



Commissioner Richard Yamada Biography

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Richard has been involved in Alaska's recreational fishery for over 35 years as a sport fishing lodge owner, charter captain, and recreational fishing advocate at the state, federal, and international level. He is co-author of the CATCH (Catch Accountability Through Compensated Halibut) Report: Integrating a Recreational Fishery into a Catch Share Program and has walked the concept through the North Pacific Fishery Management Council process through its implementation with the creation of a Recreational Quota Entity (2018) in the Alaska Individual Fishing Quota Program. Richard is the current President of the Alaska Charter Association and a member of NOAA's Marine Fisheries Advisory Committee (MAFAC) that advises the US Secretary of Commerce on all marine matters.