

Sen Don Young Video Transcription

Hello I am Congressman Don Young. Thank you for inviting me to make this short video. I have been a long time supporter of NOAA as you know and greatly appreciate you making sure our oceans are healthy and safe. Healthy oceans are essential to Alaska economy as you know but the mapping is really really really important. Because a lot of things are happening in the Arctic no along Alaska coast the depth of the water, the difference in water as far as the shipping and NOAA is going to play a major role in that. We work every time to communicate with your chiefs and try to get things done. This Congress has actually been successfull am proud to say that we have the Integrated Ocean and Coastal Observation System Act passed the House and advocating for the final passage of our bill in the Senate or the SEenate bill be passed in the House so that the IOOS can continue being our eyes and ears on the ocean. There is much work to still be done as we know. We are really not sure what the climate change effects on our fisheries and of course our shipping channels and NOAA will play a major role with the Coast Guard. So again, thanks for the short invitation to say hello to you and thank you keep working, we will work with you to get the right funds to do the job for Alaska and the nation as a whole.