

Attached is a list of Fort Bragg commercial fishermen who have a great concern for the future of the Open Access Black Cod Fishery. When this fishery started, it was designed as a by-catch fishery. It has developed into a very important fishery that many depend on to help fill gaps left by closures and restrictions in other fisheries. A good example would be the 2015 crab fishery closure.

The issues of concern are as follows:

1. **Quotas:** The Open Access quota is small.
2. **One Owner/Multiple Boats in Open Access Fishery:** A limitation of the number of boats per person is needed. This would lead to a more equitable fishery for all. It would also help stretch the quota over a larger part of the year.
3. **Gear Issues:** A large number of black cod traps are being left in the water year round. This causes gear conflicts and unnecessary loss of fish.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

NameBoat Name

Kyle Stornetta

F/V Jacqueline

PETER BOGDAN

F/V MOLI

Bill Forkner

F/V Shirley

Christopher M. Matson

F/V May

Nick Kidd

F/V KIP

Anthony Canvia

F/V Marilee

STEVE BRADLEY

F/V SOUND ADVENTURE

HEATHER

F/V PRINCESS

Michael Daniels

F/V Gloria II

Keith Olson

F/V Blue Northern

Wane Cooper

F/V Angelina

Wally Shattuck

"SHARON"

Terry Groat

F/V ~~W~~ Ocean Citizen

VORMAN KOBLER

F/V FRED HOLMES

Scott Hockett

F/V ACE