



Fishing for Innovation

Southwest Alaska Municipal Conference

February 27th & 28th • The Hotel Captain Cook

Wednesday, February 27th – First Day

8:00 Registration & Networking Breakfast

8:30 Opening & Welcome – President Skinner, Executive Director Griffin

8:35 Ben Stevens, Policy Advisor, Office of the Governor

9:00 2020 Census – Charmaine Ramos, U.S. Census Bureau

9:15 Legislative Update & Dialogue

- Senator Gary Stevens
- Senator Lyman Hoffman
- Representative Bryce Edgmon
- Representative Louise Stutes

Break

10:30 Drones: Racing for Education

Steve Colligan, *Alaska Drone Racing League*

Break

11:15 Fisheries Impact on Communities

Fish Taxes Impact on Municipal Economies

- Dan O'Hara, *Mayor of Bristol Bay Borough*

Maximizing Fisheries Value Goes Far Beyond Harvest Communities

- Garrett Evridge, *Economist at McDowell Group*

12:00 Networking Lunch Buffet featuring Alaska Symphony of Seafood Winning Products

Jeremy Woodrow, *Executive Director at Alaska Seafood Marketing Institute - Platinum Sponsor*

1:00 Platinum Sponsor – Alaska Airlines

1:10 Sponsor Appreciation

1:20 Exhibitor's Announcements

1:30 Resource Development Roundtable – Moderated by Daniel L. Cheyette, BBNC

Brent Goodrum, *Deputy Commissioner at Dept of Natural Resources*

Doug Vincent-Lang, *Commissioner at Dept of Fish and Game*

Jason Brune, *Commissioner at Dept of Environmental Conservation*

Break

2:45 Visualizing the Future: Case Study on Using VR for Energy Management

Dr. Richard Webb, *Chief Operating Officer at Designori, LLC*

Break

3:15 Advanced Manufacturing in Seafood Processing

Good News for Manufacturers & Workers: The Robots are Coming

- Jay Douglass, *Chief Operating Officer at Advanced Robotics for Manufacturing*

Research in Applied Robotics & Automation

- Dr. Gleyne Bledsoe, *Founding Director at Center for Advanced Food Technology - WSU, UI*

The Cutting Edge of Fish Processing Technology

- Rob Anderson, *Sales Manager at Baader*

Collaborative Robots to Foster Innovation in Seafood Handling

- Joyce Sidopoulos, *Co-Founder & Director at Mass Robotics*

- Murphy Wonsick, *Ph.D. Candidate at Northeastern University*

Designing Fish Processing Plants for the Future

- Chuck McKain, *Sales Manager at Carsoe*

5:30 President's Reception & Silent Auction – Quarter Deck



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8:35 Energy Session – Energy System Sustainability as a Community Investment

SWAMC Energy Network Grant: Update from Regional Energy Coordinators

- Laura Vaught, *SWAMC*; Bruce Wright, *APIA*; Tyler Kornelis, *KANA*

Scoping & Financing Municipal Energy Efficiency Programs

- Jim Fowler, PE, CEM, *Principal at Energy Audits of Alaska*

State Energy Resources

- Carolyn Ramsey, *Energy Specialist at AHFC*; Cady Lister, *Dep. Director & Chief Economist at AEA*

Break

9:45 Southwest Alaska Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy

Importance of CEDS Planning

- Shirley Kelly, *Economic Development Representative for EDA Alaska Office*

Review & Update SWOT Analysis

- Doug Griffin, *Executive Director of SWAMC*

10:15 Platinum Sponsor – GCI

Break

10:40 SWAMC's 2019 Membership Meeting

12:00 Networking Lunch, Plated – Southwest Alaska Slideshow

1:00 Community Resilience Roundtable – Moderated by Doug Johnson, PGS

Adam Crum, *Commissioner at Dept of Health and Social Services*

Greg Cashen, *Former Commissioner at Dept of Labor and Workforce Development*

Amanda Price, *Commissioner at Dept of Public Safety*

Luke Fanning, *CEO at APICDA*

Break

2:15 Infrastructure Roundtable – Moderated by Wanetta Ayers, PWSEDD

Mary Siroky, *Deputy Commissioner at Dept of Transportation and Public Facilities*

Greg Samorajski, *Deputy Commissioner at Dept of Revenue*

Jon Faulkner, *Deputy Commissioner at Dept of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development*

Christine O'Connor, *Executive Director of Alaska Telecom Association*

Break

3:30 A Dynamic Ocean: Opportunities and Threats

A Hot Time in the North Pacific & Insights into the Future

- Dr. Nicholas Bond, *Joint Institute for the Study of the Atmosphere and Ocean*

Managing an Ecosystem in Flux

- Dr. Elizabeth Siddon, *Scientist at Alaska Fisheries Science Center, NOAA*

The Human Effect of Change

- Dr. Tobias Schwoerer, *Research Professor at University of Alaska, ISER*

Bristol Bay Salmon: A Bright Spot in Southwest Alaska

- Tim Sands, *Westside Area Management Biologist at Alaska Dept of Fish and Game*

Diversifying for Value-Added Opportunity

- Tommy Sheridan, *External Affairs at Silver Bay Seafoods*

5:00 Conference Wrap-up