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**January 17, 2017** -- The Alaska Seafood Marketing Institute (ASMI) is pleased to announce the Alaska sablefish (black cod) fishery has been awarded continued certification to the Alaska Responsible Fisheries Management (RFM) Certification Program.

The Alaska sablefish fishery was first certified to the Alaska RFM Certification Program in October 2011 and in early 2016 began the process of re-assessment. The reassessment was conducted using Alaska RFM Standard Version 1.3. Details of the assessment can be found in the [Final Assessment Report](#).

*According to the final assessment report, "The Alaska sablefish fishery achieved full conformity to each of the conformance criteria evaluated. The Assessment Team recommended that the management system of the applicant fishery, the US Alaska Sablefish fishery, under federal (NMFS/NPFMC) and state (ADFG) management, fished with benthic longline, pots and trawl gear (within Alaska's 200 nm EEZ), should be awarded continuing certification to the Alaska RFM Certification Program."*

Congratulations to the Alaska RFM Certification sablefish fishery client - [Fishing Vessels Owners' Association \(Eat on the Wild Side\)](#)!

We welcome any feedback or questions you may have at [rfm@alaskaseafood.org](mailto:rfm@alaskaseafood.org)  
For more information on Alaska RFM certification go to <http://www.alaskaseafood.org/rfm-certification/>

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