

Appendix G: 2022 Review of Comprehensive Economic Development Strategies Across Alaska



Areas of Alaska with Active Regional or Local CEDS

Most regions of Alaska are covered by established Comprehensive Economic Development Strategies (CEDS). In some cases, like Saint Paul Island, local communities may choose to establish a more defined CEDS specific to their community.

Some regions of Alaska - the North Slope Borough, Copper Valley Census Area, Denali Borough, and Matanuska-Susitna Borough - do not currently have established CEDS. However, these region are covered by the Statewide CEDS.



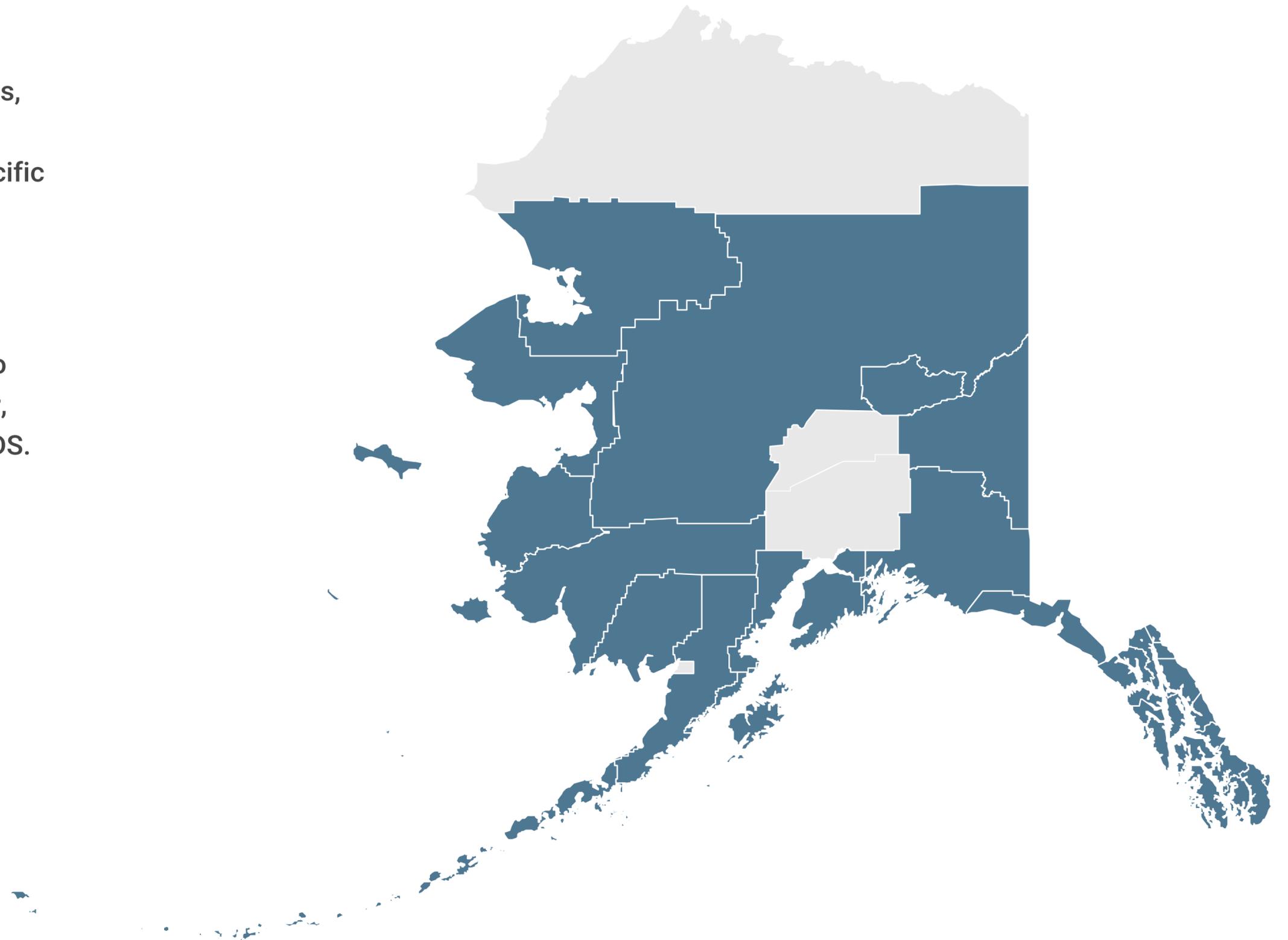
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Active, established statewide, regional, and local CEDS in Alaska



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Of Alaska's 31 boroughs and census areas are covered by a CEDS



*Note: The Valdez-Cordova Census Area was divided into two regions, the Chugach Census Area and Copper Valley Census Area, in 2019. That division is not reflected in this map. The Chugach Census Area has an established CEDS and the Copper Valley Census Area does not but is in the process of drafting one.

Strategic Direction Across Alaska

Among CEDS documents from regions and localities across the state, there are:

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unique
goals



243

individual
objectives



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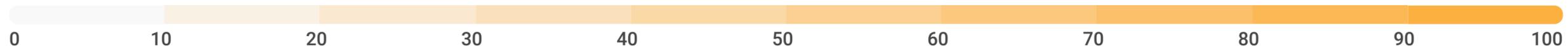
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Where do those Goals and Objectives Come From?

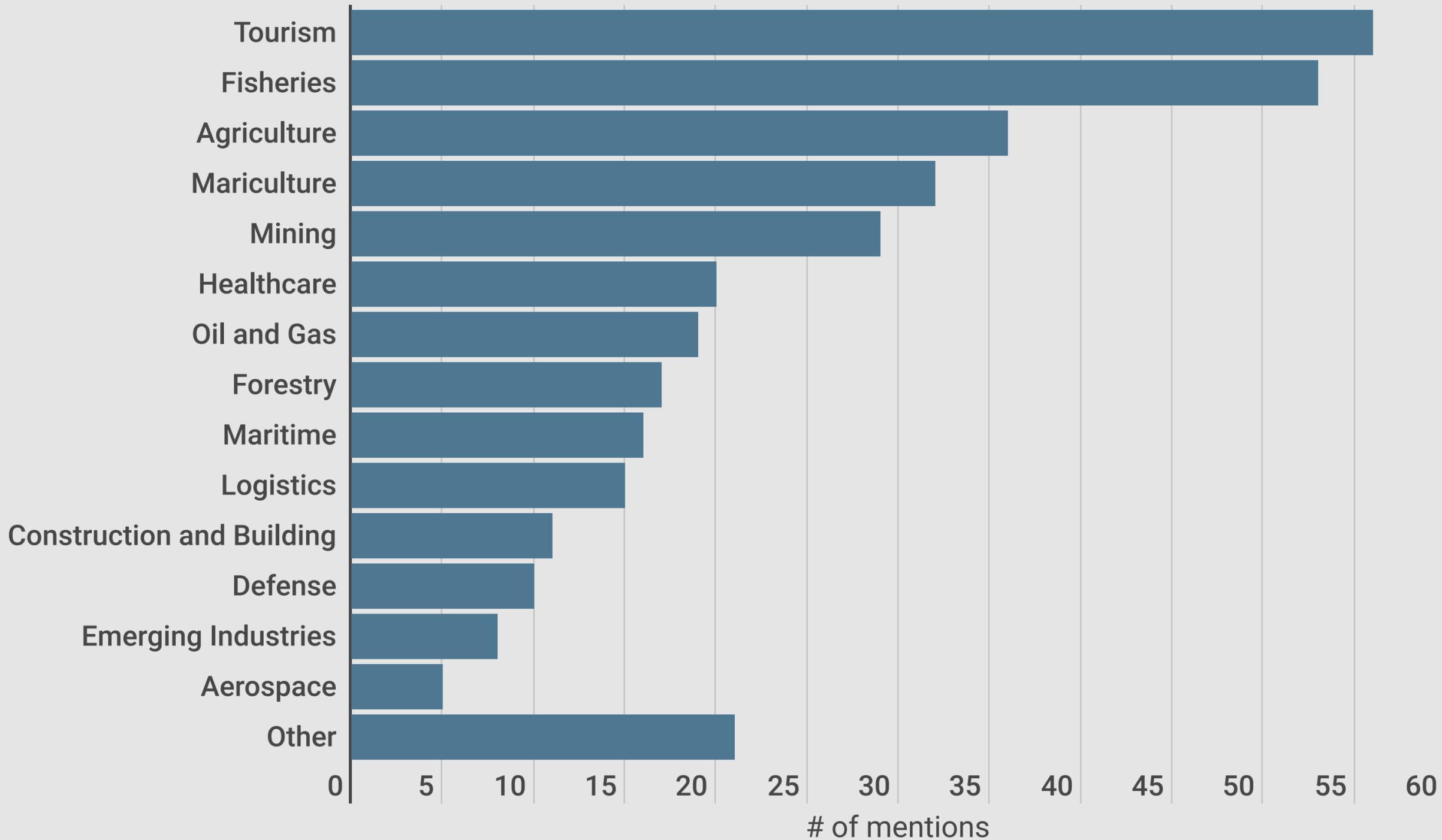
CEDS are specific to the region they cover and focus on the economic needs of that region. This map shows the concentration of CEDS goals, objectives, and actions by region.

And 113 goals, objectives, and actions from the Statewide CEDS



What Industries do the CEDS Focus On?

Industry specific goals and objectives in CEDS across the state



An additional
566 goals and
objectives were
not specific to
any industry or
applied to all
industries.

What Topics do Alaska's CEDS cover?



CEDS Goals Around Alaska

Northwest Arctic - "Develop natural resources, such as minerals, fisheries, agriculture, oil & gas, and tourism to increase economic diversity while preserving subsistence resources. Promote revenue diversification and stability, broaden business development opportunities, and enhance employment potential in a culturally appropriate way."

Rural Interior - "Develop tools to assess and communicate the economic value of subsistence harvesting and other traditional cultural practices."

Bering Straits - "Educate and train residents for employment in growing industries: explore and promote collaboration on apprenticeship and technical-level type programs for priority industries."

FNSB - "Increase winter tourism through improved transportation service, attractions, and enhanced marketing efforts."

Y-K Delta - "Create micro-lending opportunities to support startups, entrepreneurs, and commercial fishers."

Southwest - "Promote fisheries issues that provide a sustainable income base to the communities, businesses, and residents of Southwest Alaska."

Southeast - "Partner with UAS and K-12 school districts to build career pathways and meet employer needs for a skilled workforce."

St. Paul Island - "Increase the range and quality of recreation and tourism activities for visitors."

Kenai Peninsula - "Support emerging sectors with high growth potential: initiate a pilot project to develop seafood byproducts into marketable products."

Rural Kodiak - "Establish a sustainable, regional network of tribally owned farms and ranches that provide for year-round food security, healthier food, and sustainable economic development opportunities for the region's Alaska Natives, the rural communities, and the entire region."

Anchorage - "Create an entrepreneurial ecosystem to nurture and support visionary and committed entrepreneurs with business counseling and a shared network of services."

Prince William Sound - "Continue to support commercial fishing industry with infrastructure, climate change research, habitat research, and in-season management tools."

