

# **THE PACIFIC AQUACULTURE CAUCUS**

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# PAC HISTORY

- **DOC/NOAA SUMMER OF 1999  
AQUACULTURE WORKSHOP**
- **DOC DEPARTMENT-WIDE POLICY  
FOR MARINE AQUACULTURE**
- **THEME – WORKING TOGETHER .....  
TO DEVELOP MARINE  
AQUACULTURE IN THE 21<sup>st</sup>  
CENTURY**

# **DOC POLICY TARGETS**

- **Increase value of domestic production from \$900m to \$5b to offset the \$6b annual trade deficit in seafood**
- **Increase jobs from 180,000 to 600,000**
- **Increase exports of goods and services from \$500m to \$2.5b annually**
- **Develop a Code of Conduct, responsible technologies, enhance depleted stocks, etc.**

# **PACIFIC BREAK-OUT GROUP**

- **The need for National and Regional advocacy for aquaculture**
- **A credible, authoritative voice to dispel myths, promote facts, and generally advocate for the sector**

# PACIFIC AQUACULTURE CAUCUS

- Founded in 2000
- Incorporated in the State of Washington
- Non-profit Organization under Section 501(c)(6)
- [www.pacaqua.org](http://www.pacaqua.org)
- The logo



# THE MISSION OF PAC

- **Promote economically-viable and environmentally-responsible aquaculture for the Pacific region through sound public policy and best-available science**

# THE GOAL OF PAC

- **A pro-active and transparent organization for collective leadership of aquaculture in the Pacific region**
- **A mechanism to assist in the enactment of enabling legislation, guide strategies and policies for development, coordinate and promote activities at all levels, build coalitions and partnerships between stakeholders for common advantage, resolve issues constraining development, and act as the clearing-house for information.**
- **A strong advocate for aquaculture, in any of its diverse forms.**

# **EIGHT POINT PLAN**

**Assist national, state, local, and tribal governments to base regulatory measures on a scientific basis**

- **Support the best use of production systems to ensure development compatible with social and environmental needs**
- **Facilitate the development and use of best practices and protocols by the industry to minimize all risks**
- **Encourage coordination and collaboration among stakeholders to fulfill desirable goals**
- **Promote, coordinate, and assist programs of scientific research and technical development to make the best use of available resources**
- **Advise, within its competence, on any matter appropriate to the promotion and development of aquaculture and its products**
- **Undertake specific tasks to study and resolve issues**
- **Provide a focal point for gathering and disseminating information**



# **ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS**

- **Drafted and distributed RESOLUTIONS on National and State issues**
- **Organized WORKSHOPS on issues**
- **Conducted regular and open BOARD MEETINGS**

# **PAC MEMBERSHIP**

- **PRIMARY MEMBERS - \$250 pa**
- **SECONDARY MEMBERS - \$25 pa**