

An aerial photograph of Dillingham, Alaska, showing the town and surrounding water. The town is built on a narrow strip of land, with a large body of water to the left and a smaller body to the right. The sky is overcast and grey.

North Aleutian Basin Energy Fisheries Workshop

Dillingham Presentation – Opportunities and Concerns

Dillingham 2004

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Dillingham

- **Current Population:** 2,397
- **Incorporation Type:** 1st Class City
- **Taxes:**
 - **Sales:** 6%,
 - **Property:** 13.0 mills,
 - **Special:** 10% Alcohol Tax;
 - **10% Gaming Tax;**
 - **10% Accommodations Tax**

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- **economic, transportation, and public service center for western Bristol Bay.**
- **regional center for government and services.**



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- Commercial fishing, fish processing, cold storage and support of the fishing industry are the primary activities.
- Many residents depend on subsistence activities and trapping of beaver, otter, mink, lynx and fox provide cash income. Salmon, grayling, pike, moose, bear, caribou, and berries are harvested.

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An aerial photograph of Dillingham, Alaska, showing the town built on a narrow peninsula. The town is surrounded by water, and the background shows a vast, flat landscape under a cloudy sky. The text is overlaid on the image.

- Traditionally a Yup'ik Eskimo area, with Russian influences, Dillingham is now a highly mixed population of non-Natives and Natives.
- The outstanding commercial fishing opportunities in the Bristol Bay area are the focus of the local culture.

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Position on Oil & Gas Development



An aerial photograph of Dillingham, Alaska, showing a coastal town with buildings and roads, surrounded by water and marshland. The sky is overcast.

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The Issue

Added economic benefit

VS

Sensitive natural resources

Fish, game & habitat

An aerial photograph of Dillingham, Alaska, showing a coastal town with buildings and infrastructure, surrounded by water and a large body of water in the foreground. The sky is overcast.

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If not off shore
oil/gas then what?

An aerial photograph of a coastal town, likely Dillingham, Alaska. The town is situated on a narrow strip of land, with a large body of water (likely a bay or fjord) to the right and a smaller body of water to the left. The town features several buildings, a road, and a small airport. The sky is overcast with grey clouds. The text is overlaid on the image in white, bold font.

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Yes to Commercial Salmon Fishery

Yes to Enhanced Salmon Quality

Yes to competing in the global market

Yes to commercial recreation

Yes to small business development - we salute the entrepreneur and structure local codes and taxes

Yes to preservation of culture and current quality of life

Yes to on-shore oil/gas development

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**Yes to partnerships (city/tribe, school/city,
and more)**

**Yes to small scale mineral resource
development (gravel, etc.)**

**Yes to alternative energy & developing the
same responsibly**

**Yes to "paying our own way" with 13 mill
property tax, 6% sales tax, 10%
bed/alcohol tax**

Yes to volunteerism - civic responsibility

An aerial photograph of Dillingham, Alaska, showing a small town built on a narrow strip of land. The town is surrounded by water, with a large body of water in the foreground and a smaller inlet behind it. The sky is overcast with grey clouds. The text "Dillingham" is overlaid in white at the top center.

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Look forward to
continuing
conversation

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