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Jig Fishing EFP Agenda Item G.3.b public comment June 2016

Ms. Chair Lowman members of the Council: My name is Bill James . I am the fisheries consultant for the Port San Luis Commercial Fisherman's Association. I am here to request that this EFP be extended and I also request that PSLCFA be added to this EFP. Please see the enclosed observer data sheet. Lines 11-13 and 29-31 on column I. This shows a very low bycatch of Canary and Yelloweye Rockfish in the Ano Nuevo to Pt. Conception region. This shows that PSLCFA has the ability to avoid as much as possible fish under rebuilding plans while catching their target species.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

Bill James

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1	Field	Description
2	Years	Years combined as requested
3	Area	Area that was requested
4	DepthBin.fm	Depth bin, in fathoms 0-10, 10-20, >20. Note that, to meet confidentiality, the 10-20 bin has been combined with the >20 bin in some areas.
5	No.vessels*	Number of observed vessels
6	No.trips	Number of observed trips
7	No.sets	Number of observed sets
8	Grouping	Management group that the species belongs to
9	Species	Common name of the species
10	ObservedDiscard.lbs	Observed discarded weight, in pounds
11	ObservedRetained.lbs	Observed retained weight of Nearshore species, in pounds
12	DiscardRatio	Discard ratio used to expand to the unobserved portion of the fleet. Calculated as ObservedDiscard.lbs/ObservedRetained.lbs
13	TotalLandings.lbs	Total landed weight, in pounds, of Nearshore species. Obtained from fish tickets and allocated to depth using proportion of ObservedRetained.lbs
14	GrossDiscard.lbs	Weight of fish, in pounds, discarded without mortality rate
15	MortalityRate ¹	Species-depth specific mortality rate
16	DiscardMortality.lbs	Weight of fish, in pounds, discarded multiplied by the species-depth specific mortality rate
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19		* Note that the number of unique vessels cannot be summed across strata because the a single vessel could fish in more than 1 stratum.
20		¹ Mortality rates can be obtained from Table A-4 of the Groundfish Mortality Report:
21		https://www.nwfsc.noaa.gov/research/divisions/fram/observation/xls/Groundfish_Mortality_2014_Tables.xlsx

