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**Correspondence ID:** 1000    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 36704  
**Name:** Hamilton, Michelle L  
**Address:** [REDACTED]  
USA  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,04,2010 16:54:24  
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**Correspondence ID:** 1001    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 36704

**Name:** McLaughlin, Diane  
**Address:** [REDACTED]  
USA  
**Outside Organization:** National Parks Conservation Association Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,04,2010 16:54:25  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

**Correspondence:** As a biology professor, I support decisions that are based on peer-reviewed research, and not on profit-motivated interests. In considering giving full effect to the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act, the NPS should note that the research concludes potential and real adverse impacts from the oyster operation on wilderness resources. The top priorities in decision-making should be providing maximum protection of wilderness resources. The NPS should prioritize the long-standing wilderness designation vision over commercial private use. The national parks are for the people, not for private profit.

Thank you.

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**Correspondence ID:** 1002    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 36704

**Name:** Kovich, Jenni  
**Address:** [REDACTED]  
USA  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,04,2010 00:00:00  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

**Correspondence:** National Park wilderness is for wildlife and public enjoyment, not private commercial use. --The top priorities in decision-making should be providing maximum protection of wilderness resources and giving full effect to the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act. --The NPS should prioritize the long-standing wilderness designation vision over commercial private use. --The national parks are for the people, not for private profit. --The NPS must consider the peer-reviewed research that concludes potential and real adverse impacts from the oyster operation on wilderness resources.

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**Correspondence ID:** 1003    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 36704

**Name:** Steiner, John  
**Address:** [REDACTED]  
USA  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,04,2010 16:55:32  
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**Correspondence ID:** 1004    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 36704

**Name:** Midtskogen, Ragnar  
**Address:** [REDACTED]  
USA  
**Outside Organization:** National Parks Conservation Association. Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,04,2010 00:00:00  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

**Correspondence:** --The top priorities in decision-making should be providing maximum protection of wilderness resources and giving full effect to the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act. --The NPS should prioritize the long-standing wilderness designation vision over commercial private use. --The national parks are for the people, not for private profit. --The NPS must consider the peer-reviewed research that concludes potential and real adverse impacts from the oyster operation on wilderness resources.

I hope some day, after my wife retires, to visit Drakes Estero so I hope you will deny commercial use.

Regards, Ragnar Midtskogen

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**Correspondence ID:** 1005    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 36704

**Name:** Parker, Pamela  
**Address:** [REDACTED]  
USA  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,04,2010 16:55:53

**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

**Correspondence:** I believe it is a very bad idea to not give the Drakes Estero full wilderness protection. We must preserve the wilderness areas we have for future generations, as well as for ourselves. For most people going to a national park or wilderness area is the only time they get to be in a nature setting. People need the wild areas in order to stay sane and healthy.

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**Correspondence ID:** 1006 **Project:** 33043 **Document:** 36704

**Name:** mcright, blue

**Address:** [REDACTED]  
USA

**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual

**Received:** Nov,04,2010 16:56:10

**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

**Correspondence:**

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**Correspondence ID:** 1007 **Project:** 33043 **Document:** 36704

**Name:** blantz, jorgina k

**Address:** [REDACTED]  
USA

**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual

**Received:** Nov,04,2010 16:56:16

**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

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**Correspondence ID:** 1008 **Project:** 33043 **Document:** 36704

**Name:** Rowan, Thomas J

**Address:** [REDACTED]  
USA

**Outside Organization:** Pax Christi USA Unaffiliated Individual

**Received:** Nov,04,2010 00:00:00

**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

**Correspondence:** Keep the wilderness wild and distant from commercial interests.

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**Correspondence ID:** 1009 **Project:** 33043 **Document:** 36704

**Name:** N/A, N/A

**Address:** [REDACTED]  
USA

**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual

**Received:** Nov,04,2010 16:57:44

**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

**Correspondence:**

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**Correspondence ID:** 1010 **Project:** 33043 **Document:** 36704

**Name:** Yomtov, Michael

**Address:** [REDACTED]  
USA

**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual

**Received:** Nov,04,2010 16:57:53

**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

**Correspondence:** these lands were, and must always be, for the benefit of the american people, and not for a plaything or business ventures for private and careless corporations. they are a trust of which nps is the administrator, not the vendor.

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**Correspondence ID:** 1011 **Project:** 33043 **Document:** 36704

**Name:** Snook, Richard k

**Address:** [REDACTED]  
USA

**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual

**Received:** Nov,04,2010 16:58:12

**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

**Correspondence:** --The top priorities in decision-making should be providing maximum protection of wilderness resources and giving full effect to the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act. --The NPS should prioritize the long-standing wilderness designation vision over commercial private use. --The national parks are for the people, not for private profit. --The NPS must consider the peer-reviewed research that concludes potential and real adverse impacts from the oyster operation on wilderness resources.

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**Correspondence ID:** 1012 **Project:** 33043 **Document:** 36704

**Name:** Rao, Pradeep

**Address:** [REDACTED]  
USA

**Outside Organization:** NPCA Unaffiliated Individual

**Received:** Nov,04,2010 16:58:46

**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

**Correspondence:** The top priorities in decision-making should be providing maximum protection of wilderness resources and giving full effect to the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act. --The NPS should prioritize the long-standing wilderness designation vision over commercial private use. --The national parks are for the people, not for private profit. --The NPS must consider the peer-reviewed research that concludes potential and real adverse impacts from the oyster operation on wilderness resources.

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**Correspondence ID:** 1013 **Project:** 33043 **Document:** 36704

**Name:** Martin, Shelly

**Address:** [REDACTED]  
USA

**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual

**Received:** Nov,04,2010 00:00:00

**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

**Correspondence:** A: The top priorities in decision-making should be providing maximum protection of wilderness resources and giving full effect to the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act.

B: The NPS should prioritize the long-standing wilderness designation vision over commercial private use.

C: The national parks are for the people, not for private profit.

D: The NPS must consider the peer-reviewed research that concludes potential and real adverse impacts from the oyster operation on wilderness resources.

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**Correspondence ID:** 1014 **Project:** 33043 **Document:** 36704

**Name:** attas, mo

**Address:** [REDACTED]  
USA

**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual

**Received:** Nov,04,2010 00:00:00

**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

**Correspondence:** I believe Point Reyes is a beautiful place and I would like to see it remain as wilderness. Private use for profit does not belong at Point Reyes.

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**Correspondence ID:** 1015 **Project:** 33043 **Document:** 36704

**Name:** Quartararo, Lisa

**Address:** [REDACTED]  
USA

**Outside Organization:** NPCA Unaffiliated Individual

**Received:** Nov,04,2010 00:00:00

**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

**Correspondence:** National Parks should be for wildlife and people not for private profit.

The top priorities should be providing maximum protection of wilderness resources and giving full effect to the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act.

The NPS must consider the peer-reviewed research that concludes potential and real adverse impacts from the oyster operation on wilderness resources.

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**Correspondence ID:** 1016 **Project:** 33043 **Document:** 36704

**Name:** Bergstresser, Rebecca B

**Address:** [REDACTED]  
USA

**Outside Organization:** NPCA Unaffiliated Individual

**Received:** Nov,04,2010 17:01:14

**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

**Correspondence:** Please end the oyster farm lease in Pt. Reyes National Seashore. National Park lands should not be eased out for private profit. National Parks play a crucial role in preserving our country's heritage and resources. Please do not set a precedent for changing their natural environment and resources to benefit private entities. Recent changes to the Pt. Reyes area to restore wetlands and reduce grazing have created great benefits in land and water conservation as well as natural beauty. Please continue this trend in returning the land to its original richness and to the citizens of all the United States, who support it with our taxes.

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**Correspondence ID:** 1017 **Project:** 33043 **Document:** 36704

**Name:** Jovce, Marv Anne J

**Address:** [REDACTED]  
USA

**Outside Organization:** private citizen Unaffiliated Individual

**Received:** Nov,04,2010 17:01:26

**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

**Correspondence:** A National Park Wilderness should be that and not a commercial venue and not for profit. Wilderness is for animals and plants and people. Do not renew permitting for the oyster company. Please review scientific research that shows that there are real adverse impacts for from an oyster operation on

wilderness resources.

Your top priorities in decision-making should be providing maximum protection of wilderness resources and giving full effect to the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act.

thank you

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**Correspondence ID:** 1018    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 36704  
**Name:** Stevesand, Pat M  
**Address:** [REDACTED]

**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,04,2010 00:00:00  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** Please do not allow commercial use for this area. Let it be for wildlife and natural preservation. There are not enough wild places. Thanks, Pat

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**Correspondence ID:** 1019    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 36704  
**Name:** Denis, Laurie A  
**Address:** [REDACTED]

**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,04,2010 17:02:26  
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**Correspondence ID:** 1020    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 36704  
**Name:** Howard, Jean E  
**Address:** [REDACTED]

**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,04,2010 00:00:00  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:**

--The top priorities in decision-making should be providing maximum protection of wilderness resources and giving full effect to the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act. --The NPS should prioritize the long-standing wilderness designation vision over commercial private use. --The national parks are for the people, not for private profit. --The NPS must consider the peer-reviewed research that concludes potential and real adverse impacts from the oyster operation on wilderness resources

Drakes Estero, is the West Coast's only marine wilderness and should be saved.

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**Correspondence ID:** 1021    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 36704  
**Name:** Parker, Patricia  
**Address:** [REDACTED]

**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,04,2010 17:03:47  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
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**Correspondence ID:** 1022    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 36704  
**Name:** Fields, Edwin M  
**Address:** [REDACTED]

**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,04,2010 17:03:57  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:**

I am president of a conservation organization in Montana called Headwaters Montana. We are involved with water quality and wildlife issues of a transboundary nature. I am not submitting this for our organization. I am just proud to help with protection on the other end of the water cycle, the sea. The highest and best use for Drakes Estero is Wilderness. We must maintain areas of high biological value which is precisely why it should be Wilderness. Commercial expansion should not be allowed. Thank you for the opportunity to comment, Edwin Fields

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**Correspondence ID:** 1023    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 36704  
**Name:** Brimm, Martha  
**Address:** [REDACTED]

**Outside Organization:** Sierra Club Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,04,2010 00:00:00  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:**

--The top priorities in decision-making should be providing maximum protection of wilderness resources and giving full effect to the 1976 Point Reyes

Wilderness Act. --The NPS should prioritize the long-standing wilderness designation vision over commercial private use. --The national parks are for the people, not for private profit. --The NPS must consider the peer-reviewed research that concludes potential and real adverse impacts from the oyster operation on wilderness resources. --Please consider these points as you make decisions that will affect future generations. The well-being of creation is in the balance. Thank you for your hard work and integrity.

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**Correspondence ID:** 1024    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 36704

**Name:** Orr, Joe

**Address:**

USA

**Outside**

Unaffiliated Individual

**Organization:**

**Received:**

Nov,04,2010 00:00:00

**Correspondence**

Web Form

**Type:**

**Correspondence:**

At Point Reyes, the top priorities should be providing maximum protection of wilderness resources and giving full effect to the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act.

In addition, the Park Service must consider the peer-reviewed research that concludes potential and real adverse impacts from the oyster operation on wilderness resources.

I believe all the national parks are for the people, not for private profit. The NPS should always prioritize wilderness designation over commercial private use.

Even though I now live in Texas, I grew up in San Mateo. Point Reyes is a very special place to me. Please protect it.

Thank you.

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**Correspondence ID:** 1025    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 36704

**Name:** Baker, Nona

**Address:**

USA

**Outside**

Unaffiliated Individual

**Organization:**

**Received:**

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**Correspondence**

Web Form

**Type:**

**Correspondence:**

Please keep our National Parks for public enjoyment, not for commercial use. The pristine state of our National Parks must not be allowed to be contaminated by the growth of non-native species for commercial gain. This really is a no-brainer!

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**Correspondence ID:** 1026    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 36704

**Name:** Stewart, Dr. John M

**Address:**

Professor Emeritus of Psychobiology, Northland College

USA

**Outside**

Northland College Unaffiliated Individual

**Organization:**

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**Correspondence**

Web Form

**Type:**

**Correspondence:**

As a Wildlife Scientist with 47 years of experience in research on the behavior and ecology of endangered species, I know the importance of protecting critical habitat for wildlife, while ensuring safe and peaceful wilderness recreation for future generations of Americans. I firmly believe that the foremost priorities in decision-making should be providing maximum protection of wilderness resources and giving full effect to the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act. The NPS should favor the long-standing wilderness designation vision over commercial private use. The national parks are for the people and wildlife, not for private profit. The NPS must not ignore the peer-reviewed research that concludes potential and real adverse impacts from the oyster operation on wilderness resources. You must preserve Drakes Estero, the West Coast's only marine wilderness.

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**Correspondence ID:** 1027    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 36704

**Name:** N/A, N/A

**Address:**

USA

**Outside**

Unaffiliated Individual

**Organization:**

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**Correspondence:**

--The top priorities in decision-making should be providing maximum protection of wilderness resources and giving full effect to the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act. --The NPS should prioritize the long-standing wilderness designation vision over commercial private use. --The national parks are for the people, not for private profit. --The NPS must consider the peer-reviewed research that concludes potential and real adverse impacts from the oyster operation on wilderness resources.

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**Correspondence ID:** 1028    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 36704

**Name:** MacKrell, Chris G

**Address:**

USA

**Outside Organization:** NPCA Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,04,2010 00:00:00  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** I believe that top priority in the Drakes Estero decision-making process should be given to providing maximum protection to the west coast's only marine wilderness and giving full effect to the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act.

The NPS (National Parks Service) should prioritize the long-standing wilderness designation concept over recent applications for commercial use.

National parks were created to protect and preserve wilderness for we the people, our children and their children; not for commercial or industrial use.

The NPS must also consider peer-reviewed scientific research that concludes potential and real adverse impacts from a commercial oyster industry operation on wilderness resources.

Thank you for taking the time to consider my comments on Drakes Estero, the West Coast's only marine wilderness. Together we must make a difference for wildlife and visitors of Point Reyes National Seashore.

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**Correspondence ID:** 1029    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 36704  
**Name:** N/A, N/A  
**Address:** [REDACTED]  
USA  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,04,2010 00:00:00  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** One of the ways a country stays great and true to its people is by giving the nation play grounds.

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**Correspondence ID:** 1030    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 36704  
**Name:** Pohle, Linda C  
**Address:** [REDACTED]  
USA  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,04,2010 17:05:32  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** The Drakes Estero in the Point Reyes National Seashore is the West Coast's only marine wilderness and is expected to receive wilderness designation year after next. Yet I understand consideration is being given to permitting a private oyster company to continue operating in the estuary.

I cannot support that. I believe that the #1 priority should be providing maximum protection of wilderness resources and giving full effect to the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act. Our nation's national parks are sanctuaries for people and their resources must be guarded and preserved, not sold for private profit. I urge you to consider the potential and real negative impacts, identified in peer-reviewed research, that the oyster operation would have on this precious resource.

Thank you for your consideration of my comments.

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**Correspondence ID:** 1031    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 36704  
**Name:** Whetstone, Tony  
**Address:** [REDACTED]  
USA  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,04,2010 00:00:00  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** These forests are for the people, not business!

--The top priorities in decision-making should be providing maximum protection of wilderness resources and giving full effect to the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act. --The NPS should prioritize the long-standing wilderness designation vision over commercial private use. --The national parks are for the people, not for private profit. --The NPS must consider the peer-reviewed research that concludes potential and real adverse impacts from the oyster operation on wilderness resources.

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**Correspondence ID:** 1032    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 36704  
**Name:** Longenecker, Pam  
**Address:** [REDACTED]  
USA  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,04,2010 00:00:00  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** Let's think about the future as those did before us who ensured the wonderful spaces available for generations of, first and foremost, wildlife. We HAVE to STOP this incessant development. We HAVE to remember we are not the only species that matters. My family and I are so grateful for the wonderful

spaces. We need to make sure they continue forever.

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**Correspondence ID:** 1033    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 36704

**Name:** Button, James  
**Address:** [REDACTED]

USA  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual

**Received:** Nov,04,2010 17:06:05

**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

**Correspondence:** --The top priorities in decision-making should be providing maximum protection of wilderness resources and giving full effect to the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act. --The NPS should prioritize the long-standing wilderness designation vision over commercial private use. --The national parks are for the people, not for private profit. --The NPS must consider the peer-reviewed research that concludes potential and real adverse impacts from the oyster operation on wilderness resources.

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**Correspondence ID:** 1034    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 36704

**Name:** N/A, N/A  
**Address:** [REDACTED]

USA  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual

**Received:** Nov,04,2010 17:06:09

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**Correspondence ID:** 1035    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 36704

**Name:** Chrystal, John M  
**Address:** [REDACTED]

USA  
**Outside Organization:** Audubon, Sierra, NCBBA Unaffiliated Individual

**Received:** Nov,04,2010 00:00:00

**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

**Correspondence:** NO, NO NO AND NO!

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**Correspondence ID:** 1036    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 36704

**Name:** Tremblv, Dennis  
**Address:** [REDACTED]

USA  
**Outside Organization:** American Federation of Musicians Unaffiliated Individual

**Received:** Nov,04,2010 17:06:44

**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

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**Correspondence ID:** 1037    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 36704

**Name:** Denn, Gina M  
**Address:** 9 Research Rd.  
[REDACTED]

USA  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual

**Received:** Nov,04,2010 00:00:00

**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

**Correspondence:** The top priorities in decision making should be providing maximum protection of wilderness resources and giving full effect to the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act. The NPS should prioritize the long-standing wilderness designation vision over commercial private use. The national parks are for the people, not for private profit. The NPS must consider the peer-reviewed research that concludes potential and real adverse impacts from the oyster operation on wilderness resources.

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**Correspondence ID:** 1038    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 36704

**Name:** N/A, N/A  
**Address:** [REDACTED]

USA  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual

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**Correspondence ID:** 1039    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 36704

**Name:** Pagenkof, Kris  
**Address:** [REDACTED]

USA  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual

**Received:** Nov,04,2010 17:07:47

**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

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**Type:**

**Correspondence:** The top priorities in decision-making should be providing maximum protection of wilderness resources and giving full effect to the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act. --The NPS should prioritize the long-standing wilderness designation vision over commercial private use. --The national parks are for the people, not for private profit. --The NPS must consider the peer-reviewed research that concludes potential and real adverse impacts from the oyster operation on wilderness resources.

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**Correspondence ID:** 1040    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 36704

**Name:** Weilage, Krystal  
**Address:** [REDACTED]

USA

**Outside Organization:** National Parks Conservation Association Unaffiliated Individual

**Received:** Nov,04,2010 00:00:00

**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

**Correspondence:** --The top priorities in decision-making should be providing maximum protection of wilderness resources and giving full effect to the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act. --The NPS should prioritize the long-standing wilderness designation vision over commercial private use. --The national parks are for the people, not for private profit. --The NPS must consider the peer-reviewed research that concludes potential and real adverse impacts from the oyster operation on wilderness resources.

A National Seashore, especially the only one on the West Coast, should not allow private companies to profit from resources that are protected. This oyster company has the whole rest of the West Coast in which to operate, they don't need to take natural resources from the one spot under wilderness designation.

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**Correspondence ID:** 1041    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 36704

**Name:** N/A, N/A

**Address:** [REDACTED]

USA

**Outside Organization:** National Parks Conservation Association Unaffiliated Individual

**Received:** Nov,04,2010 17:07:59

**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

**Correspondence:** I think the plan to legally make the estuary a full wilderness area in 2012 should be carried through. Tampering with the original plan seems unfair and sets a bad example. The decision has already been made to protect the estuary of this important park.

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**Correspondence ID:** 1042    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 36704

**Name:** OConnor, Cornelius J

**Address:** [REDACTED]

USA

**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual

**Received:** Nov,04,2010 17:08:09

**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

**Correspondence:** Our national parks are gorgeous, awe-inspiring outdoor spaces for all to enjoy. They are not for a few to profit from polluting the parks with fuel, emissions, noise, and unruly crowds.

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**Correspondence ID:** 1043    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 36704

**Name:** N/A, N/A

**Address:** [REDACTED]

USA

**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual

**Received:** Nov,04,2010 17:08:14

**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

**Correspondence:** --The top priorities in decision-making should be providing maximum protection of wilderness resources and giving full effect to the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act. --The NPS should prioritize the long-standing wilderness designation vision over commercial private use. --The national parks are for the people, not for private profit. --The NPS must consider the peer-reviewed research that concludes potential and real adverse impacts from the oyster operation on wilderness resources.

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**Correspondence ID:** 1044    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 36704

**Name:** Schoenung, Susan

**Address:** [REDACTED]

USA

**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual

**Received:** Nov,04,2010 17:08:17

**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

**Correspondence:** Dear National Park Service,

Pt. Reyes National Seashore is my favorite place! I can get there in about an hour or so and absolutely love the serenity and wildness of this place.  
Please remember that national park wilderness has been set aside for wildlife and public enjoyment.



Drakes Estero is scheduled to receive full wilderness designation in 2012. Please do not mess with this plan by extending oyster operation.

Your top priority should be providing maximum protection of wilderness resources and giving full effect to the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act.

The NPS should prioritize the long-standing wilderness designation vision over commercial private use.

Consider the peer-reviewed research that concludes potential and real adverse impacts from the oyster operation on wilderness resources.

Please protect Drakes Estero, the West Coast's only marine wilderness!

thank you Susan Schoenung

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**Correspondence ID:** 1045    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 36704  
**Name:** Martin, Marilyn  
**Address:** [REDACTED]  
USA  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,04,2010 00:00:00  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** The top priorities in decision-making should be providing the maximum protection for wilderness resources and giving full effect to the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act.

The National Park Service should prioritize the long-standing wilderness designation over commercial private use.

The national parks are for the public rather than for private profit.

The National Park Service must consider the peer-reviewed research that concludes potential and real adverse impacts from the oyster operation on wilderness resources.

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**Correspondence ID:** 1046    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 36704  
**Name:** Greenwald, Ken  
**Address:** [REDACTED]  
USA  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,04,2010 17:08:39  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** National Parks used by private enterprise? This has never happened before. National Parks have always been by and for the public and all people. To privatize means to making money off of public lands. This is not fair, nor right for the public or the USA.

If the government is not supplying enough money to keep the National Parks going, then shut them down and open them when times are better. Once private business enters a public national park, they are hard to get rid of.

Please, do NOT allow our National Parks to be used by private enterprise!

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**Correspondence ID:** 1047    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 36704  
**Name:** Gaines, Betty J  
**Address:** [REDACTED]  
USA  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,04,2010 00:00:00  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** We need to keep our wilderness areas protected for commercial interests. This is extremely important as so much is being destroyed. Please protect this area.

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**Correspondence ID:** 1048    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 36704  
**Name:** Hoenig, Doris C. and Leo  
**Address:** [REDACTED]  
USA  
**Outside Organization:** National Parks and Conservation Association Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,04,2010 17:10:06  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** We understand the National Park Service is deciding whether to protect the only marine wilderness on the West Coast or allow its commercial use.

At stake is the future of Drakes Estero, an estuary within California's Point Reyes National Seashore --- which we have visited and intend to visit again --- that is considered the ecological heart of the park. The estuary is on track to receive full wilderness designation in 2012, but an oyster company would like

to extend its operating permit, contrary to longstanding wilderness plans.

We feel that national park wilderness is for wildlife and public enjoyment, not private commercial use, and we strongly urge you to deny the oyster company's application.

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**Correspondence ID:** 1049    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 36704  
**Name:** N/A, N/A  
**Address:** [REDACTED]  
USA  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,04,2010 17:10:25  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** --The top priorities in decision-making should be providing maximum protection of wilderness resources and giving full effect to the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act. --The NPS should prioritize the long-standing wilderness designation vision over commercial private use. --The national parks are for the people, not for private profit. --The NPS must consider the peer-reviewed research that concludes potential and real adverse impacts from the oyster operation on wilderness resources.

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**Correspondence ID:** 1050    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 36704  
**Name:** N/A, N/A  
**Address:** [REDACTED]  
USA  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,04,2010 17:10:29  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** The top priorities in decision-making should be providing maximum protection of wilderness resources and giving full effect to the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act. --The NPS should prioritize the long-standing wilderness designation vision over commercial private use. --The national parks are for the people, not for private profit. --The NPS must consider the peer-reviewed research that concludes potential and real adverse impacts from the oyster operation on wilderness resources.

Thank you for your time.

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**Correspondence ID:** 1051    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 36704  
**Name:** Wollenweber, Jean  
**Address:** [REDACTED]  
USA  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,04,2010 17:10:35  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** We need to keep our promise to make this piece of park land private. Too many species are struggling for viable habitat, and the more we cater to business versus ecology, the worse we make it for the native animals, plants, etc.

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**Correspondence ID:** 1052    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 36704  
**Name:** Fornes, Joanne  
**Address:** [REDACTED]  
USA  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,04,2010 17:10:57  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** Let's all agree we MUST protect our natural park lands! NO NO NO to anyone who wants to exploit our natural heritage...and off Point Reyes????? One of the most beautiful & wild of California Parks.

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**Correspondence ID:** 1053    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 36704  
**Name:** Graham, Guy  
**Address:** [REDACTED]  
USA  
**Outside Organization:** Constituent Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,04,2010 17:11:00  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** In Gods name , Please leave the Estuaries ALONE Friend

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**Correspondence ID:** 1054    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 36704  
**Name:** McDonald, Terri  
**Address:** [REDACTED]  
USA  
**Outside Organization:** NPCA Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,04,2010 17:11:36

**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

**Correspondence:** I cannot even believe this is even being questioned. Of course this land should not be used for commercial use. So many public lands have already been ruined. Let's not let this one slip away.

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**Correspondence ID:** 1055 **Project:** 33043 **Document:** 36704

**Name:** Wilson, Lana L

**Address:** [REDACTED]

USA

**Outside Organization:** National Parks Conservation Association Unaffiliated Individual

**Received:** Nov,04,2010 17:12:08

**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

**Correspondence:**

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**Correspondence ID:** 1056 **Project:** 33043 **Document:** 36704

**Name:** Cuolahan, Sylvia M

**Address:** [REDACTED]

USA

**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual

**Received:** Nov,04,2010 17:12:12

**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

**Correspondence:** My comment is very simple. Public land should never be used for business. Public land is just that, public, for the use of the people. We must be ever vigilant about how public land is used. The land that has been set aside by forward thinkers like Teddy Roosevelt and others who dedicated their lives to that endeavor, should be kept pristine and unsullied by commercial use. It is our patrimony and should not be sold, bartered or otherwise used for profit. It belongs to us all to be used and enjoyed by our children and grand children.

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**Correspondence ID:** 1057 **Project:** 33043 **Document:** 36704

**Name:** Taylor Jr, S Fred

**Address:** [REDACTED]

USA

**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual

**Received:** Nov,04,2010 00:00:00

**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

**Correspondence:** How about we don't destroy the parks

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**Correspondence ID:** 1058 **Project:** 33043 **Document:** 36704

**Name:** Gaines, Betty i

**Address:** [REDACTED]

USA

**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual

**Received:** Nov,04,2010 00:00:00

**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

**Correspondence:** I would like to correct my former comments as I made a mistake. I meant to say that we need to protect any wilderness areas FROM commercial use. This is very important.

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**Correspondence ID:** 1059 **Project:** 33043 **Document:** 36704

**Name:** Selbin, S

**Address:** [REDACTED]

USA

**Outside Organization:** National Parks Conservation Association Unaffiliated Individual

**Received:** Nov,04,2010 00:00:00

**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

**Correspondence:** My comments address the future of Drakes Estero, an estuary within California's Point Reyes National Seashore, that is considered the ecological heart of the park. The estuary is on track to receive full wilderness designation in 2012, but an oyster company would like to extend its operating permit, contrary to longstanding wilderness plans. The oyster company request should be rejected. National park wilderness is for wildlife and public enjoyment, not private commercial use.

Please consider the following points:

--The top priorities in decision-making should be providing maximum protection of wilderness resources and giving full effect to the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act. --The NPS should prioritize the long-standing wilderness designation vision over commercial private use. --The NPS must consider the peer-reviewed research that concludes potential and real adverse impacts from the oyster operation on wilderness resources.

Thank you for the opportunity to comments. I look forward to Drakes Estero being awarded full wilderness designation.

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**Correspondence ID:** 1060 **Project:** 33043 **Document:** 36704

**Name:** Burk, Peter L

**Address:** [REDACTED]

USA

**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual

Received: Nov,04,2010 17:14:05  
Correspondence Type: Web Form  
Correspondence:

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Correspondence ID: 1061    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 36704  
Name: Dudrick, Roseann  
Address: [REDACTED]

Outside Organization: National Parks Conservation Association Unaffiliated Individual

Received: Nov,04,2010 17:14:07  
Correspondence Type: Web Form

Correspondence: As soon as I saw Point Reyes, you had my attention. I hike and horseback ride in this area every weekend. It is a quite special and a spectacular area. It deserves full protection.

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Correspondence ID: 1062    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 36704  
Name: Proeger, Terrv  
Address: [REDACTED]

Outside Organization: Unaffiliated Individual

Received: Nov,04,2010 17:14:40  
Correspondence Type: Web Form

Correspondence: I am in support of providing maximum protection to this wilderness area. The national parks should be for all of the people, not for private use and profit. The NPS must not ignore the peer-reviewed research that concludes both potential and real adverse impacts from the proposed oyster operations in the wilderness area.

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Correspondence ID: 1063    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 36704  
Name: N/A, N/A  
Address: [REDACTED]

Outside Organization: Unaffiliated Individual

Received: Nov,04,2010 17:14:42  
Correspondence Type: Web Form

Correspondence: --The top priorities in decision-making should be providing maximum protection of wilderness resources and giving full effect to the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act. --The NPS should prioritize the long-standing wilderness designation vision over commercial private use. --The national parks are for the people, not for private profit. --The NPS must consider the peer-reviewed research that concludes potential and real adverse impacts from the oyster operation on wilderness resources.

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Correspondence ID: 1064    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 36704  
Name: Backus-Wallner, Peg  
Address: [REDACTED]

Outside Organization: Unaffiliated Individual  
Received: Nov,04,2010 17:14:56

Correspondence Type: Web Form

Correspondence: No oystering in Drakes Estero. Stay with existing wilderness plans. Keep Point Reyes National Seashore pristine.

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Correspondence ID: 1065    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 36704  
Name: Willoughby, Emilv A  
Address: [REDACTED]

Outside Organization: Unaffiliated Individual

Received: Nov,04,2010 00:00:00  
Correspondence Type: Web Form

Correspondence: I am writing in support of Drakes Estero, an estuary within California's Point Reyes National Seashore that is considered the ecological heart of the park. The estuary is on track to receive full wilderness designation in 2012, but an oyster company would like to extend its operating permit, contrary to longstanding wilderness plans.

I believe the following: --The top priorities in decision-making should be to provide maximum protection of wilderness resources and to give full effect to the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act. --The National Park Service (NPS) should prioritize the long-standing wilderness designation vision over commercial private use. --The national parks are for the people, not for private profit. --The NPS must consider the peer-reviewed research that concludes potential and real adverse impacts from the oyster operation on wilderness resources. If the activity hurts the wilderness, the activity should not be allowed.

Thank you for consideration of my comments.

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Correspondence ID: 1066    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 36704

**Name:** Greuel, Bridget  
**Address:** [REDACTED]  
USA  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov.04.2010 00:00:00  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** Hello!

I belong to the NPCA, and they suggest I mention these talking points.

--The top priorities in decision-making should be providing maximum protection of wilderness resources and giving full effect to the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act. --The NPS should prioritize the long-standing wilderness designation vision over commercial private use. --The national parks are for the people, not for private profit. --The NPS must consider the peer-reviewed research that concludes potential and real adverse impacts from the oyster operation on wilderness resources.

But here are my personal thoughts...

For the love of God, DO NOT open up our National Parks to commercial use!!!! The beauty and wildness of these places will be destroyed forever. Experiences will be sold to the highest bidder. Access to natural beauty will depend on how much a person can afford to pay. Redwood trees will be covered with advertisements. It sickens me to even think of it.

I know that National Parks are hurting for money right now, but selling them to commercial enterprises is not the way to get more funding. National Parks will just wind up losing money in the long run. Once parks are destroyed and no longer commercially viable to these organizations, they will leave the mess behind for someone else to deal with.

As an American Citizen, I have the right to have areas of our great country set aside, so that people can enjoy their aesthetic value. In plain English... leave nature natural!!!

Thank you for your time!

Bridget Greuel

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**Correspondence ID:** 1067    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 36704

**Name:** Miller, Bob  
**Address:** [REDACTED]  
USA  
**Outside Organization:** NPCA Unaffiliated Individual

**Received:** Nov.04.2010 17:15:13  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

**Correspondence:** I am a long time visitor to Pt. Reyes NS and a published wildlife and nature photographer, with a number of images from PRNS. It is one of my favorite places on earth. One of the things that makes PRNS so special is the balance that has prevailed since the park's inception between the farms and oyster farming and the desire to retain the area's natural beauty and ecological significance.

Estero Bay is particularly sensitive to further disturbance. The existing oyster farms are already there and do not seem to cause too much disruption or damage to the ecology. HOWEVER, any attempt to increase the area allowed to be farmed would be a detriment to not only the ecology, but also the visible effects would detract from the area's beauty. PRNS does NOT exist for the benefit of commercial development. The park is for EVERYONE to enjoy. It is my understanding that peer-reviewed research concludes that there are potential and real adverse impacts from the oyster operation on wilderness resources.

PRNS is one of the few areas along the West Coast to remain relatively free from major commercial encroachment and should remain so. Therefore, I oppose the expansion of commercial oyster farming activities in Estero Bay.

Thank you. Bob Miller

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**Correspondence ID:** 1068    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 36704

**Name:** Kjono, Pamela  
**Address:** [REDACTED]  
USA  
**Outside Organization:** NPCA Unaffiliated Individual

**Received:** Nov.04.2010 00:00:00  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

**Correspondence:** I am writing to urge you not to open this National Park to commercial use.

--The top priorities in decision-making should be providing maximum protection of wilderness resources and giving full effect to the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act. --The NPS should prioritize the long-standing wilderness designation vision over commercial private use. --The national parks are for the people, not for private profit. --The NPS must consider the peer-reviewed research that concludes potential and real adverse impacts from the oyster operation on wilderness resources.

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**Correspondence ID:** 1069    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 36704

**Name:** N/A, N/A  
**Address:** [REDACTED]

**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual

**Received:** Nov,04,2010 17:15:38  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

**Correspondence:** I visited the Point Reyes preserve recently, and was delighted by the variety of the coastal terrain and the serenity one can experience even during the summer tourist season. Although California has a long coastline, so much is developed and/or in private hands; here creeks can run to the sea; there are wetlands and small cliffs. Even though there are grazing cattle, one can see elk herds -- and all this within daily reach of the vast Bay Area conurbation. We need the wilderness designation to be enforced, otherwise it sets a precedent for other continued, or new, commercial exploitation.

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**Correspondence ID:** 1070    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 36704

**Name:** Barfield, Bonnie  
**Address:** [REDACTED]

**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual

**Received:** Nov,04,2010 00:00:00  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

**Correspondence:** All the following points should be considered; however I would like to emphasize how important national parks are for people and wildlife.

--The top priorities in decision-making should be providing maximum protection of wilderness resources and giving full effect to the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act. --The NPS should prioritize the long-standing wilderness designation vision over commercial private use. --The national parks are for the people, not for private profit. --The NPS must consider the peer-reviewed research that concludes potential and real adverse impacts from the oyster operation on wilderness resources.

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**Correspondence ID:** 1071    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 36704

**Name:** Williams, James H  
**Address:** [REDACTED]

**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual

**Received:** Nov,04,2010 17:16:39  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

**Correspondence:** I have visited Point Reyes NS and am pleased to be able to comment during the scoping period for preparation of an EIS for extension of a special use permit to an oyster company. While I am sure there were reasons for issuance of the permit that will soon expire, I believe that the permit should not be reissued.

As NPS studies this issue, I hope that its top priorities in decision-making will be providing maximum protection of wilderness resources and giving full effect to the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act. As in all units of the national park system, the NPS should prioritize the long-standing wilderness designation vision over commercial private use. Since this estuary is in a designated research area, in particular, the NPS must consider peer-reviewed research that concludes potential and real adverse impacts from the oyster operation on wilderness resources.

In general I am opposed to commercial operations within national park units. While oyster harvesting may not compare in environmental impact to logging, for instance, extracting oysters from the estuary will undoubtedly impact in negative ways the wildlife in the estuary and the peace and tranquility of the area.

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**Correspondence ID:** 1072    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 36704

**Name:** Smarr, Janet  
**Address:** [REDACTED]

**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual

**Received:** Nov,04,2010 00:00:00  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

**Correspondence:** Please do not permit commercial (oyster) operations in Drake's Estero, the only marine wilderness on the west coast. I know that the money is tempting, but letting in commerce is a rapidly slippery slope that will end up interfering with and possibly destroying the protection of this area and its creatures. Your job is to protect for the whole nation, not to allow exploitation by groups that have only their own interests at heart. Thank you.

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**Correspondence ID:** 1073    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 36704

**Name:** N/A, N/A  
**Address:** [REDACTED]

**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual

**Received:** Nov,04,2010 17:17:08  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

**Type:**  
**Correspondence:** --The top priorities in decision-making should be providing maximum protection of wilderness resources and giving full effect to the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act. --The NPS should prioritize the long-standing wilderness designation vision over commercial private use. --The national parks are for the people, not for private profit. --The NPS must consider the peer-reviewed research that concludes potential and real adverse impacts from the oyster operation on wilderness resources.

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**Correspondence ID:** 1074    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 36704  
**Name:** Perea, N/A  
**Address:** [REDACTED]  
USA  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
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**Correspondence ID:** 1075    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 36704  
**Name:** N/A, N/A  
**Address:** [REDACTED]  
USA  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,04,2010 17:17:16  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** the corporations already run the government - please, at least leave something for the people, not the corporations, to own!!! enough is enough!

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**Correspondence ID:** 1076    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 36704  
**Name:** burns, n  
**Address:** [REDACTED]  
USA  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,04,2010 17:18:11  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** Please, no Special Use Permit for commercial oyster operations inside the Drakes Estero at Point Reyes National Seashore.

National Seashore space, and/or national parks are not appropriate places for commercial development: it's as simple as that.

thank you --

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**Correspondence ID:** 1077    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 36704  
**Name:** Pitt, Terry L  
**Address:** [REDACTED]  
USA  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,04,2010 17:19:30  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** DRAKES ESTERO within the Point Reyes National Seashore has been waiting to receive full wilderness status for almost 40 years. The estero is the ecological heart of the seashore and provides foraging and breeding grounds for birds, fish, and harbor seals. More baby seals are born in the estero than anywhere else along the Central Coast. If I understand correctly, you (The National Park Service) are trying to determine whether to allow a commercial oyster business to operate for an additional ten years within Drakes Estero. Sometimes forgotten -- or misrepresented -- in the battle of perspectives on the issue of wilderness versus a commercial oyster operation in Drakes Estero is the factual history.

In 1962, President John F. Kennedy signed into law the Point Reyes National Seashore Act, establishing an exquisite jewel in the National Park system. In 1972 the Johnson's Oyster Co., which operated within Drakes Estero, sold its property to the NPS. The agreement allowed Johnson to continue operating until 2012. Congress designated Drakes Estero as potential wilderness in the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act. The 1976 Act was the result of substantial public input and partnership agreements reached between ranchers and conservationists. More than 25,000 acres were designated for full wilderness protections and over 8,000 acres were designated as potential wilderness due to existing uses such as the commercial oyster operation. The Congressional record clearly reflects Congress' intent that the Estero's potential wilderness areas would receive full wilderness designation and protection once Johnson's operating rights expired in 2012. In 2005, fully knowledgeable of the 2012 use expiration and intended wilderness status, Drakes Bay Oyster Co. bought out the remaining seven years on the oyster company permit. Its owners then immediately lobbied Congress for a permit extension. A rider buried within a massive appropriations bill granted the Secretary of the Interior the ability to choose between preserving wilderness or commercializing it. As a result, you (the park service) will prepare an EIS. Ranches, which are not wilderness, will not be under consideration during this EIS process. We strongly support family ranches within the seashore but oppose a commercial shellfish operation in the wildlife-rich tidelands of Drakes Estero. There are substantial legal, policy and scientific reasons for terminating the commercial oyster operation in 2012 as planned. Allowing Drakes Estero to become a business zone violates the spirit of the agreements reached between conservationists and ranchers more than 30 years ago, violates the letter and spirit of the law, and would set a terrible legal and policy precedent that could be used to open up national parks and wilderness across the United States to private industry. Isn't it a break of public trust to prioritize private commercial use of this national park over securing wilderness status that the public and wildlife have anticipated for nearly 40 years? The ability to leave urban life behind and experience the wild marine environment of Point Reyes National Seashore is a gift. This gift is a part of our natural heritage that we must all protect and preserve. In December 2009, the Drakes Bay Oyster Co. was fined \$62,000 by the California Coastal Commission for illegally operating in a long-established harbor seal protection area in the estero. Damage caused by the commercial oyster operation to eelgrass, migratory birds and harbor seals supports terminating the oyster operation in 2012. Let's honor the Point Reyes Wilderness Act and keep commercial enterprise out.

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**Correspondence ID:** 1078    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 36704  
**Name:** Andersen, James M  
**Address:** [REDACTED]  
USA

**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,04,2010 00:00:00  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** I am very concerned about the request to extend oyster harvesting into the Drakes Estero in the Poit Reyes National Seashore.

The purpose of a wilderness is to keep it natural and as free of commercial use as provided for with the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act.

Public use, not private commerce.

Regards,

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**Correspondence ID:** 1079     **Project:** 33043     **Document:** 36704

**Name:** N/A, N/A

**Address:** [REDACTED]

USA

**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual

**Received:** Nov,04,2010 17:20:13

**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

**Correspondence:** -The top priorities in decision-making should be providing maximum protection of wilderness resources and giving full effect to the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act. --The NPS should prioritize the long-standing wilderness designation vision over commercial private use. --The national parks are for the people, not for private profit. --The NPS must consider the peer-reviewed research that concludes potential and real adverse impacts from the oyster operation on wilderness resources.

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**Correspondence ID:** 1080     **Project:** 33043     **Document:** 36704

**Name:** Heller, Dawn R

**Address:** [REDACTED]

USA

**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual

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**Correspondence ID:** 1081     **Project:** 33043     **Document:** 36704

**ID:**

**Name:** Doner, John P

**Address:** [REDACTED]

USA

**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual

**Received:** Nov,04,2010 17:20:49

**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

**Correspondence:** I'm writing in regard to Drakes Estero in Point Reyes National Seashore in California. I understand you are currently considering a request from an oyster company to invade this area and begin commercial operations. National Park areas are for nature and people, not private profit. The top priorities in decision-making should be providing maximum protection of wilderness resources and giving full effect to the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act. The NPS should prioritize the long-standing wilderness designation vision over commercial private use. Please keep this area as a wildlife reserve, not a commercial enterprise!

Thank you.

John Doner

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**Correspondence ID:** 1082     **Project:** 33043     **Document:** 36704

**Name:** Wilcox, James

**Address:** [REDACTED]

USA

**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual

**Received:** Nov,04,2010 00:00:00

**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

**Correspondence:** Drakes Estero, an estuary within California's Point Reyes National Seashore is the only marine wilderness on the West Coast. It is considered to be the ecological heart of the park.

This estuary is on track to receive full wilderness designation in 2012.

National park wilderness is for wildlife and public enjoyment, not private commercial use.

The Drakes Bay Oyster Company (DBOC) is asking to use Point Reyes National Seashore for commercial harvesting and processing of shellfish.

As a trained naturalist who is aware of the necessity to preserve such sites, I am fully opposed to the commercial use of any part of Point Reyes National



Seashore.

I believe that the top priorities in your decision-making should be in providing maximum protection of wilderness resources and giving full effect to the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act.

The NPS should prioritize the long-standing wilderness designation vision over commercial private use.

The national parks are for the people, not for private profit.

The NPS must consider the peer-reviewed research that concludes potential and real adverse impacts from the oyster operation on wilderness resources.

Please give full protection to Point Reyes National Seashore.

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**Correspondence ID:** 1083    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 36704

**Name:** N/A, N/A  
**Address:** [REDACTED]

**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual

**Received:** Nov,04,2010 17:21:47

**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

**Correspondence:** --The top priorities in decision-making should be providing maximum protection of wilderness resources and giving full effect to the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act. --The NPS should prioritize the long-standing wilderness designation vision over commercial private use. --The national parks are for the people, not for private profit. --The NPS must consider the peer-reviewed research that concludes potential and real adverse impacts from the oyster operation on wilderness resources.

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**Correspondence ID:** 1084    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 36704

**Name:** Oberbeck, Gary H  
**Address:** [REDACTED]

**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual

**Received:** Nov,04,2010 00:00:00

**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

**Correspondence:** --The top priorities in decision-making should be providing maximum protection of wilderness resources and giving full effect to the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act. --The NPS should prioritize the long-standing wilderness designation vision over commercial private use. --The national parks are for the people, not for private profit. --The NPS must consider the peer-reviewed research that concludes potential and real adverse impacts from the oyster operation on wilderness resources.

I appreciate your review and careful consideration of the decision.

Thank You, Gary H. Oberbeck

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**Correspondence ID:** 1085    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 36704

**Name:** Folsome, Lynn F  
**Address:** [REDACTED]

**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual

**Received:** Nov,04,2010 17:22:57

**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

**Correspondence:** --The top priorities in decision-making should be providing maximum protection of wilderness resources and giving full effect to the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act. --The NPS should prioritize the long-standing wilderness designation vision over commercial private use. --The national parks are for the people, not for private profit. --The NPS must consider the peer-reviewed research that concludes potential and real adverse impacts from the oyster operation on wilderness resources.

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**Correspondence ID:** 1086    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 36704

**Name:** Sperling, Linda S  
**Address:** [REDACTED]

**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual

**Received:** Nov,04,2010 00:00:00

**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

**Correspondence:** Drakes Estero is a unique place -- the NPA's top priority should be to provide the maximum protection of its wilderness resources. The NPA should fully support and enforce the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act over any commercial private use. National parks belong to all the American people and are not to be used for private profit. The NPS must should also pay attention to peer-reviewed research that concludes potential and adverse impacts that will result

from allowing the oyster operation on wilderness resources.

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**Correspondence ID:** 1087    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 36704

**Name:** N/A, N/A

**Address:**

USA

**Outside Organization:** National Parks Conservation Association Unaffiliated Individual

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**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

**Correspondence:** --The top priorities in decision-making should be providing maximum protection of wilderness resources and giving full effect to the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act. --The NPS should prioritize the long-standing wilderness designation vision over commercial private use. --The national parks are for the people, not for private profit. --The NPS must consider the peer-reviewed research that concludes potential and real adverse impacts from the oyster operation on wilderness resources.

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**Correspondence ID:** 1088    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 36704

**Name:** Phillips, Dr Cynthia and Paul

**Address:**

USA

**Outside Organization:** National Parks Conservation Association Unaffiliated Individual

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**Correspondence:** My husband and I are for keeping the Point Reyes NS wild. We visit California frequently and are awed by the geology, geography and the astounding beauty of the West Coast and California in particular. Way too much has been lost back here in the Northeast to private ownership of the seashore, limited access to the Atlantic Ocean and dilapidated and broken waterfronts, much of due to businesses. We would like to see Point Reyes NS and Drakes Estero stay wild.

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**Correspondence ID:** 1089    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 36704

**Name:** Buffo, Douglas

**Address:**

USA

**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual

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**Correspondence:** Dear NPS,

Please! Drakes Estero, an estuary within California's Point Reyes National Seashore, is a wilderness area for the PEOPLE not for CORPORATE commercial use. The government must stop giving public land away to private corporations. It's wrong and unAmerican! Stop this immediately!

The NPS needs to rioritize the long-standing wilderness designation vision over commercial private use. National parks are for the people, not for private profit!

Sincerely, Douglas Buffo Chicago, IL

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**Correspondence ID:** 1090    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 36704

**Name:** N/A, N/A

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**Correspondence ID:** 1091    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 36704

**Name:** Mokolke, Susan

**Address:**

USA

**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual

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**Correspondence:** I am concerned about protecting what is left of our environment. The top priorities in decision-making should be providing maximum protection of wilderness resources and giving full effect to the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act.

Please prioritize the long-standing wilderness designation vision over commercial private use. NP's are for the people. Please consider the peer-reviewed research that concludes potential and real adverse impacts from the oyster operation on wilderness resources.

No commercial use!

Thank you, Susan Mokolke

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**Correspondence ID:** 1092    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 36704  
**Name:** Marquis, Dortha  
**Address:** [REDACTED]  
USA  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
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**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** Please keep commercial Interests out of national Park decisions.

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**Correspondence ID:** 1093    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 36704  
**Name:** Babbitt, Susan M  
**Address:** [REDACTED]  
USA  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,04,2010 17:24:48  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** Research suggests danger from an oyster business.It is essential to protect wilderness resources and implementthe 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act. Wilderness--not commerce.

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**Correspondence ID:** 1094    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 36704  
**Name:** Small, Mary L  
**Address:** [REDACTED]  
USA  
**Outside Organization:** NPCA Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,04,2010 17:25:27  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** While I am supportive of the shellfish industry wherever it may be (we certainly have it in Maine), I believe we should keep Park lands for the People and not industry.

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**Correspondence ID:** 1095    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 36704  
**Name:** Seff, Joshua J  
**Address:** [REDACTED]  
USA  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,04,2010 17:25:47  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** Please do not open the Drakes Estero to commercial oyster harvesting. Thank you

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**Correspondence ID:** 1096    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 36704  
**Name:** White, Richard F  
**Address:** [REDACTED]  
USA  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,04,2010 17:25:50  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** Please keep commercial development out of the National Park System. The parks are for the public use and enjoyment, not the exploitation by private industry for the sake of profit!!

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**Correspondence ID:** 1097    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 36704  
**Name:** N/A, N/A  
**Address:** [REDACTED]  
USA  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,04,2010 00:00:00  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** The following comments are in regards to the decision on whether or not the National Park Service should protect Drakes Estero, an estuary within California's Point Reyes National Seashore that many consider to be the only marine wilderness on the West Coast, or allow it to be used for commercial private use.

I believe it is in the best interest that the National Park Service should do its job, and protect this wilderness from commercial use. Consider these talking points:

--The top priorities in decision-making should be providing maximum protection of wilderness resources and giving full effect to the 1976 Point Reyes

Wilderness Act.

--The NPS should prioritize the long-standing wilderness designation vision over commercial private use.

--The national parks are for the people, not for private profit.

--The NPS must consider the peer-reviewed research that concludes potential and real adverse impacts from the oyster operation on wilderness resources.

When I was a kid, I enjoyed visiting some of our country's national parks. The last thing I want to see is said parks being closed to the public to benefit private profit. That is why I insist that the NPS protect Drakes Estero, and keep it open to the public.

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**Correspondence ID:** 1098    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 36704

**Name:** N/A, N/A

**Address:**

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**Correspondence:** --The top priorities in decision-making should be providing maximum protection of wilderness resources and giving full effect to the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act. --The NPS should prioritize the long-standing wilderness designation vision over commercial private use. --The national parks are for the people, not for private profit. --The NPS must consider the peer-reviewed research that concludes potential and real adverse impacts from the oyster operation on wilderness resources.

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**Correspondence ID:** 1099    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 36704

**Name:** Altman, Karin

**Address:**

[REDACTED]  
USA

**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual

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