

### Deep-Set Buoy Gear Exempted Fishing Permit Application Form

Please reference the instructions for specifics on filling out your application.

1) Application Date: 5/2/17

2) Applicant(s)\*:

a) Name: Michael Graves Phone No: (805) 705 - 6053  
Email: bpoof@icloud.com  
Address: 562 Pintura Dr, Santa Barbara, CA 93108  
Commercial Fishing Permits Held: Open access groundfish

Any history of current/pending state or federal violations in any commercial fishery?  Yes  No

b) Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone No: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_  
Email: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Commercial Fishing Permits Held: \_\_\_\_\_

Any history of current/pending state or federal violations in any commercial fishery?  Yes  No

3) Number of vessels\*: 1

a) Vessel Name: Fishtail Registration Number: 1030136  
Name of Operator: Michael Graves  
Commercial Fishing Permits Held: Open access groundfish

Any history of current/pending state or federal violations in any commercial fishery?  Yes  No

b) Vessel Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Registration Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Operator: \_\_\_\_\_  
Commercial Fishing Permits Held: \_\_\_\_\_

Any history of current/pending state or federal violations in any commercial fishery?  Yes  No

4) Commercial Fishing Experience of EFP Participants\*:

a.1) DSBG - Years: \_\_\_\_\_ Type of participation: \_\_\_\_\_

a.2) Other Swordfish gear – Type(s): Driftnet  
Years: 2 Type of Participation: crew

a.3) Other gear(s) – Type(s): Rockfish / Blacktail up to 300 fathoms with snapper  
Years: \_\_\_\_\_ Type of Participation: operator bandit reel

b.1) DSBG - Years: \_\_\_\_\_ Type of participation: \_\_\_\_\_

b.2) Other Swordfish gear – Type(s): \_\_\_\_\_  
Years: \_\_\_\_\_ Type of Participation: \_\_\_\_\_

b.3) Other gear(s) – Type(s): \_\_\_\_\_  
Years: \_\_\_\_\_ Type of Participation: \_\_\_\_\_

\*List information for additional EFP applicants/vessels/participants on a separate page.



5) Proposed EFP duration: 2 years with opportunity for renewal  
Justification: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

6) Intended DSBG Configuration:  Standard (Attachment A)  Modified (please explain)  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

7) Target Species: \_\_\_\_\_  Swordfish only  Other (please list):  
Opah, thresher shark, bluefin tuna  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

8) Fishing Area and Effort (indicate all that apply):

a)  Southern California Bight (Point Conception to the U.S.-Mexico Border):  
i) Vessels: Fishtail  
ii) Estimate of fishing effort: up to 25 days  
iii) Additional details: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

b)  Central California (Point Reyes to Point Conception):  
i) Vessels: Fishtail  
ii) Estimate of fishing effort: Up to 100 days.  
iii) Additional details: Lucia Bank / Rodriguez beamount  
Pt Arguello Canyon  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

c)  Northern California (42° N. latitude to Point Reyes):  
i) Vessels: \_\_\_\_\_  
ii) Estimate of fishing effort: \_\_\_\_\_  
iii) Additional details: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

d)  Oregon (Columbia River to 42° N. latitude):  
i) Vessels: \_\_\_\_\_  
ii) Estimate of fishing effort: \_\_\_\_\_  
iii) Additional details: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_



9) **Data Gaps:** Which of the following data gaps are addressed by your Exempted Fishing Permit application, and how will they be addressed? (See Attachment B) Check all that apply:

a)  Bycatch & protected species interactions

How? All activity will be monitored in vessels logbook

b)  Active gear tending

How? Once the fishing method has been perfected with active gear tending, I am willing to test using other methods of monitoring such as drones or radio signaling

c)  Gear conflicts/number of vessels

How? Set points will be communicated with other vessels in the area. All information will be logged. Due to low numbers of vessels in the proposed DSBG fishing areas, I do not anticipate any gear conflicts with other commercial or recreational vessels

d)  DSBG time and area use

How? Fishing will primarily be in the central coast area from June through December. Plan on fishing the Lucia bank, Rodriguez Seamount and Pt. Arguello Canyon

e)  Gear configuration

How? Will be using electric reels and bandit snapper reel

f)  Concurrent gear use

How? Due to the nature of the fishing, attention will be focused on the gear, but I may fish for blackgill during the same trips



10) Reporting Requirements: Please answer questions identified in application instructions.

- 1) log book and photocopies of fish tickets
- 2) Any other gear used would be for different species and will be easy to discern from the DSBG catches. These will be sold on different fish tickets
- 3) All catch is to be sold commercially

11) Observer Coverage:

I acknowledge that observer coverage may be required on up to 100% of my EFP fishing trips, and verify that I am willing and able to cover the cost of such coverage.

If you are unable to cover the entire cost of the observer coverage requirement, please explain what portion you may be able to cover and identify other sources of funding which may be available to help you cover observer costs.

There is only room for 2 people in the bunks, a third person would have to sleep on the deck. I can cover 50% of the costs of an observer as I have no additional sources of funding. Could video monitor as alternative

12) Applicant(s) Signature: Michael R. Gray MAY 2, 2017  
Date