Robert Foy, Ph.D.
Science and Research Director
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Robert (Bob) Foy is the Science and Research Director of the Alaska Fisheries Science Center (AFSC). Bob joined NOAA Fisheries in 2007 as the Director of the AFSC Kodiak Laboratory and Program Manager for the Shellfish Assessment Program. He led the program on assessment, biological, and ecological research of commercial crab species in Alaska. Bob earned a B.S. in Biology from the University of Michigan and an M.S. in Fisheries and Ph.D. in Oceanography from the University of Alaska.

Stephanie Madsen
Executive Director
At-Sea Processors Association

Stephanie Madsen has been involved in Alaska fisheries since arriving in Alaska more than forty years ago. She has lived in the fishery-dependent communities of Cordova, Kodiak, Unalaska/Dutch Harbor and now Juneau, so she understands firsthand the importance of healthy, sustainable fisheries to thriving communities. Having served six years on the North Pacific Fishery Management Council, four of those as Chair, Stephanie was involved in establishing the Arctic Fishery Management Plan and the Aleutian Islands Fisheries Ecosystem Plan and designing catch-share type programs in several fisheries. She continues to serve the Council as member of the Ecosystem Committee. Stephanie is the Executive Director of the At-Sea Processors Association.

Molly McCammon
Former Executive Director
Alaska Ocean Observing System

Molly McCammon is the treasurer of the Integrated Ocean Observing System (IOOS) Association, a Consortium for Ocean Leadership trustee, and member of the national Ocean Research Advisory Panel. She is the former Executive Director of the Alaska Ocean Observing System (AOOS), the Alaska regional component of IOOS, based in Anchorage. She is a past member of the National Research Council’s Polar Research Board, serving on its Committee on Designing an Arctic Observing Network. Molly also served on the initial Advisory Group for the National Academy of Science’s Gulf Research Program. In Alaska, she serves as the Municipality of Anchorage representative to the Cook Inlet Citizens Advisory Council and as a member of the Alaska Sea Grant Advisory Committee and Alaska Center for Climate Assessment and Policy Steering Committee. Molly moved to Alaska in 1973 after graduating from the
University of California Berkeley, and spent her early years in Alaska as a journalist, homesteader in the Brooks Range, and natural resource policy specialist for state government.

Vera Kingeekuk Metcalf
Director
Eskimo Walrus Commission

Vera Kingeekuk Metcalf was born and raised in Savoonga (Sivungaq) on St. Lawrence Island, Alaska. Since 2002, Vera has been the Director of the Eskimo Walrus Commission (EWC) at Kawerak, Inc., working with communities in the promotion of community involvement in research, documentation of local traditional ecological knowledge, and co-management of the Pacific walrus population. Vera represents the EWC in various forums, including the Indigenous People’s Council on Marine Mammals, the Arctic Marine Mammal Coalition, and the Arctic Waterways Safety Committee. Vera is a Commissioner on the U.S. Arctic Research Commission, an Advisory Panel member of the North Pacific Research Board, a Steering Committee member for the Alaska Center for Climate Assessment and Policy, Special Advisor on Native Affairs for the Marine Mammal Commission, and a member of the Inuit Circumpolar Council Executive Committee. Vera is also a Commissioner for the U.S. Department of State, facilitating travel between Chukotka, Russia, and the Bering Strait region of Alaska. Vera is a strong advocate for the subsistence lifestyles of Alaska Native peoples, and is passionate about strengthening Alaska Native languages and cultures.

Stephanie Quinn-Davidson, Ph.D.
Program Director of Fisheries and Communities
Alaska Venture Fund

Dr. Stephanie Quinn-Davidson is a fisheries scientist and has worked in salmon fisheries in Alaska for the past decade. She is currently the program director of Fisheries and Communities with the Alaska Venture Fund. Previously, Stephanie was the Director of the Yukon River Inter-Tribal Fish Commission with Tanana Chiefs Conference and before that, she worked as a fishery biologist and fishery manager for the Alaska Department of Fish and Game. Before moving to Alaska, she was a professor in the Environmental Studies and Biology Departments at St. Olaf College in Northfield, Minnesota. Born in Wisconsin, she is an enrolled member of the Brothertown Indian Tribe of Wisconsin.
Norman Van Vactor  
CEO/President  
Bristol Bay Economic Development Corporation  

Norman Van Vactor is the CEO/President of Bristol Bay Economic Development Corporation, one of six Community Development Quota organizations in the State of Alaska. Since assuming the position three years ago, Norman and his wife proudly call Bristol Bay home. Prior to his tenure with BBEDC, Norman worked in the Alaska fishing industry for more than 30 years, starting as a crewman on a fishing vessel and culminating in a variety of senior management positions principally in Alaska’s salmon fishery. Over the years, Norman has demonstrated his passion not only for his vocation, but also in working toward ensuring sustainable fisheries, sustainable communities, and protecting the environment. He serves and has served on a variety of boards in both appointed and volunteer roles.

Doug Vincent-Lang  
Commissioner  
Alaska Department of Fish and Game  

Doug Vincent-Lang spent his 34-year public service career at the Alaska Department of Fish and Game before accepting the position of Commissioner in January 2019. A scientist with a focus on fulfilling the department’s mission, Vincent-Lang began work at the department as a fisheries research and management biologist for the Division of Sport Fish in 1981. He held the positions of regional management and research coordinator and assistant director for 28 years in the Division of Sport Fish. In 2012 he was named Director of the Division of Wildlife where he managed Alaska's wildlife under the sustained yield principles and public trust doctrine principles. He led legislative wildlife issues on the state, national and international levels. In addition to his experience in both fisheries and wildlife management, Doug has served as the Endangered Species Act Coordinator for the State of Alaska. He has represented the state on a wide range of policy issues including climate change, arctic, and marine policy issues. He holds a B.S. in Biology/Population Dynamics from the University of Wisconsin–Green Bay and an M.S. in Biological Oceanography from the University of Alaska Fairbanks.