Oceans Alaska

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501c3 Non-Profit, Community-Based.
Vision: Alaska has a strong & sustainable mariculture industry that supports vibrant coastal communities
Purpose: To provide applied research, training, education, outreach, and technology development & transfer to expand economic potential of shellfish, mariculture, and related activities
Site Development
Mariculture Facility
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Mariculture Research
and Training Facility
Construction

- Contractors Bicknell, Western Dock & Bridge, BAM awarded contracts totaling over $3.2 million
- R&M Engineering, Keith Nelson, Steve Peters Architects
- Funded by Economic Development Administration, Housing and Urban Development, State of Alaska
- Move-in October, 2011
$31 million industry in 20 years, creating hundreds of jobs in coastal communities

Washington’s farmed shellfish production was $108M in 2009. B.C. Estimated potential for shellfish mariculture CN$760M

Year-round Jobs: Processors/cannery workers, fuel, transportation, grocery, etc.

Sustainable: Increasing demand, environmentally friendly—no pesticides, antibiotics, fertilizers
Initiatives

- Seed Security & Quality
- Oyster Nursery & Training
- Training & Outreach
- Mariculture Research
- Geoduck Nursery
- Resource Hub
Partners

- Alaska Shellfish Cooperative
- Sealaska/Haa Aani
- Yak–Tat Kwaan, Hoonah, Kake
- Individual oyster growers– Naukati
- Aluutiq Shellfish Hatchery
- Southeast Alaska Regional Dive Fisheries
- University of Alaska Southeast/UAF
- Ketchikan Gateway Borough School District
- Sea Grant Marine Advisory Program
Public Support

- Education & Training
- Applied Research
- Seed Security for Small Businesses
- Infrastructure
- Regulatory Assistance
- Mariculture Loan Program
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2nd Annual

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Shellfish Festival

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 27
5 – 9 pm
Ted Ferry Civic Center

Tickets $30
David Mitchel 225-7900 Phil Doherty 225-2853

Participating Restaurants: Annabelle’s ♦ Cape Fox ♦ Jeremiah’s ♦ The Narrows
Beer and wine donated by: Odom Distributors ♦ K&L Distributors ♦ Specialty Imports

Sponsored by: SARDFA ♦ OceansAlaska ♦ ASGA

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