

#1

From: **Hayden Hofmann** <haydenhofmann@gmail.com>

Date: Sun, Mar 19, 2017 at 9:59 PM

Subject: Salmon Season 2017

To: pfmc.comments@noaa.gov

To whom it may concern,

I am emailing in response to the impending 2017 salmon season and its possible options. I strongly believe that California Recreational Alternative 1 is in the best interest of everybody for it achieves all of the conservation criteria while providing for the most opportunity and greatest economic value – from \$16 to \$54 million in direct sales in California alone. Moreover, California Recreational Alternative 2 achieves all of the conservation criteria while providing for somewhat less opportunity and economic value than Alternative 1 – from \$14 to \$48 million in direct sales in California alone. While this is much better than Alternative 3, it is not as good as Alternative 1; I therefore support Alternative 1. California Recreational Alternative 3 provides for no real increases in protection for Klamath fall run Chinook sub-stocks (at most, only 4%), but results in large economic losses in forgone sales in California (from \$10 to \$40 million). I cannot accept Alternative 3. I hope you see that Alternative 1 is clearly the superior option and that you consider this email when making your decision.

Best,
Hayden

#2

From: **Raymond Ng** <rmng65@yahoo.com>

Date: Sun, Mar 19, 2017 at 9:48 PM

Subject: 2017 proposed Salmon season

To: "pfmc.comments@noaa.gov" <pfmc.comments@noaa.gov>

Dear Pacific Fisheries Management Council:

I am a recreational ocean salmon fisherman from San Francisco, CA. I am writing to inform you that I strongly support the approval of California Recreational Alternative 1 for the 2017 salmon season. After carefully reviewing all three alternatives, it is clear that California Recreational Alternative 1 achieves all of the conservation criteria while providing for the most opportunity and greatest economic value – from \$16 to \$54 million in direct sales in California alone.

Also, I was surprised to see the details of California Recreational Alternative 3. This alternative is completely unacceptable as it provides at most a minimal 5% increase in protection to Klamath fall run Chinook genetic substocks (87% risk with fishing/83% risk with NO fishing), but dramatically reduces our ability to pursue our target fish (Sacramento fall run Chinook).

Thank you for considering my thoughts and for your commitment to our fisheries.

Sincerely, Raymond Ng

#3

From: **Lloyd Fisher** <fisherlr@live.com>
Date: Sun, Mar 19, 2017 at 9:14 PM
Subject: Support alternate 1 for 2017 salmon season.
To: "pfmc.comments@noaa.gov" <pfmc.comments@noaa.gov>

Dear Pacific Fisheries Management Council: I am a recreational ocean salmon fisherman from Fairfield, CA. I am writing to inform you that I strongly support the approval of California Recreational Alternative 1 for the 2017 salmon season.

Thank you for your favorable consideration.

Sincerely,
Lloyd Fisher

#4

From: **John Morozumi** <j4zumi@isp.com>
Date: Sun, Mar 19, 2017 at 7:22 PM
Subject: Support salmon Alternative 1.
To: pfmc.comments@noaa.gov

Greetings,

Please do everything in your capacity to adopt Alternative 1 for the upcoming recreational ocean salmon fishing season.

Thank you very much.

Respectfully Yours,
John M. Morozumi, PharmD.
7410 Saraview Way
Sebastopol, CA 95472
[\(707\) 321-5450](tel:(707)321-5450)

#5

From: **Jim** <tradewind39@gmail.com>
Date: Sun, Mar 19, 2017 at 6:28 PM
Subject: upcoming salmon season
To: pfmc.comments@noaa.gov

This is a plea for common sense , I have been making a living for my family for 42 years now mostly fishing for California King Salmon. Now you expect me to prepare for a season with about two weeks notice ? I have recently spent a bit of money assuming I would be going fishing somewhere on May 1

- 1- Mandatory life raft repack \$740.
- 2- Mandatory fishing license \$600.
- 3- new propeller shaft for safety reasons \$4,000.
- 4 - new lights to avoid crab gear entanglement \$1800.
- 5 - annual dry dock mandatory for safety and insurance \$3,000.
- 6- slip rent and insurance over \$10,000.

These expenses are necessary wether I go fishing or not , I might have deferred some if I new for sure there would be no season but these items cannot be dealt with two weeks before the season as proper preparation and a reliable and safe boat is what has allowed me to be successful for 43 years.

Calculating where and when a Salmon might be in advance is not what I call science, just a computer

generated guess, so please don't put my livelihood on the line based on data that may be flawed and the two weeks notice is ludicrous.

Option 1 is my preference as I need some area to locate fish as I am sure your computer model is not going to be very helpful in telling the fish where to feed this summer.

Thanks
Jim Moser
F/V Tradewind
Santa Cruz

#6

From: **Guy Gilchrist** <guygilchrist@earthlink.net>

Date: Sun, Mar 19, 2017 at 12:23 PM

Subject: 2017

To: pmmc.comments@noaa.gov

Dear Pacific Fisheries Management Council:

Re: California Recreational Alternative 3, this alternative is completely unacceptable as it provides at most a minimal 5% increase in protection to Klamath fall run Chinook genetic sub stocks

As a sport fisherman based in the SF bay area, we have very little if any catch rate of the Klamath fish stock, closing us down will only hurt the local economy and do nothing towards your goals.

Guy Gilchrist
Redwood City Ca

#7

From: **Robert Brown** <prosfisher@yahoo.com>

Date: Sun, Mar 19, 2017 at 11:47 AM

Subject:

To: pmmc.comments@noaa.gov

Dear Pacific Fisheries Management Council:

I am a recreational ocean salmon fisherman from San Jose, CA. I am writing to inform you that I strongly support the approval of California Recreational Alternative 1 for the 2017 salmon season. After carefully reviewing all three alternatives, it is clear that California Recreational Alternative 1 achieves all of the conservation criteria while providing for the most opportunity and greatest economic value – from \$16 to \$54 million in direct sales in California alone.

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Thank you for considering my thoughts and for your commitment to our fisheries.

Sincerely,
Robert Bowen

#8

From: **Dom Weaver** <dweaver16@gmail.com>

Date: Sun, Mar 19, 2017 at 9:31 AM

Subject: Recreational Salmon Fishing Options

To: pmmc.comments@noaa.gov

PFMC members,

I would like to see alternative 1 as the choice for the salmon season for 2017.

If the alternative meets the minimum requirements for the proposed season then the most fishing days possible should be chosen.

It has been my experience as a small boat owner that ocean conditions already limit the days that I can fish and I think this is true for most of the recreational fleet in the SF area. I don't always catch fish either but at least with alternative 1 I can get on the water most often. Again, if this alternative meets the requirements for the season, most available days to fish for salmon is most important to me.

Furthermore, Alternative 3 is totally unacceptable.

Thank You for your consideration,

Domenick Weaver
3024 Waring Place
Fairfield, Ca 94533

#9

From: **Breck Davis** <breck.seusa@gmail.com>
Date: Sat, Mar 18, 2017 at 9:46 PM
Subject: California Recreational Alternative 1 request
To: pfmtc.comments@noaa.gov

Dear Pacific Fisheries Management Council:

I am a recreational ocean salmon fisherman from Napa, CA. I am writing to inform you that I strongly support the approval of California Recreational Alternative 1 for the 2017 salmon season. After carefully reviewing all three alternatives, it is clear that California Recreational Alternative 1 achieves all of the conservation criteria while providing for the most opportunity and greatest economic value – from \$16 to \$54 million in direct sales in California alone.

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Thank you for considering my thoughts and for your commitment to our fisheries.

Sincerely, Breck Davis
Breck Davis
Design Consultant
(707) 774-3277

#10

From: **Tom Dolan** <tom@montereybaycharters.com>
Date: Sat, Mar 18, 2017 at 7:01 PM
Subject: I support salmon season option #1
To: pfmtc.comments@noaa.gov

I have enough trouble keeping my head above water with the storm systems we've endured and now the uncertainty of the salmon fishing season.

I, and 2,545 of my Customers, support Option #1. We also encourage NOAA to use sound science and data currency when presenting these options to the public. My understanding is the data for the upcoming April 7th meeting was developed in 2014 and there is no current data from 2016 and 2015.

Regards,

Captain Tom Dolan

#11

From: **Kevin Bennett** <kevin.bennett6@gmail.com>

Date: Sat, Mar 18, 2017 at 4:03 PM

Subject: Refer preference for public opinion for Salmon Commercial Troll

To: pfmtc.comments@noaa.gov

Please consider my request that the council adopt Alternative 1 for the 2017 salmon troll season.

Last year our season was drastically curtailed by weather. Alternative 1 allows for more opportunity to fish during favorable weather. The reality if history is the ultimate prediction of the future will be that we will not have favorable weather during all the open days. Additionally these dates allow the council to conduct status checks of the fisheries impact as the season progresses and allows for in season adjustment either adding additional days or imposing emergency closure. Also by spreading these dates out as Alternative 1 does from the South Florence Jetty to Cape Falcon, the impact will be diminished when the troll fleet has to make a decision to pursue HMS or Salmon.

My fishing vessel is based out of Charleston and is a small 30 foot troller, even though the other option allows for fishing closure to home port, as a whole and for the good of the sustainability of the industry my preference would be Alternative 1. Thank you for your work and consideration of my preference.

Please consider my opinion when deciding.
Kevin Bennett Charleston OR

#12

From: **Tim McRitchie** <tim_mcritchie@yahoo.com>

Date: Sat, Mar 18, 2017 at 10:09 AM

Subject: salmon fishing season

To: pfmtc.comments@noaa.gov

I support alternative #1 and oppose alternative #3.
Michelle Richardson
1867 Falcon Ridge drive
Petaluma California

#13

From: **Chris Clark** <CClark@teichert.com>

Date: Sat, Mar 18, 2017 at 8:32 AM

Subject: Salmon Alternatives

To: "pfmtc.comments@noaa.gov" <pfmtc.comments@noaa.gov>

1. California Recreational Alternative 1 achieves all of the conservation criteria while providing for the most opportunity and greatest economic value – from \$16 to \$54 million in direct sales in California alone. This is the alternative we support.
2. California Recreational Alternative 1 provides for 324 days of fishing in all zones except the Klamath, with 89,553 angler days. This is the alternative is the most reasonable of the three options. Thank you.

#14

From: **Ray Monroe** <doryfreshfish@embarqmail.com>
Date: Sat, Mar 18, 2017 at 11:56 AM
Subject: 2017 salmon option
To: pmmc.comments@noaa.gov

March 18, 2017

Mike Burner
Pacific Fisheries Management Council

RE: E.5 2017 Salmon Season Adoption for Oregon

Dear Mike,

I represent a number of small boat salmon fishermen off the North Oregon Coast. Specifically I talked to **30 license holders** and asked their opinion on the proposed options for the **2017 Salmon** season. All were in favor of **option 1** for several reasons. The more time on the ocean gives them the needed opportunity to participate in an already possible limited season. Additionally, having September and October open is nearly essential for them to scratch out a positive cash flow for the year.

I know that fishing in any size vessel we need a season that provides time on the water due to weather and marketability of our product. **Option 1** appears to give us the needed opportunity.

Although, I do understand the dilemma of the fishermen that do not have the ability to move away from their home port, I feel for this year as restricted as it is **Option 1** will better serve the needs of the Oregon Salmon Fleet in its entirety for the 2017 Season.

Thank you,

Ray Monroe
Pacific City, OR 97135

#15

From: **Matt Fisher** <omegapest@yahoo.com>
Date: Sat, Mar 18, 2017 at 7:49 AM
Subject: Recreational Salmon
To: "pmmc.comments@noaa.gov" <pmmc.comments@noaa.gov>

Dear Pacific Fisheries Management Council:

I am a recreational ocean salmon fisherman from Dublin, CA. I am writing to inform you that I strongly support the approval of California Recreational Alternative 1 for the 2017 salmon season. After carefully reviewing all three alternatives, it is clear that California Recreational Alternative 1 achieves all of the conservation criteria while providing for the most opportunity and greatest economic value – from \$16 to \$54 million in direct sales in California alone.

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Thank you for considering my thoughts and for your commitment to our fisheries.

Sincerely,

Matthew Fisher
General Manager
Omega Pest Control, Inc.

Omega Pest Control, Inc.
807 75th Ave Oakland, CA 94621
[510-562-1333](tel:510-562-1333) [800-257-3636](tel:800-257-3636) fax [510-568-2902](tel:510-568-2902)

#16

From: **melvin kon** <meluvs2fish@gmail.com>
Date: Fri, Mar 17, 2017 at 7:46 PM
Subject: Salmon season...
To: pmmc.comments@noaa.gov

Dear Pacific Fisheries Management Council:

I am a recreational ocean salmon fisherman from San Francisco, CA. I am writing to inform you that I strongly support the approval of California Recreational Alternative 1 for the 2017 salmon season. After carefully reviewing all three alternatives, it is clear that California Recreational Alternative 1 achieves all of the conservation criteria while providing for the most opportunity and greatest economic value – from \$16 to \$54 million in direct sales in California alone.

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Thank you for considering my thoughts and for your commitment to our fisheries.

Sincerely,

Melvin Kon

#17

rom: <seon17@att.net>
Date: Fri, Mar 17, 2017 at 11:24 AM
Subject: Upcoming ocean salmon season
To: pmmc.comments@noaa.gov

Dear Pacific Fisheries Management Council:

I am a recreational ocean salmon fisherman from Wallace, CA. I am writing to inform you that I strongly support the approval of California Recreational Alternative #1 for the 2017 salmon season. After carefully reviewing all three alternatives, it is clear that California Recreational Alternative 1 achieves all of the conservation criteria while providing for the most opportunity and greatest economic value – from \$16 to \$54 million in direct sales in California alone.

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Thank you for considering my thoughts and for your commitment to our fisheries.

Sincerely,

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#18

From: **Andrea Mason** <candamason@yahoo.com>

Date: Fri, Mar 17, 2017 at 6:58 PM

Subject: California Salmon Season

To: pmmc.comments@noaa.gov

PFMC Template

Dear Pacific Fisheries Management Council:

I am a recreational ocean salmon fisherman from San Ramon, CA. I am writing to inform you that I strongly support the approval of California Recreational Alternative 1 for the 2017 salmon season. After carefully reviewing all three alternatives, it is clear that California Recreational Alternative 1 achieves all of the conservation criteria while providing for the most opportunity and greatest economic value – from \$16 to \$54 million in direct sales in California alone.

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Thank you for considering my thoughts and for your commitment to our fisheries.

Sincerely,

Chris Mason

#19

From: **Travis Hider** <t.hider@hotmail.com>

Date: Fri, Mar 17, 2017 at 6:52 PM

Subject: 2017 California Salmon Alternatives

To: "pmmc.comments@noaa.gov" <pmmc.comments@noaa.gov>

Dear Pacific Fisheries Management Council:

I am a recreational ocean salmon fisherman from San Jose, CA. As a father of 3 young anglers I understand the tremendous need for conservation and the importance of teaching the next generation about it. As importantly, we need the opportunity to pass on the tradition, techniques and excitement of a salmon fishery to this generation, which will be the leaders in sustaining this fishery in the future.

That is why as a part of the public comments stage, I am writing to strongly support the approval of California Recreational Alternative 1 for the 2017 salmon season. After carefully reviewing all three alternatives, it is clear that California Recreational Alternative 1 achieves all of the conservation criteria required, while providing for the most opportunity and greatest economic value – from \$16 to \$54 million in direct sales in California alone.

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Sincerely,

Travis Hider [408-205-9289](tel:408-205-9289)

#20

From: **Ed Hayden** <ehayden@saba.com>
Date: Fri, Mar 17, 2017 at 6:20 PM
Subject: Salmon Fishing season
To: "pfmtc.comments@noaa.gov" <pfmtc.comments@noaa.gov>

Dear Pacific Fisheries Management Council:

I am a recreational ocean salmon fisherman from Saratoga, CA. I am writing to inform you that I strongly support the approval of California Recreational Alternative 1 for the 2017 salmon season. After carefully reviewing all three alternatives, it is clear that California Recreational Alternative 1 achieves all of the conservation criteria while providing for the most opportunity and greatest economic value – from \$16 to \$54 million in direct sales in California alone.

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Thank you for considering my thoughts and for your commitment to our fisheries.

Sincerely,

Edward Hayden

#21

From: Mike Allen <md-allen@comcast.net>
Date: Fri, Mar 17, 2017 at 5:23 PM
Subject: Salmon season choices
To: pfmtc.comments@noaa.gov

Dear Pacific Fisheries Management Council:

I am a recreational ocean salmon fisherman from South San Francisco , CA. I am writing to inform you that I strongly support the approval of California Recreational Alternative 1 for the 2017 salmon season. After carefully reviewing all three alternatives, it is clear that California Recreational Alternative 1 achieves all of the conservation criteria while providing for the most opportunity and greatest economic value – from \$16 to \$54 million in direct sales in California alone.

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Thank you for your time

Sincerely, Mike Allen

#22

From: Sandra O'Neill <sandy@oneillstucco.com>
Date: Fri, Mar 17, 2017 at 3:20 PM
Subject: Salmon Season Jeopardy
To: pfmtc.comments@noaa.gov

Dear Pacific Fisheries Management Council:

I am a recreational ocean salmon fisherman from Sunnyvale, CA. I am writing to inform you that I strongly support the approval of California Recreational Alternative 1 for the 2017 salmon season. After carefully reviewing all three alternatives, it is clear that California Recreational Alternative 1 achieves all of the conservation criteria while providing for the most opportunity and greatest economic value - from \$16 to \$54 million in direct sales in California alone.

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Thank you for considering my thoughts and for your commitment to our fisheries.

Sincerely, Sandra O'Neill

#23

From: Paul Long <tomcat252008@yahoo.com>
Date: Fri, Mar 17, 2017 at 3:07 PM
Subject: California Recreational Alternatives
To: "pfmc.comments@noaa.gov" <pfmc.comments@noaa.gov>
Cc: Phong Ho <phongho9689@yahoo.com>

Dear Pacific Fisheries Management Council:

I am a recreational ocean salmon fisherman from San Francisco, CA. I am writing to inform you that I strongly support the approval of California Recreational Alternative 1 for the 2017 salmon season. After carefully reviewing all three alternatives, it is clear that California Recreational Alternative 1 achieves all of the conservation criteria while providing for the most opportunity and greatest economic value – from \$16 to \$54 million in direct sales in California alone.

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Thank you for considering my thoughts and for your commitment to our fisheries.

Sincerely,

Paul Long

#24

From: Paterson, Christopher <CPaterson@lwsupply.com>
Date: Fri, Mar 17, 2017 at 3:04 PM
Subject: SALMON SEASON
To: "pfmc.comments@noaa.gov" <pfmc.comments@noaa.gov>

Dear Pacific Fisheries Management Council:

I am a recreational ocean salmon fisherman from San Leandro, CA. I am writing to inform you that I strongly support the approval of California Recreational Alternative 1 for the 2017 salmon season. After carefully reviewing all three alternatives, it is clear that California Recreational Alternative 1 achieves all of the conservation criteria while providing for the most opportunity and greatest economic value - from \$16 to \$54 million in direct sales in California alone.

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Thank you for considering my thoughts and for your commitment to our fisheries.

Sincerely,?

Christopher Paterson

#25

From: Paul Nadarisay <fishstrong151@gmail.com>
Date: Fri, Mar 17, 2017 at 1:53 PM
Subject: 2017 California Salmon Alternative
To: pfmc.comments@noaa.gov

Dear Pacific Fisheries Management Council:

I am a recreational ocean salmon fisherman from Napa, CA. I am writing to inform you that I strongly support the approval of California Recreational Alternative 1 for the 2017 salmon season. After carefully reviewing all three alternatives, it is clear that California Recreational Alternative 1 achieves all of the conservation criteria while providing for the most opportunity and greatest economic value – from \$16 to \$54 million in direct sales in California alone.

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Thank you for considering my thoughts and for your commitment to our fisheries.

Respectfully

Paul Nadarisay

PS the salmon that I catch are 100% for consumption for my family.

#26

From: David Horne <dhdvm51@gmail.com>
Date: Thu, Mar 16, 2017 at 5:14 PM
Subject: 2017 Recreational Salmon Season
To: pfmc.comments@noaa.gov

Dear PFMC,

I support California Recreational Alternative 1. I feel that it achieves all of the conservation criteria while providing for the most opportunity and greatest economic value – from \$16 to \$54 million in direct sales in California alone. This is the alternative I support.

Salmon fishing is a critical factor for the 1.1 million recreational salt-water anglers in California. Salt-water recreational direct sales create and support nearly 23,000 jobs in California alone.

I respectfully request that you implement California Recreational Alternative 1 for Salmon fishing.

Regards,

David Horne DVM

#27

From: Rick Towle <rick.towle@gmail.com>

Date: Mon, Mar 20, 2017 at 6:20 AM

Subject: 2017 Salmon Season

To: pfmc.comments@noaa.gov

Dear Pacific Fisheries Management Council:

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Thank you for considering my thoughts and for your commitment to our fisheries.

Sincerely,

Richard W. Towle
Shell Beach, CA

#28

From: Patrice Whang <whang4@gmail.com>

Date: Sun, Mar 19, 2017 at 6:26 PM

Subject: Salmon season 2017

To: pfmc.comments@noaa.gov

Dear Pacific Fisheries Management Council:

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Thank you for considering my thoughts and for your commitment to our fisheries.

Sincerely,
Patrice Whang

#29

From: Donna Barr <donnabarr01@gmail.com>

Date: Sun, Mar 19, 2017 at 11:01 AM

Subject: 2017 Salmon Season

To: pfmc.comments@noaa.gov

Cc: news@penisuladailynews.com, Christi Baron <cbaron@forksforum.com>

Good morning, Pacific Fishery Management Council:

Since I can't come to the meetings (travel, etc.), here's my input.

We should be preparing for a different future. As the climate changes, fish populations will change their schooling and migrations routes. Re-schooling traditional human fishing populations and infrastructures should be a priority.

We no longer have the excuse of our less-informed ancestors about animal torment. We know fish feel pain, have emotions and even cultures, especially concerning migration routes. * I was raised with the myth that Fish Feel No Pain, and from my own experience, I know this is not true.

I know that, especially with our culture of ignoring what animals go through, for our own profit and pleasure, this might not be a viable argument, especially in this area. However:

Tormented animals produce toxins, in addition to toxins caused by our industrial cultures. More humans are being sickened by those toxins. Fish is becoming less and less an acceptable food, whether farmed or wild.

*(See "What A Fish Knows" - <https://www.amazon.com/What-Fish-Knows-Underwater-Cousins/dp/0374288216>)

Donna Barr
Clallam Bay, WA

#30

From: Mark Oddi <markoddi@sbcglobal.net>

Date: Sun, Mar 19, 2017 at 9:49 AM

Subject: salmon season

To: pfmc.comments@noaa.gov

Dear Pacific Fisheries Management Council:

I am a recreational ocean salmon fisherman from Oakland, CA. I am writing to inform you that I strongly support the approval of California Recreational Alternative 1 for the 2017 salmon season. After carefully reviewing all three alternatives, it is clear that California Recreational Alternative 1 achieves all of the conservation criteria while providing for the most opportunity and greatest economic value – from \$16 to \$54 million in direct sales in California alone.

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Chinook genetic substocks (87% risk with fishing/83% risk with NO fishing), but dramatically reduces our ability to pursue our target fish (Sacramento fall run Chinook).

Thank you for considering my thoughts and for your commitment to our fisheries.

Sincerely,
Mark Oddi
Oakland, CA 94602

#31
From: <raybusley@att.net>
Date: Sun, Mar 19, 2017 at 11:24 AM
Subject: Salmon season
To: "pmmc.comments@noaa.gov" <pmmc.comments@noaa.gov>

I fish out of Pillar Point/Half Moon Bay 2 to 3 times per week during salmon season. I also assist and contribute to Coastside Fishing Club's salmon project which has acclimated and released hundreds of thousands of salmon smolt and is set to release 720,000 this year. Adult salmon from this project return to the Half Moon Bay waters during the summer and fall.

If salmon season were restricted to the month of April by option 3, tens of thousands of these returning fish would waist.

Option 1 will protect Klamath fish and allow reasonable access to recreational salmon fishing.

Please do not unnecessarily restrict our season.
Thank You

Ray Busley

#32
From: **Doug Parish** <dougparish@sbcglobal.net>
Date: Sun, Mar 19, 2017 at 9:30 AM
Subject: 2017 Salmon Season
To: "pmmc.comments@noaa.gov" <pmmc.comments@noaa.gov>

Dear Pacific Fisheries Management Council:

I am a recreational ocean salmon fisherman from San Jose, CA. I am writing to inform you that I strongly support the approval of California Recreational Alternative 1 for the 2017 salmon season. After carefully reviewing all three alternatives, it is clear that California Recreational Alternative 1 achieves all of the conservation criteria while providing for the most opportunity and greatest economic value – from \$16 to \$54 million in direct sales in California alone.

Also, I was surprised to see the details of California Recreational Alternative 3. This alternative is completely unacceptable as it provides at most a minimal 5% increase in protection to Klamath fall run Chinook genetic substocks (87% risk with fishing/83% risk with NO fishing), but dramatically reduces our ability to pursue our target fish (Sacramento fall run Chinook).

Thank you for considering my thoughts and for your commitment to our fisheries.

Sincerely,
Douglas Parish
14590 Bronson Ave
San Jose, CA 95124
dougparish@sbcglobal.net

#33

From: Allan <whalerboy@sbcglobal.net>

Date: Sat, Mar 18, 2017 at 12:37 PM

Subject: salmon season 2017

To: pfmc.comments@noaa.gov

Dear Pacific Fisheries Management Council:

I am a recreational ocean salmon fisherman from Napa, CA. I am writing to inform you that I strongly support the approval of California Recreational Alternative 1 for the 2017 salmon season. After carefully reviewing all three alternatives, it is clear that California Recreational Alternative 1 achieves all of the conservation criteria while providing for the most opportunity and greatest economic value – from \$16 to \$54 million in direct sales in California alone.

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Thank you for considering my thoughts and for your commitment to our fisheries.

Sincerely,

Allan

#34

From: John <miyajifishing@aol.com>

Date: Sat, Mar 18, 2017 at 7:57 AM

Subject: Salmon

To: pfmc.comments@noaa.gov

PFMC,

Thank you for looking out for our fish! After reading all proposals it is my hope that you could find a way to support the fish, the fisherman, and all the businesses that are supported by this fishery. My vote would be for option 1. However, if you felt a dire straight's total collapse was pending, I would except your decision. I hope the decision is one that both the fish and the families on the financial side can survive with.

Thank you for your time and hard work

John

#35

From: Meee <nexform@sbcglobal.net>

Date: Sat, Mar 18, 2017 at 6:40 AM

Subject: 2017 salmon season

To: pfmc.comments@noaa.gov

I am writing in support of Alternative 1 for the upcoming salmon season for California recreational fishing.

California Recreational Alternative 1 achieves all of the conservation criteria while providing for the most opportunity and greatest economic value – from \$16 to \$54 million in direct sales in California alone.

Please think of the fishermen!

Darren Kim

#36

From: Harry James <fishstk1@sbcglobal.net>

Date: Fri, Mar 17, 2017 at 8:44 PM

Subject: 2017 Salmon season

To: pfmc.comments@noaa.gov

Sent from my iPad. I would first like to thank all of you for the time and effort that has been invested in this effort by the commission. I have been Salmon fishing outside the Golden Gate for over 50 years and hopefully am looking forward to a few more. I have a considerable amount of money invested in my boat, trailer, and probably more than I need in fishing gear. I am retired and must pick my Salmon fishing trips on the days with a relatively calm ocean, so my hope is that you will decide on Alternative 1 for our Salmon season this year to give us more chances to get to the fishing grounds.

During the Salmon season we Salmon fishermen spend hundreds of thousands of dollars on tackle, bait, gasoline, boat launching, breakfast or dinner at the local stores, bait shops and restaurants in the areas we fish. A considerable amount of money is helping the economy in these communities. Again please consider Alternative 1. Thank you, Harry James

#37

From: MICHAEL PEARL <mcppearl2@sbcglobal.net>
Date: Fri, Mar 17, 2017 at 7:45 PM
Subject: 2017 Salmon Season Alternatives
To: "pfmc.comments@noaa.gov" <pfmc.comments@noaa.gov>

Dear Pacific Fisheries Management Council:

I am a recreational ocean salmon fisherman from Benicia, CA. I am writing to inform you that I strongly support the approval of California Recreational Alternative 1 for the 2017 salmon season. After carefully reviewing all three alternatives, it is clear that California Recreational Alternative 1 achieves all of the conservation criteria while providing for the most opportunity and greatest economic value – from \$16 to \$54 million in direct sales in California alone.

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Thank you for considering my and your commitment to our fisheries.

Sincerely, Concerned steward of our marine resources, taxpayer and financial supporter of California saltwater fishing

Mike Pearl

#38

From: Austin Balk <austin.balk@gmail.com>
Date: Thu, Mar 16, 2017 at 5:40 PM
Subject: 2017 Salmon season
To: pfmc.comments@noaa.gov

To whom it may concern, I have copied an email sent by a friend of mine as I doubt that I could have written anything better. That being said, I share the sentiment expressed below. Please feel free to contact me with any questions.

My comments are regarding the 3 salmon season alternatives proposed at the latest PFMC meeting. I am an environmentalist. But I am also a consumptive user of our natural resources, in this case salmon.

Recreational fisherman are the single best stewards of the resource. We are the only people on the water without a profit motive. Commercial fishermen are making a living. NOAA and DFW people are earning a paycheck. We are spending our precious discretionary income on fishing.

Using NMFS numbers (National Marine Fisheries Service. 2016. Fisheries Economics of the United States, 2014. U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA Tech. Memo. NMFS-F/SPO-163, 237p) from page 43 of FEUS 2014* each salt water angler day in CA provides for \$604 in direct sales (2.657B\$ from 4.4 million trips) – or more conservatively \$178 if one excludes durable costs.

Taken in combination with the Klamath Ocean Harvest Model (KOHM) you can extrapolate the following as the economic benefits of the three proposed alternatives are:

Alternative 1 - This alternative provides for the most fishing days open and for the greatest effort while meeting the conservation objectives for all stocks – including the constraining Klamath River fall Chinook control rule impact rate of 8.1%. In direct trip related costs this alternative provides for \$16 million in sales, and upwards of \$54 million in total (including durable) direct sales.

It provides for the most fishing days in all areas, and for the greatest economic benefit in all areas.

Alternative 2 - Compared to Alternative 1, this alternative provides for somewhat fewer fishing days open and for the somewhat less effort while meeting the conservation objectives for all stocks – including the constraining Klamath River fall Chinook control rule impact rate of 8.1%. In direct trip related costs this alternative provides for \$14 million in sales, and upwards of \$48 million in total (including durable) direct sales.

Compared to Alternative 1, this alternative provides for the 10,878 fewer fishing trips, resulting in a loss of nearly \$2 million in direct trip related sales (\$6 million in total sales – including durable costs). While providing for significant opportunity and sales, it does not provide any additional protection for the critical Klamath River stocks. And without any improvement in there is no justification to forego the economic benefit provided in Alternative 1.

Alternative 3 - I am opposed to Alternative 3. It provides at most a minimal 5% increase in protection to Klamath fall run Chinook genetic substocks (87% risk with fishing/83% risk with NO fishing), but dramatically reduces our ability to pursue our target fish (Sacramento fall run Chinook). Compared to Alt 2 this is a reduction of 55,808 angler days (71% reduction), and a reduction of 66,678 angler days from Alt 1 (74% reduction).

Thus compared with Alt 1, this Alt (3) results in a net loss of \$12 million in direct trip related expenses, and upwards to \$40 million in total (including durable costs) direct sales. Similarly compared with Alt 2, Alt (3) results in a net loss of \$10 million in direct trip related expenses, and upwards to \$34 million in total (including durable costs) direct sales.

Considering the small marginal gain in protection to Klamath fall run Chinook sub-stocks, and the large losses in recreational angling expenditures,

The Magnuson-Stevens Act has a requirement to maximize benefits to the nation while ensuring sustainable fisheries. Alternative 3 fails to meet the MSA requirements. It is un-necessary and too costly.

Unfortunately I will be unable to attend the PFMC meeting in Sacramento to make public comment. Hence the email If anyone cares to discuss this further my contact details are below.

Regards;

Austin Balk
austin.balk@gmail.com
408-691-2897
4020 Lawton St. San Francisco, CA 94122

#39

From: Dick Slavens <wa6tmf@pacbell.net>
Date: Thu, Mar 16, 2017 at 6:08 PM
Subject: 2017 Calif. Recreational Salmon Season
To: "pfmc.comments@noaa.gov" <pfmc.comments@noaa.gov>

Dear Pacific Fisheries Management Council:

We are recreational ocean salmon fishers from Napa, CA. I am writing to inform you that I strongly support the approval of California Recreational Alternative 1 for the 2017 salmon season. After carefully reviewing all three alternatives, it is clear that California Recreational Alternative 1 achieves all of the conservation criteria while providing for the most opportunity and greatest economic value – from \$16 to \$54 million in direct sales in California alone.

Also, I was surprised to see the details of California Recreational Alternative 3. This alternative is completely unacceptable as it provides at most a minimal 5% increase in protection to Klamath fall run Chinook genetic substocks (87% risk with fishing/83% risk with NO fishing), but dramatically reduces our ability to pursue our target fish (Sacramento fall run Chinook).

Thank you for considering my thoughts and for your commitment to our fisheries.

Sincerely,

Dick & Kathy Slavens

#40

From: Tim McRitchie <tim_mcritchie@yahoo.com>
Date: Thu, Mar 16, 2017 at 6:38 PM
Subject: salmon season
To: pfmc.comments@noaa.gov

I would like to see alternative #1 adopted for the 2017 salmon season. It seems to make the most sense to me.

#41

From: Pete Yeatrakas <pmyeatrakas@att.net>
Date: Thu, Mar 16, 2017 at 6:59 PM
Subject: Supplemental comment for the April PFMC meeting
To: "pfmc.comments@noaa.gov" <pfmc.comments@noaa.gov>

Attached are my supplemental comments relating to the three alternatives proposed at the latest PFMC meeting and scheduled to be reviewed at the April meeting in Sacramento.

Best regards
Peter Yeatrakas
105 Harbor Seal Ct
San Mateo CA 94404
650-288-7696

March 16, 2017

Delivered via email
Pacific Fishery Management Council
Honorable Commissioners:

I am a County of San Mateo resident now retired and fish primarily in the ocean, San Francisco Bay and the Sacramento River for Salmon, Striped Bass and Halibut. Recreational anglers are the single best stewards of the resource. We are the only folks on the water without a profit motive. We are spending our valuable discretionary income on fishing.

My comments relate to the three 2017 salmon season alternatives proposed at the latest PFMC meeting. Overall, based on my analysis, Alternative 1 appears to be the best one, given the data provided and what I have learned from others.

Using NMFS numbers (National Marine Fisheries Service. 2016. Fisheries Economics of the United States, 2014. U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA Tech. Memo. NMFS- F/SPO-163, 237p) from page 43 of FEUS 2014* **each salt water angler day in California provides for \$604 in direct sales** (2.657B\$ from 4.4 million trips) – or more conservatively \$178 if one excludes durable costs.

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Alternative 3 –I am **strenuously opposed** to this proposal **because it provides at most a minimal 5% increase in protection to Klamath fall run Chinook** genetic substocks (87% risk with fishing/83% risk with NO fishing), but dramatically reduces our ability to pursue our target fish (Sacramento fall run Chinook). Compared to Alt 2 this is a reduction of 55,808 angler days (71% reduction) and a reduction of 66,678 angler days from Alt 1 (74% reduction).

Thus compared with Alt 1, Alternative 3 results in a net loss of \$12 million in direct trip related expenses, and upwards to \$40 million in total (including durable costs) direct sales. Similarly compared with Alt 2, Alt (3) results in a net loss of \$10 million in direct trip related expenses, and upwards to \$34 million in total (including durable costs) direct sales.

Considering the small marginal gain in protection to Klamath fall run Chinook sub- stocks, and the large losses in recreational angling expenditures, **the Alternative 3 proposal should be removed from further consideration.**

Note Bene:

The Magnuson-Stevens Act has a requirement to maximize benefits to the nation while ensuring sustainable fisheries. Alternative 3 fails to meet the MSA requirements. It is un-necessary and too costly to the angling community and those businesses that rely on the salmon fishery.

Best regards,

Signed Peter Yeatrakas

Peter Yeatakas 105 Harbor Seal Ct
San Mateo CA 94404
650-288-7696

#42

From: Jeff Miller <jeffmiller@jjacoustics.com>
Date: Thu, Mar 16, 2017 at 7:16 PM
Subject: 2017 Salmon Season
To: "pfmc.comments@noaa.gov" <pfmc.comments@noaa.gov>

Dear Pacific Fisheries Management Council:

I am a recreational ocean salmon fisherman from Napa, CA. I am writing to inform you that I strongly support the approval of California Recreational Alternative 1 for the 2017 salmon season. After carefully reviewing all three alternatives, it is clear that California Recreational Alternative 1 achieves all of the conservation criteria while providing for the most opportunity and greatest economic value - from \$16 to \$54 million in direct sales in California alone.

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Thank you for considering my thoughts and for your commitment to our fisheries.

Sincerely,

Jeff Miller
Estimator | J&J Acoustics, Inc.
T 408.961.5316 | C 408.603.4735
2260 De La Cruz Blvd. Santa Clara, CA 95050

#43

From: Dylan Mason <dmason@bendcable.com>
Date: Thu, Mar 16, 2017 at 8:15 PM
Subject: 2017 Salmon Comments
To: pfmc.comments@noaa.gov
Cc: dmason@bendcable.com

To: PFMC Members, including --
Council Chair: Herb Pollard
Council Executive Director: Chuck Tracy
Council Salmon Staff Officer: Robin Ehlke

With regard to the upcoming decisions regarding sport salmon fishing, I support Alternative I for the Area from Cape Falcon to Humbug Mountain.

As I see it, the benefits of Alternative I are:

1. the longer ocean season for Chinook, where the sport fishing catch per effort is low.
2. the chance to fish the non-selective season in September. And transferring any remaining quota from the summer season to September is also a great benefit to the sport fisherman. Personally I would much

prefer to catch a Coho in September over July -- the fish are larger and because of the non-select season, I do not have to worry about harming any un-clipped fish.

The top concern for all sport fisherman is a healthy salmon population, however we would appreciate the best opportunity to fish for salmon when we can, and Alternative is the best opportunity for sportfishers.

Sincerely,
Dylan Mason, recreational fisherman
2734 NW Scandia Loop
Bend, OR 97703

#44

From: staciekraft <staciekraft22@gmail.com>
Date: Thu, Mar 16, 2017 at 10:10 PM
Subject: salmon season 2017
To: pfmc.comments@noaa.gov
Cc: talbano@addlins.com

Dear Pacific Fisheries Management Council:

I am a recreational ocean salmon fisherman from Folsom, CA. I am writing to inform you that I strongly support the approval of California Recreational Alternative 1 for the 2017 salmon season. After carefully reviewing all three alternatives, it is clear that California Recreational Alternative 1 achieves all of the conservation criteria while providing for the most opportunity and greatest economic value – from \$16 to \$54 million in direct sales in California alone.

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Thank you for considering my thoughts and for your commitment to our fisheries.

Sincerely,
Kevin Kraft

#45

From: Paul Boley <paulboley@browermechanical.com>
Date: Thu, Mar 16, 2017 at 10:43 PM
Subject: CA Salmon
To: "pfmc.comments@noaa.gov" <pfmc.comments@noaa.gov>

As a native resident of CA for 53 years, my family (4 generations) has spent hundreds of days Fishing for salmon in ocean waters. It's a part of our life, for both recreation and a great food source. Unfortunately, agencies have failed to manage water and in turn some species of fish have suffered. In years when science has predicted low returns of Salmon, actual returns have been much higher than predicted. Alternative 1 is the best solution to meet salmon population guidelines and provide a recreational fishery to the best conservationists of the state. Alternative 2 is acceptable, but not desired. Alternative 3 is not an acceptable solution.

#46

From: Sean Truong <strng2000@yahoo.com>

Date: Fri, Mar 17, 2017 at 12:29 AM

Subject: Support for California Recreational Alternative 1 for the 2017 salmon season

To: "pfmc.comments@noaa.gov" <pfmc.comments@noaa.gov>

Dear Pacific Fisheries Management Council:

I am a recreational ocean salmon fisherman from San Jose, CA. I am writing to inform you that I strongly support the approval of California Recreational Alternative 1 for the 2017 salmon season. After carefully reviewing all three alternatives, it is clear that California Recreational Alternative 1 achieves all of the conservation criteria while providing for the most opportunity and greatest economic value – from \$16 to \$54 million in direct sales in California alone.

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Thank you for considering my thoughts and for your commitment to our fisheries.

Sincerely,
Sean Truong

#47

From: Philip Baird <philipbairds@gmail.com>

Date: Fri, Mar 17, 2017 at 7:12 AM

Subject: Salmon Season Alternatives

To: pfmc.comments@noaa.gov

Dear Pacific Fisheries Management Council:

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Unfortunately I will be unable to attend the PFMC meeting in Sacramento to make public comment. Hence the email If anyone cares to discuss this further my contact details are below.

thank you,
Philip Baird

#48

From: Precision Micro Components <precisionmicrocomponents@gmail.com>
Date: Fri, Mar 17, 2017 at 7:27 AM
Subject: Salmon
To: pfmc.comments@noaa.gov

I strongly support alternative #1 or 2.
Frank Feger

#49

From: Precision Micro Components <precisionmicrocomponents@gmail.com>
Date: Fri, Mar 17, 2017 at 7:29 AM
Subject: Salmon rules
To: pfmc.comments@noaa.gov

I support alternative #1 or 2.
Fred Metz

#50

From: Steve & Irene Ager <agerfamily@comcast.net>
Date: Fri, Mar 17, 2017 at 7:39 AM
Subject: Salmon Season Alternatives
To: pfmc.comments@noaa.gov

Dear Pacific Fisheries Management Council:

I am a recreational ocean salmon fisherman from San Rafael, CA. I am writing to inform you that I strongly support the approval of California Recreational Alternative 1 for the 2017 salmon season. After carefully reviewing all three alternatives, it is clear that California Recreational Alternative 1 achieves all of the conservation criteria while providing for the most opportunity and greatest economic value – from \$16 to \$54 million in direct sales in California alone.

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Thank you for considering my thoughts and for your commitment to our fisheries.

Sincerely,
Steve Ager

#51

From: Kinoshita, Gary <gary.kinoshita@advantest.com>
Date: Fri, Mar 17, 2017 at 8:08 AM
Subject: 2017 Salmon Season
To: "pfmc.comments@noaa.gov" <pfmc.comments@noaa.gov>
Cc: "Kinoshita, Gary" <gary.kinoshita@advantest.com>

Dear Pacific Fisheries Management Council:

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Thank you for considering my thoughts and for your commitment to our fisheries.

Regards,
Gary Kinoshita
Staff Applications Engineer

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gary.kinoshita@Advantest.com

#52

From: Mike Schaffer <mikeskik2@hotmail.com>
Date: Fri, Mar 17, 2017 at 8:34 AM
Subject: Alternative 1 -California Salmon Fishing Season
To: "Pfmccomments@noaa.gov" <Pfmccomments@noaa.gov>

Dear Pacific Fisheries Management Council:

I am a recreational ocean salmon fisherman from Tiburon, CA. I am writing to inform you that I strongly support the approval of California Recreational Alternative 1 for the 2017 salmon season. After carefully reviewing all three alternatives, it is clear that California Recreational Alternative 1 achieves all of the conservation criteria while providing for the most opportunity and greatest economic value – from \$16 to \$54 million in direct sales in California alone.

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Thank you for considering my thoughts and for your commitment to our fisheries.

Sincerely,
Mike Schaffer

#53

From: **Tim McRitchie** <tim_mcritchie@yahoo.com>
Date: Fri, Mar 17, 2017 at 9:34 AM
Subject: salmon season
To: pfmccomments@noaa.gov

I would like to see Alternative#1 passed for the upcoming season. Makes the most sense,
Susan McRitchie
745 Kirkham Street
San Francisco, Califor

#54

From: Wendy <fujifam@gmail.com>
Date: Fri, Mar 17, 2017 at 9:39 AM
Subject: 2017 California Ocean Recreational Salmon Fishing Season
To: pfmccomments@noaa.gov

Dear Pacific Fisheries Management Council:

Truthfully, for personal reasons I no longer fish for salmon. However, I do support fellow recreational California fishermen and women who pursue salmon. I possess a recreational CA lifetime fishing license and am a 1976 graduate of Humboldt State University with a BS degree in Fisheries with post-graduate studies in populational genetics. I am aware of the financial support that recreational fishing provides to the local economies and the California General Fund. I am writing to inform you that I strongly support the approval of California Recreational Alternative 1 for the 2017 salmon season. After carefully reviewing all three alternatives, it is clear that California Recreational Alternative 1 achieves all of the conservation criteria while providing for the most opportunity and greatest economic value – from \$16 to \$54 million in direct sales in California alone.

California Recreational Alternative 3 is completely unacceptable as it provides at most a minimal 5% increase in protection to Klamath fall run Chinook genetic substocks (87% risk with fishing/83% risk with NO fishing), but dramatically reduces the opportunity to pursue the targeted fish (Sacramento fall run Chinook).

I agree that the Klamath spawning populations require protection, but the harm has not been due to ocean recreational fishing. As you know, the damage to the Klamath spawning and juvenile populations is the result of a "perfect storm" of upstream water management decisions coupled with low precipitation that weakened in-river populations and made them more susceptible to bacterial infections. The Sacramento fall run Chinook populations are healthier and supported by numerous government mitigation hatcheries.

Thank you for considering my thoughts and for your commitment to our fisheries.

Sincerely,

James J. Fujitani

#55

From: The Lee's <dddwmlee@gmail.com>
Date: Fri, Mar 17, 2017 at 9:42 AM
Subject: Recreational salmon season alternatives
To: pfmc.comments@noaa.gov

PFMC members,

I would like to see alternative 1 as the choice for the salmon season for 2017.

If the alternative meets the minimum requirements for the proposed season then the most fishing days possible should be chosen.

It has been my experience as a small boat owner that ocean conditions already limit the days that I can fish and I think this is true for most of the recreational fleet in the SF area. I don't always catch fish either but at least with alternative 1 I can get on the water most often. Again, if this alternative meets the requirements for the season, most available days to fish for salmon is most important to me.

Thank You for your consideration,

David Lee
148 Franciscan Dr
Danville CA 94526

#56

From: Dawson, Dale <DDawson@cencoast.com>
Date: Fri, Mar 17, 2017 at 9:56 AM
Subject: 2017 Salmon Season Alternatives
To: "pfmc.comments@noaa.gov" <pfmc.comments@noaa.gov>

Greetings, Gentlemen,
With regards to 2017 Alternative salmon recreational regulations:

I wish to weigh in with a request to strongly consider Alternative 1 For the zone encompassed By Cape Falcon on the North and Humbug Mtn. on the South.
If alternative 1 is not the final choice, please consider incorporation of as many elements as possible of it into the final choice.

Thanks for your attention in this matter,
Best regards,
Dale

Dale A Dawson, P.E.
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ddawson@cencoast.com
Mobile:541-270-5648
Office :541-574-2072

#57

From: Madera Rda02 <maderarda02@icloud.com>
Date: Fri, Mar 17, 2017 at 12:09 PM
Subject: Salmon fishing support alternative 1 or 2
To: "pfmc.comments@noaa.gov" <pfmc.comments@noaa.gov>

I am a recreational fisherman. I am in support of alternative 1 then 2. I oppose alternative 3.

#58

From: Sean Lamb <capt.slamby@gmail.com>
Date: Fri, Mar 17, 2017 at 12:12 PM
Subject: In Support of Recreational Alternative 1 - 2017 Salmon Season
To: pfmc.comments@noaa.gov

Dear Pacific Fisheries Management Council,

I am a recreational ocean salmon fisherman from Redwood City, CA. I am writing to inform you that I strongly support the approval of California Recreational Alternative 1 for the 2017 salmon season. After carefully reviewing all three alternatives, it is clear that California Recreational Alternative 1 achieves all of the conservation criteria while providing for the most opportunity and greatest economic value – from \$16 to \$54 million in direct sales in California alone.

Also, I was surprised to see the details of California Recreational Alternative 3. This alternative is completely unacceptable as it provides at most a minimal 5% increase in protection to Klamath fall run Chinook genetic substocks (87% risk with fishing/83% risk with NO fishing), but dramatically reduces our ability to pursue our target fish (Sacramento fall run Chinook).

Thank you for considering my thoughts and for your commitment to our fisheries.

Sincerely,

Sean Lamb

#59

From: <Dave.X.Douma@kp.org>
Date: Fri, Mar 17, 2017 at 12:19 PM
Subject: 2017 salmon season
To: pfmc.comments@noaa.gov

Dear Pacific Fisheries Management Council:

I am a recreational ocean salmon fisherman from Napa, CA. I am writing to inform you that I strongly support the approval of California Recreational Alternative 1 for the 2017 salmon season. After carefully reviewing all three alternatives, it is clear that California Recreational Alternative 1 achieves all of the

conservation criteria while providing for the most opportunity and greatest economic value – from \$16 to \$54 million in direct sales in California alone.

Also, I was surprised to see the details of California Recreational Alternative 3. This alternative is completely unacceptable as it provides at most a minimal 5% increase in protection to Klamath fall run Chinook genetic substocks (87% risk with fishing/83% risk with NO fishing), but dramatically reduces our ability to pursue our target fish (Sacramento fall run Chinook).

Thank you for considering my thoughts and for your commitment to our fisheries.

Sincerely, David Douma, Napa, California

#60

From: John Lyons <johnrlyons@sbcglobal.net>

Date: Fri, Mar 17, 2017 at 12:41 PM

Subject: California recreational salmon alternatives 2017

To: pfmc.comments@noaa.gov

Dear Pacific Fisheries Management Council:

I am a recreational ocean salmon fisherman. I live in the town of Montara, in San Mateo county CA. I am writing to inform you that I strongly support the approval of California Recreational Alternative 1 for the 2017 salmon season. After carefully reviewing all three alternatives, it is clear that California Recreational Alternative 1 achieves all of the conservation criteria while providing for the most opportunity and greatest economic value – from \$16 to \$54 million in direct sales in California alone.

Also, I was surprised to see the details of California Recreational Alternative 3. This alternative is completely unacceptable as it provides at most a minimal 5% increase in protection to Klamath fall run Chinook genetic substocks (87% risk with fishing/83% risk with NO fishing), but dramatically reduces our ability to pursue our target fish (Sacramento fall run Chinook).

Thank you for considering my thoughts and for your commitment to our fisheries.

Sincerely,
John & Patti Lyons
436 Third St
Montara, Ca. 94037

#61

From: Donesley, Grant (GHDO) <GHDO@chevron.com>

Date: Mon, Mar 20, 2017 at 8:06 AM

Subject: Voice support for Alternative 1 - Cal Rec

To: "pfmc.comments@noaa.gov" <pfmc.comments@noaa.gov>

Dear Pacific Fisheries Management Council,

I am a recreational ocean salmon fisherman from Danville, CA. I am writing to inform you that I strongly support the approval of California Recreational Alternative 1 for the 2017 salmon season. After carefully reviewing all three alternatives, it is clear that California Recreational Alternative 1 achieves all of the conservation criteria while providing for the most opportunity and greatest economic value - from \$16 to \$54 million in direct sales in California alone.

Also, I was surprised to see the details of California Recreational Alternative 3. This alternative is completely unacceptable as it provides at most a minimal 5% increase in protection to Klamath fall run Chinook genetic stocks (87% risk with fishing / 83% risk with NO fishing), but dramatically reduces our ability to pursue our target fish (Sacramento fall run Chinook).

Thank you for considering my thoughts and for your continued commitment to our fisheries,

Sincerely,

Grant Donesley
Aptos Place,
Danville, CA 94526

#62

From: <boz1916@comcast.net>
Date: Mon, Mar 20, 2017 at 8:17 AM
Subject: Salmon season 2017
To: "pfmc.comments@noaa.gov" <pfmc.comments@noaa.gov>

To: Pacific Fisheries Management Council

I have reviewed the Alternatives 1 – 3 and support Alternative 1. I believe it best supports the fishermen and most importantly the salmon. Please consider the recreational salmon fishermen when making your decision.

Sincerely,

John Bosley
Rio Linda, CA

#63

From: Lyman Y Chan <lchanbazu@gmail.com>
Date: Mon, Mar 20, 2017 at 8:35 AM
Subject: Support to Alternate 1 Salmon Season 2017
To: pfmc.comments@noaa.gov

Dear Pacific Fisheries Management Council:

I am a recreational ocean salmon fisherman from San Francisco, CA. I am writing to inform you that I strongly support the approval of California Recreational Alternative 1 for the 2017 salmon season. After carefully reviewing all three alternatives, it is clear that California Recreational Alternative 1 achieves all of the conservation criteria while providing for the most opportunity and greatest economic value – from \$16 to \$54 million in direct sales in California alone.

Also, I was surprised to see the details of California Recreational Alternative 3. This alternative is completely unacceptable as it provides at most a minimal 5% increase in protection to Klamath fall run Chinook genetic substocks (87% risk with fishing/83% risk with NO fishing), but dramatically reduces our ability to pursue our target fish (Sacramento fall run Chinook).

Thank you for considering my thoughts and for your commitment to our fisheries.

Sincerely,

#64

From: fricked <fricked@comcast.net>
Date: Mon, Mar 20, 2017 at 10:07 AM
Subject: Oregon Commercial Salmon Season
To: "Chuck.Tracy" <Chuck.Tracy@noaa.gov>

Cc: Jeff Feldner <jfeldner@jnrcom.com>, Paul Heikkila <heikkilakay@gmail.com>, Jerry Reinholdt <heinholdtfish@gmail.com>

I have an OR commercial salmon troll permit and will be trolling for salmon off of the OR coast this year if there is a season. I prefer Option 2 in the three options that came out of the March PFMC meeting. I feel that Option 2 has the best chance to spread out the fishing effort. In case there is a concentration of the Klamath salmon stock in any one particular area, which is totally unpredictable, there will be less removals as the harvesting fleet will be less concentrated on that spot in the ocean. Thank you for your consideration. – Doug Fricke

#65

From: fricked <fricked@comcast.net>
Date: Mon, Mar 20, 2017 at 10:23 AM
Subject: RE: Oregon Commercial Salmon Season
To: "Chuck.Tracy" <Chuck.Tracy@noaa.gov>
Cc: Jeff Feldner <jfeldner@jnrcom.com>, Paul Heikkila <heikkilakay@gmail.com>, Jerry Heinholdt <reinholdtfish@gmail.com>

After sending the first comment on the OR options, I found that I misunderstood the proposed options. Actually option 1 spreads the effort out over the longest period and that would be my preferred option.
Doug Fricke

#66

From: david <lisasereni@comcast.net>
Date: Mon, Mar 20, 2017 at 12:01 PM
Subject: Please choose Alternative 1
To: pfmc.comments@noaa.gov

I am opposed to Alternative 3. It provides at most a minimal 5% increase in protection to Klamath fall run Chinook genetic substocks (87% risk with fishing/83% risk with NO fishing), but dramatically reduces our ability to pursue our target fish (Sacramento fall run Chinook). Compared to Alt 2 this is a reduction of 55,808 angler days (71% reduction), and a reduction of 66,678 angler days from Alt 1 (74% reduction).

Thus compared with Alt 1, this Alt (3) results in a net loss of \$12 million in direct trip related expenses, and upwards to \$40 million in total (including durable costs) direct sales. Similarly compared with Alt 2, Alt (3) results in a net loss of \$10 million in direct trip related expenses, and upwards to \$34 million in total (including durable costs) direct sales.

Thank you,
David Sereni
Santa Rosa CA

#67

From: <bebotguapo@gmail.com>
Date: Mon, Mar 20, 2017 at 2:03 PM
Subject: SALMON OPENING:
To: "pfmc.comments@noaa.gov" <pfmc.comments@noaa.gov>

I have an eight year old grandson that wants to go fishing for salmon. Please do not close our salmon season. There are a lot of salmon out there contrary to some prediction.

Thanks You,
Charles Martin

#68

From: **Chris Counts** <chriscounts3980@yahoo.com>

Date: Mon, Mar 20, 2017 at 2:28 PM

Subject: Salmon season Alternative #1

To: pfmtc.comments@noaa.gov

Dear Pacific Fisheries Management Council:

I am a recreational ocean salmon fisherman from Aptos, CA. I am writing to inform you that I strongly support the approval of California Recreational Alternative 1 for the 2017 salmon season. After carefully reviewing all three alternatives, it is clear that California Recreational Alternative 1 achieves all of the conservation criteria while providing for the most opportunity and greatest economic value – from \$16 to \$54 million in direct sales in California alone.

Also, I was surprised to see the details of California Recreational Alternative 3. This alternative is completely unacceptable as it provides at most a minimal 5% increase in protection to Klamath fall run Chinook genetic substocks (87% risk with fishing/83% risk with NO fishing), but dramatically reduces our ability to pursue our target fish (Sacramento fall run Chinook).

Thank you for considering my thoughts and for your commitment to our fisheries.

Sincerely,

Chris Counts

#69

From: Larry Coday <larry.coday@yahoo.com>

Date: Mon, Mar 20, 2017 at 3:22 PM

Subject: 2017 Salmon Season

To: "pfmtc.comments@noaa.gov" <pfmtc.comments@noaa.gov>

Closing the season does not seem to have helped in the past . We are still having this same issue every year. It appears the dams on the rivers have interfered with the reproduction process. The Silver Salmon Season has been closed to the West Coast of Ca. for at least the last 20 years and even though there seems to be a lot of fish at certain times of the year in the Monterey Bay, we still are not allowed to fish for them. Obviously we are doing something wrong, but it is my understanding that closing or making the season short will not helped the issue for the King Salmon. Fishermen have always supported any kind of help for the fishery, both with money and their time. Planting fish and using care to release the smaller fish.

Alternative #1 appears to be the best option for everybody. Will generate a lot of money to try to help in the future. If the Salmon population is that small in a particular area, 90% of the sportsmen will not fish for them after the first few days of the season. At least everybody will spread out and not concentrate at the area listed to be open, where overfishing good be the result.

Go with #1

Concerned

#70

From: **Joseph Tutelian** <jrtutelian@gmail.com>

Date: Mon, Mar 20, 2017 at 3:55 PM

Subject: Salmon Season Alternative #1

To: pfmtc.comments@noaa.gov

Dear Pacific Fisheries Management Council:

I am a recreational ocean salmon fisherman from Aptos, CA. I am writing to inform you that I strongly support the approval of California Recreational Alternative 1 for the 2017 salmon season. After carefully reviewing all three alternatives, it is clear that California Recreational Alternative 1 achieves all of the conservation criteria while providing for the most opportunity and greatest economic value – from \$16 to \$54 million in direct sales in California alone.

Also, I was surprised to see the details of California Recreational Alternative 3. This alternative is completely unacceptable as it provides at most a minimal 5% increase in protection to Klamath fall run Chinook genetic substocks (87% risk with fishing/83% risk with NO fishing), but dramatically reduces our ability to pursue our target fish (Sacramento fall run Chinook).

Thank you for considering my thoughts and for your commitment to our fisheries.

Sincerely,

Joseph Tutelian.

#71

From: **Mark Sueksdorf** <zman711@icloud.com>

Date: Mon, Mar 20, 2017 at 6:55 PM

Subject: Important Input on 2017 Recreational Salmon Season for Consideration

To: pmmc.comments@noaa.gov

Cc: zman711@icloud.com, ronwhang@gmail.com

Dear Pacific Fisheries Management Council:

I am a recreational ocean salmon fisherman from Danville, CA. I am writing to inform you that I strongly support the approval of California Recreational Alternative 1 for the 2017 salmon season. After carefully reviewing all three alternatives, it is clear that California Recreational Alternative 1 achieves all of the conservation criteria while providing me the most opportunity to enjoy fishing on local waters. I look forward to salmon season every year and spend more than I should at local tackle stores.

I am very opposed to California Recreational Alternative 3. This alternative is completely unacceptable as it provides at most a minimal 5% increase in protection to Klamath fall run Chinook genetic substocks (87% risk with fishing/83% risk with NO fishing), but dramatically reduces our ability to pursue our target fish (Sacramento fall run Chinook).

Sincerely,

Mark Sueksdorf

#72

From: Malcolm Gibson <mkgibson@surewest.net>

Date: Mon, Mar 20, 2017 at 10:47 PM

Subject: California Salmon Fishing Season

To: pmmc.comments@noaa.gov

PMFC counsel members

I am writing you in regards to your decision on the 3 alternatives for our salmon season. Given the choices I am strongly recommending the 1st option. We would be able to sustain the Sacramento run of King Salmon and protect the 54 million dollar sales impact for our State and local businesses. I want you to know that I am a 6th generation Californian. I am 58 years old and have been fishing my entire life as did my fore Fathers. My friends and family are responsible and the best conservationists i I know. Please insure we can continue to enjoy our culture and our State. Thank you, Malcolm Gibson

#73

From: **Jasper Kwan** <triton_38@hotmail.com>

Date: Tue, Mar 21, 2017 at 12:03 AM

Subject: 2017 Salmon Fishing Season

To: "pmmc.comments@noaa.gov" <pmmc.comments@noaa.gov>

Dear Pacific Fisheries Management Council:

I am a recreational ocean salmon fisherman from Corte Madera, CA. I am writing to inform you that I strongly support the approval of California Recreational Alternative 1 for the 2017 salmon season. After carefully reviewing all three alternatives, it is clear that California Recreational Alternative 1 achieves all of the conservation criteria while providing for the most opportunity and greatest economic value – from \$16 to \$54 million in direct sales in California alone.

Also, I was surprised to see the details of California Recreational Alternative 3. This alternative is completely unacceptable as it provides at most a minimal 5% increase in protection to Klamath fall run Chinook genetic substocks (87% risk with fishing/83% risk with NO fishing), but dramatically reduces our ability to pursue our target fish (Sacramento fall run Chinook).

Thank you for considering my thoughts and for your commitment to our fisheries.

Sincerely,

Jasper Kwan

#74

From: **Thomas McGuirk** <irish4880@gmail.com>

Date: Tue, Mar 21, 2017 at 7:58 AM

Subject: Support for Salmon Fishing Alternative 1

To: pfmt.comments@noaa.gov

Dear Pacific Fisheries Management Council:

I am a recreational ocean salmon fisherman from Half Moon Bay, CA. I am writing to inform you that I strongly support the approval of California Recreational Alternative 1 for the 2017 salmon season. After carefully reviewing all three alternatives, it is clear that California Recreational Alternative 1 achieves all of the conservation criteria while providing for the most opportunity and greatest economic value – from \$16 to \$54 million in direct sales in California alone.

Also, I was surprised to see the details of California Recreational Alternative 3. This alternative is completely unacceptable as it provides at most a minimal 5% increase in protection to Klamath fall run Chinook genetic substocks (87% risk with fishing/83% risk with NO fishing), but dramatically reduces our ability to pursue our target fish (Sacramento fall run Chinook).

Thank you for considering my thoughts and for your commitment to our fisheries.

Sincerely,

Tom

#75

From: **Beardsley, Scott J** <scott.j.beardsley@lmco.com>

Date: Tue, Mar 21, 2017 at 8:27 AM

Subject: 2017 California Ocean Salmon Fishing Season!

To: "pfmt.comments@noaa.gov" <pfmt.comments@noaa.gov>

Cc: "s.beardsley (s.beardsley@comcast.net)" <s.beardsley@comcast.net>

Dear Pacific Fisheries Management Council:

I am a recreational ocean salmon fisherman from Livermore, CA. I am writing to inform you that I strongly support the approval of California Recreational Alternative 1 for the 2017 salmon season. After carefully

reviewing all three alternatives, it is clear that California Recreational Alternative 1 achieves all of the conservation criteria while providing for the most opportunity and greatest economic value – from \$16 to \$54 million in direct sales in California alone.

Also, I was surprised to see the details of California Recreational Alternative 3. This alternative is completely unacceptable as it provides at most a minimal 5% increase in protection to Klamath fall run Chinook genetic sub-stocks (87% risk with fishing/83% risk with NO fishing), but dramatically reduces our ability to pursue our target fish (Sacramento fall run Chinook).

Thank you for considering my thoughts and for your commitment to our fisheries.

Sincerely,

Scott Beardsley
2813 Superior Drive
Livermore, CA 94550
[925-455-8450](tel:925-455-8450)

#76

From: **William Smith** <captainsmitty@riptide.net>

Date: Tue, Mar 21, 2017 at 8:43 AM

Subject: 2017 Salmon Season Alternatives

To: "pfmc.comments@noaa.gov" <pfmc.comments@noaa.gov>

To: 'pfmc.comments@noaa.gov'

Subject: 2017 Salmon Season Alternatives

Dear Pacific Fisheries Management Council:

I am a charter boat owner & operator, ocean salmon fisherman from El Granada, CA. I am writing to inform you that I strongly support the **approval** of California Recreational Alternative 1 for the 2017 salmon season. After carefully reviewing all three alternatives, it is clear that California Recreational Alternative 1 achieves all of the conservation criteria while providing for the most opportunity and greatest economic value – from \$16 to \$54 million in direct sales in California alone.

Also, I was surprised to see the details of California Recreational Alternative 3. This alternative is completely unacceptable as it provides at most a minimal 5% increase in protection to Klamath fall run Chinook genetic substocks (87% risk with fishing/83% risk with NO fishing), but dramatically reduces our ability to pursue our target fish (Sacramento fall run Chinook).

Thank you for considering my thoughts and for your commitment to our fisheries.

Sincerely,

Captain William Smith
1105 Almanor ave
Menlo Park Ca. 94025
[6507288433](tel:6507288433)
captainsmitty@riptide.net

#77

From: Linda Hildebrand <lihildebrand@yahoo.com>
Date: Tue, Mar 21, 2017 at 8:45 AM
Subject: 2017 California Salmon Season
To: pfmc.comments@noaa.gov

We are writing to let the council know that we are in support of Option 1 for the 2017 California Salmon Season.

These three options, of which one is "no fishing" at all, put the entire fishing fleet at economic risk in light of the fact that the decision by the council is only a couple of weeks away from the season's potential beginning. We have already invested in our gear, licenses, permits and our time towards this season, which represents a significant financial investment. Gear manufacturers, distributors, and marine stores have had to commit their resources many months ago for us to be able to acquire our fishing supplies for this season. Again we would prefer Option 1 and respectfully request that the council and staff consider the financial impacts faced by our industry.

Our thanks for your time and attention .

Ken Bates, Linda Hildebrand
F/V Ironic
Port of Eureka

#78

From: **Vic Giacalone** <VicG@besteleco.com>
Date: Tue, Mar 21, 2017 at 9:20 AM
Subject: 2017 Salmon Season
To: "pfmc.comments@noaa.gov" <pfmc.comments@noaa.gov>

re Alternatives for 2017 Recreational Salmon Fishing in California

To whom it may concern;

I understand that you are considering three possible alternatives for the 2017 season duration.

I would hope that you will decide on Alternate 1. This alternate provides for all of the conservation criteria – especially for the Klamath run fish; and should result in sixteen to fifty-four million dollars in sales for California's retailers and charter operators.

Recreational ocean fishing is the mainstay of many California businesses. And, pursuing salmon has to be considered the primary reason that many of our citizens purchase boats, fuel, tackle, bait, etc.. In addition party boat operators rely on the many customers, who purchase passage on their boats, primary to target salmon.

Alternate 2. would be a partially suitable choice in my opinion. But, a shorter season would only reduce the opportunity for boat dealers, tackle shops, charter boat operators, etc.. to make a living.

Alternate 3. would be a disaster. Conservation goals would not be achieved and many Californians would be put out of business or lose their jobs.

Again, I urge you to select alternate 1. for the coming Salmon Season in California.

Thank you.

Vic Giacalone
1189 Carolyn Ave.
San Jose,. CA
[408 287-2040](tel:4082872040)

#79

From: <ssalo2@suddenlink.net>
Date: Tue, Mar 21, 2017 at 10:12 AM
Subject: 2017 CA Salmon Options
To: pfmtc.comments@noaa.gov

I'm Steve Salo, I have the F/V Jeanette P from Eureka and I support Option 1 this year. Thank you for your consideration.

Steve

#80

From: **Shephard, Michael** <mshephard@bankofamerica.com>
Date: Tue, Mar 21, 2017 at 11:10 AM
Subject: 2017 Salmon Season
To: "pfmtc.comments@noaa.gov" <pfmtc.comments@noaa.gov>

Dear Pacific Fisheries Management Council:

I am a recreational ocean salmon fisherman from Oakland, CA. I am writing to inform you that I strongly support the approval of California Recreational Alternative 1 for the 2017 salmon season. After carefully reviewing all three alternatives, it is clear that California Recreational Alternative 1 achieves all of the conservation criteria while providing for the most opportunity and greatest economic value – from \$16 to \$54 million in direct sales in California alone.

Also, I was surprised to see the details of California Recreational Alternative 3. This alternative is completely unacceptable as it provides at most a minimal 5% increase in protection to Klamath fall run Chinook genetic substocks (87% risk with fishing/83% risk with NO fishing), but dramatically reduces our ability to pursue our target fish (Sacramento fall run Chinook).

Thank you for considering my thoughts and for your commitment to our fisheries.

Sincerely,

Michael Shephard

#81

From: **Solemnidad, Luis** <lsolmnidad@csum.edu>
Date: Tue, Mar 21, 2017 at 12:48 PM
Subject: Salmon Season Options for 2017
To: "pfmtc.comments@noaa.gov" <pfmtc.comments@noaa.gov>

PFMC

I received information from my fishing organization (Coastside fishing club) about options for Salmon fishing for the 2017 season. I would like to send my comment to please push Alternative 1 as it would provide recreational fisher persons with the most time in the water. I am heavily invested in this sport and the time spent on the water is very important for me and my family and friends who may not have the ability to respond to these options. Reducing the season will impact not only my time but also others who depend so much on this fishery. I appreciate your time in reading this commentary.

Alternative 1 = YES

Klamath zone: CLOSED

Ft Bragg April 1 – May 31, August 15 – Nov 12, 20 inches
78 days open, with 5,242 angler days

San Francisco April 1 – 30, May 15 – Oct 31, 24 inches through April 30; 20 inches thereafter
140 days open, with 52,501 angler days

Monterey (North) April 1 – July 15, 24 inches, (South) April 1 – May 31, 24 inches
106 days open, with 31,810 angler days

Alternative 2 = NO

Klamath zone: CLOSED

Ft Bragg April 1 – May 31, July 1 – 12, Sept 1 – Nov 12, 20 inches
73 days open, with 5,970 angler days

San Francisco April 1 – 30, June 15 – Oct 31, 24 inches through April 30; 20 inches thereafter
108 days open, with 44,018 angler days

Monterey (North) April 1 – June 30, 24 inches, (South) April 1 – May 31, 24 inches
91 days open, with 28,687 angler days

Alternative 3 = NO

Klamath zone: CLOSED

Ft Bragg April 1 – 30, 20 inches
30 days open, with 1,057 angler days

San Francisco April 1 – 30, 24 inches
30 days open, with 6,159 angler days

Monterey (North) April 1 – 30, 24 inches, (South) April 1 – 30, 24 inches

SUPPORTING POINTS

1. California Recreational Alternative 1 achieves all of the conservation criteria while providing for the most opportunity and greatest economic value – from \$16 to \$54 million in direct sales in California alone. This is the alternative we support.
2. California Recreational Alternative 1 provides for 324 days of fishing in all zones except the Klamath, with 89,553 angler days. This is the alternative we support.
3. California Recreational Alternative 2 achieves all of the conservation criteria while providing for somewhat less opportunity and economic value than Alternative 1 – from \$14 to \$48 million in direct sales in California alone. While this is much better than Alternative 3, it is not as good as Alternative 1; we therefore support Alternative 1.
4. California Recreational Alternative 2 provides for 272 days of fishing in all zones except the Klamath, with 78,675 angler days. While this is much better than Alternative 3, it is not as good as Alternative 1; we therefore support Alternative 1.

5. California Recreational Alternative 3 provides for no real increases in protection for Klamath fall run Chinook sub-stocks (at most, only 4%), but results in large economic losses in forgone sales in California (from \$10 to \$40 million). We cannot accept Alternative 3.
6. California Recreational Alternative 3 fails to meet Magnuson Stevens standards of maximizing economic benefit while ensuring sustainable fisheries. We cannot accept Alternative 3.
7. Salt-water recreational direct sales create and support nearly 23,000 jobs in California alone.
8. Salmon fishing is a critical factor for the 1.1 million recreational salt-water anglers in California.
9. Salmon fishermen recognize the disastrous impacts the last several years of drought have had on our salmon fisheries, we have been making significant sacrifices for several years.
10. Recreational fishermen are willing to continue to do our part to ensure the health of our salmon fisheries, and we support conservative regulatory measures that balance opportunity with real and measureable protections for our salmon runs

Thank you,

Luis Solemnidad
Recreational Fisherman

#82

From: **Matt Peak** <matt.peak@vancebrown.com>
Date: Tue, Mar 21, 2017 at 1:19 PM
Subject: California Recreational Salmon Alternatives
To: "pfmc.comments@noaa.gov" <pfmc.comments@noaa.gov>

Dear Pacific Fisheries Management Council:

I am a recreational ocean salmon fisherman from San Jose, CA. I am writing to inform you that I strongly support the approval of California Recreational Alternative 1 for the 2017 salmon season. After carefully reviewing all three alternatives, it is clear that California Recreational Alternative 1 achieves all of the conservation criteria while providing for the most opportunity and greatest economic value – from \$16 to \$54 million in direct sales in California alone.

Also, I was surprised to see the details of California Recreational Alternative 3. This alternative is completely unacceptable as it provides at most a minimal 5% increase in protection to Klamath fall run Chinook genetic substocks (87% risk with fishing/83% risk with NO fishing), and dramatically reduces our ability to pursue our target fish (Sacramento fall run Chinook).

Thank you for considering my thoughts and for your commitment to our fisheries.

Sincerely,

Matt Peak

#83

From: **Joe Horner** <joe_horner@icloud.com>

Date: Tue, Mar 21, 2017 at 5:10 PM

Subject: Salmon fishing!

To: pfmtc.comments@noaa.gov

Dear Pacific Fisheries Management Council:

I am a recreational ocean salmon fisherman from San Jose, CA. I am writing to inform you that I strongly support the approval of California Recreational Alternative 1 for the 2017 salmon season. After carefully reviewing all three alternatives, it is clear that California Recreational Alternative 1 achieves all of the conservation criteria while providing for the most opportunity and greatest economic value – from \$16 to \$54 million in direct sales in California alone.

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Thank you for considering my thoughts and for your commitment to our fisheries.

#84

From: **Alan Callaghan** <nuportconstruction@gmail.com>

Date: Tue, Mar 21, 2017 at 7:22 PM

Subject: Salmon

To: pfmtc.comments@noaa.gov

Dear Pacific Fisheries Management Council:

I am a recreational ocean salmon fisherman from Mill Valley, CA. I am writing to inform you that I strongly support the approval of California Recreational Alternative 1 for the 2017 salmon season. After carefully reviewing all three alternatives, it is clear that California Recreational Alternative 1 achieves all of the conservation criteria while providing for the most opportunity and greatest economic value – from \$16 to \$54million in direct sales in California alone.

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Thank you for considering my thoughts and for your commitment to our fisheries.

Sincerely,

Alan Callaghan
[415 3050081](tel:4153050081)

#85

From: **joe perrault** <j.perrault@yahoo.com>
Date: Wed, Mar 22, 2017 at 9:31 AM
Subject: Salmon
To: pmmc.comments@noaa.gov

Gentlemen,
For the most salmon fishing days this year, please send email of support for alt 1, and oppose Alt 3.

Joseph Perrault

#86

From: **raulduke52** <raulduke52@sbcglobal.net>
Date: Wed, Mar 22, 2017 at 11:47 AM
Subject: 2017 salmon regulations
To: pmmc.comments@noaa.gov

Dear Pacific Fisheries Management Council:

I am a recreational ocean salmon fisherman from Sacramento, CA. I am writing to inform you that I strongly support the approval of California Recreational Alternative 1 for the 2017 salmon season. After carefully reviewing all three alternatives, it is clear that California Recreational Alternative 1 achieves all of the conservation criteria while providing for the most opportunity and greatest economic value – from \$16 to \$54 million in direct sales in California alone.

Also, I was surprised to see the details of California Recreational Alternative 3. This alternative is completely unacceptable as it provides at most a minimal 5% increase in protection to Klamath fall run Chinook genetic substocks (87% risk with fishing/83% risk with NO fishing), but dramatically reduces our ability to pursue our target fish (Sacramento fall run Chinook).

Thank you for considering my thoughts and for your commitment to our fisheries.

Sincerely,

greg gartrell
4829 agree ct
sacramento ca 95842

#87

From: **William Arnold** <usarnolds@aol.com>
Date: Wed, Mar 22, 2017 at 12:12 PM
Subject: Comments on salmon season 2017
To: pmmc.comments@noaa.gov

I have lived in Oregon my entire life and have fished in the area of Brookings/Harbor since 1972. When you first closed down the coho season in our area, apparently the commercials went out and fished for bottom fish to try to make a living. You couldn't even catch a rock fish after that, they had almost annihilated them. It has never rebounded completely. I believe there is a program now that subsidizes them so they can have a living while not fishing. If they are shut down from salmon fishing and do like they did before, I don't believe the rock fish will recover at all. Hopefully there is a plan in place so this doesn't happen. Also, if we can't salmon fish because of the poor return in the Klamath river. why is it that people up north have got to fish the coho with a much higher limit and longer season than here? Doesn't that affect our coho population here?

Thank you,
Karen Arnold

#88

From: Ben <rxx2@sbcglobal.net>
Date: Wed, Mar 22, 2017 at 12:20 PM
Subject: Salmon season 2017
To: pmmc.comments@noaa.gov

Dear Pacific Fisheries Management Council:

I am a recreational ocean salmon fisherman from San Mateo, CA. I am writing to inform you that I strongly support the approval of California Recreational Alternative 1 for the 2017 salmon season. After carefully reviewing all three alternatives, it is clear that California Recreational Alternative 1 achieves all of the conservation criteria.

Also, I was surprised to see the details of California Recreational Alternative 3. This alternative is completely unacceptable as it provides at most a minimal 5% increase in protection to Klamath fall run Chinook genetic substocks (87% risk with fishing/83% risk with NO fishing), but dramatically reduces our ability to pursue our target fish (Sacramento fall run Chinook).

Thank you for considering my thoughts and for your commitment to our fisheries.
Sincerely,

Ben Tsutaoka

#89

From: christopher <christophersconstruction@gmail.com>
Date: Wed, Mar 22, 2017 at 4:00 PM
Subject: Fwd: Salmon
To: pmmc.comments@noaa.gov

Dear Pacific Fisheries Management Council:

I am a recreational ocean salmon fisherman from Mill Valley, CA. I am writing to inform you that I strongly support the approval of California Recreational Alternative 1 for the 2017 salmon season. After carefully reviewing all three alternatives, it is clear that California Recreational Alternative 1 achieves all of the conservation criteria while providing for the most opportunity and greatest economic value – from \$16 to \$54million in direct sales in California alone.

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Thank you for considering my thoughts and for your commitment to our fisheries.

Sincerely,
Thank You,
Christopher Hesson
[415-269-1239](tel:415-269-1239)

#90

From: <the.ataides@gmail.com>
Date: Wed, Mar 22, 2017 at 2:57 PM
Subject: 2017 Salmon Season
To: pmmc.comments@noaa.gov

Dear Pacific Fisheries Management Council:

I am a recreational ocean salmon fisherman from Fairfield, CA. I am writing to inform you that I strongly support the approval of California Recreational Alternative 1 for the 2017 salmon season. After carefully reviewing all three alternatives, it is clear that California Recreational Alternative 1 achieves all of the conservation criteria while providing for the most opportunity and greatest economic value – from \$16 to \$54 million in direct sales in California alone.

Also, I was surprised to see the details of California Recreational Alternative 3. This alternative is completely unacceptable as it provides at most a minimal 5% increase in protection to Klamath fall run Chinook genetic substocks (87% risk with fishing/83% risk with NO fishing), but dramatically reduces our ability to pursue our target fish (Sacramento fall run Chinook).

Thank you for considering my thoughts and for your commitment to our fisheries.

Sincerely,

Darryk Ataide
the.ataides@gmail.com
[\(707\) 590-0172](tel:(707)590-0172)
770 Dynasty Drive
Fairfield, CA 94534

#91

From: **Flanders, Stratos** <Stratos.Flanders@kniferiver.com>
Date: Wed, Mar 22, 2017 at 3:45 PM
Subject: Proposed Oregon Salmon Seasons
To: "pfmtc.comments@noaa.gov" <pfmtc.comments@noaa.gov>

To whom it may concern:

I have reviewed the proposed Commercial and Sport seasons and feel strongly that Alternative 3 should be selected this year. We are in a significant declining trend and error should be on the side of conversation for the future. The Klamath stocks are particularly alarming with a decline to a fraction of their historic numbers over just a few year period. Furthermore, the Sacramento River has only exceeded the lower minimum escapement goal three time over the last 10 years. This is pointing to the Sacramento River stock being over exploited 70% of the time in the last decade.

I urged the council to select Commercial and Sport Alternative 3 for 2017 and make sure we do not over exploit the Klamath and Sacramento Chinook stocks while they are depressed.

Thank You,

Stratos Flanders

#92

From: **Michael** <seacap26@yahoo.com>
Date: Wed, Mar 22, 2017 at 3:52 PM
Subject: California salmon season
To: "pfmtc.comments@noaa.gov" <pfmtc.comments@noaa.gov>

Dear PFMC,

Hi my name is Michael Caporale and I am a conservationist. It has come to my attention that the Pacific Fisheries Management Council is in the process of deciding our recreational salmon season.

I would like to express my strong objection to Alternative 3. It simply is not acceptable and places additional burdens on small business owners.

Additionally, I want to provide my strong support to Alternative 1. This seems to be the most pragmatic and common sense approach. There is no reason small businesses must go bankrupt because the state of California sends too much water south.

Thank you for your time,

Michael Caporale

#93

From: **keith mans** <mckeiffer@comcast.net>

Date: Wed, Mar 22, 2017 at 5:10 PM

Subject: salmon

To: pfmc.comments@noaa.gov

Dear Sirs

I would like to let you know that I support Ca Recreational Alternative 1. I believe that it achieves all of the conservation criteria. By some accounts, the economic value of the sport salmon industry in Ca alone is up to \$50 million. While Alternative 2 also achieves all of the conservation criteria, I feel it cuts too deeply into the fishing days and therefore the economic value. I am all for protecting our fisheries so our kids and grandkids will be able to carry on our tradition of sustaining a good and productive fishery. I believe Alternative 1 gives us the most fishing days while still meeting the conservation objectives.

Thank you

Keith

#94

From: **pat arundel** <patarundel@sbcglobal.net>

Date: Wed, Mar 22, 2017 at 5:55 PM

Subject: 2017 salmon season

To: pfmc.comments@noaa.gov

Dear Pacific Fisheries Management Council:

I am a recreational ocean salmon fisherman from Daly City CA. I am writing to inform you that I strongly support the approval of California Recreational Alternative 1 for the 2017 salmon season. After carefully reviewing all three alternatives, it is clear that California Recreational Alternative 1 achieves all of the conservation criteria while providing for the most opportunity and greatest economic value – from \$16 to \$54million in direct sales in California alone.

Also, I was surprised to see the details of California Recreational Alternative 3. This alternative is completely unacceptable as it provides at most a minimal 5% increase in protection to Klamath fall run Chinook genetic substocks (87% risk with fishing/83% risk with NO fishing), but dramatically reduces our ability to pursue our target fish (Sacramento fall run Chinook).

Thank you for considering my thoughts and for your commitment to our fisheries.

Sincerely,
Pat Arundel

#95

From: **Alan Pazar** <alpazar@gmail.com>

Date: 2017-03-22 21:46 GMT-07:00

Subject: Letter in support of troll option 1

To: pmmc.comments@noaa.gov

March 21, 2017

Alan Pazar
Krab Kettle Seafood Market
89487 Hwy 101 N
Florence, OR 97439

PFMC

Pmmc.comments@noaa.gov

Chair and Council members,

I am a long-time commercial fisherman and have for the past 28 years retailed fresh troll salmon to customers here on the Oregon Coast. For those of us who provide Chinook salmon, the historically iconic seafood staple to eager consumers, there is only one Salmon Management Option for 2017 that makes sense: Option 1.

Option 1 allows the most days on the water for fisherman, and the most consistent supply of salmon for the marketplace. This option makes this public resource available fresh to the public nearly spring and summer long with only a few gaps that might be overcome with good purchasing planning.

Our seafood market, the Krab Kettle, has been providing fresh Oregon Coast seafood, including Chinook Salmon to our customers, both Pacific Northwest residents and visitors alike since 1962. It is truly a shame when we cannot have local salmon on our shelves.

I urge the PFMC to adopt Option 1, the only sensible option that offers the most opportunity for harvesters, retailers and consumers access to this icon of the Northwest.

Sincerely,

Alan Pazar

#96

From: **Robert Crupper** <cruppy@hotmail.com>

Date: Thu, Mar 23, 2017 at 12:07 AM

Subject: Salmon fishing alternative #1

To: "pmmc.comments@noaa.gov" <pmmc.comments@noaa.gov>

I have reviewed the three alternatives suggested for this coming Salmon season. My opinion is that of the three alternatives the one that seems most economically feasible and affords the

greatest access for fishermen is Alternative #1. Alternative #1 allows for a greater ECONOMIC gain for local businesses and the state. The longer the fishing season for Salmon the more money is spent by fisherman to sustain this fishery.

Thank you for this opportunity to voice my opinion

Robert Crupper

Foresthill, Calif.

#97

From: **Jeff Park** <jeffpark1013@gmail.com>

Date: Thu, Mar 23, 2017 at 9:25 AM

Subject: 2017 Salmon Season

To: pfmtc.comments@noaa.gov

Dear Pacific Fisheries Management Council:

I am a recreational ocean salmon fisherman from Pleasanton, CA. I am writing to inform you that I strongly support the approval of California Recreational Alternative 1 for the 2017 salmon season. After carefully reviewing all three alternatives, it is clear that California Recreational Alternative 1 achieves all of the conservation criteria while providing for the most opportunity and greatest economic value – from \$16 to \$54 million in direct sales in California alone.

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Thank you for considering my thoughts and for your commitment to our fisheries.

Sincerely,

Jeffrey Park

#98

From: **Charlie c** <charlieclaycomb@hotmail.com>

Date: Thu, Mar 23, 2017 at 9:30 AM

Subject: My support for ocean salmon Alternative 1 or 2 and I oppose Alternative 3

To: "pfmtc.comments@noaa.gov" <pfmtc.comments@noaa.gov>

Dear Pacific Fisheries Management Council:

I am a recreational ocean salmon fisherman from Napa, CA. I am writing to inform you that I strongly support the approval of California Recreational Alternative 1 for the 2017 salmon season. After carefully reviewing all three alternatives, it is clear that California Recreational Alternative 1 achieves all of the conservation criteria while providing for the most opportunity and greatest economic value – from \$16 to \$54 million in direct sales in California alone.

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Klamath fall run Chinook genetic substocks (87% risk with fishing/83% risk with NO fishing), but dramatically reduces our ability to pursue our target fish (Sacramento fall run Chinook).

Thank you for considering my thoughts and for your commitment to our fisheries.

Sincerely
Charlie Claycomb
Montara Ca 94037

#99

From: **Irfan Ahmed** <irfan525@gmail.com>

Date: Thu, Mar 23, 2017 at 9:36 AM

Subject: Support the approval of California Recreational Alternative 1 for the 2017 salmon season.

To: pfmtc.comments@noaa.gov

Dear Pacific Fisheries Management Council:

I am a recreational ocean salmon fisherman from Oakland, CA. I am writing to inform you that I strongly support the approval of California Recreational Alternative 1 for the 2017 salmon season. After carefully reviewing all three alternatives, it is clear that California Recreational Alternative 1 achieves all of the conservation criteria while providing for the most opportunity and greatest economic value – from \$16 to \$54 million in direct sales in California alone.

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Thank you for considering my thoughts and for your commitment to our fisheries.

Sincerely,

Irfan

#100

From: **steve chi** <chisteve@gmail.com>

Date: Thu, Mar 23, 2017 at 9:41 AM

Subject: 2017 Salmon Season

To: pfmt.comments@noaa.gov

Dear Pacific Fisheries Management Council:

I am a recreational ocean salmon fisherman from Mill Valley, CA. I am writing to inform you that I strongly support the approval of California Recreational Alternative 1 for the 2017 salmon season. After carefully reviewing all three alternatives, it is clear that California Recreational Alternative 1 achieves all of the conservation criteria while providing for the most opportunity and greatest economic value – from \$16 to \$54 million in direct sales in California alone.

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Thank you for considering my thoughts and for your commitment to our fisheries.

Sincerely,

#101

From: **Mark McCulloch** <mccullochmark1@gmail.com>

Date: Thu, Mar 23, 2017 at 1:02 PM

Subject: Rec Salmon Season Alternatives, SOF

To: pfmt.comments@noaa.gov

To: PFMC Chair Herb Pollard

Executive Director Chuck Tracy

Salmon Staff Officer Robin Ehlke

Council Members

From: Mark McCulloch

Dear council members, staff:

I would like to endorse the Alternative 1 recreational salmon season for the Cape Falcon to Humbug Mt zone. It is important to me to have the season extend into October. I also appreciate having the non-mark-selective coho season in September, with the mechanism to transfer remaining quota from the earlier mark-selective season.

Thank you for the consideration, and thank you all for the work you do.

Best Regards,

Mark McCulloch
Corvallis, Oregon

#102

From: **Dan Ringer** <ringerda@yahoo.com>
Date: Fri, Mar 24, 2017 at 6:51 AM
Subject: We only support California Recreational Alternative 1
To: "pfmtc.comments@noaa.gov" <pfmtc.comments@noaa.gov>

California Recreational Alternative 1 achieves all of the conservation criteria while providing for the most opportunity and greatest economic value – from \$16 to \$54 million in direct sales in California alone. This is the alternative we support. California Recreational Alternative 1 provides for 324 days of fishing in all zones except the Klamath, with 89,553 angler days. This is the alternative we support.

None of the other are of any value to anyone. Other things to keep in mind:

- Salt-water recreational direct sales create and support nearly 23,000 jobs in California alone
- Salmon fishing is a critical factor for the 1.1 million recreational salt-water anglers in California
- Salmon fishermen recognize the disastrous impacts the last several years of drought have had on our salmon fisheries, we have been making significant sacrifices for several years
- Recreational fishermen are willing to continue to do our part to ensure the health of our salmon fisheries, and we support conservative regulatory measures that balance opportunity with real and measureable protections for our salmon runs

#103

From: **Stroup, Adam** <Adam.Stroup@capsugel.com>
Date: Thu, Mar 23, 2017 at 5:23 PM
Subject: Oregon Ocean Salmon Season 2017
To: "pfmtc.comments@noaa.gov" <pfmtc.comments@noaa.gov>
Cc: Adam Stroup <adam_stroup@yahoo.com>

Hello,

Attached is a letter for public comment to this year's salmon seasons.

Thank you for your time and consideration,

To: PFMC Chair Herb Pollard
Executive Director: Chuck Tracy
Salmon Staff Officer Robin Ehlke
Council members

FROM: Adam Stroup, Recreational Fisherman and Scientist

I would like to first off thank you for your continued hard work and dedication to the survival of the salmon species in our region. I commend you as well for doing your best to ensure a continued salmon season. You have a difficult job and I'm guessing no matter what you do, someone isn't happy about the decision.

I am first and foremost a scientist and believe that you are making the best decision possible with the data available. There seems to be a lot of negative attention these days towards scientists, especially if the data coming in, impacts people from an economic perspective. I fully support your decision and know that you have a difficult job.

I'm writing to request Alternative 1 this year for the Cape Falcon to Humbug mountain season off of the Oregon Coast. I really like the non-selective season in the fall, as well as a long Chinook season. I really like being able to fish for the Chinook throughout the summer. We rarely catch them and it's always a treat when we do.

If Alternative I can't be the approved choice for the recreational salmon season from Cape Falcon to Humbug Mt, please incorporate as much Chinook season (i.e., opportunity) as possible and please include at least some Coho quota for a non-selective Coho season in September with the provision for transferring - on an impact neutral basis - any remaining quota from the summer mark-selective Coho season to the Sept season.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Adam Stroup" followed by a date "23 March 2017".

Adam Stroup
Sport Fisherman and Scientist
Bend, Oregon

#104

From: **Brandonscottclary** <clary393@yahoo.com>

Date: Fri, Mar 24, 2017 at 8:45 AM

Subject: Salmon season

To: PFMC.comments@noaa.gov

I vote for alternative 1. Please let are voice be herd

#105

From: <bstnwaler21@aol.com>

Date: Fri, Mar 24, 2017 at 10:11 AM

Subject: 2107 Salmon Season

To: pfmc.comments@noaa.gov

As a salmon fisherman for over 50 years and a person who has put in many hours over the last four years helping to inoculate,transport,acclimate and then release directly into the Ocean over 1.5 million smolts I strongly back Alternative 1 for the 2017 season. As a person who cares greatly about the fishery if the science did not support a season I would be the first to back Alternative 3..but the numbers and research for this years "run" indicate that a season such as Alternative I would not only allow many to fish but would also not harm future runs.Thank you for voting on Alternative ONE!!

Mark Capra

[510 329 8775](tel:5103298775)

#106

From: **Stan Chan** <shychan@gmail.com>

Date: Fri, Mar 24, 2017 at 10:58 AM

Subject: Regarding 2017 Salmon Season

To: pfmc.comments@noaa.gov

Dear Pacific Fisheries Management Council:

I am a recreational ocean salmon fisherman from San Francisco, CA. I am writing to inform you that I strongly support the approval of California Recreational Alternative 1 for the 2017 salmon season. After carefully reviewing all three alternatives, it is clear that California Recreational Alternative 1 achieves all of the conservation criteria while providing for the most opportunity and greatest economic value – from \$16 to \$54 million in direct sales in California alone.

Also, I was surprised to see the details of California Recreational Alternative 3. This alternative is completely unacceptable as it provides at most a minimal 5% increase in protection to Klamath fall run Chinook genetic substocks (87% risk with fishing/83% risk with NO fishing), but dramatically reduces our ability to pursue our target fish (Sacramento fall run Chinook).

Thank you for considering my thoughts and for your commitment to our fisheries.

Sincerely,

Law-abiding starving amateur fishing enthusiast (Stan Chan)

Alternative 1 324 zone-days open, with 89,553 angler days

Klamath zone: CLOSED

Ft Bragg April 1 – May 31, August 15 – Nov 12, 20 inches
78 days open, with 5,242 angler days

San Francisco April 1 – 30, May 15 – Oct 31, 24 inches through April 30; 20 inches thereafter
140 days open, with 52,501 angler days

Monterey (North) April 1 – July 15, 24 inches, (South) April 1 – May 31, 24 inches
106 days open, with 31,810 angler days

This alternative provides for the most fishing days open and for the greatest effort while meeting the conservation objectives for all stocks – including the constraining Klamath River fall Chinook control rule impact rate of 8.1%. In direct trip related costs this alternative provides for \$16 million in sales, and upwards of \$54 million in total (including durable) direct sales. It provides for the most fishing days in all areas, and for the greatest economic benefit in all areas. Clearly this is the alternative that we should support.

Alternative 2 272 zone-days open, with 78,675 angler days

Klamath zone: CLOSED

Ft Bragg April 1 – May 31, July 1 – 12, Sept 1 – Nov 12, 20 inches
73 days open, with 5,970 angler days

San Francisco April 1 – 30, June 15 – Oct 31, 24 inches through April 30; 20 inches thereafter
108 days open, with 44,018 angler days

Monterey (North) April 1 – June 30, 24 inches, (South) April 1 – May 31, 24 inches
91 days open, with 28,687 angler days

Compared to Alternative 1, this alternative provides for somewhat fewer fishing days open and for somewhat less effort while meeting the conservation objectives for all stocks – including the constraining Klamath River fall Chinook control rule impact rate of 8.1%. In direct trip related costs this alternative provides for \$14 million in sales, and upwards of \$48 million in total (including durable) direct sales.

Compared to Alternative 1, this alternative provides for 10,878 fewer fishing trips, resulting in a loss of nearly \$2 million in direct trip related sales (\$6 million in total sales – including durable costs). While providing for significant opportunity and sales, it does not provide any additional protection for the critical Klamath River stocks. And without any improvement in protection there is no justification to forego the economic benefit provided in Alternative 1.

Alternative 3 90 zone-days open, with 22,867 angler days

Klamath zone: CLOSED

Ft Bragg April 1 – 30, 20 inches
30 days open, with 1,057 angler days

San Francisco April 1 – 30, 24 inches
30 days open, with 6,159 angler days

Monterey (North) April 1 –30, 24 inches, (South) April 1 – 30, 24 inches
30 days open, with 15,651 angler days

We are opposed to Alternative 3. It provides at most a minimal 5% increase in protection to Klamath fall run Chinook genetic substocks (87% risk with fishing/83% risk with NO fishing), but dramatically reduces our ability to pursue our target fish (Sacramento fall run Chinook). Compared to Alt 2 this is a reduction of 55,808 angler days (71% reduction), and a reduction of 66,678 angler days from Alt 1 (74% reduction).

Thus compared with Alt 1, this Alt (3) results in a net loss of \$12 million in direct trip related expenses, and upwards to \$40 million in total (including durable costs) direct sales. Similarly compared with Alt 2, Alt (3) results in a net loss of \$10 million in direct trip related expenses, and upwards to \$34 million in total (including durable costs) direct sales.

Considering the small marginal gain in protection to Klamath fall run Chinook sub-stocks, and the large losses in recreational angling expenditures, Alternative 3 fails to meet the MSA requirements of maximizing benefit to the nation while ensuring sustainable fisheries. It is unnecessary and too costly.

#107

From: **Douglas Fricke** <dfricke@techline.com>
Date: Wed, Mar 22, 2017 at 8:00 PM
Subject: Commercial Salmon Troll Season North of Cape Falcon
To: pmmc.comments@noaa.gov

I am a commercial salmon Troller that fishes salmon out of Westport, WA. Salmon Trolling is important part of my income to support my family. In order to maximize my income from salmon trolling, we need to have continuous days open for as long as possible to find the salmon to harvest and to work around bad weather. The management proposals in Alternative One will best facilitate my ability to maximize my income. If we are allowed to harvest a chinook quota less than what is allowed in Alternative One, please try to retain the management proposals in Alternative One even at a lower chinook quota. This will give us the best opportunity to fully harvest whatever chinook quota is allowed. – Captain Doug Fricke, F/V Howard H

#108

From: <CURLYFISH@aol.com>
Date: Fri, Mar 24, 2017 at 2:31 PM
Subject: fishing 2017
To: pmmc.comments@noaa.gov

Most important is that we strenuously object to Alternative 3. Alternative 1 has the most open days and offers the greatest opportunity for fishermen – it is our best choice.

#109

From: **David Witte** <dwitte@matrixhginc.com>

Date: Sat, Mar 25, 2017 at 5:42 PM

Subject: RE: 2017 Salmon Season Regulations

To: "pfmc.comments@noaa.gov" <pfmc.comments@noaa.gov>

Dear Pacific Fisheries Management Council,

I am a recreational ocean salmon fisherman. I mostly fish out of Half Moon Bay and reside in Castro Valley, CA. I am writing to urge you to implement Alternative 1 for the 2017 salmon season. This alternative achieves all of the conversation criteria while providing for the most economic value and recreational opportunity. In California alone, this ranges from \$16 to \$54 million in direct cash sales.

I have reviewed the other two alternatives as well and I'm shocked that Alternative 3 was included. It provides **at most a minimal 5% increase in protection to Klamath fall run Chinook genetic sub stocks** (87% risk with fishing / 83% with NO fishing). In addition, it dramatically reduces our ability to pursue our target fish, the Sacramento fall run Chinook salmon.

Please approve Alternative 1 and deny Alternative 3. Thank you for taking my thoughts into consideration and for your continued commitment to our fisheries.

Sincerely,
Matrix HG, Inc.
Dave Witte
David S. Witte P.E.
Project Manager

Direct [925.567.1218](tel:925.567.1218) Cell [510.499.4660](tel:510.499.4660) Fax [925.459.9220](tel:925.459.9220)

#110

From: **Benjamin Mendler** <benjamin.mendler@sbcglobal.net>

Date: Sun, Mar 26, 2017 at 9:59 AM

Subject: 2017 CA Commercial Salmon Season

To: "pfmc.comments@noaa.gov" <pfmc.comments@noaa.gov>

Dear Council,

As a commercial salmon boat owner/operator, i feel it necessary to write to weigh in on impending decisions regarding the upcoming commercial season. I have read and considered the options and feel strongly the council should go with

- Option 1: Pt. Arena to Pigeon Pt.

I say this because the No fish option does not help anyone in my position and Option 2 with the Point Reyes line only will increase the fishing pressure in the San Francisco Area. As the owner of a very small boat, I have already been effected drastically by the staggered or small openers of the Dungeness crab seasons where my home waters have been overrun by "foreign" boats. I urge you to strongly consider my thoughts in making your decision.

Respectfully,
Ben Mendler
Owner/operator F/V Lawai'a

#111

From: <santamaria11754@sbcglobal.net>

Date: Sun, Mar 26, 2017 at 6:33 PM

Subject: salmon season

To: "pfmc.comments@noaa.gov" <pfmc.comments@noaa.gov>

I am a recreational ocean salmon fisherman from American Canyon CA. I am writing to inform you that I strongly support the approval of California Recreational Alternative 1 for the 2017 salmon season. After carefully reviewing all three alternatives, it is clear that California Recreational Alternative 1 achieves all of the conservation criteria while providing for the most opportunity and greatest economic value – from \$16 to \$54 million in direct sales in California alone.

#112

From: **Steve Fenk** <stevfenk@gmail.com>

Date: Mon, Mar 27, 2017 at 12:18 PM

Subject: Ocean Salmon Season Alternatives

To: pfmc.comments@noaa.gov

To: PFMC Chair Herb Pollard
Executive Director: Chuck Tracy
Salmon Staff Officer Robin Ehlke
Council members

For the recreational salmon seasons from Cape Falcon to Humbug Mt, Alternative I is clearly the best alternative and hence is my choice of the 3 alternatives. Besides the higher coho quota, the two parts of Alt I that make it clearly the best choice are the chinook season being open through Oct 31 and the non-selective coho season in Sept. For many of us sport fishermen, chinook are an interesting challenge and we appreciate the opportunity to fish for them throughout the season. The non-mark selective coho season has become very popular among sport fishermen, one obvious reason is the opportunity to catch coho of a significantly larger size than in the summer mark-selective season. Plus the facet of Alternative I that allows transferring any remaining quota from the mark-selective coho season to the Sept non-selective season on an impact neutral basis allows us an opportunity in Sept to catch fish that are sometimes difficult to find in the summer season, especially when ocean temps are above normal.

If for some reason Alt I cannot be the approved choice for the recreational salmon season from Cape Falcon to Humbug Mt, I urge you to incorporate as much chinook season (i.e., opportunity) as possible and to include at least some coho quota for a non-selective coho season in Sept with the provision for transferring - on an impact neutral basis - any remaining quota from the summer mark-selective coho season to the Sept season.

Thank you for your time and consideration of the points in my correspondence.

Steve Fenk
Sport fisherman and boat owner
Corvallis and Newport, Oregon

#113

From: **Gary Sellers** <garysellers51@gmail.com>

Date: Mon, Mar 27, 2017 at 12:43 PM

Subject: Salmon Options 2017

To: pfmc.comments@noaa.gov

Hello good folks of the PFMC,

After careful review of PFMC 2017 Ocean Salmon Options recreational from Cape Falcon to Humbug Mt I believe Option 1 is a viable opportunity for sport anglers and business owners to have a season that will fulfill economic needs. It will also address the Klamath River along with Sacramento fall chinook stock numbers projected for 2017 returns.

In review of the angler effort days and numbers of fish landed the last two summer seasons we can afford to allow for a full March 15th to October 31st chinook only and a small fin clip coho fishery and a small non select fishery for coho as well for sport anglers. The season will be monitored and it looks like a good fit for sportsmen and the support businesses that depend on our ocean fishery for 2017.

Thank you all for your due diligence and your hard work to collaborate the salmon seasons and protect the salmon stocks that need attention.

Respectfully,

Gary V. Sellers

Sutherlin, Oregon 50+ years business owner, charter captain, sport angler.

#114

From: **Gene Parrish** <fishnutgeno@gmail.com>

Date: Mon, Mar 27, 2017 at 2:15 PM

Subject: Seasons

To: pfmc.comments@noaa.gov

Gentlemen:

As time continues on we find our fishing season dwindling more & more. Folks who are invested in these fisheries as their livelihood, those fishing & those shore based are becoming more & more frustrated as our resource disappears/dwindles away. We see more & more controls on our rivers & streams & any actions that affects them in any way & yet we see hatcheries closing & those operating loosing many of the smolts before they can be released. 20 years go we had volunteers constructing hatch boxes, spawning fish placing the eggs in those hatch boxes & allowing those hatchlings to grow up in the streams to return to sea & eventually to return to the stream as adults. Why someone decided to pass a law prohibiting those individuals from spawning a fish I cannot understand. Those STEP volunteers turned many of our streams into fantastic/incredible fisheries due to their efforts & those fish were native fish returning to our streams and were present in our oceans providing an offshore fishery. No longer... We need fishing seasons that will permit a catch for all the fishery interests, sports & commercial. There are too many folks dependant on the fisheries for their livelihood to see it just go away. Let's have a season that will provide some catch to keep these businesses alive & continuing. We certainly don't need more vacant, closed businesses in our landscape. Give the STEP volunteers the opportunity to enhance our fish numbers and contribute to the health of our fish numbers. It can be done, it was once done and can contribute again. Remove the restriction prohibiting those individuals from spawning a fish. Let them contribute to a solution to our fish numbers. It will not cost anything to let them do their thing & who knows, in a short time we may have fish numbers again.....

#115

From: **Refugio Carrasco** <rcfishtales@att.net>
Date: Mon, Mar 27, 2017 at 8:29 PM
Subject: Salmon California Recreational Alternative 1
To: pfmc.comments@noaa.gov

Dear Pacific Fisheries Management Council:

I am a recreational ocean salmon fisherman from Santa Cruz, CA. Who fishes Monterey Bay. I am writing to inform you that I strongly support the approval of California Recreational Alternative 1 for the 2017 salmon season. After carefully reviewing all three alternatives, it is clear that California Recreational Alternative 1 achieves all of the conservation criteria while providing for the most opportunity and greatest economic value – from \$16 to \$54 million in direct sales in California alone.

Also, I was surprised to see the details of California Recreational Alternative 3. This alternative is completely unacceptable as it provides at most a minimal 5% increase in protection to Klamath fall run Chinook genetic substocks (87% risk with fishing/83% risk with NO fishing), but dramatically reduces our ability to pursue our target fish (Sacramento fall run Chinook).

With the added restrictions and smaller annual take limits of abalone and closer of all waters south of San Francisco limiting ab diving areas has caused a down turn in Ab divers. In the eighties we were allowed to take Abalone south of San Francisco, add MPLA and it's real hard in California to take up water sports. I have a garage full of dive and fishing gear, if I was starting out now days I would not invest in dive gear or purchase a boat.

With a limited Salmon Season the State should plan on seeing a large revenue drop off of from the sale of Fishing License and state sales tax related to gas, hotels, gear and park fees.

Thank you in Advance for considering my thoughts and for your commitment to our fisheries.

Sincerely,
Ralph Carrasco
Santa Cruz Ca.

" The Lower the Latitude the Better my Attitude!"

#116

From: **Jim Evans** <owenevan@sti.net>
Date: Tue, Mar 28, 2017 at 6:46 AM
Subject: CA Salmon Season 2017
To: pfmc.comments@noaa.gov

I have been a licensed California for over 50 years.

I strongly support option 3: April 1-30, 2017 only.

The drought and loss of habitat are too much to overcome.

Jim Evans
Mariposa CA

#117

From: **Stacey Bradley** <stacey@pacific-autobody.com>
Date: Wed, Mar 29, 2017 at 12:49 PM
Subject: Noyo Ice Salmon 2017 Letter
To: pfmc.comments@noaa.gov

Please see attached letter regarding the 2017 Salmon Fishery Alternatives

Option 3 Complete Closure is requested – for both Sport and Commercial Fisheries

#118

From: **Mike Cleary** <mcleary1952@hotmail.com>
Date: Wed, Mar 29, 2017 at 10:01 AM
Subject: Calif commercial /sport salmon season
To: "[Pfmcomments@noaa.gov](mailto:pfmc.comments@noaa.gov)" <[Pfmcomments@noaa.gov](mailto:pfmc.comments@noaa.gov)>

To management

I've been commercial salmon fishing since 1968, I've seen a lot of ups and downs.. Where we are today and for quite a while the commercial salmon fishery is a non viable fishery. Anyone trying to make a business plan and make a living salmon fishing is a fool.. Seasons are unpredictable, the stocks are unpredictable... Management has struggled to correct these problems since the 70's and has failed to address it from a business stand point. We are in a situation again where the options we are given will only lead the fishermen further in to financial failure... I believe the entire California fishery should be CLOSED in 2017 or we may face even worse consequences in the future. Management needs to re think its direction and make this a viable fishery again,, if not we will be exactly where we are now, again and again... This is crazy

#119

From: **Steven Xanthopoulos** <stevengeorgex@gmail.com>
Date: Wed, Mar 29, 2017 at 9:47 AM
Subject: Support for California Recreational Alternative 1
To: pfmc.comments@noaa.gov

Dear Pacific Fisheries Management Council,

I am a recreational ocean salmon fisherman from Burlingame, CA. I am writing to inform you that I strongly support the approval of California Recreational Alternative 1 for the 2017 salmon season. After carefully reviewing all 3 alternatives, it is clear that California Recreational Alternative 1 achieves all of the conservation criteria while providing for the most opportunity and greatest economic value--from \$16-50+ million in direct sales in California alone.

I was very surprised to see the details of alternative 3, as it provides minimal protection to the Klamath fall run Chinook genetic substocks, but dramatically reduces our opportunity to pursue our target fish (Sacramento fall run Chinook).

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,
Steve Xanthopoulos

#120

From: **Kenneth Nakazawa** <nakazawafisheries@gmail.com>

Date: Wed, Mar 29, 2017 at 8:52 AM

Subject: Commercial Troll Public Comment

To: pmmc.comments@noaa.gov

Ken Nakazawa
F/V Kiora
Port Orford, OR
March 27, 2017

To PFMC,

In a choice between Commercial Troll Alternative I and Alternative II in the area between Cape Falcon and Humbug Mountain, I recommend that the council adopt Alternative I. As a fisherman who makes most of my annual income from salmon trolling, I would like to see fishing time in the summer as well as in the fall to target returning Oregon chinook. Forfeiting fishing below Florence South Jetty to allow for a longer summer and fall season in the area between Florence South Jetty and Cape Falcon allows for this opportunity.

Thank you,

Ken Nakazawa

#121

From: <artbow@juno.com>

Date: Tue, Mar 28, 2017 at 9:31 PM

Subject: Salmon Season Alternatives

To: "pmmc.comments@noaa.gov" <pmmc.comments@noaa.gov>

Dear Pacific Fisheries Management Council:

I am a recreational ocean salmon fisherman from Modesto CA. Recreational fisherman are the single best stewards of the resource. I am most interested in a sustainable fishery so my kids and grandkids will have the opportunity enjoy salmon fishing out the Golden Gate. We are the only people on the water without a profit motive. Commercial fishermen are making a living. NOAA and DFW people are earning a paycheck. We are spending our precious discretionary income on fishing.

I am writing to inform you that I strongly support the approval of California Recreational Alternative 1 for the 2017 salmon season. After carefully reviewing all three alternatives, it is clear that California Recreational Alternative 1 achieves all of the conservation criteria while providing for the most opportunity and greatest economic value – from \$16 to \$54 million in direct sales in California alone.

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Thank you for considering my thoughts and for your commitment to our fisheries.

Sincerely,
Art Bowman

#122

From: **gary king** <g.king51951@hotmail.com>
Date: Thu, Mar 30, 2017 at 8:44 AM
Subject: Salmon
To: "pmmc.comments@noaa.gov" <pmmc.comments@noaa.gov>

Hopefully we can keep the salmon fishing season the same as it been!
Gary

#123

From: **Eric** <finlander1@aol.com>
Date: Thu, Mar 30, 2017 at 9:53 AM
Subject: Hook and line fishing permit
To: "pmmc.comments@noaa.gov" <pmmc.comments@noaa.gov>

Hello, I am a lifelong fisherman, who is interested in responsible harvest of the ocean. Hook and line or "jig" fishing is the cleanest fishing practice I've ever participated in. There is very low or zero environmental impact, it targets a specific species, there is little or zero by catch. As it stands now, a limited entry permit that is either longline or trawl are the only options available. I am proposing to allow access for the more environmental friendly jig style fishery. California open access gives us a very small rockfish quota under that program. The conservation efforts have worked. I've seen the biomass, and it seems a waste to let fish die of old age. Under the current limited entry program, the fleet is aging and there is not much opportunity for new or up coming fishermen. That is why I recommend allowing the jig fishery to have an opportunity to grow. Thank you for your consideration, Eric Taber , bluefinfisheriesllc. [907 654-7780](tel:9076547780)

#124

From: **Patague, Hilario** <LIP1@pge.com>
Date: Thu, Mar 30, 2017 at 9:55 AM
Subject: central coast salmon season
To: " <pmmc.comments@noaa.gov>

Sir,

Last years salmon season was unfair to the sport salmon fishermen of the central coast. The season was too short and ended before the salmon were here in number to catch. When the sport season ended... the commercial fishermen put up big numbers of salmon caught out of Avila/Morro Bay. I believe it would be reasonable extend our season through at least till the 15th of July... like last season for Monterey. A season extended to mid July would give us a reasonable chance to catch a few salmon and would bring money into the central coast business. I still work. I can't fish every weekend. More often than not the weather makes it unsafe for me to venture out to fish. All I am asking for is a fair number of days to salmon fish.

Thank you for your time,

Larry Patague
Sportfisherman
Los Osos,ca.

#125

From: <jmkoeppen@comcast.net>

Date: Thu, Mar 30, 2017 at 10:33 AM

Subject: 2017 Salmon Options

To: pfmc.comments@noaa.gov

My name is John Koeppen. I am a commercial salmon troller fishing out of Bodega Bay, CA.

I am submitting my preference to the 2017 Salmon Season options for waters within the state of California. Please accept my choice of Option 1 for the Ft. Bragg, San Francisco, and Monterey areas.

Option one is the only hope the commercial fleet and the services which support the salmon troll industry can attempt to survive this historic down turn in salmon runs.

Thank you,

John Koeppen

F/V Lulu

[408-630-0550](tel:408-630-0550)

#126

From: Stacey Bradley <stacey@pacific-autobody.com>

Date: Thu, Mar 30, 2017 at 12:21 PM

Subject: STMA 2017 Salmon-CLOSURE REQUEST

To: pfmc.comments@noaa.gov

Salmon Troller's Marking Association
PO Box 137
Fort Bragg CA 95437

March 29, 2017

Pacific Fishery Management Council
7700 NE Ambassador Place, Suite 101
Portland, OR 97220-1384

RE: **2017 COMPLETE CLOSURE**

Dear PFMC Directors:

Please accept our sincere gratitude in your support of the commercial salmon fishing industry and thank you for hosting a public forum in Fort Bragg, CA.

Our association represents fisherman from Shelter Cove to Point Arena with Noyo Harbor the operating port that serves the fleet. We are concerned that a partial opening of the 2017 Salmon season will have a potential to overfish the stock resulting in devastation to the industry as a whole.

Our association is in unanimous support of a **complete closure** which will support replenishment of the stock.

This is a difficult decision for all involved; however we must make a decision with the future of the California salmon fishing industry as our focus.

Thank you for your consideration and support.

Sincerely,

William Forkner

William Forkner
President

#127

From: **Stacey Bradley** <stacey@pacific-autobody.com>

Date: Thu, Mar 30, 2017 at 12:24 PM

Subject: Noyo Fish 2017 Salmon CLOSURE support

To: pfmc.comments@noaa.gov

Letter from Noyo Fish Company attached



32440 N. Harbor Drive
Fort Bragg CA 95437
707-962-0204

March 29, 2017

Pacific Fishery Management Council
7700 NE Ambassador Place, Suite 101
Portland, OR 97220-1384

RE: **COMPLETE CLOSURE 2017**

Dear PFMC Directors:

Thank you for hosting a public meeting in Fort Bragg, CA to hear the concerns of the local fishing community.

This letter is to encourage the council to support a total closure for the 2017 Salmon Season. Based on the numbers which show the lowest average in the 38 years of record keeping **COMPLETE CLOSURE** is the only alternative. A complete closure will protect the fishery from overfishing and provide the stocks time to replenish.

This request is a difficult one since my business relies heavily on the salmon season. We must stand together and make a decision that will support the future of the fishing stock, thus for protecting the industry as a whole.

Thank you for your consideration and support in this matter.

Respectfully,

Scott Hockett

#128

From: **Stacey Bradley** <stacey@pacific-autobody.com>

Date: Thu, Mar 30, 2017 at 12:28 PM

Subject: F/V ACE 2017 Salmon Closure

To: pfmc.comments@noaa.gov

F/V Ace – Noyo Harbor – Fort Bragg
Scott Hockett
707-357-0518

March 29, 2017

Pacific Fishery Management Council
7700 NE Ambassador Place, Suite 101
Portland, OR 97220-1384

RE: **COMPLETE CLOSURE 2017**

Dear PFMC Directors:

This letter is to encourage the council to support a total closure for the 2017 Salmon Season. Based on the numbers which show the lowest average in the 38 years of record keeping **COMPLETE CLOSURE** is the only alternative. A complete closure will protect the fishery from overfishing and provide the stocks time to replenish.

Thank you for hosting a public meeting in Fort Bragg, CA to hear the concerns of the local fishing community and for your support in this matter.

Respectfully,

[Scott Hockett](#)

#129

From: **Stacey Bradley** <stacey@pacific-autobody.com>

Date: Thu, Mar 30, 2017 at 12:30 PM

Subject: F/V Rita Marie - 2017 Salmon Closure

To: pfmc.comments@noaa.gov

F/V Rita Marie

Scott Hockett

707-357-0518

March 29, 2017

Pacific Fishery Management Council
7700 NE Ambassador Place, Suite 101
Portland, OR 97220-1384

RE: **COMPLETE CLOSURE 2017**

Dear PFMC Directors:

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As the operator of two fishing boats, fishing out of Noyo Harbor this is a difficult decision, however I must maintain focus on the future of the industry and replenishment of the fishing stock.

Thank you for hosting a public meeting in Fort Bragg, CA to hear the concerns of the local fishing community and for your support in this matter.

Respectfully,

[Scott Hockett](#)

#130

From: **Sehorn** <sehorn4@gmail.com>

Date: Tue, Mar 21, 2017 at 8:59 PM

Subject: 2017 Commercial Salmon season

To: pfmc.comments@noaa.gov, Robin.Ehlke@noaa.gov, dbits@suddenlink.net, michael.ofarrel@noaa.gov, jimyarnall@gmail.com, jnahie@att.net, AskMarine@wildlife.ca.gov, Kandice.Morgenstern@wildlife.ca.gov, dcrabbe@comcast.net, Brett.Kormos@wildlife.ca.gov, fgc@fgc.ca.gov

I am writing to express my opinion regarding the proposed alternatives for the 2017 commercial salmon season. I am a commercial dungeness crab and salmon fisherman located in Santa Cruz, CA. As I am sure you are aware, we have had a difficult two years making a living in this industry. The proposal to open Pigeon Point south to the Mexico border would be devastating to small fisherman from Pigeon Point to Monterey, as the concentration of fishing effort in our waters would lead to interference with crab gear currently in the fishing grounds. Last year during May and June there were dozens, if not hundreds, of crab pots cut off and lost due to Salmon trollers in our local waters alone. To overlap the salmon season with the crab season will inevitably lead to hundreds of pots lost. Small fisherman, myself included, depend on income from these last few months of crab fishing, especially after last year's closure and a slow season this year, and cannot afford to see gear and crab lost due to overzealous salmon trollers.

As a father of three young children I am also concerned with the future of the Salmon fishery. I grew up fishing salmon and look forward to teaching my children to fish them as well. After the last few years of drought the salmon population has been severely diminished and is not even yet beginning to rebound. I worry that opening the salmon season now will place too great a strain on the native population, and soon we will be left with only hatchery fish. As a commercial fisherman, and a father, I want to see the wild salmon fishery protected and preserved for future generations.

I ask that the PFMC and DFW consider opening the commercial salmon season only after June, or else choose Alternative 3, and not open at all. Let's allow this great resource to rebuild so that it will not be lost for generations still to come.

Thank you for your consideration,
Sincerely,
AJ Sehorn

#131

From: **Jose R Montes** <pistoleroCaptain1@gmail.com>

Date: Thu, Mar 16, 2017 at 5:37 PM

Subject: Salmon season

To: pfmc.comments@noaa.gov

My comments are regarding the 3 salmon season alternatives proposed at the latest PFMC meeting. I am an environmentalist. But I am also a consumptive user of our natural resources, in this case salmon.

Recreational fisherman are the single best stewards of the resource. We are the only people on the water without a profit motive. Commercial fishermen are making a living. NOAA and DFW people are earning a paycheck. We are spending our precious discretionary income on fishing.

Using NMFS numbers (National Marine Fisheries Service, 2016. Fisheries Economics of the United States, 2014. U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA Tech. Memo. NMFS-F/SPO-163, 237p) from page 43 of FEUS 2014* each salt water angler day in CA provides for \$604 in direct sales (2.657B\$ from 4.4 million trips) – or more conservatively \$178 if one excludes durable costs.

Taken in combination with the Klamath Ocean Harvest Model (KOHM) you can extrapolate the following as the economic benefits of the three proposed alternatives are:

Alternative 1 - This alternative provides for the most fishing days open and for the greatest effort while meeting the conservation objectives for all stocks – including the constraining Klamath River fall Chinook control rule impact rate of 8.1%. In direct trip related costs this alternative provides for \$16 million in sales, and upwards of \$54 million in total (including durable) direct sales.

It provides for the most fishing days in all areas, and for the greatest economic benefit in all areas.

Alternative 2 - Compared to Alternative 1, this alternative provides for somewhat fewer fishing days open and for the somewhat less effort while meeting the conservation objectives for all stocks – including the constraining Klamath River fall Chinook control rule impact rate of 8.1%. In direct trip related costs this alternative provides for \$14 million in sales, and upwards of \$48 million in total (including durable) direct sales.

Compared to Alternative 1, this alternative provides for the 10,878 fewer fishing trips, resulting in a loss of nearly \$2 million in direct trip related sales (\$6 million in total sales – including durable costs). While providing for significant opportunity and sales, it does not provide any additional protection for the critical Klamath River stocks. And without any improvement in there is no justification to forego the economic benefit provided in Alternative 1.

Alternative 3 - I am opposed to Alternative 3. It provides at most a minimal 5% increase in protection to Klamath fall run Chinook genetic substocks (87% risk with fishing/83% risk with NO fishing), but dramatically reduces our ability to pursue our target fish (Sacramento fall run Chinook). Compared to Alt 2 this is a reduction of 55,808 angler days (71% reduction), and a reduction of 66,678 angler days from Alt 1 (74% reduction).

Thus compared with Alt 1, this Alt (3) results in a net loss of \$12 million in direct trip related expenses, and upwards to \$40 million in total (including durable costs) direct sales. Similarly compared with Alt 2, Alt (3) results in a net loss of \$10 million in direct trip related expenses, and upwards to \$34 million in total (including durable costs) direct sales.

Considering the small marginal gain in protection to Klamath fall run Chinook sub-stocks, and

the large losses in recreational angling expenditures,

The Magnuson-Stevens Act has a requirement to maximize benefits to the nation while ensuring sustainable fisheries. Alternative 3 fails to meet the MSA requirements. It is un-necessary and too costly.

#132

From: **Dean Taylor** <deanos@earthlink.net>

Date: Sat, Mar 18, 2017 at 6:56 AM

Subject: Salmon season

To: pmmc.comments@noaa.gov

#1

#133

From: **Ray Monroe** <doryfreshfish@embarqmail.com>

Date: Sat, Mar 18, 2017 at 11:56 AM

Subject: 2017 salmon option

To: pmmc.comments@noaa.gov

March 18, 2017

Mike Burner

Pacific Fisheries Management Council

RE: E.5 2017 Salmon Season Adoption for Oregon

Dear Mike,

I represent a number of small boat salmon fishermen off the North Oregon Coast. Specifically I talked to **30 license holders** and asked their opinion on the proposed options for the **2017 Salmon** season. All were in favor of **option 1** for several reasons. The more time on the ocean gives them the needed opportunity to participate in an already possible limited season. Additionally, having September and October open is nearly essential for them to scratch out a positive cash flow for the year.

I know that fishing in any size vessel we need a season that provides time on the water due to weather and marketability of our product. **Option 1** appears to give us the needed opportunity.

Although, I do understand the dilemma of the fishermen that do not have the ability to move away from their home port, I feel for this year as restricted as it is **Option 1** will better serve the needs of the Oregon Salmon Fleet in its entirety for the 2017 Season.

Thank you,

Ray Monroe

Pacific City, OR 97135

Tillamook, OR 97141

[503-801-4744](tel:503-801-4744)

#134

From: <Elmer_Agbayani@amat.com>

Date: Sat, Mar 18, 2017 at 3:06 PM

Subject: Salmon season

To: pfmtc.comments@noaa.gov

Dear Pacific Fisheries Management Council:

I am a recreational ocean salmon fisherman from San Jose, CA. I am writing to inform you that I strongly support the approval of California Recreational Alternative 1 for the 2017 salmon season. After carefully reviewing all three alternatives, it is clear that California Recreational Alternative 1 achieves all of the conservation criteria while providing for the most opportunity and greatest economic value – from \$16 to \$54 million in direct sales in California alone.

Also, I was surprised to see the details of California Recreational Alternative 3. This alternative is completely unacceptable as it provides at most a minimal 5% increase in protection to Klamath fall run Chinook genetic substocks (87% risk with fishing/83% risk with NO fishing), but dramatically reduces our ability to pursue our target fish (Sacramento fall run Chinook).

Thank you for considering my thoughts and for your commitment to our fisheries.

Sincerely,
Elmer Agbayani

#135

From: **Tom Mattusch** <tommattusch@comcast.net>

Date: Sun, Mar 19, 2017 at 9:15 AM

Subject: 2017 Salmon Season Alternatives

To: pfmtc.comments@noaa.gov

Dear Pacific Fisheries Management Council:

I am a charter boat owner & operator, ocean salmon fisherman from El Granada, CA. I am writing to inform you that I strongly support the **approval** of California Recreational Alternative 1 for the 2017 salmon season. After carefully reviewing all three alternatives, it is clear that California Recreational Alternative 1 achieves all of the conservation criteria while providing for the most opportunity and greatest economic value – from \$16 to \$54 million in direct sales in California alone.

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Thank you for considering my thoughts and for your commitment to our fisheries.

Sincerely,
Tom Mattusch
P O Box 957
El Granada, CA 94018

#136

From: **albert desousa** <albert1245@msn.com>

Date: Sun, Mar 19, 2017 at 8:56 PM

Subject: Salmon season

To: "pfmc.comments@noaa.gov" <pfmc.comments@noaa.gov>

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Considering the small marginal gain in protection to Klamath fall run Chinook sub-stocks, and the large losses in recreational angling expenditures,

The Magnuson-Stevens Act has a requirement to maximize benefits to the nation while ensuring sustainable fisheries. Alternative 3 fails to meet the MSA requirements. It is un-necessary and too costly.

Unfortunately I will be unable to attend the PFMC meeting in Sacramento to make public comment. Hence the email If anyone cares to discuss this further my contact details are below.
Thank you,
Albert Desousa

#137

Date: Thu, Mar 30, 2017 at 1:38 PM

Subject: PLEASE DO NOT PUBLISH MY CONTACT INFO - 2017 Salmon season comments

To: pfmc.comments@noaa.gov

Hello,

Since my view differs from many in Fort Bragg, Please keep any information that may identify me such as my name and email address private so that it does not impact my business or relationships with my colleagues. As a 6-Pack charter boat captain that fishes out of Fort Bragg, I would like to voice my opinion on the upcoming season. I agree with many of the commercial salmon fishermen in Fort Bragg that limiting the season to September and October will not result in enough revenue to justify a season. I feel that these fishermen deserve to receive supplemental funding instead of another disaster salmon season. With the difficult season for salmon and crab, these guys need a break and supplemental income to sustain their businesses. In addition, I believe that higher mortality rate of released fish will put the Klamath river fish and winter run chinook at greater risk.

With regards to the sport season I disagree that the sport season should be limited to only April. First of all, my understanding is that limiting the season to April alone will not qualify the charter boat captains for any financial relief. Fort Bragg depends heavily on tourism and fishing. Many of these tourist come to fish especially for salmon. The town has already been hit hard the last few years with slow salmon fishing, limited crab season, and now a shortened abalone season. This has a significant impact on all of the businesses in Fort Bragg that depend on sportsmen for revenue, including hotels, RV parks, restaurants, gas stations, grocery stores and the many other businesses that depend on these travelers. This will have a direct impact on my business as I already have customers who have booked and paid for trips with me this year for salmon. Some of them have already booked and paid for RV or camping spots as well. If these customers are content with bottom fishing, I will have to refund their money. The money they paid to reserve RV or camping spaces may not be refundable.

In the interest of our local economy, I urge you to implement one of the two options that gives us at least a partial season throughout the year instead of April alone.

To better manage out hatchery stocks and protect the wild populations, I would like to see 75% of hatchery fish be fin clipped and then a regulation that restricts the take to fin clipped fish.

Thank you for your consideration.

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From: Nick Whitney <nickwhit33@aol.com>

Date: Mon, Mar 20, 2017 at 5:30 AM

Subject: Salmon season

To: pfmc.comments@noaa.gov

Hello,

As a sport fisherman and father of two young boys I support alternative one. With just being able to get time off work to go fishing and getting good weather on those days, I really only go ocean fishing twice a month. So the longer season will give me more of a chance to get away and spend money on bait, food and gas. This helping other business.

Being a father of two young boys who love to fish I want them to have great fishing for years to come. Is there a way to have tags for salmon? I know some sport fisherman are able to fish almost everyday and load their freezers up. I would support salmon tags like 4 or 6 per license. The money from the tags put back into making the king salmon fishery great again.

Thank you,

Nick whitney

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MAR 29 2017

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PFMC

March 29, 2017

Pacific Fishery Management Council
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Portland, OR 97220-1384

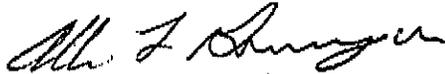
Dear Council Members:

As the owner of the F/V Defiance fishing out of Noyo Harbor – Fort Bragg CA – I write to encourage you to listen to the public when making your decision on the Salmon Alternatives for 2017.

Option 3, a complete closure for both commercial and sport fishing is the best decision for fishery as a whole. It's an extremely difficult decision, but one that must be made.

It will be impossible expend the funds to gear up and hope to "make it" on a 20 day season.

Regards,



Allen Gibney, Jr.

MAR 22 2017

**CITY OF BROOKINGS
STATE OF OREGON
RESOLUTION 17-R-1099**

PFMC

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF BROOKINGS SUPPORTING THE "OPTION 1" SALMON SEASON FOR 2017.

WHEREAS, the Pacific Fishery Management Council (PFMC) will be establishing the 2017 ocean fishing season for Salmon at their meeting of March 17, 2017, and

WHEREAS, the PFMC will be considering several options for season dates and lengths of time, and

WHEREAS, the Salmon season is important to the Brookings economy as many recreational fishermen schedule their vacations to the area based upon the Salmon season, and

WHEREAS, Salmon fishing is an important element of the Brookings tourism economy, benefiting local lodging, dining and retail businesses, and,

WHEREAS, the City has conferred with local fishing industry representatives concerning this matter, and

WHEREAS, a major event, the Slam'n Salmon Fishing Derby is scheduled for September 1-3, 2017 at the Port of Brookings Harbor, and

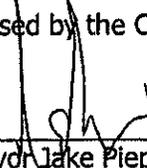
WHEREAS, said fishing derby attracts hundreds of recreational fishermen to Brookings and is a major economic generator, and

WHEREAS, to accommodate this event, a one-day change in the proposed "Option 1" is needed.

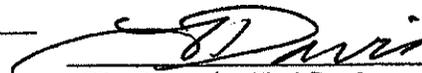
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council of the City of Brookings does hereby support a modified "Option 1" of the proposed Humbug Mountain to California/Oregon Border Salmon season for 2017, that being for the period May 27-July 9 and September 1-3, seven days per week, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Manager is directed to provide a copy of this Resolution to the PFMC prior to their meeting date of March 27, 2017.

Passed by the City Council March 13, 2017 ; effective April 11, 2017.



Mayor Jake Pieper

Attest:


City Recorder Teri Davis