

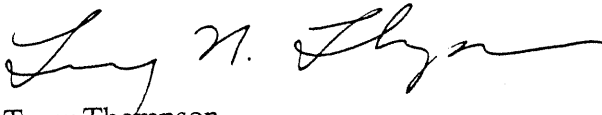
Pacific Fisheries Management Council

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Wednesday we heard the processor's representative to the GAP say that closing the blackcod trawl fishery will result in the fish plants shutting down until crab season. This will result in elimination of the market for most boats from October through early December.

I would like to request that an economic analysis be conducted prior to the council taking this drastic action. I would like to know the effect on the port communities and the plant workers of a 30 to 60 day plant closure.

Thank You

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Terry N. Thompson".

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