

Before AFN Convention —

Natives, State to co-sponsor bottomfish workshop next month

The Alaska Federation of Natives, Inc. and the State of Alaska are co-sponsoring a Bottomfish Workshop to be held October 24-25 in Anchorage immediately prior to the AFN Convention. The Workshop will be held at the Anchorage Westward Hilton and will focus on the investment potential in the Alaskan bottomfish industry.

The Workshop will cover

five specific areas relating to bottomfish:

- the present state of the industry

- the types and sources of financing available for possible investment or joint ventures

- the types of gear and vessels needed, including the upgrading of existing vessels

- the costs and related requirements for constructing

floating and on-shore processing facilities.

- markets and marketing

The two-day Workshop is aimed at a wide audience includ-

ing fishermen, processors, fish suppliers, Native Corporation representatives, and other industry-related representatives.

Coordinators for the Work-

shop are Janie Leask and Kathy Hathaway. Groups or individuals wishing further information may reach them at the AFN office in Anchorage, phone 274-3611.