

Circle Seafoods

Southeast Alaska

\$5MM Bridge Loan Support Innovative Regenerative and Sustainable Fishing and Seafood Operations

Clearinghouse CDFI (CCDFI) participated in a transformative seafood processing project, providing \$5,000,000 in NMTC Source loan to Circle Seafoods. This contribution is part of an overall \$13,000,000 NMTC Source loan, supporting a \$26 million NMTC transaction for the innovative development of a mobile salmon processing facility, revolutionizing the Alaskan wild salmon industry.

Circle Seafoods promises to increase the value of wild fish with a process that is more efficient, profitable, and fair, ensuring a positive long-term impact on Alaska's wile salmon industry. Their innovative approach involves a mobile processing facility on water, maximizing ecological benefits such as supporting local fishing communities, reducing waste by using 100% of the salmon carcass, and avoiding harmful chemicals in processing. This project, transforming a maritime barge into a cold-storage and salmon freezing facility, was supported by a bridge Source loan from CCDFI, along with three other CDFIs including from Native American Bank, and National Community Investment Fund. and fellow B Corp. Go Steward Lending.

With a focus on sustainability and efficiency, Circle Seafoods is committed to revolutionizing the wild salmon industry. By improving the supply chain, the company is set to make a substantial impact on the quality, distribution, and availability of wild salmon, benefiting both the industry and consumers alike

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