

CALIFORNIA FISHERMEN'S RESILIENCY ASSOCIATION

1118 6th St.
Eureka, CA 95501

August 4, 2023

To: California Coastal Commission

Re: 7C Working Group Support

Greetings,

In January of 2022, Northern California Port commercial fishermen's associations formed the California Fishermen's Resiliency Association (CFRA), a 501 C 6 nonprofit Mutual Benefit Corporation funded by the California Ocean Protection Council. The CFRA is endorsing the following California fishermen for seats on the 7C Fishermen's Working Group.

They are as follows:

R.B. Pincombe, President - Crescent City Commercial Fishermen's Association
Ken Bates, Executive Director, CFRA
Jake Mitchell - President, CFRA
John Barnett - President, San Francisco Crab Boat Owners Association
Steve Scheiblaue - Alliance of Communities for Sustainable Fisheries
Scott Creps - Past President, Humboldt Fishermen's Marketing Association
Chris Voss - President, Commercial Fishermen of Santa Barbara

These individuals have been vetted by the CFRA and are recommended to represent the California fishing Industry for the following reasons:

1. They show up. They consistently attend meetings, public hearings and conference calls. They respond to email and phone calls.
2. They contribute. They are seriously engaged in the OSW debate, permitting process and understand the challenges fishermen face from the OSW projects.
3. They read and are able to analyze government documents, industry position papers and public comment letters concerning OSW.

4. They are good listeners, speakers and decision-makers and communicate effectively with the members of their associations and communities.
5. They are team players invested in outcomes that will benefit everyone.
6. They are leaders in California's fishermen's organizations.
7. They are purely California fishermen, free of distraction from other venues.
8. They bring multi-generational experience and age diversity the the 7C Working Group

For the Coastal Commission, State Lands Commission, coastal fishing communities and California fishermen to achieve a significant, inclusive and long term positive collective relationship with the development of offshore wind power industry, the 7C Working Group needs to be populated with informed, engaged people.

Sincerely,
The CFRA Board of Directors

Jake Mitchell, President.
Ken Bates, Executive Director
RB Pincombe, Vice-President
Curtis Wilson, Treasure
Tony Cannia
Laura Miller
Dick Ogg
John Barnett

Membership:

Crescent City Commercial Fishermen's Association
Trinidad Bay Commercial Fishermen's Association
Shelter Cove Fishermen's Preservation, Inc.
Salmon Trollers Marketing Association of Noyo
Bodega Bay Commercial Fishermen's Association
San Francisco Crab Boat Owners
Commercial Fishermen's Association of Santa Barbara
Alliance of Communities for Sustainable Fisheries
California Wetfish Producers
Santa Cruz Commercial Fishermen's Association
Half Moon Bay Seafood Marketing Association