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Dr. Stephanie Quinn-Davidson joins Yes for Salmon as a primary ballot sponsor

Yes for Salmon is pleased to announce Dr. Stephanie Quinn-Davidson as a primary ballot sponsor for the Stand for Salmon initiative, joining Gayla Hoseth of Dillingham and Mike Wood of Chase. Her background and work experience in Alaska make her a uniquely qualified individual to help lead this effort to update Alaska's law governing development in salmon habitat.

Dr. Quinn-Davidson has a doctorate in freshwater ecology, worked for several years as a fisheries biologist on the Yukon River for the Alaska Department of Fish and Game and currently serves as the director of the Yukon River Inter-Tribal Fish Commission. Her education and career in Alaska to date have provided her first-hand experience with the challenges of ensuring Alaska's fisheries remain healthy and productive for future generations.

Dr. Quinn-Davidson has issued the following statement:

I have spent my career in Alaska advocating for and engaging with stakeholders on fishery issues. By joining this effort, I am excited that I will be able to expand those advocacy and engagement efforts by supporting a much needed update to our habitat laws that would ensure the salmon fisheries that Alaskans depend on culturally and economically are not irreparably harmed. My work on the Yukon River has shown me that there is no replacement for salmon and when that resource is in decline and the population threatened, it has devastating impacts on the people who rely on it. I also understand that the communities I've worked with need economic development and upgrades to infrastructure to be able to thrive. There needs to be a balance and I firmly believe the Stand for Salmon initiative will provide the appropriate tools for achieving that delicate balance.

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