

**YUKON DELTA FISHERIES DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION  
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT QUOTA  
FOURTH QUARTER REPORT  
FOR THE PERIOD October 1 – December 31, 1999**

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## **I. QUARTERLY HIGHLIGHTS October 1 to December 31, 1999**

### **October 1999**

- YDFDA held its Board of Directors elections
- F/V Lisa Marie fished open access red king crab
- Attended NPFMC Advisory Panel meetings in Seattle
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- Attended the At-Sea Processors Job Fair in Anchorage
- Attended the Alaska Department of Labor 1999 Seafood Employment Conference in Anchorage
- F/V Lisa Marie fished for IFQ Halibut for APICDA
- Met with Golden Alaska, Nichiro and Peter Pan Seafoods to discuss the possible purchase of a portion of the Golden Alaska

### **November 1999**

- Attended Icicle Seafoods Employment Conference with Village Reps in Anchorage
- F/V Lisa Marie arrived in Seward for annual repairs
- Attended USA/Canada Salmon Negotiations in Fairbanks
- New Board Members visited Seattle to tour Golden Alaska and attend Fish Expo
- Participated in Fish Expo in Seattle
- Attended CDQ Group meetings in Juneau
- Aluminum skiff building program began in Seward. First two skiffs completed.

### **December 1999**

- Attended NPFMC meetings in Anchorage
- CDQ meeting with Groundfish Forum
- Board of Directors Training by Alaska Village Initiatives
- Board of Directors meeting in Anchorage
- Aluminum skiff building program continues in Seward. Second two skiffs completed.

## COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

### A. PROGRESS TOWARD GOALS, OBJECTIVES, MILESTONES

#### *Initiative 1. Comprehensive Vocational and Educational and Rehabilitative Training Programs*

Goal: Provide training for up to 100 by the end of 1999

Milestone:

- ◆ Programs –See Below
- ◆ 14 Yukon Delta residents are enrolled in courses at AVTEC
- ◆ 17 college students enrolled for the fall semester
- ◆ Golden Alaska (\$150,000) and YDFDA (\$50,000) added \$200,000 in scholarship funds to Alaska Pacific University and the University of Alaska Foundation
- ◆ Training Programs –See Below

Objectives:

- ◆ Assure that an appropriately skilled native work force is available for all opportunities created in CDQ enterprises.
- ◆ Provide technical knowledge to native work force to assure that skills are developed to move into higher paying senior positions.

#### **PROGRAM 1: Automotive Technology**

1 student was enrolled in the Automotive Technology course at AVTEC, but terminated this quarter.

#### **PROGRAM 2: Heavy Equipment**

2 students were enrolled in the Heavy Equipment course at AVTEC, one terminated this quarter.

#### **PROGRAM 3: Business and Office Technology**

9 students were enrolled in the Business and Office Technology course at AVTEC, one terminated this quarter.

#### **PROGRAM 4: Diesel Engine Technology**

2 students were enrolled in the Diesel Engine Technology course at AVTEC, one terminated this quarter.

#### **PROGRAM 5: Office Interns**

One resident was employed as an office intern during this quarter at Icicle Seafoods' Everett plant. One resident was employed at Icicle Seafoods' main office in Seattle.

**PROGRAM 5: Advanced Welding**

Four residents are participating in an advanced welding program building 22' aluminum skiffs in Seward. The finished skiffs are available for sale to Yukon Delta residents. This project is on a trial basis in Seward. If successful, the skiff building project will be continued in one of our villages.

**Scholarship Program:**

Seventeen students are continuing their semester this fall at the University of Alaska, Alaska Pacific University and Sheldon Jackson College.

YDFDA funded the Yukon Delta Education Fund with \$150,000. Guidelines are being developed for its use. Guidelines are to be approved by the Board at their April 2000 meeting

Golden Alaska, using tax credits, and YDFDA, using Initiative I funding, funded the University of Alaska and Alaska Pacific University with an additional \$100,000 each for the year 1999.

***Initiative 2. Placement of YDFDA Community Residents in Bering Sea Harvesting & Processing, Factory Trawlers***

Goal: Train 135 individuals by the end of 1999

Milestone:

- ◆ 4 Yukon Delta residents were trained this quarter
- ◆ 14 Yukon Delta residents were employed in this quarter

Objective:

- ◆ Provide on-the-job training and experience in offshore and onshore fisheries and generate employment and income-earning opportunities to community residents.

***Golden Alaska Seafoods, Inc.***

Nine residents were aboard the M/V Golden Alaska for the Pollock B Season. All nine were returning crew.

***Lisa Marie***

One resident was aboard the F/V Lisa Marie fishing for halibut. He was returning crew.

***Fishermen's Finest***

Two residents received training aboard the F/V US Liberator fishing for Pacific cod.

***Premier Pacific Seafoods***

One resident was aboard the F/V Ocean Phoenix fishing for Pollock. She was a returning crewmember.

***Icicle Seafoods***

Two residents received training aboard the F/V Arctic Star fishing for crab.

***Initiative 3. Salmon and Herring Permit Buy-Back and IFQ Acquisition Program***

Goal: Provide up to \$100,000 for salmon or herring permits and IFQ Purchases

Milestone:

- ◆ Received two applications for fishing permit loans through the loan program with Division of Investments. Due to the fact that ADF&G is predicting a poor season for 2000 YDFDA is not actively promoting nor encouraging new permit loan applicants.
- ◆ YDFDA continues to work with the Division of Investments to execute modification agreements to refinance and delay payments for several loans in arrears due to the poor fishing. One loan was in default and permit was repossessed by the Division of Investments.
- ◆ Under this program, the skiffs being built in Seward by Yukon residents are being advertised for sale in the villages and will be financed through one of the YDFDA sponsored loan programs.

Objectives:

- ◆ Maximize local benefits realized from our traditional salmon fishery and expansion to other local fisheries.

***Initiative 4. Training Subsidy for Small-Multi Fishery Boats***

Goal: Provide employment opportunities for communities and community residents.

Teach fishing techniques and provide boats for a community-owned fishing company.

Provide direct income from the groundfish resource.

Create opportunities for local residents to operate and own boats.

Milestone:

- ◆ The Blue Dolphin was dry-docked in Dutch Harbor during this quarter pending a possible sale.
- ◆ Negotiations continue for the sale of the last three 32-foot vessels. The sale of these vessels will help to substantially reduce the allocation of funds to support, maintain and repair the small multi-fishery vessel fleet. Yukon Delta is shifting its emphasis away from a fleet of small vessels and is presently investigating possible joint ventures in larger vessels under Initiative VI.

Objective:

- ◆ Develop a fleet of locally owned and operated fishing vessels.

#### ***Initiative 5. Continued Development of Shoreside Processing Operations***

Goal: Establish self-sufficient, multi-product, value-added shoreside processing facilities.

Maximize the employment and payroll benefits derived by the communities from our seafood harvest.

Milestone:

- ◆ At the December meeting, the YDFDA Board of Directors authorized the continuation of funding the planner's position for the Kotlik fisheries project for an additional year in addition to funding a new welding machine. The current plan is to determine the amount of fisheries related infrastructure that needs to be developed in Kotlik for future projects as well as alternative outside funding sources for this project.
- ◆ Sheldon Point Saltery –Received a formal request for possible funding of their project.
- ◆ YDFDA with Yukon River Fisheries Drainage Association has submitted an application for disaster funds to provide ice machines and support as part of a salmon quality preservation project in Marshall, Mountain Village, Kotlik and Emmonak.

Objective:

- ◆ Value add seafood products and explore for commercial quantities of fish locally to employ local residents.

#### ***Initiative 6. YDFDA Investments in Offshore Vessels***

Goal: Joint ventures to purchase and jointly operate catcher and catcher/processor vessels in both open access and CDQ fisheries for all fisheries.

Milestone:

Analysis continues on several projects:

- ◆ F/V Lisa Marie - lengthening and sponsoring the vessel. A decision has been made to cancel this project due to the large reduction in opilio crab quotas for the year 2000 fishery.
- ◆ Preliminary meetings continue to discuss investment criteria in Golden Alaska Seafoods, Inc. which includes the mothership and catcher vessel fleet.
- ◆ Investment in a longline catcher/processor. Analysis on this project continues and possible partners are being considered.
- ◆ Investment in a crab catcher vessel. This project has been put off until the year 2000 due to the adverse impact of the reduction in crab harvest in the Bering Sea.
- ◆ Investment notification has been submitted to the State of Alaska to purchase a 58' combination vessel to replace the 32' vessel fleet.

Objective:

- ◆ To own and operate YDFDA's own fleet of vessels to prosecute the fisheries in the North Pacific.
- ◆ Establish a fleet of combination catcher and catcher/processor vessels to fish open access as well as CDQ fisheries in the Bering Sea.
- ◆ Maximize the employment and payroll benefits derived by local fishermen from open access and CDQ harvests.
- ◆ Protect YDFDA's equity.

***Initiative 7. Financing Program to Support Development of Small Business Fisheries Infrastructure***

Goal: To develop local marine service facilities and fisheries business infrastructure to support the fishing industry.

Milestone:

- ◆ YDFDA, LYEDC Ardor and Kuigpagmiut Corporation (representing Mountain Village and St. Mary's), have submitted their application for funding to the US Department of Commerce to develop training facilities in St. Mary's for the benefit of residents of the entire area. The EDA team has toured the vacant facilities and is assisting with further planning. Lower Yukon School District and the St. Mary's School District are also being included in the development of this plan.
- ◆ OceanLogic, LLC, a joint venture partnership between APICDA Joint Ventures, Inc., Yukon Delta Fisheries, Inc., and Parity Corporation, has introduced Version 1.04.00 of CatchPoint™ Classic Software. Development is proceeding on schedule with the shoreside delivery version for catcher vessels which is presently being tested.

- ◆ The Welding shop in Alakanuk has been in operation since this past spring. The owner has been busy full time with major modifications and repairs on existing vessels. He is welding up his jigs preparing to construct the first vessel. He has a backlog of work to perform and cannot keep up. Customers from all four villages continue to bring work. The owner is currently participating in the advanced welding program in Seward refining his skills in production welding of the skiff kits.

Objective:

- ◆ Fund loans to develop fisheries business support sector.
- ◆ To service the developing local and offshore fishing sector.

## **B. OUTREACH**

We have continued our village representative program in our four villages, Alakanuk, Emmonak, Kotlik and Sheldon Point and have expanded that program to include our new villages, Grayling and Mountain Village. These representatives work in the community to provide information regarding employment opportunities and training positions and administer the drug tests to applicants. They also have applications and information on the scholarship programs and loan applications from either the Division of Investments or the AVCP Revolving Loan Program.

In November our six village representatives attended the Icicle Seafoods Orientation in Anchorage. The goal of this conference was to discuss future jobs on Icicle processors and the internship program in their various plants.

The training and employment coordinator is located in our Emmonak office. His duties include finding and filling inshore/offshore training and employment opportunities as well as training and educational opportunities at AVTEC, Alaska Pacific University, University of Alaska at Anchorage and University of Alaska at Fairbanks. This individual also administers YDFDA's scholarship programs and YDFDA's permit and gear loan programs through the Division of Investments and the AVCP Revolving Loan Programs. YDFDA feels it is important to administer these programs from the village so residents have easier access to the programs they are most interested in.

We are working with the community of Marshall a, non-CDQ member village, to provide for an ice machine under our Salmon Quality Preservation Project using EDA Disaster Funding.

The attached announcements were posted within the villages during the fourth quarter.

**C. EMPLOYMENT**

**1. EMPLOYMENT DATA FORM – December 31, 1999**

	<b>4th Quarter</b>		<b>Year-to-Date</b>		
	<b>Positions/ Trips</b>	<b>Wages</b>	<b>Positions/ Trips</b>	<b>Wages</b>	<b>People</b>
<b>Management/Administrative</b>	6	\$79,578	11	\$392,308	11
<b>CDQ Pollock</b>					39
<b>A Season:</b>	0	\$	35	\$338,719	
<b>B Season:</b>	9	\$87,010	9	\$146,904	
<b>Other Fishing</b>	13	\$203,153	39	\$578,698	39
<b>Other Employment</b>	16	\$88,524	21	\$300,942	21
<b>Internships</b>	2	\$5,630	5	\$12,841	5
<b>Total</b>	46	\$463,895	120	\$1,770,412	114

**2. SUMMARY:**

- ◆ Management/Administrative 6 - Yukon Delta Employees
- ◆ Pollock B Season - 9
- ◆ Other Fishing 13 - description in Initiative II
- ◆ Internships - 2

**Other Employment**

- ◆ Village Representatives - 6 (one in each of the six villages)
- ◆ YDF Inc. - 2 employees
- ◆ Kotlik Yupik - 1
- ◆ Icycle Seafoods -1
- ◆ Fishermen’s Finest - 1
- ◆ YDFDA Welding Program - 5

## D. TRAINING

### 1. TRAINING DATA FORM – December 31, 1999

	4th Quarter		Year-to-Date	
	People	Expenditure	People	Expenditure
<b>Scholarships</b>				
University of Alaska	12	\$0	13	\$34,000
Alaska Pacific University	3	\$0	3	\$10,000
Sheldon Jackson College	2	\$0	2	\$10,000
<b>Vocational</b>				
<b>Voc-Tech Classes</b>				
Basic				
Advanced	18	\$73,105	26	\$116,212
<b>Other Training</b>				
Fisheries related – See Emp Sht	4	\$1,410	32	\$15,913
Student Loans				
Interns (see employment)	2	\$2,767	6	\$7,259
Other	6	\$2,800	7	\$3,034
<b>Other Expenditures</b>				
To Educational Institutes				
Educational Endowment Funds				
Other				
<b>Total:</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>\$80,082</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>\$196,418</b>

### 2. SUMMARY

- ◆ Scholarships - 17
- ◆ Voc - Tech Classes - 18
  - Heavy Equipment - 2
  - Automotive Technology - 1
  - Business & Office Technology - 9
  - Diesel Engine Technology - 2
  - Advanced Welding - 4
- ◆ Fisheries Training – 4
- ◆ Interns – 2
- ◆ Other - 6

## **ADMINISTRATION**

### **A. Board Activities**

1. New Board Members  
Cletus Beans, Mountain Village  
John Lamont, Robert Alstrom and Max Agayar, Alakanuk  
George Shellikoff, Grayling
2. The Board of Directors held their meeting in Anchorage December 14 and 15, 1999.

#### Election of Officers:

Chairman: Robert Andrews

Vice-Chairman: John Lamont

Secretary/Treasurer: Joseph Strongheart

#### Substantial Decisions:

Due diligence continues on the purchase of a percentage ownership in the Golden Alaska.

The Board voted to continue the welding program in Seward with a maximum of 10 skiffs in addition to the initial 6 skiffs.

The Board voted to continue funding the Kotlik Fisheries planning position. In addition we will provide funding for a new welding machine.

The Board voted to participate with YRDFFA in a salmon quality preservation project.

The Board voted to pursue a possible joint venture vessel investment with BBEDC.

3. The next Board of Directors meeting will be by teleconference in January.

### **B. CDP Amendments**

Submitted an amendment to propose an alternate CDQ Pacific Cod catch accounting system in November 1999.

Submitted several technical amendments to transfer small quantities of CDQ species into YDFDA and transfer CDQ to other CDQ organizations.

Submitted a Budget Amendment for the year 2000 in December.

**C. Other Issues - None**

## IV. Harvesting Activities

Dec, 31, 1999

	TOTAL HARVESTED	Allocation Totals	Balance Remaining	Percent Harvested
<b>SPECIES</b>				
4D Halibut	74.363	74.585	0.222	99.70%
Arrowtooth flounder	367.485	1,712.920	1,345.435	21.45%
Atka mackerel Eastern AI/BS	198.818	255.000	56.182	77.97%
Atka mackerel Central AI	227.287	336.000	108.713	67.64%
Atka mackerel Western AI	272.681	405.000	132.319	67.33%
Flathead sole	84.394	1,159.500	1,075.106	7.28%
Greenland turbot AI	0.839	42.180	41.341	1.99%
Greenland turbot BS	82.178	108.480	26.302	75.75%
Other flatfish	70.558	2,310.000	2,239.442	3.05%
Other red rockfish BS	4.196	5.305	1.109	79.10%
Other rockfish BS	3.090	8.258	5.168	37.42%
Other rockfish AI	2.431	9.761	7.330	24.90%
Other species	427.663	517.545	89.882	82.63%
Pacific cod	2,343.859	2,522.250	178.391	92.93%
Pacific ocean perch Central AI	49.986	57.750	7.764	86.56%
Pacific ocean perch Western AI	88.010	93.300	5.290	94.33%
Pacific ocean perch Eastern AI	0.000	51.450	51.450	0.00%
Pacific ocean perch BS	0.815	21.000	20.185	3.88%
Pollock BS	13,842.498	13,888.000	45.502	99.67%
Pollock AI	0.000	70.000	70.000	0.00%
Pollock Bogoslof	0.000	14.000	14.000	0.00%
Rock sole	267.996	1,800.000	1,532.004	14.89%
Sablefish fixed gear BS	0.129	33.500	33.371	0.39%
Sablefish fixed gear AI	1.161	31.050	29.889	3.74%
Sablefish Trawl EBS	11.807	16.500	4.693	71.56%
Sablefish Trawl AI	0.000	4.750	4.750	0.00%
Sharpchin/northern AI	47.753	63.450	15.697	75.26%
Shortraker/rougheye AI	5.072	13.751	8.679	36.88%
Yellowfin sole	372.854	4,367.000	3,994.146	8.54%
<b>PSC</b>				
Bairdi tanner Zone 2	5,602	36,612	31,010	15.30%
Baridi tanner Zone 1	617	14,235	13,618	4.33%
Halibut bycatch	47.056	78.919	31.863	59.63%
Non-Chinook salmon	131	441	310	29.70%
Chinook salmon	156	504	348	30.95%
Opilio tanner crab	6,095	84,825	78,730	7.19%
Red king crab Zone 1	30	3,103	3,073	0.97%

## **B. Compliance**

F/V Galaxy Enforcement citation: Received 11/2/99 vessel fished before receiving state authorization. In the spring when we heard of this incident we notified NMFS Enforcement Division of the problem and told the vessel to stop fishing until the situation was straightened out.

## **C. Other Fishing Issues/Activities**

In the fourth quarter YDFDA partner vessels again experienced slow downs as a result of having to wait to obtain Observers before CDQ fishing. Hopefully the shortage of Observers will be solved before 2000.

By-Catch limits of several lesser species reduced some fishing effort.

YDFDA aggressively sought fishing partners to harvest its turbot and sablefish. We were unsuccessful as everyone we spoke to, including all CDQ groups and their partners, were still attempting to catch their own quotas as well as IFQ's.

With the reopening of the Cod season our partner returned to open access, before calling it a season. We left a small quantity of this quota uncaught.

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### **F/V Lisa Marie**

In October the F/V Lisa Marie fished for open access red king crab and APICDA's IFQ halibut. In November and December the F/V Lisa Marie was docked in Seward undergoing annual repairs.

### **F/V Blue Dolphin**

The F/V Blue Dolphin was drydocked in Dutch Harbor.

### **32-Foot Vessels**

The sale of two 32-foot vessels to APICDA is pending completion. The last two 32-foot vessels are in Seattle pending sale.

