

CALIFORNIA THRESHER SHARK/SWORDFISH DRIFT GILLNET FISHERY

SWORDFISH FISHERY MANAGEMENT

Agenda Item I.5

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VCCFA HMS/DGN SURVEY QUESTIONS

1.) Did you know that the PPMC is soliciting applications for, and has issued Exempted Fishing Permits to target swordfish using deep-set buoy gear in California over the last few years? ☐ Yes ☐ No

2.) Do you have any interest in applying for an Exempted Fishing Permit to target swordfish using deep-set buoy gear? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Please explain why you answered, "Yes" or "No" to question 2.

3.) Do you have any interest in a deep-set buoy gear permit once it becomes an authorized fishery in the next few years? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Please explain why you answered, "Yes" or "No" to question 3.

4.) Do you plan on renewing your HMS/drift gillnet permit next year? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Please explain why you answered, "Yes" or "No" to question 4.

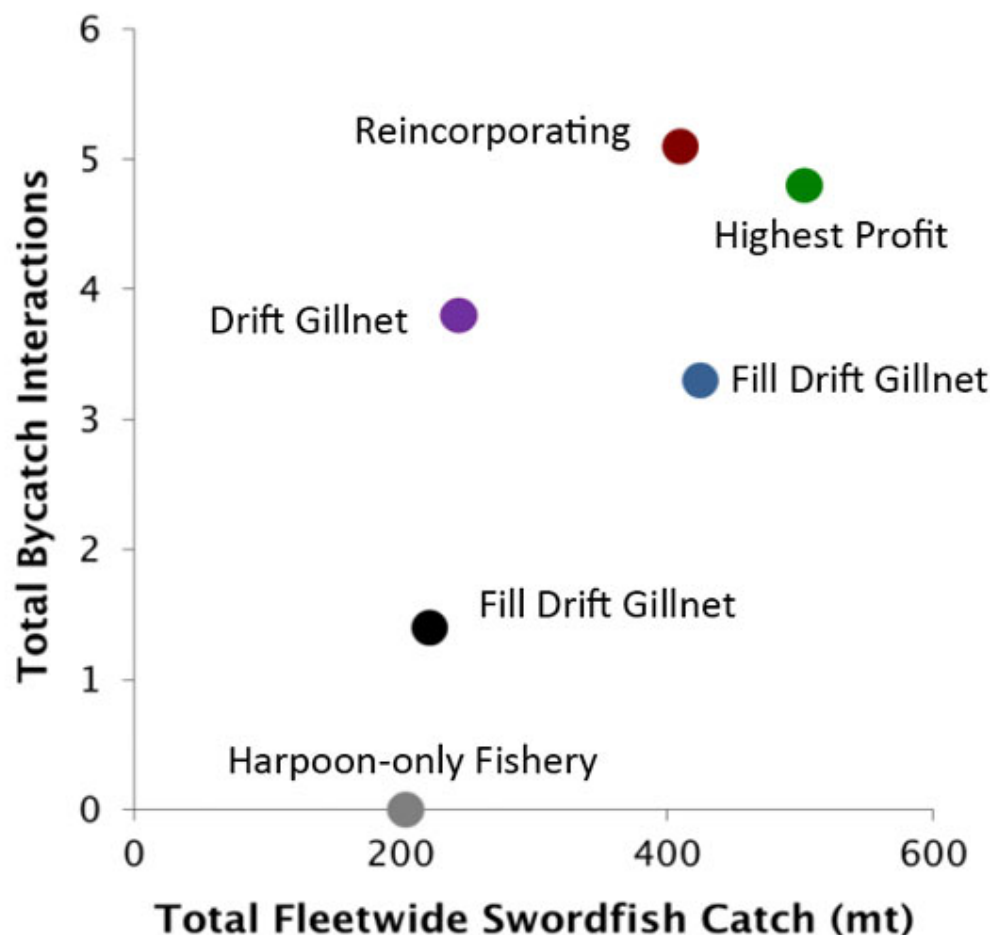
5.) How do you prefer to be contacted in the future if more info is needed (mail, email, phone, text, etc.)?

6.) Do you have any additional comments, questions or suggestions?

VCCFA HMS/DGN SURVEY RESULTS

VCCFA HMS/DRIFT GILLNET SURVEY SUMMARY			
	NUMBER OF PERMITTEES	% OF SURVEY RESPONSES (N=24)	% OF ISSUED PERMITS (N=71)
TOTAL COMPLETED SURVEYS	24		33.8
DEEP-SET BUOY GEAR EXEMPTED FISHING PERMIT:			
Current PIER EFP participant	5	20.8	7.0
Interested in applying for DSBG EFP (not currently participating)	15	62.5	21.1
Only interested in EFP with no observer costs	1	4.2	1.4
Not interested in applying for DSBG EFP	3	12.5	4.2
Knew DSBG EFP existed prior to survey	20	83.3	28.2
Did not know DSBG EFP existed and want to apply	4	16.7	5.6
DEEP-SET BUOY GEAR PERMIT:			
Interested in DSBG permit once the fishery is authorized	23	95.8	32.4
Not interested in DSBG permit	1	4.2	1.4
HMS/DRIFT GILLNET PERMIT:			
Recent participant in CA DGN fishery (2015-17 fishing seasons)	8	33.3	11.3
Did not participate in last two or more fishing seasons	16	66.7	22.5
Plan to renew permit next year (2017-18 fishing season)	23	95.8	32.4
Do not plan to renew permit next year	1	4.2	1.4

RESPONSIBLE REVITALIZATION



Status Quo

Drift Gillnet: **35** vessels

Harpoon: **24** vessels

Longline: **0** vessels

Profit: \$1.48 million

Catch: 222 metric tons

Highest Profit and Catch

Drift Gillnet: **+ 30** vessels

Harpoon: **+ 0** vessels

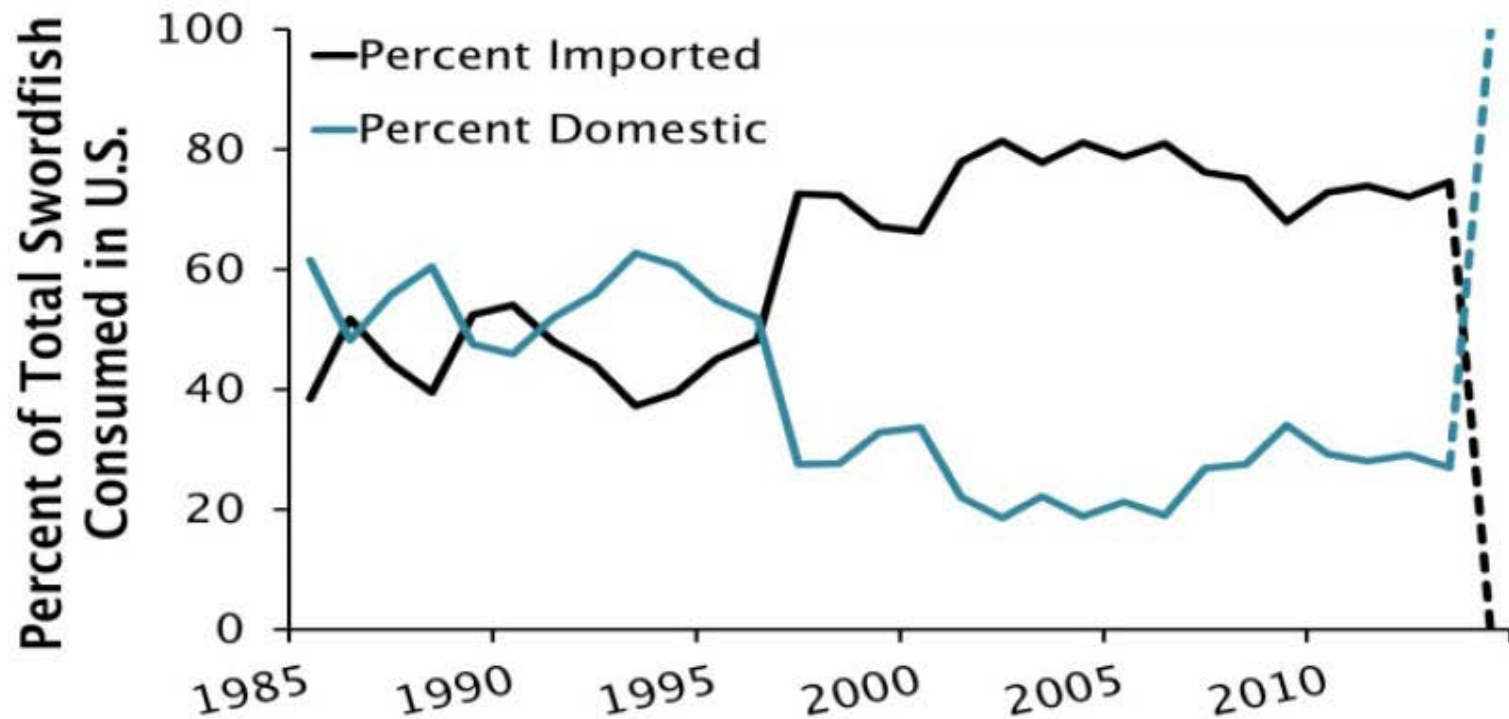
Longline: **+ 3** vessels

↑ Profit by \$1.16 million
Catch by 281 metric tons

Source:

http://www.pcouncil.org/wp-content/uploads/2015/06/E3b_SupPubCom2_Full_E-Only_JUN2015BB.pdf

THOUGHT EXPERIMENT



 8,919 mt
\$36 million



Drift gillnet vessels: + 44
Harpoon vessels: + 71
Longline vessels: + 267



Reduction in sea
turtle interactions
Loggerhead: 1,921
Leatherback: 522

Source:

http://www.pcouncil.org/wp-content/uploads/2015/06/E3b_SupPubCom2_Full_E-Only_JUN2015BB.pdf

AB 2019 & SB 1114 - MISGUIDED LEGISLATION



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Commercial fishing: swordfish.



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A background image of several fishing boats docked in a harbor, with their masts and rigging visible against a light sky. The boats are white with blue accents. The text "THANK YOU" is overlaid in large, bold, dark blue letters.

THANK YOU

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