

ENFORCEMENT CONSULTANTS REPORT ON
MONITORING PROGRAM ALTERNATIVES FOR THE SHORE-BASED PACIFIC
WHITING FISHERY

The Enforcement Consultants (EC) have been briefed by NMFS personnel relative to the monitoring program alternatives for the shore-based Pacific whiting fishery. The EC believes alternatives that do not provide for a state/federal enforcement partnership would be detrimental to fully utilizing available enforcement resources. The states have historically participated in investigations involving violations related to this fishery. The EC would like to be involved in the development of related regulations. Industry needs to recognize that the parameters under which the current test is being conducted may change once the program has been fully evaluated.

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