

Memorandum

Date: December 27, 2024

To: Melissa Miller-Henson
Executive Director
California Fish and Game Commission

From: Charlton H. Bonham
Director

Subject: **Transmittal of an Experimental Fishing Permit Application Recommendation for Longlining Traditional Gear for Dungeness crab (Lisa Damrosch/Pacific Coast Federation of Fishermen's Associations and California Coast Crab Association/Commission Tracking #2023-04)**

On December 20, 2023, the California Department of Fish and Wildlife (Department) accepted an application for Experimental Fishing Permit (EFP) (Attachment 1) from Lisa Damrosch (Pacific Coast Federation of Fishermen's Associations and California Coast Crab Association), Commission Tracking #2023-04. The Department recommends California Fish and Game Commission (Commission) approve the application as further detailed in the Recommended EFP Terms and Conditions (DFW1103, Attachment 2) and supplemental environmental documentation (Attachments 3 and 4).

Next Steps

Pursuant to subsection 91(f), Title 14, California Code of Regulations, the Department requests the Commission schedule the requested application for consideration no sooner than 30 days after public notice is given. The Department has prepared a draft Notice of Receipt of Recommendation (Attachment 5) to support the public notice requirement prescribed in subsection 91(e)(2), Title 14, California Code of Regulations.

If you have any questions on this item, please contact Dr. Craig Shuman, Marine Regional Manager, at (805) 568-1246 or by email at R7RegionalMgr@wildlife.ca.gov.

Attachments:

1. EFP Application for EFP #2023-04, revised 10/9/2024 (confidential information omitted)
2. Recommended EFP Terms and Conditions (DFW 1103)
3. CEQA Overview Memo
4. Draft CEQA Notice of Exemption and NOE Attachment
5. Draft Notice of Receipt of Recommendation

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