

COASTAL PELAGIC SPECIES MANAGEMENT TEAM REPORT ON  
PRELIMINARY REVIEW OF EXEMPTED FISHING PERMITS FOR 2023

The Coastal Pelagic Species Management Team (CPSMT) reviewed three notices of intent to reapply for exempted fishing permits (EFP) for 2023: two from the California Wetfish Producers Association ([Agenda Item I.2, Attachment 1](#) and [Agenda Item I.2, Attachment 2](#)) and one from the West Coast Pelagic Conservation Group ([Agenda Item I.2, Attachment 3](#)). Both parties intend to re-apply for exemptions from any potential restrictions on directed fishing for Pacific sardine during the 2023-2024 Pacific sardine fishing season.

The CPSMT recognizes the value of this work and endorses adopting the three EFPs for public review.

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