

January 18, 2018 -- The Alaska Seafood Marketing Institute (ASMI) is pleased to announce two new Alaska crab fisheries have been certified to the Alaska Responsible Fisheries Management (RFM) Standard and the three original RFM certified Alaska crab fisheries have earned continued certification.

Alaska Crab Fisheries Newly Certified to Alaska RFM:

- Eastern Bering Sea Tanner Crab (Chionoecetes bairdi)
- Aleutian Islands Golden King Crab (Lithodes aequispinus)

Alaska Crab Fisheries Re-Certified to Alaska RFM:

- Bristol Bay Red King crab (Paralithodes camtschaticus)
- St. Matthew Island Blue King crab (Paralithodes platypus)
- Eastern Bering Sea Snow crab (Chionoecetes opilio)

"Congratulations to the Bering Sea Crab Client Group LLC and their certification achievement. Both the reassessed crab fisheries and the new additions scored high in each of the assessment criteria exemplifying their fisheries management excellence," states Susan Marks, ASMI Sustainability Director.

<u>Click here</u> to view the complete certification assessment report. The assessments were conducted by Global Trust Certification Ltd. using Alaska RFM Standard Version 1.3. A 30-day public comment period was held prior to the final certification decision.

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