

FISHERMEN'S ROUNDTABLE: COPPER RIVER SALMON HARVESTERS

DECEMBER 1, 2017 5:30 – 9:00 PM

VALDEZ CIVIC CENTER

DINNER SERVED AT 5:30 PM

ROUNDTABLE BEGINS AT 6:15 PM

INTRODUCTIONS

- Introduction and welcome to the roundtable from the Copper River Watershed Project
- Introduce facilitator, Davin Holen, Alaska Sea Grant program
- Participants: give your name, and what is your connection to the Copper River?

A WORD FROM DAVE COUSENS, MAINE LOBSTERMEN'S ASSOCIATION

A word from a participant in the Maine Fishermen's Climate Roundtable (video chat)

DESCRIPTION OF COPPER RIVER FISHERIES BY USER GROUP

Ask one person from each fishery type to describe how that fishery works (2 – 3 minutes each)

LATEST SCIENCE AND MONITORING: Native Village of Eyak: Chinook mark/recapture project

FACILITATED DISCUSSION

1. What are your biggest questions about fisheries science in the Copper River Watershed?
2. What are your biggest questions about fishery management in the Copper River Watershed?
3. What changes have you observed in the climate and ecosystem over your lifetime?
 - a. How has your fishery changed?
 - b. How has your gear changed?
 - c. Have you changed areas where you fish and if so why?
4. What species are you most concerned about for the future?
5. What science related questions do you have that you would like to see addressed and/or answered (through new research or otherwise)?
6. If we could bring in experts to give a presentation what kind of science presentation would you like to see?

QUICK REPORT OUT

Summarize 1-2 questions the group has related to either science or management.

What are the major changes that the group agrees upon that they have seen over their lifetime?

CLOSING

Recap of process, what we heard this evening, and potential future for this effort.