

# Alaska Shellfish Growers Association Conference

November 19-20, 2015  
Cape Fox Lodge, Ketchikan, AK 99901



This conference includes presentations from growers, agency updates, technology transfer sessions, shellfish gear demonstrations, macroalgae aquaculture workshops, and the general member meeting. An overview of the Alaska Sea Grant Aquaculture Extension 2015 project will be presented. For more information go to [www.alaskashellfish.org](http://www.alaskashellfish.org).

| Time  | November 19, 2015  | Details  | Facilitator   |
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| 8:00  | Breakfast Provided   |  |   |
| 9:00  | Welcome  |  | Margo Reveil, Alaska Shellfish Growers Association  |
| 9:15  | Growers: 2015 Successes and Setbacks                                     | Share your best and worst for the year   | All growers/hatcheries  |
| 10:00 | R & D Needs in Alaska Roundtable   | Develop a needs list for the industry  | Bobbi Hudson, Pacific Shellfish Institute, Carter Newell, Maine Shellfish R+D   |
| 10:45 | Agency panel - 2015 updates  | Updates from DEC, DNR, ADFG, FSA   | ADFG, DNR, DEC and FSA invited, final list to be confirmed  |
| 11:45 | Vibrio Avoidance - Farm to Table   | Improving farm practices, educating restaurants, protecting consumers  | Panel: Bobbi Hudson, Pacific Shellfish Institute, George Scanlan, Department of Environmental Conservation, Sue Shotwell, Nisqually Tribe, Washington           |
| 12:30 | Lunch provided   | Security roundtable – farmers issues and solutions with theft and vandalism  |   |
| 1:30  | Alaskan Mariculture Diversification, Innovation, and Technology Transfer | Overview on project, goals, and activities   | Carter Newell, Maine Shellfish R+D<br>Bobbi Hudson, Pacific Shellfish Institute<br>Gary Freitag, Alaska Sea Grant Marine Advisory Program, UAF                  |
| 2:00  | Oyster Gear Technology East and West                                     | East Coast oyster suspension and bottom culture technology. West Coast oyster suspension and bottom culture technology. Oyster production by the tribe and its journey into commercialization. | Carter Newell, Permaquid Oyster Farms, Maine<br>Bobbi Hudson, Pacific Shellfish Institute, Washington<br>Sue Shotwell, Nisqually Tribe, Washington              |
| 3:30  | Coffee Break   |  |   |
| 3:45  | Gear Demo  | Oyster and kelp gear demo/description and sign-up for field trials by growers  |   |
| 3:45  | Gear Demo - Oyster trays and cages                                       | Oystergro System , SEAPA Trays, ZAPCO system   | Carter Newell, Margo Reveil, Eric Wyatt   |
|       | Gear Demo - Kelp lines   | Kelp gear  | Paul Dobbins, Oceans Approved, Maine  |
| 4:45  | Applications/agreements to participate                                   |  | Bobbi Hudson, Gary Freitag, Carter Newell   |
| 5:00  | Break for dinner   |  |   |
| 6:30  | Banquet  |  |   |
|       | <b>November 20, 2015</b>   | <b>Day 2</b>   |   |
| 8:00  | Breakfast provided   |  |   |
| 9:00  | Business Plan Workshop   | Pricing methods - how to get the best price for your farmed products. Elements of a business plan. Develop a custom business plan for your operation.  | Quentin Fong, Alaska Sea Grant Marine Advisory Program, University of Alaska Fairbanks  |
| 11:00 | ASGA All Member Meeting  |  | Margo Reveil, Alaska Shellfish Growers Association  |
| 12:00 | Lunch provided   | PCSGA Update   | Connie Smith, Pacific Coast Shellfish Growers Association   |
| 1:00  | Purple Hinged Rock Scallops  | Prospects for purple hinged rock scallops cultivation on the U.S. West Coast   | Joth Davis, Baywater Shellfish, Washington (presented by Bobbi Hudson, Pacific Shellfish Institute)   |
| 2:00  | Macroalgae 1   | Kelp hatchery, nursery, growout and marketing  | Paul Dobbins, Oceans Approved, Maine  |
| 2:50  | Macroalgae 2   | Marine Plant Research in Southeast Alaska - an update  | Mike Stekoll, University of Alaska Southeast, Juneau  |
| 3:10  | Macroalgae 3   | Seaweed farming and potential in Alaska  | Beau Perry, Premium Oceanic, California   |
| 3:30  | Coffee Break   |  |   |
| 3:45  | Alaska Mariculture Initiative Update                                     | Presentation given by Carter Newell, Maine Shellfish R+D   | Julie Decker, Alaskan Fisheries Development Foundation, Anchorage. (presented by Carter Newell, Maine Shellfish R+D, Bobbi Hudson, Pacific Shellfish Institute) |
| 5:30  | Dinner on your own   |  |   |
|       | <b>November 21, 2015</b>   | <b>Supplemental Activities - post conference</b>   |   |
|       | Field Trip - Oceans Alaska Hatchery                                      | Meet in hotel lobby  | Ron Zebal, Oceans Alaska  |
|       | Field Trip - Trevor Sande farm   | More details available at the conference   |   |