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## UNITED FISHERMEN OF ALASKA ENDORSES ANWR

The United Fishermen of Alaska, representing thirty-four major fishing organizations whose membership includes thousands of individuals that harvest finfish and shellfish off the coast of Alaska and the adjoining Exclusive Economic Zone, have long supported environmentally sound resource development policies.

Fishing fleets around the world operate with diesel engine powered vessels. The economic viability of the fishing fleets around the coasts of the United

States depend on a stable, cost effective source of fuel. Fuel costs have risen 43% in the last year, and today they are at a record high in the United States.

Stable production and prices require reduced dependence on foreign oil resources.

The United Fishermen of Alaska recognizes the Trans-Alaska pipeline has proven over time to be an environmentally sound oil extraction system and it has been producing twenty per cent of U.S. oil needs.

With the continued advance of technology in environmentally sound oil extraction techniques that have lead to minimal footprints on the earth's surface, the United Fishermen of Alaska are confident that the oil resources of the ANWR plain can be developed in an environmentally sound manner.

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### MEMBER ORGANIZATIONS

Alaska Crab Coalition • Alaska Draggers Association • Alaska Longline Fishermen's Association • Alaska Trollers Association • At-sea Processors Association • Bristol Bay Reserve  
Chignik Regional Aquaculture Association • Chignik Seiners Association • Concerned Area "M" Fishermen • Cook Inlet Aquaculture Association • Cordova District Fishermen United  
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