



**UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**  
**National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration**  
**NATIONAL OCEAN SERVICE**

**Gulf of the Farallones National Marine Sanctuary**

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Peter Douglas  
Executive Director, California Coastal Commission

FROM: Maria Brown  
Gulf of the Farallones NMS Superintendent

SUBJECT: Gulf of the Farallones Sanctuary Advisory Council Resolution

On July 12, 2007 the Gulf of the Farallones Sanctuary Advisory Council passed a resolution in support of the final adoption of the *stronger* draft regulations affecting regulation of introduced species promulgated by the draft Joint Management Plan Review in October 2006.

The Advisory Council has requested this resolution be sent to the California Coastal Commission prior to the August 2007 hearing that will take place on this matter.

Attachments

cc: Bill Douros  
Dan Basta



*Whereas*, the Gulf of the Farallones Sanctuary Advisory Council has been charged by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) with providing advice to the Superintendent of the Gulf of the Farallones National Marine Sanctuary on matters related to Sanctuary management, including developing an updated Joint Management Plan Review (JMPR) for Sanctuary waters; and

*Whereas*, pursuant to this process, the Gulf of the Farallones National Marine Sanctuary in 2001 conducted ten public scoping hearings in Cambria, Monterey, Santa Cruz, Half Moon Bay, San Francisco, San Rafael, Bodega Bay, Gualala, Sacramento, and Washington, DC, during which 18,500 comments were received from the public; and

*Whereas*, pursuant to this process, the Gulf of the Farallones National Marine Sanctuary also conducted, during 2006, six public hearings on the draft Joint Management Plan Review (JMPR) in Cambria, Monterey, Santa Cruz, San Francisco, and Pt. Reyes, pursuant to which 1500 written comments and numerous oral comments were received from the public; and

*Whereas*, the Gulf of the Farallones Sanctuary Advisory Council is concerned that a specific section of the current version of the proposed regulations now before the Coastal Commission would weaken the prevention of introduction of introduced species within state waters; and

Therefore be it resolved, that the California Coastal Commission is hereby requested by the Gulf of the Farallones Sanctuary Advisory Council to support the final adoption of the *stronger* draft regulations affecting regulation of introduced species promulgated by the draft JMPR in October 2006; and

Further be it resolved, that the California Coastal Commission is hereby urged by the Gulf of the Farallones Sanctuary Advisory Council to make a finding of consistency of the JMPR, subject to the above amendment relative to introduced species, and to transmit said Consistency Determination to the Secretary of Commerce in timely fashion.