

**SALMON HEARING SUMMARY ON MANAGEMENT ALTERNATIVES**

<b>California Salmon Public Hearing</b>	
Date: March 24, 2020 Location: Via Webinar (Previously scheduled for Eureka, CA)  Attendance: 79 Testifying: 6	Hearing Officer: Brett Kormos NMFS: Peggy Mundy Coast Guard: LDCR Lee Cusius Salmon Team Member: Dr. Pete McHugh Council Staff: Ms. Robin Ehlke

**Opening Remarks**

Mr. Brett Kormos provided opening remarks for the hearing. Dr. Pete McHugh of the California Department of Fish and Wildlife provided a PowerPoint presentation summarizing the recreational and commercial alternatives.

**Synopsis of Testimony**

Of the 6 people testifying:

5 commented on the commercial troll fishery, most supporting Alternative II, but with some modifications.

1 commented on the recreational fishery, supporting Alternative I, and with no support for Alternative II.

**Commercial Troll Comments**

- Harbors shutting down due to COVID-19, marketing unpredictable right now.
- Suggest a week on and a week off to help market supply
- Breaks in the season a good idea as it would spread the fleet out help with marketing; target holiday season; month long fisheries may be a problem this year given marketing uncertainty
- Propose a modified Alternative II, will provide in a written statement (attached below)

**Recreational Comments**

- Support Alternative I, no support for Alternative III

**Other Comments**

- All voiced concerns on how COVID-19 will affect the fishery and its markets

Requested written summary of oral public comment provided by George Bradshaw

FB Zone:

May 6-10, 16-21

June 25-30

SF Zone:

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June 1-5, 15-21, 25-30

July 12-31

Aug 1-28

Sept 1-30

Oct 1-2, 5-9, 12-15

MO Zone

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Those are the dates I read in on the salmon information call the evening of the 24th