



North Pacific Fishery Management Council

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Dr. Betsy Baker, Executive Director
North Pacific Research Board
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Via Email: betsy.baker@nprb.org

Dear Betsy:

I am pleased to notify you that I have selected Mr. Andy Mezirow to sit on the North Pacific Research Board as the official designated representative of the Chairman of the North Pacific Fishery Management Council.

Mr. Mezirow has an extensive background in marine research, fishery management, and sport fisheries in Alaska, and will bring that experience to the North Pacific Research Board. In 1995, Andy gave up command of the EPA Research Vessel *Peter W. Anderson* in Maryland to come Alaska to work as the Chief Navigational Officer on the Research Vessel *Alpha Helix* on a two-month trip to the Chukchi sea. After sailing as master or chief mate on a number of government and private research vessels all over the world, the draw to the true last frontier, the Arctic, was what motivated his move north to Alaska. Since then Andy has been operating a well-known sport fishing business in Seward and has continued to participate in fishery surveys and specimen collection trips for various science projects in the Gulf of Alaska.

Andy has served on the board of directors of the Alaska Marine Safety Association, the National Association of Charter Boat Operators, and is the Alaska Representative for the International Game Fish Association.

Please let me know if you require additional information.

Sincerely,

Simon Kinneen
Chairman, NPFMC

cc: Mr. Andy Mezirow