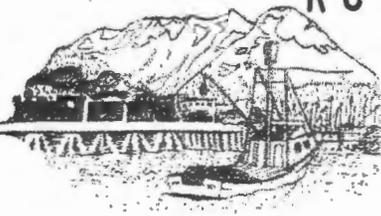


CITY OF CORDOVA



October 20, 2015

Board of Fish Members:

The City of Cordova has been and will continue to remain fully in support of a Tanner Crab Fishery in Prince William Sound.

As stated in the Agenda Change Request, Prince William Sound is the only area in the state that has a stock assessment for Tanner Crab and no harvest strategy in regulation. As a renewable resource, crab has historically been an economic driver across coastal Alaska, and it is essential we not let the potential of this resource disappear.

The fiscal crisis we all face within the State of Alaska is one of the greatest reasons to expand a healthy commercial fishing economy. A crab fishery will not only bring jobs to the region, but can add to the fiscal stability of an entire State.

On behalf of the City of Cordova, thank you for your consideration of this Agenda Change Request.

Sincerely,

Jim Kacsh, Mayor
City of Cordova, AK