March 14, 2017 -- The Alaska Seafood Marketing Institute (ASMI) is pleased to announce the Alaska salmon fishery has been awarded continued certification to the Alaska Responsible Fisheries Management (RFM) Certification Program.

In March 2011, the Alaska salmon fishery was the first fishery to be certified to the Alaska RFM Certification Program. The reassessment was conducted using Alaska RFM Standard Version 1.3. A 30-day public comment period was conducted from January 23, 2017 through February 21, 2017. No stakeholder comments were submitted. Details of the assessment can be found in the Final Assessment Report.

"More than 90% of the wild salmon harvested in the United States comes from Alaska's waters and with continued RFM certification, buyer's can be confident they are sourcing wild salmon responsibly," states ASMI's Sustainability Director, Susan Marks.

Congratulations to the Alaska RFM Certification salmon fishery client - Alaska Fisheries Development Foundation, Inc. "Alaskans are proud of the strong fisheries management system which is integrated into the Alaska Constitution," said Julie Decker, Executive Director of Alaska Fisheries Development Foundation. "The recertification of the Alaska salmon fishery is an important achievement for fishing families and processors who rely on the sustainability of this resource to maintain jobs and economic activity in Alaska's coastal communities."

We welcome any feedback or questions you may have at rfm@alaskaseafood.org
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