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Mr. Dan Wolford
Chairman
Pacific Fishery Management Council

Dear Chairman Wolford, My name is Bill James and I am writing on behalf of Port San Luis Commercial Fishermen's Association. Our Port is Port San Luis (Avila) just a few miles south of Morro Bay. The majority of the commercial fishermen from Port San Luis have one or both of the "Shallow Nearshore Species Fishery" and, or, "Deeper Nearshore Species Fishery" permits. This fishery is the most important fishery in both dollars (ex-vessel) and in participation (# of trips) at Port San Luis in the last five years. Port San Luis is one of the two highest producing ports of "Live Nearshore Finfish Species" in California. The other high producing port is Morro Bay just north of Port San Luis.

We request for the 2015-2016 Harvest Specs. and Management Measures cycle:

- # 1) Have an additional latitude line at Ano Nuevo (37 degrees 07.00') be included in the upcoming analysis for the Nearshore Finfish fishery concerning the observed bi-catch of Canary Rockfish in the current management area of 40:10 to 34:27. Separate into two distinct areas for analysis.
- # 2) Have an analysis of bi-monthly trip limits of 1000lbs./ 2 months for all 5 open periods (closed march-April) for both Shallow Nearshore Species permits and Deeper Nearshore Species permits for the area of Ano Neuvo 37 07.00' to Point Conception 34:27.
- # 3) Open Lingcod during Dec Jan Feb (currently closed) with monthly limits during Dec, Jan, Feb of 200lbs.per month or half of the monthly limit during the period of May- November.
- # 4) Please increase the allocation of Canary Rockfish for the "Directed Open Access commercial fishermen in California.

PSLCFA and myself thank the Council for the opportunity to comment. If you have any questions about these requests please contact me at [503-428-4028](tel:503-428-4028). Thank you, Bill James