Proposal for Council Review

Improved Accuracy of the 40F Line for Open Access Fishermen off the San Mateo Coast

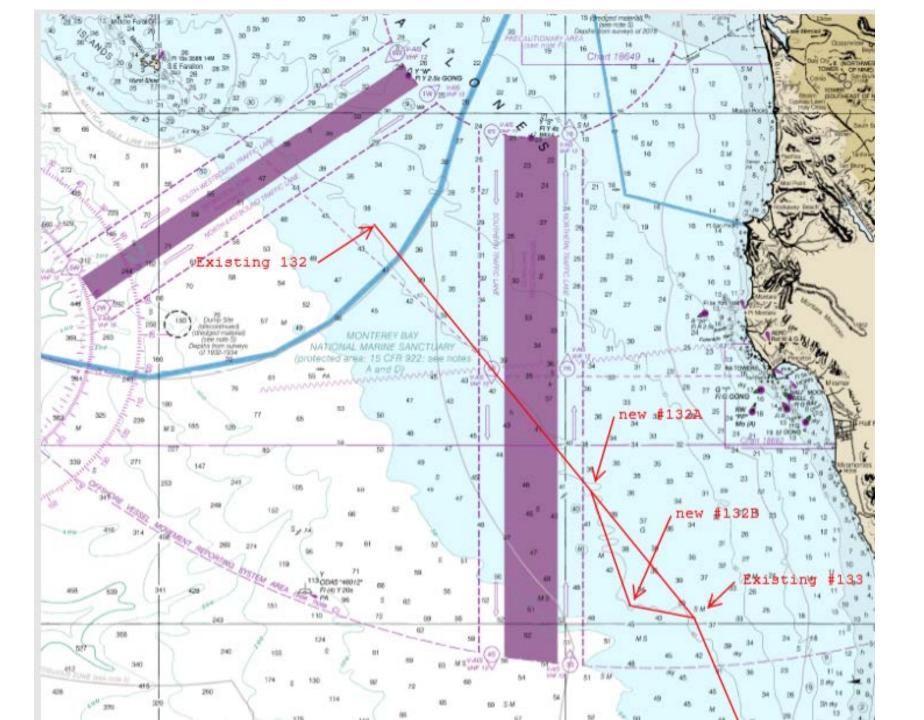
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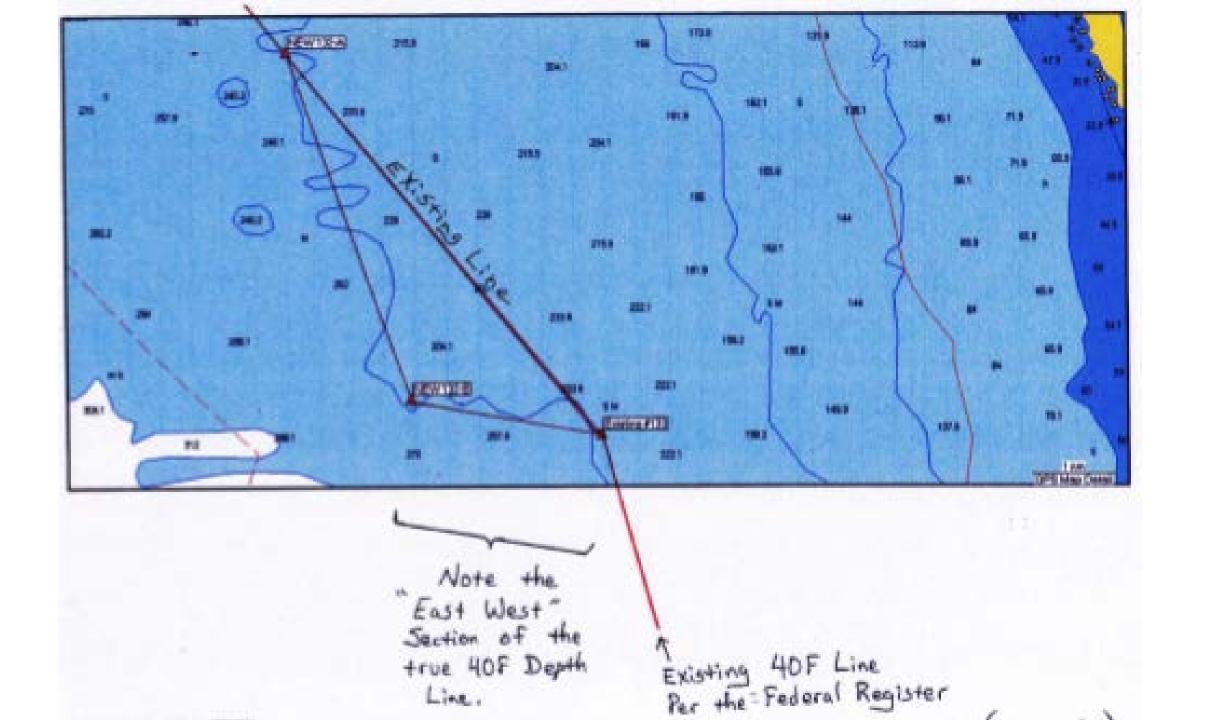
Introduction

This request is <u>not</u> to gain general access to the RCA

Rather, to make the RCA definition <u>conform</u> to the intended depth contour

It is 4.8 square miles of area as per the following maps





Summary

- 4.8 sq. mile area should have been open all along
- Let us fish as per currently approved regulations

Improved economic value from Dockside Sales

VMS Program affords accountability & compliance

Details on Improving the Accuracy of the 40F Line

The 40F line between Federal Register Points #132 and #133 is a straight, 20 mile, line which inadvertently excludes areas that, if drawn more correctly would open up some fishing opportunities allowed under the current regulations.

There are many miles on this line where the water is only 33F deep! This is because of the natural contour created by Mother Nature where a portion of the true 40F contour runs East and West off the San Mateo Coast (just West of Federal Register Point #133).

My proposal for Council Review:

Keep #132 "as is" which is 37 35.67 N. Lat., 122 49.47 W. Long. Add #132-A which is 37 25.00 N. Lat., 122 38.66 W. Long. Add #132-B which is 37 20.68 N. Lat., 122 36.79 W. Long. Keep #133 "as is" which is 37 20.24 N. Lat., 122 33.82 W. Long.

The Added waypoints 132-A and 132-B compensate for the "East West" portion of the 40F contour caused by Mother Nature and simply allow me and other Open Access Fishermen to access the areas allowed under the current regulations.

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