



November 13, 2015

Ms. Dorothy Lowman  
Chair  
Pacific Fishery Management Council  
1100 NE Ambassador Place, #101  
Portland, Oregon 97220

Dear Madam Chair and Council Members:

The California Sportfishing League, California's leading advocate for recreational anglers, and the small businesses and communities' dependent on outdoor recreation, call on the council to adopt policies that transition commercial fishing away from the use of drift gillnets.

Over 450 California anglers who participated in an online petition support this position.

Drift gillnets are approximately 1-mile long nets used by commercial fishermen to target swordfish and thresher sharks, but instead catch nearly 60 different species of marine life, including dolphins, sea turtles and fish important to recreational anglers such as tunas and marlins and other fishes.

We also write to express our concern with the Council considering the authorization of a longline fishery. Longlines are not the solution to the drift gillnet problem- rather than perpetuating a swordfish fishery that uses outdated and wasteful methods, the Council's priority should be transitioning to more selective fishing gear types as soon as possible.

The use of these nets harm recreational fishing, depleting the ocean of an abundance of fish that are essential to sustaining outdoor tourism and recreation, and the jobs that support these activities.

Thank you for considering the view of California's recreational anglers.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Marko Mlikotin". The signature is written over a horizontal line.

Marko Mlikotin  
Executive Director

Attached: petition

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## Ban Drift Gillnets! Support Recreational Fishing!

Zip Code	Name	Comment
1085	Karin Leonard	
1826	Edward Cloutier	
2110	Lana Reichert	We must begin moving through life on this planet with more concern and compassion for all other forms of life here. Time to stop being the most dangerous, ignorant and arrogant life form on earth
8731	Michael DeLuca	
11937	Paul DIXON	The worst and most harmful way to catch fish n the ocean. And keeps killing when lost. Should be banded
27949	Michael montiel	Gill nets should be banned everywhere..... They are indiscriminant killers with wasteful shameful by catches.
33130	Antonio Flecha	Lets get them out of the Ocean!!!!
33469	Terri Roberts	
55311	Jeff Stephens	
60193	Jackie Hiras	
75025	Mason Frazier	I strongly appose the use of gill nets for commercial fishing. It's inadvertent catch of other marine life and resulting of them back in the ocean injured or dead is such a waste. I was a California resident for sixty years and recently relocated to Texas. My passion for the sport of fishing is still very strong and my opinion unwavering about the use of gill nets particular off the California coast.
76262	nolan goff	

83642	Leigh Richardson	
84074	Jo Sanford	I oppose the use of drift gillnets off the coast of California.
85437	Peter Holaway	Stop drift gillnets now!
85719	Rachel Feuerbach	Horrible practice!
87104	Matthew Castillo	Do i really need to explain? I think NOT.
90023	Richard Mendoza	
90025	julio andres	
90025	Maggie Butte	Please ban!!
90025	Robert Matchett	Ban ban ban!
90026	David Russell	Please ban the use of drift gill nets by any commercial fishermen in all areas.
90027	Andrew Raffaele	
90045	Jason Brock	
90045	Nathaniel Gallegos	
90045	Greg Gallegos	
90047	alvaro salazar	
90048	Gary deBrown	
90048	Jeffrey To	
90049	eric rogger	The bycatch of drift gillnets is too significant to allow their use. I support a ban!
90064	Min Kang	Please stop these drift gill nets.
90065	David Lantzman	
90201	Luis Munoz	Remove these nets from the ocean. The damage done to the ecosystem is alarming. Greed needs to stop, and we have to protect our Earth.
90210	Kim Zion	STOP
90242	Robert Gustafson	Once again Recreational Fishing is being hurt. Please put a stop to this Drift Gillnets. Put a Ban on this.
90242	greg miera	I thought this was done years ago""
90249	Carla Bradford	
90249	charlie brown	

90254	evelyn conley	The situation speaks for itself - it is cruel and brutal and morally corrupt to continue this practice on every level
90254	Daniel Pullen	
90260	Sean Shedlarski	
90265	D Paul Yeuell	
90266	Joseph Farlo	
90266	Brett OKeefe	
90266	Mark Sprague	
90275	Garrett Biggs	
90277	Gary Horn	STOP THIS TRAVESTY
90277	Leslie Ogg	
90278	Payton Thatcher	
90278	Michael Williams	Ban, Ban, Ban!
90291	Scott Hanley	Please stop with the dumb shit and work for your fish!!!
90291	Henry Pope	I cannot belive fill nets are legal in California. They were banned in Florida years ago.
90293	Greg Baumann	We no longer live in a world where natural resources can withstand indiscriminate harvesting. Don't let the interests of a few outweigh the rights of all. Factor in your responsibility to future generations. Thank yo.
90403	Frank Sanchez	Where I grew up we people where using gill nets, and they devastated our local fisheries, since there removal in the mid 90's we have seen a huge improvement in my home water.
90404	john lamoureux	
90405	DAVID MORTON	THIS OLD SCHOOL FISHING METHOD SHOULD NOT HAVE A PLACE IN FUTURE FISHING WITH ALL THAT WE KNOW OF THE WASTED FISH AND WILDLIFE.
90405	Tanc Sade	
90501	Bryce Carnehl	
90503	Keith Poe	It's a nursery for many important shark species great white sharks mako sharks thresher sharks blue sharks salmon sharks essential fish habitat

90505	sonny dawson	Worst way to fish. Seiners and gillnets should all together be banned !! They use the tuna for \$.29 per lb resale for catfood. Absolutely the oceans nightmare.
90506	Patti buckeks	Against these gill nets very destructive to fish in the oceans ban using them
90601	Andrew Hurley	
90609	ANTHONY MEGLIORINO	
90620	Larry Andrews	
90631	aaron calvilo	This is why certain species disappear or become distinct... please stop the use of this it's destroying our oceans
90638	Gloria Austin	Do you really think the commercial fisherman are going to throw back the other fish they catch?
90638	martin hicks	
90640	Tony Minassian	It's about time we started to look at the damage these gillnets are causing.
90640	Darlene Wise	I thought these killer nets were banned 20 years ago! Why are they still being allowed to use gill nets?? You people in charge have no clue. Soon we won't have any fish in our oceans!
90650	Michael Helm	
90706	Andrew Kellogg	
90710	Vernon Stroppel	We need to put a stop to the people using these gillnets, killing our game fish and other marine life. Also stop blaming the recreational anglers for depleting the fish in our oceans and putting restrictions on our fishing and fishing areas.
90710	Vernon Stroppel	We need to get gill netting stopped before it ruins all fishing. With all the new technology that excess, why do they need to use gill nets?
90712	Norris Neale	Drift gill nets are killing fish and marine life by the hundreds if not thousands each time one is pulled out of our waters or any where in the world,The proof is in the water,I mean the proof is whats not in the water,gill nets are depleting fish & marine life across the world all for money,they should be banned!!!!
90713	Jesse Bryan-Zwick	Ban Drift Gillnets!
90713	Scott Hennessy	
90720	David Cogdill	
90731	brown nichole	

90746	Keith Mossman	Stop the madness! Just not right.
90747	Bradfield David	
90802	castillo christopher	Its obvious this needs to stop... Im sure they pay Good money for the license to do so but its not right... Obviously
90802	Matt Craig	
90806	Monique drafton	
90806	jaime lopez	BAN DRIFT GILLNETS !!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!
90808	Chris Rhoden	
90810	joe Rodriguez	I oppose the use of drift gillnets! Remove them from usage I our ocean waters!!!
90814	Robert Kittel	Our fisheries are already declining and headed towards a crash. We need to regulate the use of all types of nets. We also need to register/license nets with tags so lost nets that fish forever can be traced back to the owner. Nets take tons of every species while at the other end of the fishing spectrum, the sportfisherman, takes the least.
90814	Greg Trent	I am an active fisherman but these nets are ruining our aquatic wildlife! Put an end now
90815	Robert Fiske	
90815	Wayne Wu	Drift nets kill discriminately. Mammal bird fish and turtles. Drift net fishermen keep their target specie and all but I catch all thrown back fishermen keep their target specie and all by catch all throwing back dead
91010	daniel rubio	
91030	Brant Dunlap	
91107	Michael Mark Brady	Please work to ban drift gillnets.
91204	Richard Penn	
91207	Joseph Fontamillas	
91214	John cookson	
91250	Richard Stone	Drifts nets do more harm than good. The by catch alone decimates fish species as well as their habitat. Please ban this very destructive fishing practice.
91301	Joel Zide	
91302	Mark wallace	ban drift nets. They get loose and are death curtains

91302	Sol Zide	Please ban gill nets
91304	Mark Brakebill	It's time to stop the wholesale pillaging of the world's ocean's bounty. Depletion of 90% is unacceptable !
91304	Candy Meredith	Go fish with a pole
91307	Jeffrey Helgager	I feel there should be tighter regs on commercial fishing, from how they catch to amount they can have. The way it's done now really hert's are waters more then the rec.fishing.
91320	Brett Lee	
91325	arthur medina	Total waste of good fish thru irresponsible netting practices. Greed!
91326	Joseph Moulton	
91326	Greg Sata	
91331	Claudia Menjivar	
91331	paul wilson	
91342	Timothy Chadwick	
91344	michael Godfrey	Please help to more successfully regulate the drift gill netters so that tragic bicatch is severely reduced.
91345	joe fuchs	support life in the sea don't strip it faster than it can replenish itself
91350	Tom Lamog	I oppose the use of drift gillnets off the coast of California
91350	Roger Stephenson	Banning them in coastal waters in CA helped the Halibut and White Sea Bass populations expand and re-populate areas where they had historically been but over fishing w/ gill nets decimated the fry and younger fish
91352	CHRISTIAN DELEON	Such a sad practice, I cannot believe California of all states has not banned this.
91360	Meli French Eaton	
91360	Sunny O'Neil	Drift gill nets kill too many kinds of ocean life/ species not even intended to catch or use. They are hurting our oceans ecosystems. Too many innocent sea creatures are dying from these gillnets . It's a terrible waste, and cruel .
91361	Dan Pollock	This method is quickly depleting our oceans of fish. The ban can be for 5-10 years to let the ocean replenish the fish.
91362	dave lundberg	
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91362	Corey Schoenneman	This type of fishing is irresponsible and wrong, it should be illegal. If you want to catch sword fish then catch them with a means that give the fish a fighting chance. Our oceans are being over fished and it must be stopped.
91362	Greg Tchejeyan	
91364	Patricia Adams	
91364	Nick Maedel	Banned drift nets
91364	Ryan Shopay	Please respect and properly manage our oceans and fisheries... PLEASE!!!!
91367	John Leary	
91367	Alex Waxman	Absoloutly wrong to fish like this
91377	Argyle Nelson	Please ban the drift gillnets.
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91403	geoffrey banker	It is time for the commercial boats to be held accountable for all the damage that they do to the local fisheries and NOT the sportfishing men and women of California!!!
91403	geoffrey banker	When are you people going to realize that the sportfishing industry is NOT responsible for lower fish counts and the loss of marine mammals off the the california coast??????
91403	Jeff Berkeley	What a waste of a natural resource for the sake of commercial greed! Ban the use of gill nets! Fish like the rest of us do.
91403	Bernice Mahfet	
91504	Robert Elliot	
91504	Richard Ramsey	
91504	jeff stewart	They are a wall of death. Please ban them.
91505	Jim Tsuda	
91506	Glenn Cooper	This is absolutely ludicrous!! No need for this at all! And the use of these nets when they get cut find themselves wrapped around whales and unless we reduce them they die..... Enough is enough people. No use for this Drift Gillnets!!
91506	Morgan Haight	Stop punishing the recreational fisherman because of the acts of the commercial fishing community. Any bans on fishing or the manner which allowed should be imposed on the commercial sector not the recreational fisherman. Stop allowing commercial fishing business to destroy our waters.
91606	jeff lane	Its a destructive and indiscriminte way of fishing.



91606	Paul Oliver	
91607	Stephen Bohrer	
91701	David Garlow	
91706	Moises Velasco	Stop this.crude and.inhumane act
91710	Bryan Friedman	
91722	Ray ecalmexs	Stop killing all the fish
91748	Kingland Woo	
91750	Michael Michalak	
91762	jose barocio	I support the ban on the use of drift gillnets .
91764	David Branconier	
91910	Travis Sandoval	The only way we can keep fishing for the future is to make sure we have sustainable practices. This doesn't qualify as sustainable at all; if you are not catching the intended species, and indeed just ravaging anything that comes within reach.
91911	mario salazar	I oppose the Nets period,do not use them
91913	Dalaina Bowser	
91915	Andrew Edquid	
91932	Daniel Byrne	We must protect our oceans. Now and forever!
91935	William Hague	
91941	Doris Cook	Don't mess up the sport we love.
91942	Louis Machado	
91942	Jillene Roldan	
91945	james lee	
91962	Ken Thompson.	
91978	nick eterovich	BAN gill nets in ca.
92019	breanne martin	
92019	dean west	
92020	Rene Blanc	
92020	gary pomplin	
92021	Becky Arriola	
92021	kevin bridge	

92021	Nick Nichols	Gill nets kill and destroy to much by-catch!
92021	Donald Peterson	I think a more responsible method should be employed to better preserve our resources.
92021	Walter Winchell	
92027	Gary Heckman	nets suck use fishing pools like everyone else does
92037	Krista Llamas	
92040	gary bunn	stop the nets
92054	shane yellin	
92056	Mike Bolton	
92058	Vern Capistran	The " By catch " resulting from gill netting is harmful to the many game fish caught and returned injured or die as result of the trauma.
92064	Kyle Kellhofer	
92071	David Pierce	
92075	greg cain	this is bullshit
92075	tom frank	
92078	Dale Fussell	
92081	brian coday	
92083	Steven Bentz	Being a lifelong Californian I remember how good the fishing used to be. I am very concerned about commercial overfishing. Especially regarding gill nets.
92083	John Muller	I was a commercial bait pole Albacore Fisherman and had many offers to run boats and fish with different types of net. However I have always refused. Because even as a Young man I saw how detrimental they were to our Marine Fisheries. I was in my 20's then and will be 68 in November and I have always signed the petitions against Varios types of Net Fishing. With the exception of taking of Sardines, Ancovies and Mackeral for bait.
92101	Matt Mellos	
92103	Deborah Daly	I am against them for environmental reasons as well.
92103	Therese Wilske	
92106	Charles Cadigan	
92107	Joseph Bowen	
92107	Jake Bowen	

92107	Josh shedden	
92109	Vern Barney	The time has come to ban the use of drift gill nets. Just as the close to shore nets were banned a number of years ago. Which has resulted in a much improved Halibut & White Sea Bass fishery.
92109	Vern Barney	This is a no brainer. Ban them! Just like the inshore nets were banned a number of years back. Which resulted in a now robust Hallibut & White Sea Bass fishery..But this MUST include ALL foriegn fishing vessels also. To include the confiscation of ANY vessel breaking the rules.
92109	Rodger Burrow	Ban the Drift Gill Nets!
92110	Dustin Nochta	I am strongly opposed to the use of drift gill nets in our oceans.
92114	Cesar Garcia	
92115	robert koba	
92116	Lora Williams	
92117	Jordan Hamann	
92117	Thomas Lynch	
92117	Ryan Sweeney	
92120	Art Casale	Drift gill nets always seemed like a not to smart idea to me. I am just a nobody to the fishing industry but i thought about this along time ago. :^(
92120	Shelley Tidmore	
92122	James DeShazo	The discarded -- bycatch-kill--- is to high.
92126	Paul Lebowitz	
92128	edward poshkus	You should not allow this massive waste of scare ocean resources. you penalize the recreational fishing community but allow this use of destructive netting technique without limit or penalty. Please stop this waste of our resources and preserve the recreational fishing opportunities.
92129	David Crandall	
92143	r kidd	
92154	Ryan McGaffick	
92201	Bill Andrews	Stop Gil netting
92220	Guy McCoy	this distruckful practice must end now!!!!

92231	Francisco Pacheco	this impacts the possibilities of fishing for future generations
92243	Karl Burnworth	
92307	Harold Hanevik	due to unacceptable levels of bycatch I support the removal of the drift gillnet fishery. I also oppose the use of longline gear.
92316	AL Barker	I oppose the use of Gillnets along the California coastline. This method of fishing is harmful to the already shrinking fish populations and threatens the existence of outdoor tourism and jobs. The benefits to a few is potentially devastating to the benefits and enjoyment of many. Please outlaw Gillnet practices.
92325	Larry Hagerman	It's about time to put restriction on commercial fishing that has a lot of by catch kill. Gillnets do this all the time. I'm tired of restrictions on sport fishing. We take a lot less of fish in one year than the comercial guys take in one day
92336	gabriel ceballos	about time
92374	Robert Hall	
92392	sam toler	
92405	chris anderson	
92422	William Bateman	Ban them!
92501	Mark Barrett	
92503	Mitchell Hopewell	
92562	Frank Pitetti	Save the future of our fisheries! Ban drift gillnetting
92563	Kevin Linehan	Get rid of the Nets period!
92563	Jean F. Somers	
92563	Chris Tusa	
92571	Gordon Weyland	This has to stop. Killing fish and other sea life for no reason is wrong. Please vote to stop the use of drift gillnets off the coast of California. Thank you.
92586	ray moonan	
92587	Ron Edgerly	Drift gill nets are a non sustainable danger to our sport fish population They endanger and kill marine mammals The non targeted fish kill far exceeds the species that are targeted
92587	Peter Schwartz	
92590	Travis Pymm	

92591	Robert Freeman	
92592	Larry Myres	Please ban the use of gill nets off the coast of California but better yet, period.
92606	William Nada	
92620	Ivan Zwart	
92625	Clayton Beaver	
92625	William House	Excessive commercial fishing by foreign flag boats is destroying fisheries worldwide. Don't let California's fishery be decimated by wasteful practices - ban drift gill nets!
92626	John McGlinn	end this practice, now!
92626	Joshua Pendrick	This needs to end. They deplete a lot of different fish that they aren't even going for. Which leads to no fish locally for recreational fishing. If we can stop this now we can restore our fishery to what it once was. There is no need to take that amount of fish in the first place, only about 1/3 of what they catch makes it to a dinner table. Therefore gillnets are unnecessary and should be banned for good!
92627	mike gorman	It's XXXX we lose our right to fish in southern coastal waters because of these commercial fishermen who use gillnets. Please outlaw the use of gill nets.
92627	tom ruiz	gill netting of the California coast is detrimental to the California sport fishing economy and to the survival of several species of fish. This should be banned off the entire west coast especially south California.
92627	David Shill	
92629	Neil Bradshaw	This is stupid and must end. We aren't entitled to cheap seafood nor is anyone. By stopping this it will not lose jobs it will create many more as our ocean replenishes. I fish out of Dana Point for all of these species with hook line and sinker.
92646	Michael Monteleone	Recreational fishing always seems to get the blame for the demise of local fisheries when the drift gill nets and longliners are the culprits in destroying tons of fish they are not targeting. Gillnets do not belong in the California waters where sport fishing is enjoyed by the tax paying and licensed general public.
92646	Joseph Schloderer	We need to get rid of nets NOW!!!
92646	Mason Stoller	I have grown up fishing the beaches, offshore and mountains of California. These are amazing resources that need to be protected and cared for so future generations, my future sons or daughters, can enjoy California's natural resources. Gill nets

are a barbaric, old method of commercial fishing that kills many fish and mammals that are not the intended fishery. This is a major problem and detriment to the future of our oceans. Commercial fisherman need to be responsible and much more accurate in their take of marine species.

92646	Ronald Thompson	Please stop the use of these harmful nets!!!
92647	David Geer	
92647	bill sinner	
92648	Don Baker	
92648	Walter Jeffrey	The current gillnet ban has allowed the return of a healthy halibut and white seabass fishery on our coast. The further banning of the use of gillnets will do much more to preserve our fishery than the reduction of recreational caught blue fin tuna ever will.
92648	Robert Peasley	
92648	erik valadao	Its time we should stop raping our oceans.
92649	Jason Bates	
92651	Kim Fowlkes	They are not even catching what they are targeting... Instead killing whales , dolphins , turtles
92653	Chris Towles	This is going to kill sport fishing
92655	Roman Hipolito	
92661	Robin Mish	
92661	Briggs Vilorio	
92663	david mchone	
92672	Erik isambert	ban the nets!
92672	Allen kandelman	
92672	Ryan McGaffin	
92672	J P Vaught	
92673	john openshaw	WTF are you thinking! Be a man and use a pole or a spear you dumb asses!
92675	Tony Cunningham	Ban the gillnets now!
92675	richard mendez	
92677	Mike Fair	Save the Ocean. Ban Gill nets

92677	Michael Ploessel	All gill nets should be banned. Banning anchored gill nets in coastal California several years ago has helped restore the white seabass and halibut stocks in California.
92683	Larry Moore	I'm against nets that are so indiscriminating and can't control the outcome of damage done to non commercial species.
92688	Kyle Nelson	
92705	Carl Perkins	
92706	Joaquin Rodriguez	Please remove this net sustain the fishery
92707	Joshua Blakeslee	This type of fishing is not needed. We need to preserve our fisherie for the future. These gill nets kill fish in huge numbers and is unnecessary and a disgrace. These should be banned. Have these fisherman catch the fish by rod and reel, make them earn that buck. They are taking/killing fish that are endangered and fish that are in small numbers as it is. I hope this petition goes thru because I'd love to see my future generations enjoy fishing as much as I do.
92707	Melissa Parker	
92708	Tracy Rowan	
92708	Thomas White	I support a ban on drift gill nets off the coast of California.
92780	Robert Barr	
92780	james Niemiec	Let's not allow gillnets on our fishery.
92801	nicole beaver	
92801	Jerry Fisher	
92802	William Wright	targeting one species and decimating many others is simply barbaric, this is 2015 what is wrong with these people. I've been fishing 47 of my 52 years and have spent some of my happiest times with friends and family fishing I can't imagine life without this sport. I call all fishermen to fight for our kids fishing futures. God bless
92806	Steven Castillo	
92806	Tim Morlan	Please ban this type of commercial Fishing it is killing our ocean marine life.No more death curtains.
92832	James Shively	No need to kill fish you aren't fishing for!
92833	Thomas Gilmartin	
92840	mark steffens	Stop gill nets in California.
92840	Tri Tran	

92843	Huynh Maria	
92843	vinh nguyen	Stop those people
92844	Tri PhuongTran	
92860	Craig Elliott	The unnecessary death of so many non-targeted fish represents an egregious disregard for the preservation of our natural resources and this must stop!
92866	Joshu Prine	Take them down. It's unfair to be killing fish you aren't after
92867	Greg Coggins	
92869	Vincent Soto-Roa	Drift nets are outright wasteful and irresponsible.
92870	Dan Boyd	
92870	Patrick McNiff	It's just wrong any way you look at it.
92870	Ken Petty	NO MORE USING DRIFT GILLNETS!!!
92880	Hoang mai	
92883	Michael Couch	
92883	steve villasenor	
92886	Mike Luwe	Let me see, the government is considering banning 1/4 ounce sinkers that are made of lead, but they are OK with mile long drift nets that indiscriminately kill millions of untargeted fish? Pull your head out!
93001	Stephen Chesley	
93001	Eric Rodriguez	
93003	Greg Como	Gill nets should be banned. It is no secret that they kill everything they come in contact with. Look at Santa Barbara. We banned it over 20 years ago and now the fishing is better than ever. Side effect is the White Sharks are doing well now too. Gill-nets used to kill all of the young ones.
93003	David McReynolds	
93010	Bob Hundt	Please be aware that I have been involved with ocean issues for 40 years. The use of gillnets of any type are destructive of ocean resources. Be advised that I captain of a vessel was doing ocean research . We were sampling the bottom for plankton using a auriga net and pulled up an old abandoned gillnet that had recently trapped fishes in it. While doing work for NOAA in the mid-Pacific, we ran across free-drifting old gillnets. The net get caught in our propeller and caused us all kinds of difficulty. Please consider the banning of ALL gillnets!



93010	Martin Pfeffer	
93010	Doug Varney	unexceptionable by-catch, unexceptionable practice.
93022	Terry	Huschka
93035	George Gonzalez	
93035	Gary Johnson	
93035	Toni Santana	We Need to preserve our fisheries!
93036	Kai Lu	Dear Rep, Drift gillnets are bad news. Just like long lines and trawling. Best method is rod and reel.
93041	Jose Campos	
93063	Keith Kropf	It has and continues to deplete the palegic species
93065	Susan Carnahan	End this cruel practice that is indiscriminately killing our sea life.
93065	Richard White	To much bi-kill
93101	Nicholas DuMong	
93103	Pedro Lopez	Everyone is entitled to make a living from an honorable profession, however- when it is recognized that harm is being done to our natural resources and to others who should share in the benefits of those resources, those professions need to be limited in their activity so that they will not continue bring about such harm.
93116	Mario Medina	
93117	John Warner	
93257	Ken Carenter	Its always about the mighty dollar and never about the future. I have always opposed this method of so called fishing,end this type of practice in any form forever .
93268	Jeff cribben	i oppose gill nets and feel they should be outlawed world wide due to the harm they cause on sport fisherys
93280	Richard Vega	
93306	Maurice Alvarez	
93308	Kelly Roberts	
93401	Brian Nawrocki	
93401	Corey Schmidt	
93405	Rick Uhls	Please ban gill nets. There are more responsible ways to engage in commercial fishing.

93420	Cindy Fear	deadly to top many species
93420	david lima	
93422	Ronald Brown	Tons of sea life is being killed needlessly. No net of any kind should be left adrift and unattended.
93422	patricia dowd	why do people think it's okay to destroy the world?
93422	Clark Endres	
93428	Dick Marshall	There has to be a better way. The bycatch waste is unsustainable.
93433	Andrew Oklar	Let's get these nets banned!
93433	Chris Plunk	
93436	Larry Matulis	
93455	Ray Cloud	The unsustainable practice of Gill nets can, should, even must be stopped.
93455	Elaine Stone	The use of these nets harm recreational fishing, depleting the ocean of fishing opportunities that support local outdoor tourism and jobs.
93458	DENNIS CLARK	
93460	Ron Folgner	No gillnets period!! They are destructive to all habitat!!
93463	Cari Jackson	
93536	Lewey Julian	Need to stop the by product waste they create.
93553	Ace Carter	
93618	GARY ELRICH	
93644	John huston	stop this ! We need to let our fish come back. Take a brake !
93702	Bob Salazar	not fair to regular fieherman what a waste of a good catch
93901	Donald Christian	
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93930	Jesus Alvarez	
93940	Peter Duvall	
94010	Gary Joyce	
94015	Thatcher Wright	
94038	Bruce MacKimmie	We must stop this senseless slaughter and wasting of a valuable resource.

94043	gene yukawa	Old fishing methods destroy the fishery, same as drag netting! Everything else changes except for our fishery management.
94044	Tony aguado	Gillnets and overfishing have proven devastating in many parts of the world. Look at the waters of the Sea of Cortez for example. We need to stop these practices and switch to more sustainable approaches or there will be nothing left to argue about.
94070	Michael Frost	
94102	Scott Edgar	Please ban all netting and long lining... The bi-catch is ridiculous and unnessisary. Give commercial Spearfishing and recreation fishing the boost it needs while revitalizing the local ports and businesses associated with fishing.
94103	Dave Holsonback	Stop the gross, horrid waste of our shared resources!
94109	Sean Watson	Transition from gillnets!!
94303	Byron Shaw	As a California recreational sportsman, this practice of catching and killing virtually everything in the net is unacceptable off of our coast.
94501	gordon taras	
94509	Gary Ehrlich	
94509	GEORGE WIGHT	GET RID OF THIS TYPE OF COMMERCIAL FISHING
94510	Barbara Ungersma	Indiscriminate killing of many different species is not acceptable. Depletion of ocean resources is an ongoing problem, and drift gillnetting is contributing to this problem. Please stop it!
94513	Thomas Coss	Bycatch from drift gillnets used by commercial fishermen are a form of industrial waste that does severe harm to the environment and the oceanic food web.
94513	mike hall	
94515	Don Kruger	Stop the waste. Its not worth the cost of depleting the ocean. Have some respect for the ocean.
94519	Jeremiah Brown	
94519	Caleb Heikkila	
94520	gary moscato sr.	I have bin in the commercial fishing business now some 50yrs,Maby,maby,! there was a time we could afford nets to take a spieces,propigation today is a must to save the spieces ,,,NO MORE NETS,! We can with all the new tools of the trade go back to long lineing..NO MORE NETS,Thank you captain gary moscato maritime graduate master 100ton NCW..

94522	Robert Hester	
94523	Brian Jones	We are fishing with mile long nets ? Seriously ? We are killing so many fish we don't even use.
94526	Arnold Joe	
94530	Edward Valladao	
94536	Lloyd Perceval	Ban drift gill nets yesterday!!!!
94538	Bill F	Gill Nets. Long Lines. Fish Corral Nets should (ALL) be Banned in (ALL) Waters- Oceans, Saltwater, Fresh water. Deltas, rivers, Lakes, Streams, Canals!!! Those nets, Lines, Corrals Cathc and Take ("TOO MANY/TOO MUCH") Fish of every Species and Kill (TOO MANY/TOO MUCH) Other species of Fish!!! Those nets, Lines, Corrals ("OVER DEplete") Fish populations and species. Commercial fishing for world market is ("DEpleteING") Fish populations, species, Habitats, Sanctuaries, Spawning Grounds, Breeding grounds and must be Stopped or Changed regulations to catch all fish by ("ROD & REEL") method ("ONLY") for ("ALL") Commercial, Industrial, Fleet, Market fishing. That way wrong species and unwanted and under or over size fish can be (RELEASED) to live and Reproduce. As far as OTHER fishing gear Bans should be (LEAD) Weights, Sinkers, Jig Heads, anything Lead but Absolutley ("NOT") NO (OTHER) type of fishing gear, products, tackle, equipment, Materials!!!
94538	Stephen Smith	
94553	tim morley	
94558	Nick Hau	
94561	erick carleton	Gillnets do not need to be used. The cons outweigh the pros.
94561	Roger Mammon	I support the ban on Drift Gillnets off the California coast. Drift nets kill indiscriminately resulting in 60% by catch which are just returned to the ocean dead. This is a crime against nature and upsets the ecological balance of the ocean. Drift Gillnets must be outlawed.
94564	adam coca	God will strike them down in the end!
94564	Dennis Piowaty	
94571	Ralph Gobel	Please stop this! What a waste of perfectly good fish.
94590	Guy Kilburn	
94605	Davd Allen	
94947	Mark Kutlik	Fishing-if you call it that-with gill nets for a concentrated fish like salmon is one thing, but to drift the oceans indiscrimantly

		for just a few fish is just wrong. From a recreational fisherman that is already paying for the sins of unregulated commercial fishing!
94949	Deva Sherman	I'm a commercial fisherman who chooses to fish by hook and line (rod and reel for that matter) just because it has far less ecological impact than methods such as this . I may not be getting rich but I can sleep well at night !
94965	mary sherman	
95005	Eugene Lynberg	
95008	Joe Frangieh	No brainer morans! Get rid of the nets
95033	andrew harris	
95051	Nick Delgado	please ban the use of these population killing nets that the commercial fishery uses. Sport fishing contributes a whole lot more to conservation and the local economy.
95070	Bryan bridgeman	
95076	Lawrence Arao	
95119	Ron Semenza	
95123	craig gillett	gill nets are very destructive to all marine life and the catch of fish does not out weigh the damage caused you must stop this type of fishing
95136	Curtis Takahashi	
95204	Jason Siecke	
95205	justin cecil	
95242	Chapin Fowler	Gil nets will ruin fish populations
95249	Charles Freer	
95252	Graham Jarrold	This is a no brainer. Drift gill nets should be banned !
95252	Michael McKenzie	Excessive waste of fishery resource!
95324	Lino Veiga	
95338	Jay Higbee	I propose that drift gill-net fishing is an inefficient method of fishing in that it kill and injures non target life forms resulting in damage and compromise to sport fishing.
95361	Dan Clark	
95377	Victoria Horn-Roan	This is unacceptable "fishing" practices. How can this still be allowed. Wake up California and the world! Natural resources

		need to be preserved and allowed to be thriving for future generations.
95380	RAND Clayborn	There's no need for them every where they use them the fishing gets destroyed stop the practice now before it's too late
95404	FORREST SCHAEFFER	
95423	Bryan Lutz	
95482	Kenneth Budrow	Just plain bad for anything that swims in the ocean.
95482	Paul Tollow	
95501	David Scotti	It's about time this issue is finally addressed. But it needs to be addressed world wide.
95521	lisa macias	Its unethical and barbaric to use these nets. put a stop to commercial fishing nets such as these please.
95603	Jim Petruk	As Chairman of the 189 member Rooster Tails Fishing Club of Northern California, Inc. oppose the use of Drift Gillnets that waste a precious and LIMITED resource.
95610	Gene Cornthwaite	The killing of the by catch alone should make this type of fishing against the law.
95611	Gene Stevens	Please stop DRIFT GILLNETS NOW!
95614	harold koutnik	
95618	Len Gray	In fact, approximately 60% of sea life caught with drift gillnets is dumped back into the ocean as bycatch, most of which is dead or injured. Its victims include tuna, marlin, dolphins, sea turtles, sea lions, whales and many other forms of marine life and fish! This bycatch is having an extraordinary impact on California sportfishing, resulting in less fishing opportunities for recreational anglers and MORE government imposed restrictions, like Marine Protected Areas. Please ban the use of Gill Net fishing off all California Coasts, as far out as is allowed by Law and territorial markers. Thank you, Len Gray
95642	Steve Baham	
95648	Mike Miller	We need to support targeted forms of fishing not indiscriminate killers of anything that swims.
95666	John Souza	I would like to voice my vote to Ban Drift Gillnets in the Pacific Fisheries.
95687	Jim DuVall	
95713	Jeff Kirk	

95713	dean lagoe	They should of been banned a long time ago
95765	Jon Yokomizo	when the drift gill nets catch Albacore, after the struggle and the fish dies a high percentage fall out of the net. Other species I know this also happens to are opah and louvre.
95828	vang yang	
95833	xai her	
95838	william etson	no more nets
95841	Joshua wise	We have to protect our eco system or we will all suffer the consequences.
95842	Larry Nevills	Drift net fishing in the ocean with unattended nets. This is a Safety Concern let alone Non Discriminatory Kill. Why don't you just allow explosives!
95901	Donna goodman	
95926	kallie Staley	
95949	steven roy	This method of harvesting is terribly destructive to non-targeted fish species and marine mammals.
95953	Steve Hogan	
96002	Darrell Moore	
96073	David Coxey	
96130	Merrit Olmstead	If we don't stop long line nets around the United States we are not going to have any fish left.
96134	Paul Molder	This is inhumane and wasteful on our finite marine resource.
96151	True Ballin	
96712	Keith Bright	Sto
96825	Jeremy van Bronckhorst	Use of these nets is not a sustainable fishing method. Our oceans need to be protected!!
96960	John Alefaio	
98502	Peter Bergman	Gillnets also do not belong in Northwest rivers.
430034	James Bussard	The use of indiscriminate fishing methods must end.