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State of Alaska Board of Fisheries
Re: Joint Herring Revitalization Committee

Dear Chairman Wood and Board of Fisheries Members,

The North Pacific Fisheries Association (NPFA) is a multi-gear group representing more than 65 small commercial fishing vessels, their families and crew. Our members harvest many different species across Alaska with a variety gear types. We represent sac roe herring fishermen and permit holders from all areas, Sitka to Togiak.

NPFA supports the CFEC Recommendation to form a Joint Herring Revitalization Committee.

The state of Alaska has both a right and responsibility to manage and fully utilize its celebrated and valuable herring resources. We would appreciate the Board of Fisheries taking on this effort.

Sincerely,

G Malcolm Milne, President, North Pacific Fisheries Association