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Re: CCA CAL Preliminary Exempted Fishing Permit for 2021-2022

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CCA CAL has discussed outstanding issues related to opening the cow cod fishery with the various stakeholders in order to understand if our proposed EFP would fill the intended data gap or if modifications could be made to meet the requirements. This review did not prove fruitful and thus we are withdrawing our EFP proposal from further consideration. We would like to thank everyone who helped us along this path and hope the council has all the data needed to open the cow cod fishery going forward.

We are in discussions with CDFW to participate in their EFP. We are still working on requirements, paperwork and procedures.

Regards,

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