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Jobs are Alaska's Future



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### Recruiting for More Than 1,400 Seafood Workers Begins Now

(Juneau) –State labor officials are encouraging both experienced and entry-level seafood processing workers to apply now at an Alaska Job Center to begin filling more than 1,400 processing jobs for Alaska's 2006 commercial seafood season.

“The season is almost here and it's important for workers to contact job recruiters soon,” said Department of Labor & Workforce Development Commissioner Greg O'Claray. “These seasonal jobs are an excellent opportunity for seafood processing workers to earn money quickly and continue to move up the career ladder.”

Major openings include 270 processing positions for the two-week Bristol Bay herring season in May in Naknek with Yardarm Knot Fisheries, Togiak Fisheries, Pedersen Point and Baywatch. Additional processing jobs for work beginning in May and June include 50 positions at Westward Seafoods in Dutch Harbor, and 20 openings with Norquest Seafoods on floating processors.

Openings also exist for more technical positions including quality control technicians, cooks, production managers, refrigeration mechanics/engineers and electricians. Additional processing job openings are expected and will be announced as the season continues. Large salmon season recruitments for seafood workers will begin in May.

Several companies are accepting faxed applications statewide and will interview by telephone with verifiable references.

To apply for current seafood job openings:

- Contact the Alaska Job Center Network, at 269-4775 in Anchorage, or toll free statewide at 1-800-473-0688.
- Visit the Alaska Job Center Network online at [www.jobs.state.ak.us](http://www.jobs.state.ak.us) and click on “Seafood Jobs.”

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The Alaska Job Center Network provides this current summary of seafood processing job opportunities and interview schedule:

<b>Location</b>	<b>Openings</b>	<b>Companies Hiring</b>	<b>In-Person Interview Dates</b>
Akutan and At-Sea	50	Trident Seafoods	April 4, Anchorage Midtown Job Center (AMT)
Dutch Harbor	50	Westward Seafoods	April 6, AMT
Naknek	50	Baywatch	April 12, AMT
Seward	50	Icicle Seafoods, Seward Fisheries	April 14 AMT
Naknek	80	Yardarm Knot	April 17, 18, Kodiak Job Center
Naknek	40	Yardarm Knot	April 19, 20, AMT
Pedersen Point	80	Pedersen Point	April 25-27, AMT
Togiak	60	Togiak Fisheries	April 25, 26, 27, AMT
King Cove	50	Peter Pan Seafoods	May: TBA, AMT
At-Sea	50	At-Sea Job Fair	May 18, AMT
Seward	25	Resurrection Bay Seafoods	See job posting at <a href="http://www.jobs.state.ak.us">www.jobs.state.ak.us</a> .
Seward	15	Polar Seafoods	See job posting at <a href="http://www.jobs.state.ak.us">www.jobs.state.ak.us</a> .
Sitka	5	Baranof Frozen Foods	See job posting at <a href="http://www.jobs.state.ak.us">www.jobs.state.ak.us</a> .

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