## **US Fishermen and Politicians Push Back Against Catch Shares**

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Opposition is growing in the USA,particularly in the Northeast, against the catch shares program being promoted by NOAA Administrator Jane Lubchenco. The NOAA fisheries budget proposes big increases in spending to expand the program, including \$1 million to fight lawsuits launched by groups of fishermen. Seven senators and representatives joined U.S. Sen. Kay Hagen, D-N.C., Wednesday in signing a letter telling Commerce Secretary Gary Locke to abandon the catch share campaign which "does not have broad based support from the fishing industry" because of harm it has already done. More <a href="here">here</a>

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