

Floathouses

Floathouses represent a unique lifestyle for many living on Alaska's coast. Department of Natural Resources authorizes floathouses on state-owned tide and submerged lands in designated areas when moored over 14 days. Areas are chosen to balance the needs of different user groups such as fishermen and recreationists, and to protect natural resources such as water quality and marine life. Unauthorized floathouses are a problem throughout Southeast Alaska. Owners of these unauthorized structures are urged to contact the department to avoid legal action for trespassing. The Department will work with owners to bring them into compliance to help ensure that floathouse owners continue to enjoy their lifestyle.