



CDQ Program

- Purpose:
 - To provide eligible Western Alaska villages with the opportunity to participate and invest in fisheries in the Bering Sea and Aleutian islands management area
 - Support economic development in Western Alaska
 - Alleviate poverty and provide economic and social benefits for residents of Western Alaska
 - Achieve sustainable, diversified local economies
- 80% of all CDQ investments must be fisheries-related.
- Board of Directors must be made up of resident fishermen.

Toksook Bay

Statutory Authority

The 65 communities in the CDQ program are identified in statute and were selected based on several criteria:

- Proximity to the coast (within 50 miles) and BSAI fisheries.
- Recognition as a Native village.
- Lack of previously developed commercial fishing or processing capacity.

While designation as a Native village was a selection criterion, program benefits extend to all residents of CDQ communities.

The CDQ program was made permanent under a 1996 bill reauthorizing the Magnuson-Stevens Fisheries Conservation and Management Act (MSA).

St. Paul Island



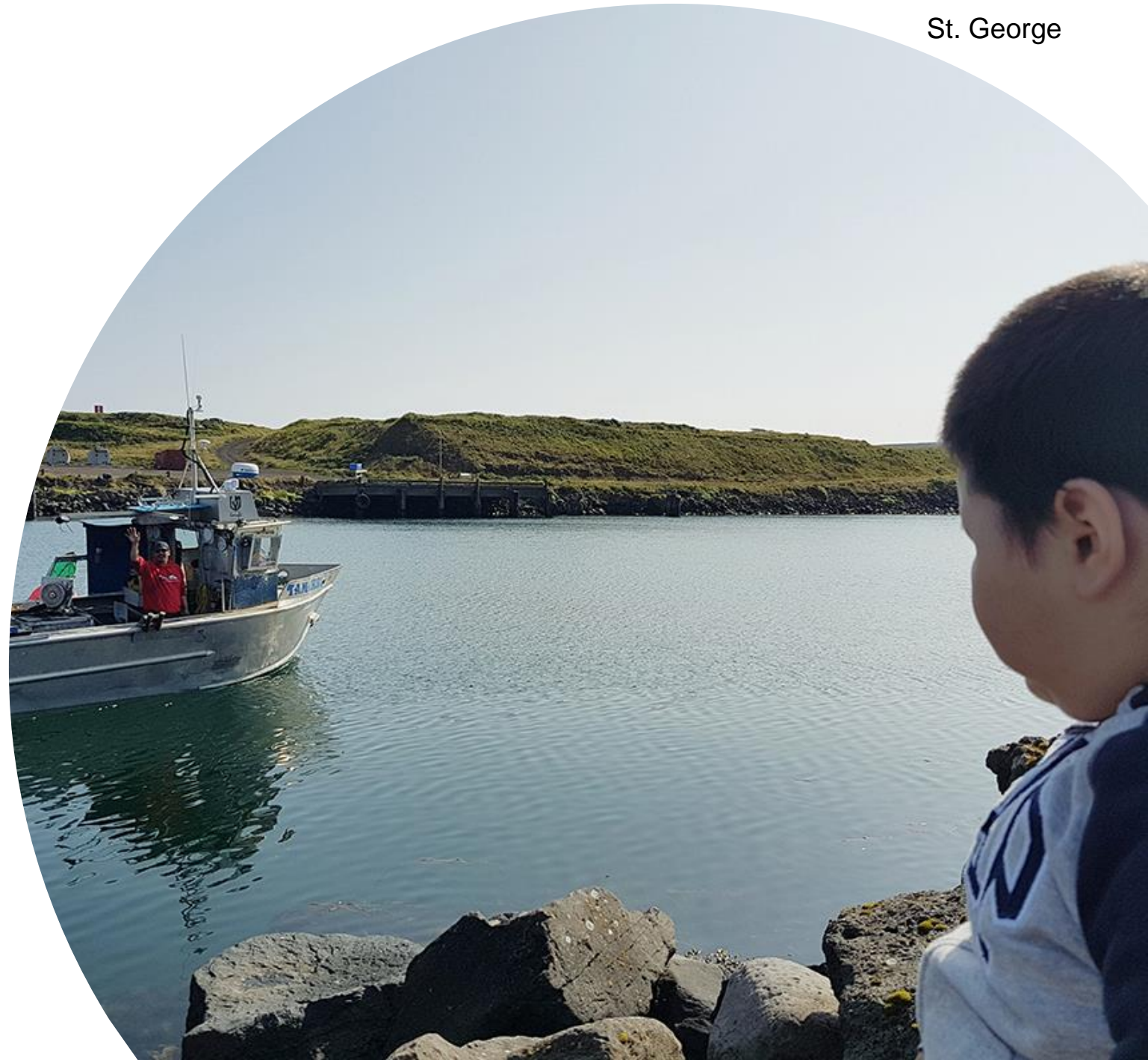
Employment

- Providing direct employment opportunities is the primary economic initiative of several groups.
- Approximately 5,000 jobs and \$260 million in annual labor income can be attributed to CDQ groups, including all aspects of the program (BSAI industry jobs, jobs associated with development programs and multiplier effects). More than 2,300 of these positions are in-region.
- Many groups have robust youth employment and internship programs to provide job skills to 14-18 year olds.



Increasing access to fisheries through operational support

- Assistance with vessel and permit purchases
- Revolving loan programs
- Vessel upgrades for quality improvements
- Preseason advances
- Tender and ice support
- Market Access
- Administrative support
- Small boat halibut and salmon fishery support
- Over \$5 Million on average paid in state and local taxes from CDQ fishery activities





Collaborative Fisheries Research

CDQ groups work with community partners, industry and management agencies to help fund essential science and research.

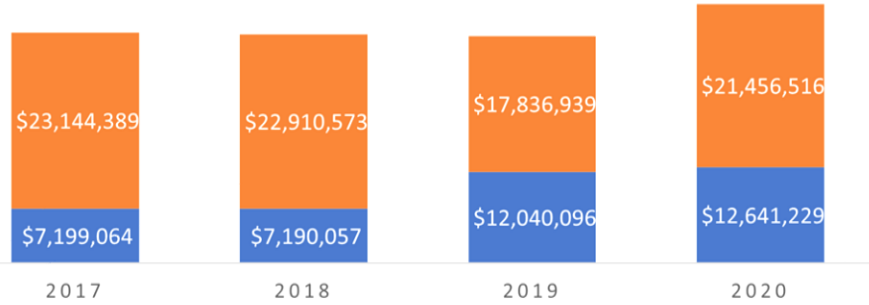
- Norton Sound Fisheries Research and Development
- Bristol Bay Science and Research Institute (BBSRI)
- Yukon Delta Fisheries Development Association Science Program
- Alaska King Crab Research, Rehabilitation and Biology Program (AKCRRAB)

In 2020, CDQ groups invested \$5.5 million towards research efforts.

Bristol Bay

CDQ COMMUNITY CAPITAL INVESTMENTS

■ Infrastructure Projects ■ Community Benefit Projects



Infrastructure Development

- Over \$30 Million is invested annually in local infrastructure
- Funding leverages state, federal and private resources
- Funding assistance for small boat harbors
- Boat maintenance and haul-out facilities
- Shoreside processing plants
- Fuel Farms
- Fish handling facilities
- Critical community support services: water, electricity, and heating
- Community Centers

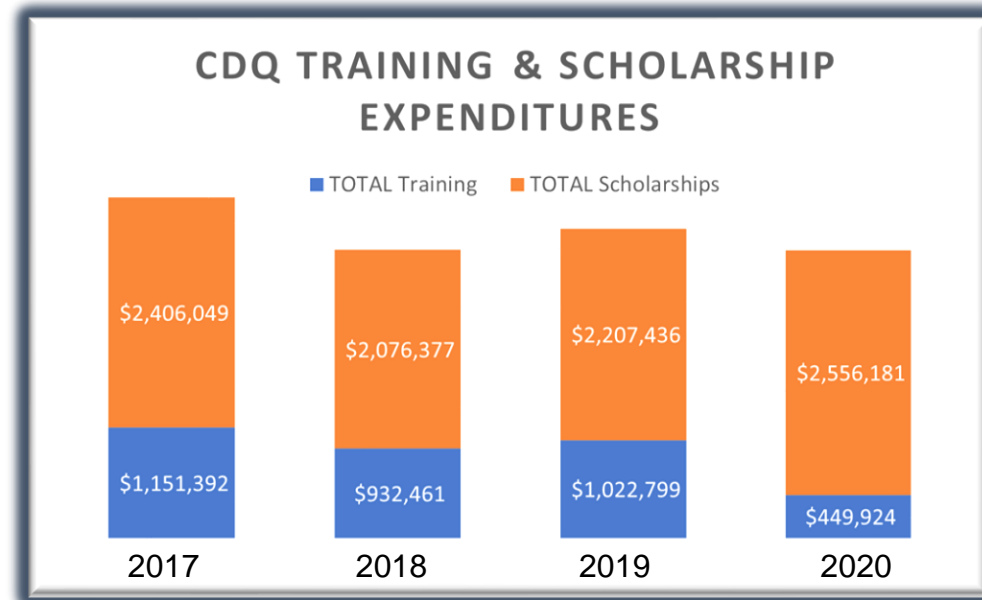
Emmonak, Lower Yukon River Regional Port



NSEDC's Commercial Pilot
Scholarship

Training and Education

- Scholarships
- Internships
- Vocational training in partnership with state and non-profit entities
- Marine safety and first-aid
- Fisheries education and salmon camp
- Early childhood education funding
- School grants
- Culture Camp support



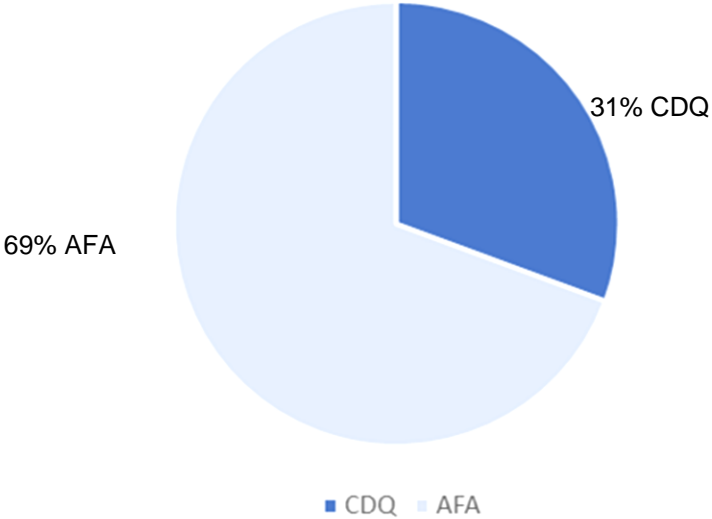
In 2020, \$3.1 million in educational funding was provided to nearly 1,000 students.

Pollock Ownership

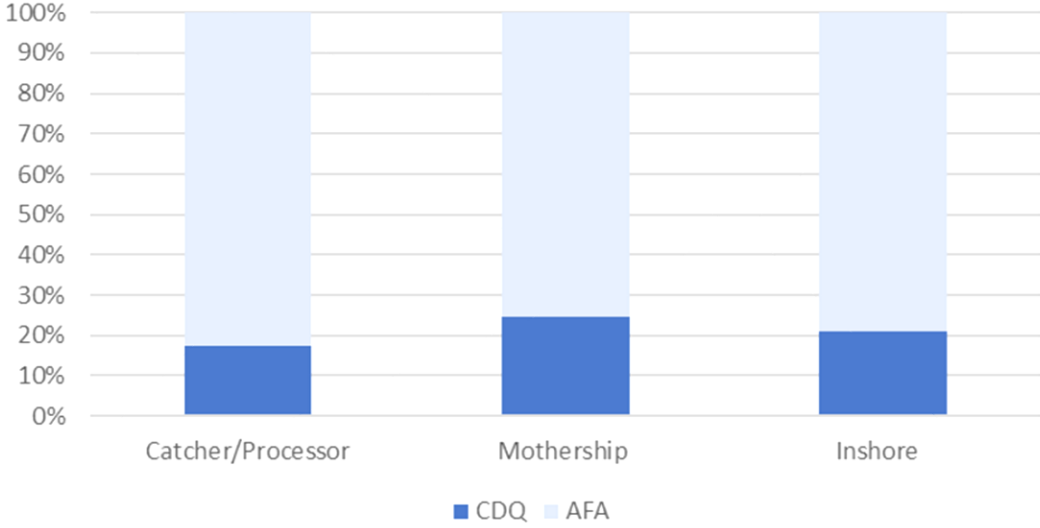


- Through CDQ investments over the past thirty years, Alaska community interest in the pollock fishery has grown to approximately 30 percent of the fishery
- The CDQ sector is involved in CP, mothership and inshore activity
- Pollock related revenue of the six groups supports the majority their community program and benefit work.

CDQ Direct Control



Direct CDQ Ownership by Sector



Summary

Quinhagak Youth
to Work employees

- The CDQ program plays a critically important role in local economies and employment in Western Alaska.
- Tens of millions of dollars are invested annually in essential infrastructure, education, and local fisheries.
- Over the past 30 years the sector has successfully increased community and Alaska ownership in many federal groundfish, crab, and IFQ fisheries to support its mission.
- CDQ groups are committed to helping identify meaningful pathways to help mitigate the impacts of salmon declines on Western Alaska communities.





Thank you

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