

Project information and access system prototype

Abstract: As of 2001 there was no integrated archive or information management system for historic and newly collected data, estimates, project descriptions, reports or contacts pertinent to management of subsistence fisheries throughout Alaska. Relevant data and information were and are managed by separate divisions within the State of Alaska's Department of Fish and Game, and by federal partners in subsistence management. Since information is often the desired end product of accessing data, establishment of a system that provided efficient access to information about projects, final reports, data summaries and contacts was proposed. An integrated and interactive system would reduce the time commitment by information management professionals to address information queries. A prototype of such an information system to demonstrate functionality and benefits is described. A budget analysis is also presented in regards to the cost of implementing and maintaining a fully developed interactive information access system for data relevant to the management of subsistence fisheries in Alaska.

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