Congressman Don Young Field Questions

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Congressman Don Young was the guest of this week's edition of Talk of Alaska. During the one-hour, state-wide, call-in program, two of the participants were from Kodiak.

Kodiak business owner Rhonda Maker and former Kodiak city councilman, Charlie Davidson took part in the show which is hosted by Steve Heimel.

During her call, Maker attempted to find out where the congressman stood on a controversial fisheries issue.

-- (Talk 1 "Rhonda joins the ...a reality.")

Catch shares weren't the only controversial fishing topic that came up during the program. Young also responded to several questions about salmon fishing on the Yukon River. He said he'd like to see a hatchery where the Porcupine River flows into the Yukon River. He also said he'd like to see incentives

that would encourage a lower bycatch by Pollack trawler fleets.

It wasn't fish but healthcare issues that prompted Davidson to call the program.

-- (Talk 2 "Let's go to ... the cost of health.")

The republican congressman went on to say that he thinks doctor shortages in America could be solved by allowing doctors to start practicing general medicine after four years in school.

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