

## Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development

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Dear Municipal Official:

The Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development is pleased to announce availability of the FFY 2018 Shared Fisheries Business Tax Program. The purpose of the program is to allocate a share of state fish tax collected outside municipal boundaries with municipalities that have been affected by fishing industry activities. Municipalities around the state will share approximately \$1.6 million based on 2016 fisheries activity as reported by fish processors on their fish tax returns. Details of how the program works are included in the application under *Program Description*.

Historically, your municipality along with the other communities in your fisheries management area (FMA) has filed using the alternative method. I have attached a separate sheet that details the communities that are in your FMA, as well as the anticipated payment based on your agreed upon allocation method from last year. If this agreement is still in place with your FMA, you will only need to have your Council/Assembly pass the enclosed alternative method sample resolution in order to participate in the program.

If your FMA intends to change the alternative method of allocation, the new proposal must be submitted to our office no later than **January 15, 2018**. If an agreement cannot be made with all communities in your FMA, you will need to file using the standard method and claim your significant effects. Instructions on both of these methods are detailed in the application packet.

## DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION OF COMPLETED APPLICATION IS FEBRUARY 15, 2018.

Applications can be scanned and emailed to <u>caa@alaska.gov</u> with the subject line <u>"Municipality Name, FY18, SFBT"</u> If you have any questions about the program or require assistance in completing the application, please contact me at <u>kimberly.phillips@alaska.gov</u> or call (907) 451-2718.

Sincerely,

Kimberly Phillips

Grants Administrator II

Enclosures

FMA 14: Cook Inlet Area				
Alternative Method*	Total allocation:	50% Divided	50% per capita	
	\$39,276.39	\$19,638.19	\$19,638.19	
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Community	Population	50% divided share	50% per capita share	Allocation
MOA	299,037	\$1,636.52	\$11,818.27	\$13,454.79
Homer	5,252	\$1,636.52	\$207.56	\$1,844.08
Kachemak	479	\$1,636.52	\$18.93	\$1,655.45
Kenai	7,098	\$1,636.52	\$280.52	\$1,917.04
KPB	58,060	\$1,636.52	\$2,294.60	\$3,931.11
Seldovia	206	\$1,636.52	\$8.14	\$1,644.66
Seward	2,663	\$1,636.52	\$105.24	\$1,741.76
Soldotna	4,376	\$1,636.52	\$172.94	\$1,809.46
MSB	102,598	\$1,636.52	\$4,054.79	\$5,691.30
Houston	2,163	\$1,636.52	\$85.48	\$1,722.00
Palmer	6,268	\$1,636.52	\$247.72	\$1,884.23
Wasilla	8,704	\$1,636.52	\$343.99	\$1,980.51
Totals	496,904	\$19,638.19	\$19,638.19	\$39,276.39
<b>Community Count</b>	12		# SE	,,_,

<sup>\*</sup> All municipalities share 50% of allocation equally; share remaining 50% on a per capita basis.