

CALIFORNIA FISHERMEN'S RESILIENCY ASSOCIATION

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Rachel Mahler, Fisheries Liaison Officer
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Re: CFRA comments on the Golden State Wind FCP

Rachel,

Thank you for providing the Draft Fisheries Communication Plan (FCP) for Golden State Wind's Central Coast lease area project. Thank you for accurately acknowledging that the FCP is a "living document" subject to amendments as required and also stating that "the statewide strategy developed by the 7C Fishermen's Working Group" could influence the contents of the FCP"

Here are our comments and suggested edits.

1. The preferred term "Fishermen" should be used to refer to our fishing women and men. "Fisher" is a small mammal in the weasel family and probably should not be used to address fishermen, especially fishermen Golden State Wind is hoping to engage with in long term relationships.
2. **2.2 FCP Objectives**
 - a. Seek out ~~fishers~~ **fishermen** and **fishermen's associations** to provide additional details, filling any **of GSW's** data gaps regarding the historic, existing and potential opportunities **and/or impediments and constraints to fishing activities** in the project area(s).
 - b. Identify potential adverse impacts to ~~fishers~~ **fishermen** and **cooperatively** make informed decisions on how to avoid impacts where possible and/or minimize and/or mitigate the extent of the impacts.
 - c. Build an authentic, trusting and long term relationship with ~~fishers~~, **fishermen**, **fishermen's organizations** and communities to inform the responsible design, construction, operation and decommissioning of the project.

3. **2.3.2 - Fishing Representatives** - Fisheries representatives(s) “the FR must be **vetted** and accepted by **local fishermen’s organizations** and fishing communities stakeholders.
4. **3.1**
 - a. Engage in the communication networks of add - **local commercial fishermen’s organizations**
 - b. Establish specific methods for communicating with ~~fishers~~ **fishermen** while they are at sea **including but not limited to VHF radio transmission, cell, and satellite telephone communication**
5. **Appendix D - Claims**
 - a. **Please note: The California standard for claim reimbursement set by fiber optic cable committees is 150% of the gear replacement value: That is, enough to replace lost gear and 50% to cover lost fishing time, catch and regearing**

Sincerely,

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California Fishermen’s Resiliency Association
On behalf of the CFRA Board of Directors and

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

