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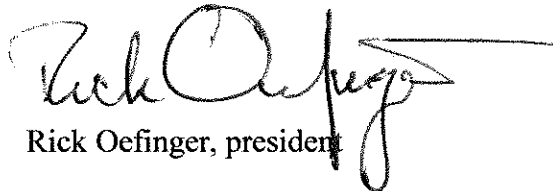
PFMC

RE: Increased Fishing Access In RCA and CCA

Mr Anderson,

Given that both the Boccaccio and Cowcod stocks are on course to be fully rebuilt come 2019, we are suggesting that Rockfish Conservation Area depth be increased out to 75 fathoms, and that the CA Cowcod Conservation Area depth restrictions be moved to 40 fathoms.

Thank You for your consideration.


Rick Oefinger, president

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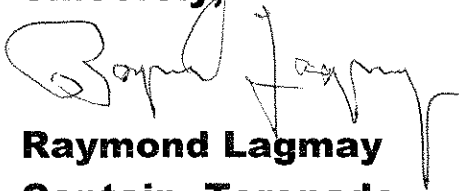
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Dear Mr. Anderson,

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My name is Raymond Lagmay and I am the captain of the vessel, *Toronado*, out of Long Beach, CA. I write this letter to request that you change the current depth restrictions in RCA and CCA. An increase in access will improve fishing, business, the life of near-shore species, safety for vessels and passengers; all around it will improve our fishing industry. Many in the field feel the same way that I do, and I hope you will take our requests seriously. Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

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**Raymond Lagmay
Captain, Toronado**

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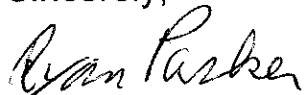
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To Whom It May Concern:

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My name is Ryan Parker, captain of the vessel, *Southern Cal*, which operates out of Long Beach, CA, and I am writing this letter to request that the depth restrictions in Rockfish Conservation Areas and Cowcod Conservation Areas be increased to 75 fathoms (RCA) and 40 fathoms (CCA). I believe, as I'm sure all of my colleagues and many in the fishing industry do as well, that an increase will be beneficial to our industry. The current restrictions have fishermen limited to a small area, making for poor quality fishing. Increasing the depth access will allow us to spread out and target better quality fish giving our customers a better experience and improving our business. I believe that it will not only be good for business, but for the species of fish living in the current areas we are allowed to fish in. By increasing the depth access, we will no longer fish in one concentrated area and relieve some of the pressure on the species of fish living there. Thank you for reading my request and I hope you seriously consider it.

Sincerely,



Ryan Parker
Captain, Southern Cal

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Mr. Anderson,

I write this letter to request that the depth restrictions in current Rockfish Conservation Areas (RCA) be increased to 75 fathoms, as well as increasing the California Cowcod Conservation Areas (CCA) to 40 fathoms. As the owner of a sportfishing landing and being involved in this industry for most of my life, I know from first-hand experience this will improve our industry in many ways. Having deeper access will allow us to target better quality fish, enhancing the customer experience, which in turn will improve business not just for myself, but for everyone in the sportfishing industry.

Sincerely,

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Mr. Anderson,

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My name is Andrew Siratt, and I am the captain of the vessel, *Enterprise*, out of Long Beach, CA. I have been a crewmember and captain for 20+ years, and I have experienced the strain that the current depth restrictions have caused for fishing and business.

I believe that it is time that we increase the depth restrictions in RCA and CCA to 75 fathoms and 40 fathoms, respectively. This will help out the industry immensely. Deeper access means bigger, better quality fish, which means happier customers meaning better business. I know, because I have experienced it before the current restrictions were put in place. By increasing the depth access, you will also be increasing the safety of those fishing these areas that are so overcrowded. Fishing boats will spread out and not be so concentrated in one area, relieving pressure on species living in this area.

I hope you take these points seriously and consider my request.

Sincerely,



Andrew Siratt
Captain of M.V. ENTERPRISE



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Sincerely,

Michael Harkins
Captain, Davey's Locker Sportfishing



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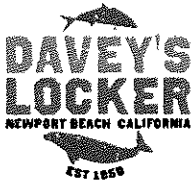
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Chris Kerrins
Captain, Davey's Locker Sportfishing



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Request and recommendation for increased fishing accesses in RCA and CCA

Dear Mr. Anderson,

H&M Landing represents a fleet of 30 CPFV's that target both groundfish as well as pelagic species recreationally here in San Diego.

Each year, we transport tens of thousands of recreational anglers both near coastal as well as offshore in pursuit of one of our favorite past times...fishing.

15 years ago, our fleet proactively gave up traditional territory as a result of the best science available at the time that indicated stocks were depleted and there seemed no end in sight.

This management measure resulted in devastating loss of business for many, as well as decreased opportunity for the public at large.

Those who survived this great restriction, became more lean and adapted to the restricted boundaries from which access has been granted.



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After 15 years of refining science and great sacrifice by the fleet and the customers they serve, science and statistics dictate we gain back a portion of the territory we gave up, and with reasonable justification as follows:

- Increased territory will result in a shift of effort by the fleet resulting in less pressure on near shore species
- With bocaccio declared rebuilt and cowcod on track to being rebuilt by 2019, access will enhance management is appropriate and timely
- Within the CCA, cowcod are typically found at depths in excess of 75 fathoms. We are reasonably requesting a max depth of 40 fathoms at this time
- The non-trawl commercial fleet was granted access to 75 fathoms in 2017
- Within the CCA, vessels are not allowed to possess groundfish when in depths in excess of 20 fathoms. Our fleet routinely will target pelagic's within this region and maintaining a depth of 20 fathoms restricts their efforts over a broad area. Granting a depth of 40 fathoms inside the CCA will further ensure compliance with regards to this effort
- Electronic logging of catches will ensure accuracy and timely data in the event adjustments need to be made
- Credit needs to be given for the evolution and successful use of descending devices to eliminate by-catch

As the managing partner of one of the West Coast's largest fleet, I feel these asks are justified based on relevant data available to fisheries managers. Our fleet has sacrificed for over a decade and a half in an attempt to rebuild stocks to sustainable levels.

Now is the time for resources managers to send a clear signal to our fleet and the customers we serve that by proactively collaborating, we have effectively managed a resource back to a level that we can once again access as well as sustain.

I appreciate your every consideration regarding this request.

Sincerely,

Frank T. Ursitti

Manager H&M Landing

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Dear Mr. Anderson,

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I am the captain of the vessel, *City of Long Beach*, and I am requesting that the depth restrictions be increased in RCA and CCA. I believe an increase in depth access will be beneficial for many reasons, including:

- Access to more bigger and higher quality fish
- More area to fish in, where normally it is overcrowded with boats
- Better for the fish since they won't be overfished in one small area
- Better for the fishing industry because more people will want to come out to fish for these better quality fish that live in deeper water

I hope you will consider the points I've made, which you will find the majority in the fishing industry agree with, and accept my request to increase the depth access in RCA and CCA.

Sincerely,



Mitch Christensen
Captain, M.V. City of Long Beach

Ranger 85 Sportfishing Inc.

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Request and recommendation for increased fishing accesses in RCA and CCA

Dear Mr. Anderson,

As owner and operator of the CPFV Ranger 85, I have targeted groundfish in the Northern Channel Islands for some 40 years. Much of my annual effort takes place inside portions the CCA's as well as RCA's. Having spent a lifetime accessing these areas before and throughout their implementation, I feel it is both timely and prudent to request more depth in both regions.

By gaining further depth or more territory in both of these conservation areas we will see further overall benefit to our resource. As an individual who has made a living accessing this valuable resource, I feel this to be a justified and reasonable request based on the following:

- The immediate shift of effort will take ever increasing pressure off of near shore species
- Cowcod are predominately found in waters in excess of 75 fathoms or deeper and we are requesting access to a depth of 40 fathoms within the CCA
- The fleet has proven the use of descending devices as a method of virtually eliminating by-catch and returning restricted species to depth unharmed
- Bocaccio have been declared rebuilt and cowcod are on track to be rebuilt by 2019
- In 2017, the non-trawl commercial fleet was granted access to a depth of 75 fathoms
- Electronic record keeping allows for more accurate and timely accounting of catch which can better manage species should an issue arise.

Our CPFV fleet has never been more proactive and conservation minded to ensure proper management of the very resource they rely upon to earn their living. There has been a shift of consciousness like none other experienced in the past to ensure resource management and stability in stocks.

Now is the time to grant back to the fleet more territory based upon the statistics science has presented and the fleet's conservation efforts.

I assure you every effort will be maintained to preserve and protect this valuable resource when the fleet gains back a portion of the territory they sacrificed 15 years ago with the impression that once rebuilt access will again be granted.

I appreciate your taking the time to consider this request.

Sincerely,

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Captain Mike Reinsch

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Mr. Philip Anderson, Chair
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November 14th, 2017

Dear Mr. Anderson:

My wife, Patricia, and I have been owners of the boat Betty O since 1998. Our boat, a Commercial Passenger Sportfishing Vessel, has had a regular, continuous run from the landing in Marina Del Rey, California.

In the earlier years of our ownership we watched as successive depth restrictions were put in place in the shelf waters off Marina Del Rey. Our business has endured as we and our clientele have adjusted to these restrictions.

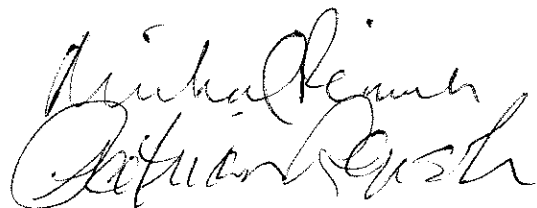
We are now asking that the Council increase the depth restriction from 60 to 75 fathoms in the Rockfish Conservation Area (RCA), and from 20 to 40 fathoms in the Cowcod Conservation Area (CCA).

We have observed the healthy numbers of bocaccio present in the shelf areas which we visit on our sportfishing trips and believe that this increase in operating depth to 75 fathoms is warranted. We believe that the depth increase to 40 fathoms in the CCA would continue adequate protection of cowcod in deeper waters yet would permit recreational fishing for pelagic gamefish out to 40 fathoms while rockfish are on board.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Sincerely,

Michael Reinsch, Owner and Captain
Patricia Reinsch, Owner
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Dear Mr. Anderson,

Stardust Sportfishing is comprised of two Commercial Passenger Fishing Vessels - "Stardust" and "Coral Sea" fishing out of the Santa Barbara Harbor in Southern California. We have been in business for 20 years taking families, friends and people from all walks of life fishing on the Santa Barbara Coast and at the Channel Islands. Stardust Sportfishing is owned by my wife Jaime Diamond and myself Jason Diamond, along with our three young children. We are on the Board of Directors for the Sportfishing Association of California (SAC). I served on the Blue Ribbon Task Force & Stakeholders group shaping the MPA's in our area, and my wife has testified at a PFMC meeting in Anaheim several years ago.

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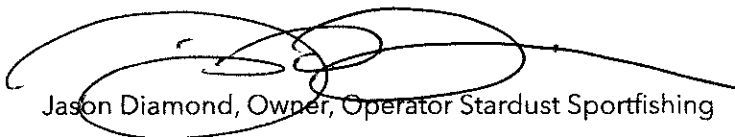
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Jason Diamond, Owner, Operator Stardust Sportfishing



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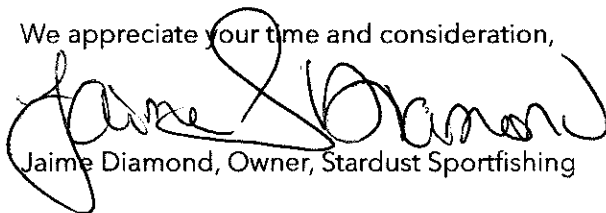
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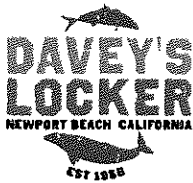
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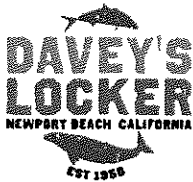
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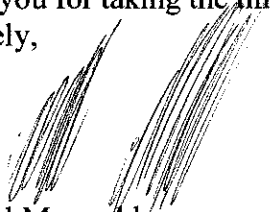
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