**Correspondence ID:** Project: 33043 **Document:** 43390

Name: Loosli, Ed

The Wildlife Trust Unaffiliated Individual

Outside Organization: Received: Sep,23,2011 00:00:00

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Correspondence Type: Correspondence:

We have destroyed most of our coastal wetlands with development and this is one of them. We now have a chance to finally

restore this section of Drakes Estero to what it should be - Wilderness. Therefore, I strongly support:

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Name:

Bert, Brandon A

**Outside Organization:** 

concerned citizen Unaffiliated Individual

Received:

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I fully support the DBOC continuing to operate with the special use permit.

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Name:

Loosli, Ed

**Outside Organization:** Received:

The Wildlife Trust Unaffiliated Individual

Sep,23,2011 18:54:05

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**Correspondence ID: Project:** 33043 **Document:** 43390

Name:

Amsden, Liz

**Outside Organization:** 

Unaffiliated Individual Sep,23,2011 19:01:03

Received: **Correspondence Type:** 

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This is public land and should not have a for-profit enterprise working on it. Aquaculture and workers can significantly impact

the environment without people being aware of the true devastation till years later.

The existing permit should be allowed to run out and NOT BE RENEWED. Lunny & co should be given notice to clear out by the expiration of the current permit and restore the land/water to the most natural condition possible.

**Correspondence ID:** Project: 33043 **Document:** 43390

Name: Raine, JoAnn W

Houston Audubon Unaffiliated Individual **Outside Organization:** 

Received:

Sep,23,2011 19:23:05

**Correspondence Type:** 

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With regards to the extension of the oyster collecting permit, five years is long enough for them to arrange to move their business to another site. Oysters are primary food for the mammals and birds that will use this area. This bay is vital to the continued health of the Point Reyes sanctuary. I hope the Park Service will decide to move quickly to insure the protection of

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this piece of land so directly connected to the National conservation area.

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**Correspondence ID:** Name: **Outside Organization:** 

Project: Brumleve, Charles Unaffiliated Individual Sep,23,2011 19:47:54

Received:

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Correspondence Type: Correspondence:

The special permit for the Drakes Bay Oyster Company should not be allowed. This area needs special protection and not explotation by a buisness that only cares about making money and not taking care of the environment. Please think of the future and protect what little we have left of the wild. Thank you.

**Correspondence ID:** 33043 **Document:** 43390 Project:

Name:

Sherriff, Carrie Marin Conservation Society Unaffiliated Individual

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**Outside Organization:** Sep,23,2011 19:53:00 Received:

Correspondence Type: Web Form

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Extend the lease for ever. This viable source of work, food, and historical value should be continued. It has been shown that it actually helps the environment keep the esturary clean (more eel grass), and is a worthy operation. Even PRNS had put together

a plan in the past to renovate and create this center there.

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**Correspondence ID:** Name:

Project: Gardner, Richard A

**Outside Organization:** 

General Public Unaffiliated Individual

Received:

Sep,23,2011 19:56:42

**Correspondence Type: Correspondence:** 

Web Form I urge the National Park Service to renew the permit for the Drakes Bay marine shellfish operation. I believe the economic benefit to California and US citizens outweighs the minor impact to eelgrass as discussed in the environmental imapct staement.

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Correspondence ID: Project: 33043

Brister, Bob

Name:

**Outside Organization:** Received:

Unaffiliated Individual Sep,23,2011 21:29:45

**Correspondence Type:** 

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Correspondence: I support Alternative A. We need more wilderness, not more oyster farms.

**Correspondence ID:** Project: 33043 43390 **Document:** 

Name: **Outside Organization:** Received:

Livingstone Melanie Unaffiliated Individual Sep,23,2011 21:53:34 Web Form

Correspondence Type:

Correspondence:

I have trawled through this document and it has done nothing to improve my perception of the way the NPS has handled this issue. I have just come back from the Dalmation coast where Oyster farming is a valued and respected part of the community, where the waters are crystal clear, wildlife is abundant and sanity (at least on this topic) is apparent.

I can not see why you would not renew the lease. Having oysters in the esturary is a win win. At a time of cut backs, park closures and less people willing to invest in our clean waters you should be thrilled that this operation will do that. Seals have not been disturbed, eel grass is growing, the water is clean and vibrant.

It is a tragedy that you would warp the decision for some myopic utopia where no-one - not even the park service - would be part of the ecology. Please be wise, renew the license and hold them to strict but realistic eco standards

**Correspondence ID:** 

Name:

11 Graham, Guy

Project:

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Park website Unaffiliated Individual

**Outside Organization:** 

Received: **Correspondence Type:** 

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Correspondence:

thank you for your time We as a species are at a time where we need to restore other species because of our need and greed. our Planet is leterally getting devoured and pollution has caused great harm to our lakes, oceans, and yes our fisheries. We have also taking to much from our oceans and the species there are dwindling fast. I will tell you this, Other Counties would love to see our beautiful lakes ,streams, and land be ruined. Not to mention its creatues. the Jobs that are lost, is not good, but again, as a Species we have an obligation to Care for our waters and its habitats foir future generations. It is time to letour habitat grow back. build up again, before something drastic comes out of all this.

Thankyou

Guy Graham

Correspondence ID:

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Name: **Outside Organization:**  Elliott, Margaret P Unaffiliated Individual Sep,23,2011 22:25:19

Received:

Correspondence Type:

Correspondence:

I would like to see Drake's Bay Oyster Company continue on as they have been indefinitely. Thank you for listening to my

comment Sincerely, Margaret Elliott Fairfax Fresh

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**Document:** 43390

Name: **Outside Organization:** Received:

Stompe, Brian K Unaffiliated Individual Sep,23,2011 23:29:27

Correspondence Type:

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Drakes Esterio hasn't been a wilderness for over 10,000 years. Mankind has been harvesting oysters there for that long and until Europeans moved in, there was a larger settlement of Miwok Indians living where the oyster farm now is than the oyster farm has employees.

The Miwoks not only harvested the oysters, they harpooned seals and hunted birds. Seals and birds are now protected and are there seasonally in record numbers.

The phony science perpentrated by previous Park Administration in conjunction with groups advocating turning the area into a "wilderness", which it's never been since mankind has inhabited the area, was shot down in flames and the Park Superintendent transferred (he should have been FIRED!).

The area is surrounded by dairy farms, and isn't far from a large interpretive center and gift shop run by the Park Service itself which features annual sand sculptering competitions attracting hundreds of visitors. Some wilderness!

The oyster farm is currently being run in a responsible manner, only uses about 2% of the total estuary, is not interfering with the record number of seals that breed there, provides employment for about 30 semi skilled workers, provides fresh seafood from the only clean estuary left on the entire west coast and is enjoyed by generations of visitors that make it a destination on return from Drakes Beach.

IT ISN'T "BROKE"! DON'T, "FIX IT"!! REPEAT, DON'T "FIX IT" BY PRETENDING TO TURN IT INTO A, "WILDERNESS"!

Brian Stompe

Correspondence ID: 14 Project: 33043 Document: 43390

Name: Zafar, L. D

Outside Organization: Unaffiliated Individual Received: Sep,24,2011 00:47:02

Correspondence Type: Web Form

Correspondence:

I respectfully request, Mr. Secretary, that you should NOT renew for 10 years an SUP so commercial oyster operations can use and these fragile coastal habitations for profit jeopardizing the delicate ecosystems of Drakes Estero further. This would allow this area to begin to heal itself and to revert once again instead to a wilderness area that provides habitats to many animals, birds, marine creatures and asundrie plant life. It is crucial we protect, preserve, and restore these areas and not allow them to be further damaged and exploited. These natural areas belong to the American people and should not be allowed to be used and destroyed by the hands of a few. These wild places are only on loan to us any way as they really belong to those who will long come after you and I, our legacy to future generations, but only if we now act with the foresight to realize what COULD lay ahead if we do not intervene to save this fragile area from being further taken advantage of and exploited for commercial gain with no regard to how these operations impact the surrounding areas as well as the diverse animal, plant and marine life that call this area home. Let this area heal and revert back how nature meant for it to be and be used for; For people to visit, play, picnic, gaze with wonder and awe, enjoy quality time with their friends and families as well as educating our young people WHY these areas are of such great importance as well being one of Americas greatest of all resources, a unique and special part of her character and they too should see that these wild places should always be protected and preserved, because once they are gone it will be to late to look back with remorse of what once was that we had a chance to save but because of inaction for what ever reason we lost part of who we are, or at that point who we were...Peace and Ecology Now!

Correspondence ID: 15 Project: 33043 Document: 43390

Name: Bluske, Michael J
Outside Organization: Multiple Conservation Organizations Unaffiliated Individual

**Received:** Sep,24,2011 05:28:01

Correspondence Type: Web Form

Correspondence:

I strongly support Alternative A. No New Special Use Permit - Conversion to Wilderness (No Action) This alternative considers the expiration of existing RUO and SUP, and subsequent conversion of the area to Wilderness consistent with PL 94-567. The existing SUP and RUO expire on November 30, 2012. The Secretary would not exercise the discretion granted to him under Section 124 of PL 111-88 to issue a new 10-year SUP. Upon removal of the non-conforming structures and uses from Drakes

Estero, the NPS would convert the area from potential wilderness to wilderness.

It is my opinion that we should let the ocean heal itself and not take anything from her until she does so. I am no longer worried about human needs, rather I am most concerned about Mother Nature's needs as we can not survive with out a healthy planet to inhabit.

Correspondence ID: 16 Project: 33043 Document: 43390

Name: Bonny, Russ
Outside Organization: Unaffiliated Individual
Received: Sep,24,2011 07:37:00

Correspondence Type: Web Form

**Correspondence:** I support Alternative A, No Action for three specific reasons.

First, the continued operation of an oyster farm is inconsistent with the mandate by Congress that Drakes Estero be designated as a wilderness area in 2011.

Second, the Drakes Bay Oyster Company purchased the operation with full knowledge that the license to operate would expire 7 years from the date of purchase. Clearly, the owners felt they could "work the system" and have the rules changed for their own benefit at the detriment of the citizens of California and the United States. The NPS is responsible to the people of America, not one small aquaculture operation. I believe the extension of the license will set a dangerous precedent that would encourage others to purchase similar properties in the sunset stage of operation on other NPS sites. This may diminish the quality of the experience for the public at these sites and add an unnecessary administrative cost to the already insufficient budget of the NPS.

Third, Point Reyes is truly one of my favorites places in the world and I have always felt the oyster farm has detracted from the natural beauty of the site and the enjoyment of my visits.

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Name: Angel, Julia **Outside Organization:** Received:

Unaffiliated Individual Sep,24,2011 08:10:38 Web Form

**Correspondence Type:** 

Correspondence: Hello, I recently decided to visit this business. I wrote a letter to the Point Reyes Light and it was published on August 25, 2011.

This is my letter:

Title: Have you seen it yourself?

Editor: I read the article "Burton: Oyster Farm Can Stay" after visiting the Drake's Bay Oyster Farm today to get a first hand look at what the controversy is all about. I felt that pictures on Facebook were not telling the whole story here. I was right. I have taken several pictures of my own of this place and see first hand that it is dilapidated and old I am not sure it is up to county code, if this was ever even checked. I also see some health and safety violations. When was the last time this was looked at by the Marin County health officials? When was the last time you all too the long ride on the dirt road to see the mess out there? I did it today, so I know what I am talking about. Have you been out there former Senator Burton? Have you seen this place with your own two eyes? Maybe you would change your viewpoint if you actually did. Me, I am going to complain about this place to the county health officials today. End of letter

After contacting several county health officials here in Marin and getting the run around, I was told that this business is not under the control of the Marin County health officials. So I am asking you, the NPS, to please evaluate the health and safety of this business for humans, not just the environmental impact. This place is unsanitary and unsafe for humans. One bathroom was closed and the buildings are cracked and walking around there is unsafe due to all those broken oyster shells. Now this is an issue which does not need months to study. Just good people trying to make the place better and safer for humans. If they cannot fix their business to the standards of all businesses then they should be forced to close it down. And this means now, not next year!

Julia Angel RN, MSN, CNS, AHN-BC

**Correspondence ID:** Project: 33043 43390 18 Document:

Name: Purcell, John K **Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual Received: Sep.24.2011 09:19:52

Web Form Correspondence Type:

Correspondence: No commercial use of National Parks should ever be allowed.

**Correspondence ID:** 19 Project: 33043 43390 **Document:** 

Name: Aucoin, John L **Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual

Received: Sep,24,2011 09:37:08 Correspondence Type: Web Form

Correspondence: I want to see the DBOC continue to produce oysters in the park. further I would like to see them improve and expand the business as they see fit, which I believe is what alternative "D" states. The Lunnys took a business that was an eyesore and did a

fine job of cleaning house, and would have made vast improvements had it not been for wrong-headed park management roadblocks. This is a sustainable business that employs local people. If you shut this business down then it would only be right to shut down drakes beach cafe, kick out all the ranchers and close all the roads to public traffic. The idea that this park can be made a wilderness by shutting down a well run productive business like DBOC is a notion held by misguided zealots. This is no time for government to eliminate jobs when decent jobs are so badly needed. I have been a member of various environmental organizations over the years, however I condemn the actions of some of the very organizations I once belonged to, to shut down

DBOC. Sincerely John L. Aucoin

**Correspondence ID:** 33043 43390 20 **Project: Document:** 

Name: Burr, Eric L

**Outside Organization:** Coalition of National Park Retirees Unaffiliated Individual

Received: Sep,24,2011 10:06:27

**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

Correspondence: Alternative A, i.e. Wilderness ASAP, is my choice as an old retired national park ranger. Good luck! - Eric Burr

**Correspondence ID:** 33043 43390 21 Project: **Document:** 

N/A, Bruce Name:

**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual Sep,24,2011 11:18:08 Received: Web Form

**Correspondence Type:** 

The Drake's Bay Oyster oc. is one of the few places you can buy safe oysters in a pristine enviorment in the U.S.[there is far Correspondence: less<if any> inviormental dammage then any resturant, or yahcht club [at close inspection] in Tomales Bay or S.f. Bay. Tomales

Bay in the 50's had a mercury mine ,that leached for years into the bay, it also has private septic systems, boats, fueling docks, resturants, etc that make an impact on the enviorment and effect oyster farming...Keep the Drakes Bay Oyster Co alive, it

provides a safe oyster enviorment, sfor those of us who like oysters

33043 **Document:** 43390 **Correspondence ID:** Project: Vandeman, Mike J

Name: **Outside Organization:** Received:

Unaffiliated Individual Sep,24,2011 12:06:36

**Correspondence Type:** 

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Humans need to experience wilderness, in order to appreciate it, but it's equally true that we need to STAY OUT, if the wildlife Correspondence: whose home it is are to thrive. See http://mjvande.nfshost.com/india3.htm. I vote for Alternative A. A commercial business has no business being there. Its value is nowhere near the value of untouched wilderness, and never will be, regardless of how it

operates..

**Correspondence ID:** 23 Project: 33043 **Document:** 43390

Sanders, Randell W Name: **Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual Received: Sep,24,2011 12:14:00

**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

We are in favor of allowing the Oyster Farm to continue as is Correspondence:

**Correspondence ID:** Project: 33043 **Document:** 43390

Falk, Jon Charles Name: **Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual

Received: Sep,24,2011 12:22:44 **Correspondence Type:** Web Form

This area should be returned to its natural state. Correspondence:

Correspondence ID: Project: 33043 **Document:** 43390

Name: Palmer, Guy

Tamalpa runners club Unaffiliated Individual **Outside Organization:** 

Received: Sep,24,2011 12:33:53

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**Correspondence Type: Correspondence:** 

I think Alternative D is fine. It seems reasonable to allow the DBOC to continue forward and to pay the Gvt a fair amount for the leasing of the land. I think any use that expands the appeal of the park to the public is ultimately good for the park service. DBOC is a small business that is a key component of the local economy. The Coastal Miwok Indian consumed the local shellfish for countless centuries will little impact on the environment apart from shellfish mounds. It seems unreasonable to ban DBOC from the pt Reyes seashore particularly since they appear to be local enterprise that values the resources afforded them.

Correspondence ID: 26 Project: 33043 **Document:** 43390

Name: Ober, Doris A **Outside Organization:** Received:

Unaffiliated Individual Sep,24,2011 12:40:33

**Correspondence Type:** 

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I am 100% in favor of allowing the Lunny operation to continue. From all I've read, the founders of the park intended that the Correspondence:

oyster farm remain. I mistrust the Park's "science" that claims that oyster farming has created a problem for local seals, having seen how similar "science" was applied to the now decimated and soon to be extinct population of fallow deer. But maybe even more compelling for me is the idea that the Park might be so cold as to put a whole business with all its employees out of work

in this economic climate.

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Name: N/A, N/A

**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual Sep,25,2011 10:12:56 Received:

Correspondence Type:

Web Form Correspondence:

Economic considerations regarding Drake's Bay Oyster Co(DROC) are moot and should not enter the discussion. Policy and scientific matters should be the only metric used in assessing the business' status. DROC's owner purchased the business with full knowledge the lease would expire. The price of the business was discounted based on the the time left at the site. In seeking political and public support to extend the lease, DROC's owner is exploiting his clout in the community to extract financial gain.

Such gaming of the system should not be tolerated.

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Couturie, Kathy

**Outside Organization:** The Couturie Co. Unaffiliated Individual **Received:** Sep,25,2011 11:39:06

Correspondence Type: Web Form

Correspondence: I fully support the continuation of Drakes Bay Oyster Company's operations - hopefully for generations to come. They are a

family owned business that is integral to the Point Reyes Community. I do not believe their operation has any negative impact on the Point Reyes environment; in fact, it is a gift. Please extend their Special Use Permit and allow these great folks to continue doing what they do so well! We love Drakes Bay oysters, and often bring them home to Ojai after visits to Bolinas.

Thank you.

Correspondence ID: 29 Project: 33043 Document: 43390

Name: Zeno, Suzanne

Outside Organization: Unaffiliated Individual Received: Sep,25,2011 12:56:27
Correspondence Type: Web Form

Correspondence: As

As a very long term resident of Marin County, I fully support the Drake's Bay Oyster Company. I believe they need to be allowed to continue their oyster farming business. They are providing an important traditional food source as well as jobs. I have many happy memories of visiting the site over the years with family and friends to buy oysters and enjoy the area. The fact that the real facts were fiddled with by the gov't agency shows me there is an agenda to get rid of them without any ethical or environmental considerations but some sort of power play on their part. Lies are told just to get your way which wouldn't be necessary if the facts of the environmental impact supported their position. I hope to continue to have access to this wonderful Marin Co. resource in the future. I strongly urge you to allow the oyster farm to continue operations well into the future.

Correspondence ID: 30 Project: 33043 Document: 43390

Name: Whitaker, Howard J
Outside Organization: Unaffiliated Individual
Received: Sep,25,2011 13:02:31

Correspondence Type: Web Form

Correspondence: I request that "Alternative A, No New Special Use Permit - Conversion to Wilderness (No-Action)" be chosen.

Even though I live far inland, I make frequent use of Pt Reyes National Seashore, for both kayaking and hiking.

My favorite kayaking area is Drake's Estero, but in recent years I've been avoiding it, because the oyster operation is such a disagreeable intrusion into what should be wilderness; even after launching and paddling a considerable distance from the operation, its loud music which the workers play, plus the sound of the air-hammers dislodging oysters, is quite audible and additionally, the operation's boats, which ply the Estero, are often playing loud music, as well as the boat's crews shouting.

Furthermore, beginning and ending what should be a wilderness paddling experience, at the ugliness and bedlam which is the oyster operation, is hardly conducive to what one seeks as a wilderness experience, notwithstanding all the wilderness virtues exhibited by the Estero.

The Estero is prime wilderness and should not be degraded, as it is, by the oyster operation; as it is, the extensive cattle operations covering so much of the Seashore, greatly degrade both the Seashore and one's experience of such, but there's nothing which can be done to eliminate the cattle operations, whereas, something can be done about the oyster operation, which is not to grant it a permit extension.

Correspondence ID: 31 Project: 33043 Document: 43390

Name: Roenneburg, Drew A
Outside Organization: Unaffiliated Individual
Received: Sep,26,2011 08:09:36

Correspondence Type: Web Form

I urge the Department of the Interior National Park Service to inact the NO-ALTERNATIVE plan for Drakes Estero as initially intended. Wilderness designation has been witheld for far too long this priceless shoreline habbit and infact the area has been further developed and degraded. I believe Alternatives B and D are a direct hand out to DBOC and detriment to Drake Estero by increasing the oyster harvest size, along with introduction of new non-native species and allowing new facility building. These plans will continue to add air and water pollution to a environment that is already plagued by ozone/smog. Additionally by

plans will continue to add air and water pollution to a environment that is already plagued by ozone/smog. Additionally by extended the SUP leases the State Department continues to create ambiguity over direct ownership Drake Estero. These two plans are unacceptable. While Alternative C is unfavorable to me because it issues new 10 year leases and delays wilderness designation, it at least reduces harvest quotas, restricts new oyster species cultivation, blocks new facility building and would

finally be the end of new leases.

Correspondence ID: 32 Project: 33043 Document: 43390

Name: Bjorn, Jeff

Outside Organization: National Parks Conservation Association Unaffiliated Individual

**Received:** Sep,26,2011 15:54:33

Correspondence Type: Web Form

Correspondence: Superintendent Muldoon and Secretary Salazar,

Thank you for taking public commentary regarding the Drakes Bay Oyster Company's Special Use Permit in Point Reyes

National Seashore, and for providing access to the Draft EIS.

I urge you to pursue Alternative A, No New Special Use Permit.

Drakes Bay Oyster Company was fully aware of the terms of the SUP when it purchased Johnson's Oyster Company in 2005, and, as a result, can claim no unforeseen harm as the SUP expires.

Only Alternative A follows the spirit of the Project Objectives and the legislative intent behind the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act, which was to return Drakes Estero to a wilderness state.

I appreciate your consideration of my viewpoint.

Sincerely.

Jeff Bjorn

Correspondence ID: 33 Project: 33043 Document: 43390

Name: Chittenden, David and Claudia
Outside Organization: Sierra Club Unaffiliated Individual

**Received:** Sep,27,2011 11:20:18

Correspondence Type: Web Form

Correspondence:

Based upon my observations and knowledge the Drakes Bay Oyster Co is operated in an ecologically sound fashion and provides a safe and desirable product to Bay Area residents. It's closure would not, in my opinion, provide any significant environmental benefit to our "community". It would also lead to the loss of "good" jobs and a good product. Please extend it's

lease by at least 15-20 years. In my opinion far too much time and money has been spent on this study Thank you

Correspondence ID: 34 Project: 33043 Document: 43390

Name: Dollberg, Susan M
Outside Organization: MALT Unaffiliated In

Outside Organization: MALT Unaffiliated Individual Received: Sep,27,2011 12:50:30

Correspondence Type: Web Form

Correspondence: NPS, I fully

NPS, I fully support the continuation of permits for Drakes Bay Oyster Co. I think they have done an incredible job of cleaning up the estero and are wonderful stewards of the area. Their actions have resulted in the return of native grasses in the area, cleaner water and better flow in and out of the estero. In addition, they are educating the public about the area and its importance both in the history of Drakes Bay and clean water practices. I think Drakes Bay Oyster Co. should be commended for the work they have done to improve the Point Reyes National Seashore. I think it is probably in better shape than it has been since the arrival of Drake himself. Please do the estero a favor and continue their permits for the longest time possible. Susan Dollberg

Correspondence ID: 35 Project: 33043 Document: 43390

Name: Keegan, Bruce E

Outside Organization: Committee for the Preservation of the Tule Elk Non-profit/Organization

**Received:** Sep,27,2011 00:00:00

Correspondence Type: Web Form

Correspondence: Please adopt Alternative A. No New Special Use Permit-Conversion to Wilderness (No Action)

Correspondence ID: 36 Project: 33043 Document: 43390

Name: margolis, alan j

Outside Organization: Unaffiliated Individual

Pagaigned: Son 27 2011 15:22:07

**Received:** Sep,27,2011 15:22:07

Correspondence Type: Web Form

Correspondence: AS a 20 yr. resident of W. Marin and following the controversy between NPS and DBOC in the local media I find the

allegations of depredations by DBOC to be "unproven." I suggest a 10 yr. lease with appropriate over seeing by an agency other

than NPS.

Correspondence ID: 37 Project: 33043 Document: 43390

Name: Weinstein, Christine
Outside Organization: Unaffiliated Individual
Received: Sep,27,2011 15:30:49

Correspondence Type: Web Form

Correspondence: I recommend the adoption of Alternative D, which would issue a new Special Use Permit for Expanded Onshore Development

and Offshore Operations Would be Allowed for a Period of 10 Years. Implementation of this alternative would benefit the environment, the local economy, and be consistent with the mixed use (public assess, an environmentally friendly business, and

wildlife preservation) that has existed. Thank you. Sincerely, Christine Weinstein

**Correspondence ID:** 38 **Project:** 33043 **Document:** 43390

Name: Radetich, Jim
Outside Organization: Unaffiliated Individual

Received: Sep,27,2011 15:47:10

**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

Correspondence: Harvesting of Oysters in Drake's Bay Estero has been going on for many, many years; the Miwok Indians before us.

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The area has never been a wilderness and not allowing the Oyster operation to continue still leaves several dairy farms in the

That the previous Park Administration attempted to use some incorrect data only supports the idea that closing the Oyster operations has nothing to do with interfering with the estuary.

Let this operation continue; it is part of Marin County's history.

**Correspondence ID:** 39 Project: 33043 **Document:** 43390 Name:

Housh, Tori L

**Outside Organization:** None but I hope you read my remarks Unaffiliated Individual

Received: Sep,27,2011 21:00:18

Correspondence Type:

Web Form **Correspondence:** 

Please leave this charming working business open in the park. This is not the first park to have a working industry, and this particular oyster farm is clean, selling the best oysters around, or so its said. Everyone who visits us in Marin gets a trek out to see this oyster farm, and its even more wonderful now that its all cleaned up. We really love this local treasure. Our community at large will sorely feel the loss of this slice of industry working the 'land' within the park. Please do not close it under any

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circumstances.

**Correspondence ID:** 40 Project: 33043

Name: **Outside Organization:** 

Kemp, Barry G Unaffiliated Individual Sep,28,2011 15:39:52 Received: Web Form

**Correspondence Type:** 

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I believe the Drakes Bay Oyster Company is and has been a great educational experience for those that go there. They also serve the best oysters I have ever eaten. That is says a great deal because my uncle was an oysterman in British Columbia Canada and his oysters were hard to beat. I have lived in, and visited many countries around the world and the oysters from Drakes Bay are superior to all in my opinion. The establishment as it is, is an educational treat for people to experience. It should stay the same and be allowed to exist for as long as people show interest. I choose alternative #C.

Thank you, Barry G. Kemp

**Correspondence ID:** 41 **Project:** 33043 **Document:** 43390

Name: N/A, N/A

**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual Sep,30,2011 15:46:13 Received:

**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

Please let Drakes Bay Oyster Company continue to operate where they are. Correspondence:

Correspondence ID: 42 33043 43390 Project: Document:

Name: **Outside Organization:** Received:

Unaffiliated Individual Sep,30,2011 16:02:33 Web Form

Cutten, Robert J

**Correspondence Type:** 

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It is absurd to remove the oyster company from Drakes Bay....Once upon a time man was present there as the Miwok Indians. Man is a part of the natural preserve. It is unnatural to remove a proven environmentally successful food producing business

from this location.

Bob Cutten

Correspondence ID: Project: 33043 43390 Document:

Name: **Outside Organization:**  spaletta, Nichola Farmer Unaffiliated Individual Sep,30,2011 18:52:50

Received: **Correspondence Type:** 

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Correspondence:

Dear National Park Service-Point Reyes National Seashore. I feel like I'am voting for my neighbors to continue to work their farm. I feel so bad for them. I do not think this is fair. If their operation does not harm the environment, then please let them stay. They have done a wonderful job improving the oyster company and business, while keeping the area beautiful for the public to enjoy. They also keep many people employed that help them sell a healthy, fresh product. How can you top that!

Please support them into the future, they have only done good things for PRNS with the oyster farm and their organic beef.

I would like to see them stay in business and all the farmers that live and work in the Point Reyes National Seashore for future

generations as the law has provided for us.

If you are taking votes, mine is Alternative D. Thank You, Nichola Spaletta

**Correspondence ID:** 33043 **Document:** 43390 Project:

Name: KASTEL, DIANE M **Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual Received: Oct,01,2011 15:43:08

**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

Correspondence: We are in favor of the no-action alternative under which DBOC's existing authorizations would expire on November 30, 2012

and the subsequent conversion of Drakes Estero to full wilderness.

33043 **Correspondence ID:** 45 Project: **Document:** 43390

Bilofsky, Walt Name: **Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual Received: Oct,01,2011 19:22:52

**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

**Correspondence:** Locally grown food saves energy and fights climate change. This is an aspect of life in Marin County that we are proud of.

Oysters reduce pollution in Drake's Bay.

The Drake's Bay Oyster Company draws visitors to Point Reyes and enhances public appreciation of this beautiful place.

I urge retention of this valuable institution.

- Walt Bilofsky

**Correspondence ID:** Project: 33043 **Document:** 43390

Bilofsky, Walt Name: **Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual Received: Oct,01,2011 19:33:40

**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

Correspondence: This extends my earlier comment. I urge adoption of Alternative D.

- Walt Bilofsky

33043 43390 Correspondence ID: 47 Project: **Document:** 

Name: N/A, N/A

**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual Received: Oct 01 2011 21:05:29

**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

**Correspondence:** Isupport Drake's Bay Oyster Company's position, and ask the Park Service to adopt Alternative D.

Best regards,

John Pesce

**Correspondence ID:** 48 **Project:** 33043 **Document:** 43390 Name:

Schot, Glenn W

**Outside Organization:** Sierra Club, Surfrider Foundation Unaffiliated Individual

Received: Oct.02.2011 12:18:20

**Correspondence Type:** Web Form **Correspondence:** 

Having grown up in the Bay Area I have always considered the DBOC (formerly Johnston's Oyster Farm) an historical and valuable asset. It exemplifies the best qualities of our ability to harvest from the sea in a sustainable method. The quality of the shellfish produced there is the best in California. I believe this is because of it's isolation, uneffected by population centers. Even Tomales Bay has experienced impacts upon it's water quality and does not produce the high quality shellfish available from the DBOC. I feel that we should be encouraging high quality Aquaculture not eliminating it. I am therefore OPPOSED to Alternate A, I am in FAVOR of Alternate B which continues the current levels of production. I believe that there have been minimal changes in the Biology of the Drake's Estero over the years, and that the shellfish companies have been very responsable and respectful of the marine mammals and other animals of the "Wilderness Area" in which they exist. Although I am a member of the Sierra Club and other environmental groups I am also a Biologist and disagree with the policy to eliminate aquaculture from the Drake's Bay area. Sincerely, Glenn Schot

Correspondence ID: 33043 **Document:** 43390 **Project:** 

Rice, John Name:

Unaffiliated Individual **Outside Organization:** 

Received: Oct,02,2011 12:37:09

**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

Correspondence: I am writing to encourage the National Park Service to extend the special use permit for Drakes Bay Oyster Co. for ten years. I

would encourage "Alternative D", which would allow expanded operations onshore and offshore.

I felt that the unique operations of the Drakes Bay Company added to the experience and enjoyment of my families visit to Point Reyes National Seashore.

John Rice Emporia, Kansas

**Correspondence ID:** 50 Project: 33043 **Document:** 43390

Woodrum, Susan Name: **Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual Oct.02.2011 17:37:19 Received:

Correspondence Type: Web Form

I would ask that the Park Service adopt Alternative D. Correspondence:

33043 43390 **Correspondence ID:** Project: 51 **Document:** 

Name: **Outside Organization:** 

Casmer, Steven J Unaffiliated Individual Oct,03,2011 10:38:33 Web Form

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Dear National Park Service Staff: I am writing in the hope that the Drake's Bay Oyster Farm remains open. I have been a longterm customer of the farm for many years; I love the locally harvested oysters. My guests I have taken to Point Reyes have also loved the farm, and now visit not only the farm but the rest of Point Reyes as well. Please allow the Drake's Bay Oyster Farm to continue operation. It provides jobs for the workers and attracts tourists to the area who patronize both the park and local businesses. The park also has other businesses: the Drake's Beach Restaurant and many cattle ranches; I believe the Oyster Farm should be treated as the other businesses and allowed to remain open. Furthermore, the Oyster Farm has been on the site prior to the park, and to me it would be only fair to allow the Oyster Farm to continue operations. Please choose options B, C, or D, in order to allow the Oyster Farm to remain open. Thank you, Steven Casmer

**Correspondence ID:** 52 Project: 33043 **Document:** 43390

Name:

Valentine, Velvet **Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual Oct,03,2011 23:01:39 Received:

**Correspondence Type:** 

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**Correspondence:** 

I do not support the exploitation of Drake's Bay by the Oyster Company on public land!!!! I care more about the precious land & do not think ANY business has special treatment to not obey the law. I spend lots of time up North & so appreciate the natural wonderful landscape & beauty the area offers the public. I feel the Oyster Company needs to give the land back to the state as is stated in their lease. Please keep all businesses in the area honest & accountable & stop them from telling lies. Indians did not cultivate Oysters & their is no reason they can't move. Bring back public land thank you! Concerned citizen.

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Name: **Outside Organization:** Received:

Unaffiliated Individual Oct,04,2011 06:31:04 **Correspondence Type:** Web Form

Medina, Susan M

I support the continuation of Drake's Bay Oyster Company. Of the 4 alternatives, I would rank Alternative D as number one Correspondence:

with Alternative B & C tied for next. I would not consider Alternative A.

I believe that the Lunny's are very good stewards of the land and that they provide a valuable, sustainable food source both for local consumption and for the state of California at large.

Susan Medina

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Name:

Wilson, Ray Unaffiliated Individual

**Outside Organization:** Received:

Oct,04,2011 13:19:48

Correspondence Type: Correspondence:

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public.

After much thought I have come to favor the fourth action, ie to allow the present occupant of the oyster works to continue to operate for another 10 years and to make improvements to the facilities as needed to maintain an efficient operation. This route is the fairest to the operator, ensures that the environment will not be harmed, and offers an educational opportunity to the

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N/A N/A **Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual Received: Oct,04,2011 19:45:09

Correspondence Type: Correspondence:

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Deny DBOC request for SUP. The SCOPE of the EIS must include terms of the grant deed executed 9Nov1972, per Contract of Sale #CX80003207 from Johnson Oyster Company (JOC) to the USA. Item 14 states: "Should Vendor elect to dispose of any unused portion of the remainder of its reserved occupancy, the United States of America shall be afforded a right of first refusal to acquire the same." Pending investigation of the legitimacy of any transfer of interest or permitted use by assigns of JOC, an immediate injunctive moratorium on against all activities upon said property should be executed in the public interest. Punitive restitution if fraud is substantiated, should be sought.

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Project: 33043

Name: N/A, N/A

**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual Oct,04,2011 19:50:04

Received: **Correspondence Type:** Correspondence:

Reject request for continued mariculture in Drakes Estero! All of the TOPICS retained for detailed analysis of impacts face further impairment by DBOC's continued occupancy of property in PRNS. The abundantly documented transactional history of commercial oyster enterprise in PRNS, demonstrates a persistent pattern of obstruction by assigns of JOC to block and undermine legitimate precedents for effective management of public resources at every institutional level. The assigns of JOC's ROU exert unique, unreasonably burdensome demands, in terms of time, funds, expert consultation, upon every institutional level: federal, state, local, professional, and scientific institutions responsible for monitoring, managing, and engaging cooperation within the broad community of stakeholders, have consistently be thwarted by rancorous special pleading and persistent obfuscation.

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57 Project: 33043 **Document:** 

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N/A, N/A **Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual Oct,04,2011 19:55:11 Received:

Correspondence Type: Correspondence:

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Stop mariculture in Drakes Bay. Deny request for SUP extension to DBOC. A specifically misleading FACT is presented on p.iv, Front Matter: "Mariculture entrepreneurs first planted oyster beds in the Tomales Bay area around the turn of the 20th century." This should be prominently replaced by clear statements founded on well-documented history: before the first experimental plantings initiated by CDFG in 1932, no oysters were grown in Drakes Estero, before which the history of oysters 'in the Tomales Bay region' were confined to Tomales Bay itself! This is no small oversight. Partisans of agribusiness in public wilderness grossly inflate the length and importance of mariculture in Drakes Estero. Simultaneously the far more extensive significance of broad grass-roots alliances propelled institutional initiatives to conserve non-commercial resources of the natural environment consistent with low-impact, pre-industrial cultural landscapes. Fraudulent extension of a mythic legacy misdirects public sympathy to the improper advantage of politically powerful corporate elite who profit by exploiting property purchased by the US public, at great expense and heroic effort, so that such treasured resources could be preserved from overdevelopment, and used for the non-commercial enjoyment, in perpetuity, by all!

**Correspondence ID:** Name:

58 Project: 33043 N/A, N/A Unaffiliated Individual

**Outside Organization:** Received:

Oct,04,2011 20:03:24

**Correspondence Type:** 

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Correspondence:

Drakes Bay Oyster Company does not enhance any of the stated Project Objectives: Manage natural and cultural resources to support their protection, restoration, and preservation. Manage wilderness and potential wilderness areas to preserve the character and qualities for which they were designated. Provide opportunities for visitor use and enjoyment of park resources.

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The facility is an eyesore, the surroundings are a dead zone. The surrounding landscape deserves protection from commercial predators. Deny the request for any special use permit. Let wilderness bloom.

**Correspondence ID:** 

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Name: **Outside Organization:** Received:

Lamont, Juliet A Unaffiliated Individual Oct,04,2011 20:40:14

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**Correspondence Type:** Correspondence:

Please approve the full wilderness alternative for the protection of Drake's Bay, and our public lands and national parks.

- \* 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.

It is appalling that a private business would try and overturn wilderness protections; but even more galling is the idea that the National Park Service and federal government would or might in any way condone or approve this action. Please protect our public lands as you are supposed to do - for us and all future generations, private business should NEVER trump protection of our public lands.

Thank you.

Sincerely, Juliet Lamont

**Correspondence ID:** 

Project: 60 Salamon, Mark

Name:

**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual Received: Oct,05,2011 22:56:28

**Correspondence Type:** Correspondence:

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- 2) The NPS should prioritize the long-standing wilderness designation vision over commercial private use.
- 3) The national parks are for the people, not for private profit.

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4) 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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Carpenter, Edward J

**Outside Organization:** Received:

San Francisco State University Unaffiliated Individual Oct,07,2011 12:01:58

**Correspondence Type:** Correspondence:

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Dear Park Service I am a Professor specializing in biological oceanography and Marine Biology at SFSU. My research is focused on marine plankton. I have taken my Biological Oceanography class to Drakes Oyster farm about five times over the years. Furthermore I serve on a graduate student's (Christina Buck) Masters Degree committee in which the student is doing research on the plankton ecology of Drakes Estero.

Kevin Lunny has been extremely helpful to my Biological Oceanography (BIOL 582)class at SFSU and each year he patiently explains to the students how the oysters are raised.

It is my professional opinion that the oyster aquaculture operation has minimal impact on the plankton ecology of the estuary and, if anything, it has a positive impact in that the oysters through their filtering of plankton populations prevent deleterious blooms from occurring.

The whole area cannot be considered pristine because of the presence of cattle along the shoreline. Furthermore closing the aquaculture operation would be a "jobs killer". The oysters from this farm have a very positive effect on the local economy plus that of restaurants in the northern California area. Please let me know if you need more information.

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Name: **Outside Organization:** Received:

Unaffiliated Individual Oct,07,2011 14:34:03

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I have lived in this area since 1982 and routinely visit the seashore and particularly love the area in question. My comment is this- the Lunny's knew when they purchased this oyster farm that the lease would be expiring soon. They are trying to circumvent what has planned in this area for many decades. We have so few areas like this that are total wilderness- we should follow through with what was originally planned.

I have been a supporter of Diane Feinstein for many years but am very disappointed in what she is trying to do to overturn what has been planned for many decades.

I understand that the Lunny's are a great family and have been told the other farms in the area do not have enough inventory to support the local oyster demand but this is beside the point and should not be relevant to this decision. Does business trump the environment and what has been planned for decades?

If we allow this farm to continue, what kind of precedent does this set? The Lunny's only purchased this oyster farm fairly recently and the fact that the area would be returned to wilderness has been know for decades. Again they knew it when they bought it. So why are they complaining now?

Correspondence ID: 65 Project: 33043 Document: 43390

Name: MacMillan, Gail L
Outside Organization: Unaffiliated Individual
Oct,07,2011 22:57:08

Correspondence Type: Web Form

Correspondence: I cannot, for the life of me, imagine why we are going through all this turmoil for the sake of a retail oyster farm!! And it is right in the middle of a designated wilderness area. We can grow oysters in many places, we cannot 'grow' wilderness anywhere,

anymore. The whole conversation has become insane.

Mr. Luny bought this commercial enterprise knowing full well that the lease would expire in 2012. I don't want HIS personal money maker in the middle of OUR estero. He needs to stop crying and go lease some private, not public, space elsewhere. His two minutes are up.

PLEASE DO NOT LET THIS BECOME A COMMERCIAL PRECEDENT!! Thank you.

Correspondence ID: 66 Project: 33043 Document: 43390

Name: N/A, N/A

Outside Organization: Unaffiliated Individual Received: Oct,10,2011 10:46:19
Correspondence Type: Web Form

Correspondence: It is as simple as this:

In 1976, it was mandated that this area be returned to wilderness. Whether or not oysters harmed or were good for the environment was not part of the equation.

The Lunny's purchased this property January 2005. They knew the lease would be expiring in 2012. I am sure they got a very good deal on the property because of this situation. Why are they complaining now?

Please do what was promised and return this area to wilderness!!!!

Correspondence ID: 67 Project: 33043 Document: 43390

Name: Curtis, Randall G
Outside Organization: Unaffiliated Individual
Received: Oct,11,2011 00:01:08

Correspondence Type: Web Form

Correspondence: We have been enjoying oysters from Drake's Estero for many years and it has become a family tradition. A few years ago, we took a group of YMCA Trail Blazers out to Drakes Bay Oyster Farm on our way to the beach. The owner stopped what he was

took a group of TMCA Trail Blazers out to Drakes Bay Oyster Farm on our way to the beach. The owner stopped what he was doing and gave the kids a full tour of the operation and explained how he grows the oysters. This fit in with our discussion of early California history and the shellmounds of the native people. I have been visiting the Point Reyes National Seashore for almost forty years and never had an experience like that on any of the dairy ranches.

I am surprised that red-legged frogs (which breed in fresh water) have been brought into the discussion now that harbor seals and eelgrass have been found unharmed.

The original framers of the Seashore have spoken and made it clear the oyster farm was always part of their vision for the future of Point Reyes. I believe the Sierra Club is wrong on this issue and have reduced my contributions to the bare minimum.

My family and all of our friends support alternatives B or D.

Correspondence ID: 68 Project: 33043 Document: 43390

Name: N/A, N/A

Outside Organization: Unaffiliated Individual Received: Oct,11,2011 02:59:00

Correspondence Type: Web Form

Correspondence: DBOC's request for permit extension should be denied. Three major concerns that DBOC, a tenant of PRNS with a poor history

of regulatory compliance, may contaminate Drakes Estero through chemical, genetically modified organisms, or antibiotics, must be considered in the EIS. - Triploid oysters are sterile oysters that have three sets of chromosomes. Such chemically induced genetic modification of oysters, by chromosomal alteration of oyster eggs is practiced to produce faster growing oysters. Impacts of genetically altered oysters on Drkes Estero are unknown yet unacceptable. - Cytochalasin B, 6-dimethylaminopurine, and other compounds used for polyploid induction in oysters may contaminate Drakes Estero. - Antibiotic use in aquaculture, encouraged by the Minor Use and Minor Species Animal Health Act of 2004 (MUMS), brings unknown and unacceptable potential impacts on Drakes Estero organisms. [Based on information in the Monterey Bay

Aquarium Seafood Watch Report on Farmed Oysters, 9Feb2001, by Aaron A. McNevin]

Correspondence ID: 72 Project: 33043 Document: 43390

Name: Hyatt, Dana

**Outside Organization:** 

Unaffiliated Individual Received: Oct,11,2011 11:58:27

Correspondence Type: Correspondence:

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Issue a new 10-year SUP to DBOC for commercial oyster operations in Drakes Estero through November 30, 2022. This is my Plea: My extended family, 80+ members, have enjoyed the Oyster Operations at Point Reyes Seashore NP for more than 30 years. It is now a family affair and custom for our family to meet at the NP and BBQ Oysters several times a year. We feel it is an Ethnic Quality and Right we share with living near the seashore in California as much as enjoying the Point Reyes Seashore NP. My father-in-law, who celebrated his 77th Birthday last week, asked when do we have the next Family Oyster BBQ

scheduled. I pray that he will still have these experiences to take to his grave. Make this his last wish and extend commercial

oyster operations in the Drakes Estero until November 30, 2022. Thank you in advance, Dana Hyatt & Family

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**Project:** Yarbrough, Jim

**Outside Organization:** Received:

Unaffiliated Individual Oct.11,2011 18:03:11

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**Correspondence:** 

No commercial oyster operation in Pt. Reyes National Seashore/Drakes Estero! Restore Reyes!

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74 Project: 33043 Lanatti, David J Unaffiliated Individual Oct 11 2011 21:20:09

**Outside Organization:** Received:

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Correspondence Type: Correspondence:

After careful review of the documents, I do not see any cause for concern regarding any potential environmental damage. Even if alternative "D" were to be granted, there is sufficient oversight of all of DBOC operations. There is no way any irreversible environmental damage could occur at Drakes Bay as a result of DBOC operations. In fact, I support special use permit alternative D, and believe it should be granted. I would also like to suggest the operations at DBOC be granted a special use permit with no expiration date. Why should people be denied the products from this company now or ever? DBOC is a sustainable food production facility that in no way threatens the wildlife in or near it's working boundries. What is the point of making Drakes Bay an unused wilderness area? What proven benefits would be gained from abandoning the mariculture in Drakes Bay? I am very curious to know what is the reasoning for abandoning modern human culture at the bay, and trying to return the area to some fragment of how it may have been before the 20th century. This whole process of trying to turn back the hands of time seems very counter-productive and potentially harmful to the evolution of human compassion and the will and desire to co-exist with other planetary species. It seems more like a segregation to me, not moving ahead, but going back. I believe it is proven that humanity and wildlife can co-exist in mutually beneficial ways. It just takes work to make it happen. I support special use permit alternative D for DBOC. Thank you.

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75 Project: Davis, Art

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**Outside Organization:** Received:

Unaffiliated Individual Oct,11,2011 21:48:01

Correspondence Type:

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Correspondence:

I strongly urge "no action". The government is obligated to its citizens to return this environment to its natural state. America's natural spaces are too rare and too precious to be allowed to be exploited for human commerce. There is no middle ground. Any use for a human enterprise ruins the experience of a natural state. There is no harmonious or appropriate human use.

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Outside Organization: Received: Correspondence Type: Correspondence:

Francis, Anna B Unaffiliated Individual Oct,12,2011 09:01:06 Web Form October 12, 2011

To any and all concerned regarding the special use permit for Drakes Bay Oyster Co,

I have read all of the reports and comments regarding Drake's Bay Oyster Co's request for you to issue a new 10-year SUP to DBOC to for commercial oyster operations in Drakes Estero through November 30, 2022. I am also a local resident and have visited DBOC.

Drake's Bay Oyster Co should have the SUP extended through November 30, 2022. This extension should allow for DBOC to continue operations exactly as they do now. DBOC is not in any way detrimental to the environment of Drakes Estero. DBOC's operations and oysters in fact have contributed to cleaner water in the Estero, cleaning up non-point source pollution from ranch run-off. The quantity of eel grass is has in fact increased.

If you close DBOC to return it to "wilderness" you will be setting an absurd precedent for the NPS. Environmentally, it would be a sounder decision to close Yosemite to the public. DBOC does no harm. DBOC is a perfect example of clean aqua culture. It provides local jobs, and a clean renewable food source. Please, do not take that way from us.

Thank you for your thoughtful consideration of this matter. Sincerely, Anna B Francis Point Reyes Station

Correspondence ID: 77 Project: 33043 Document: 43390

Name: Post, Thomas L
Outside Organization: Self Unaffiliated Individual
Received: Oct,12,2011 10:13:42

Correspondence Type: Web Form

I am urging that the Oyster lease is not renewed and that this will revert back to wilderness as was originally intended when the national seashore was formed. I fully realize that the owner of Drake's Bay Oysters (Mr. Lunny) is a long time Pt. Reyes rancher and employs many people at the Oyster farm but when he bought the property from the Johnson family, he knew that the lease may expire in 2012 and that the land would revert back to wilderness. I believe that it should because by extending the lease, I strongly believe that you are setting a very bad precedent that others are undoubtedly watching with great interest. There may be old mining leases in Yellowstone that some are waiting to exploit and by giving Mr. Lunny what he wants here, could accelerate

in other areas with more commercialization.

Correspondence ID: 78 Project: 33043 Document: 43390

Name: Kapp, Adam

Outside Organization: Unaffiliated Individual
Received: Oct,12,2011 15:00:39

Correspondence Type: Web Form

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I strongly support the adoption of Alternative A as listed in the draft EIS(conversion to wilderness/no new permit/no action). Pt. Reyes is one of the first wilderness areas I visited when I moved to the Bay Area from the East Coast. It is a beautiful, mostly wild place very nearby to a densely populated urban area. As a place of wilderness, it allows urban citizens (and others) a place to step into nature. As a social scientist studying human relationships to nature, I am convinced that the benefits of having wilderness areas--particularly near urban environments--are essential to individual mental health and well-being.

For this reason, it has also been my pleasure to be a volunteer at Pt. Reyes. Much as I worked a weed wrench to dislodge broom from the hills overlooking Drakes Bay, and dug deeply to remove beachgrass from the dunes, I believe it is now time to help the Estero return to a more natural state.

For this reason, I hope that the Park Service will adopt Alternative A as the preferred alternative in the final version of the EIS.

Correspondence ID: 79 Project: 33043 Document: 43390

Name: N/A, N/A

Outside Organization: Unaffiliated Individual Received: Oct,13,2011 01:53:29

Correspondence Type: Web Form

Correspondence: Too little attention has been given to the growing risks from genetically engineered oysters now cultivated in Drakes Estero.

"In the mid-1980s researchers at the University of Maine and University of Washington developed methods of creating triploid oysters by coaxing an extra set of chromosomes into a newly fertilized egg." "Because of recently commercialized new technology...the development of hatchery induced triploids...will be more important than ever, and might even become the cornerstone on genetic improvement for oysters throughout the world." "A rate of 80% triploids is often the benchmark for accepting or rejecting a spawn as triploid. Another undesirable trait of chemical or induced triploids is early mortality caused by the triploid treatment, which often results in losses of up to 50-70% of the larvae in the first four days of life. Finally, because of the way the extra chromosome set is coaxed into the egg, there is a likely genetic consequence akin to inbreeding." "In 1993, a new type of polyploid oyster (Crassostrea gigas) was invented at Rutgers University - one that contains four sets of chromosomes." "Not only is the process proprietary, but also the actual tetraploid oysters themselves have received patent protection - the first patent for an animal that is not transgenic (i.e., genetically engineered by inserting genes). ' "In 1997 a company was formed to develop tetraploid technology. 4Cs Breeding Technologies, Inc. (4Cs), based in New Jersey, has the exclusive worldwide rights to market and sub-license the tetraploid technology." "The larvae so produced suffer no mortality (compared to 50% or greater loss in induced triploids) and are highly robust." "Faster growing, disease resistant and meatier oysters from tetraploid / triploid technology represent the future of a growing hatchery based oyster industry." "Assuming the successful completion of the current research, the company expects to soon have the ability to ship vials of frozen Gigas sperm, which might be used to create triploid oysters in any acceptable area." (Copyright ) 1999-2004 Fukui North America http://www.fukuina.com/articles/mar apr01.htm)

Strong cautions about the unknowable environmental impacts of genetically engineered oysters are evident in the following excerpts from The National Academy Press's "Biological Confinement of Genetically Engineered Organisms" (Kirk et al., 2004) p.130 The Committee on the Biological Confinement of Genetically Engineered Organisms chose to focus on fish, shellfish, and insects because they are highly prone to establishing feral populations if they are intentionally introduced into the environment or if they escape from aquacultural or agricultural systems (NRC, 2002b). Captive lineages of those animals might serve as founders for genetically engneered lines, but they have undergone so little domestication that they often can reproduce and survive in suitable natural environments...thus raising the possibility of gene flow to or competition with wild relatives. p.135 [Triploid Pacific] oysters make up 30% of all Pacific oysters farmed on the West Coast of North America (Nell, 2002) p.140 Research in Pacific oysters has shown that some triploids revert progressively over their lifetime to a mosaic state, raising the possibility that they could produce viable gametes (Calvo et al., 2001; Zhou, 2002). Reductions in triploidy have ranges from 2% to 10% to more than 20% in Pacific oysters (Allen et al., 1996; Nell, 2002).

p.144 [regarding the contributions to confinement of site characteristics: in which] all accessible ecosystems, water chemistry - temperature, salinity, pH, or concentrations of specific constituents - is proven to be lethal to one or more life stages of the

genetically engineered line. Care should be taken in applying this approach because predictions of lethal conditions for fish populations have sometimes been wrong, as exemplified by the pink almon invasion of the Laurentian Great Lakes. ... Conditions that are lethal for the unmodified parental organism might not accurately predict the response of a transgenic line. p.145 Favorable conditions can occur periodically but persist long enough to allow initial establishment of transgenetic individuals, followed by natural selection on their offspring for adaptation to more typical conditions. Adaptive evolution to new environments can happen surprisingly rapidly... ... Uncertainty tends to be high regarding whether the cumulative ecological conditions will prevent reproduction or survival of escapees, particularly because important ecological factors often change over time. Proposals to use site characteristics, such as those listed above, as the main form of bioconfinement, should undergo considerable scrutiny by an interdisciplinary team with expertise in the broad relevant principles and in site-specific aspects of climatoloty, animal ecology, community ecology, hydrology, and watershed science. Additional areas of expertise and local knowledge could be necessary, depending on the case.

Chilling concerns are raised by the NAP report's mention of active research into more extreme genetic modifications of oysters: p.131 The proposed application of many transgenic lines is, in aquaculture to produce human food, and it focuses on increasing growth rates and food conversion efficiency or improving disease reistance. Scientists also are developing transgenic lines for use as biofactories to produce pharmaceuticals, industrial chemicals, or dietary supplements; in bioremediation to remove contaminants from water; as water quality sentinels to detect contaminants from water that damage the genes of living organisms; and for biological control of nuisance aquatic species.

An unknown population of feral cultivated oysters may persist from several decades of various cultivation methods, which could offer host to rogue GMO escapees. Flooding is specifically mentioned by the NAS report as a contributor to risk of feral establishment. In view of Mr. Kevin Lunny's well documented pattern of regulatory evasion and 'defiance by claim of error or ignorance', and apparent financially aggressive business methods, no confidence whatever can be placed in contracted limits on any type of 'genetic roullette' in the irreplacable environment of Drakes Estero.

The Drakes Bay Oyster Company's request for an additional 10-year permit for operation is OUT OF THE QUESTION! Anyone who claims otherwise is misinformed, confused, or unworthy of public trust.

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Name: N/A, N/A

Outside Organization: Unaffiliated Individual Received: Oct,13,2011 12:48:16

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Correspondence: Good day, Please protect the wilderness status of Drakes Estero, national parks are for the people, not for private profit.

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Name: Keegan, Bruce E

Outside Organization: Committee for the Preservation of the Tule Elk Non-profit/Organization

**Received:** Oct,14,2011 00:00:00

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Correspondence: Please do NOT allow the oyster farming within the seashore to continue. These private operations, including the ranching

withion the seashore are in violation of the stated mission of the National Park Service.

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Name: blum, jan

Outside Organization: Dune Ecological Restoration Team Non-profit/Organization

Received: Oct,15,2011 00:00:00

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Correspondence: Dune Ecological Restoration Team is comprised of individuals volunteering in habitat restoration in the Presidio of San Francisco. DERT members were key volunteers in the restoration of Crissy Field and its and maintenance today, more than 10

years later.

DERT fully understand how important it is to protect the remnants of our natural environment and how restoration enables species not seen in many years to return to the site of their indigenous habitat. We know the area of Drakes Bay and Point Reyes to be a rich incubator for wildlife - and wildlife is vanishing at an unprecedented rate in California, one of the last rich repositories of species in the entire United States. We must do everything possible to preserve and encourage species generation by protecting their natural habitat and breeding grounds.

Additionally, enabling a commercial business to continue to mine the resources of a National Park for private gain is contrary to the purpose of the mission of the National Park Service who is bound to protect all cultural, historic and natural resources without impairment for the generations to come.

We feel that the NO ACTION Alternative is the only suitable alternative for the DEIS-Drakes Bay Oyster Company Special Use permit because it is the environmentally preferred alternative and would allow wilderness in 2012 in 2012 as intended by Congress since the 1976 Pt. Reyes Wilderness Act.

Sincerely yours, Jan Blum for DERT

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Taylor, Leon E Unaffiliated Individual Oct,15,2011 20:04:40 Web Form

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As an "infrequent" visitor (2-3 times annually) to the Point Reyes area, I was delighted to find the Drakes Bay Oyster Company and visit their facility. It seemed to be well run and in my opinion, completely in keeping with it's surroundings. I don't believe the public would be well served by making this company move. I strongly support allowing them to stay in their current location and to even expand their operations. They provide a great product, and as a tourist, I love the fact that I could stop and get an amazing meal right there where the oysters were farmed.

Add me to the list of their supporters. Please give them another ten year lease with expanded rights to continue to grow their business

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US Citizen Unaffiliated Individual

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1) In such regulatory matters where NPS is soliciting public input to help promulgate regulations, why is the identity of the person and contact information identifying the person providing comments not required on the Comment Form? Such identity for verification purposes minimally is warranted. Is this legal? It is certainly not advisable for the NPS and the US Government to make policy on opinions and comments of unidentified and unverifiable sources. This is a flawed process.

2) According to Wikepidia (16Oct11): "Point Reyes National Seashore is a 71,028-acre (287.44 km2) park preserve located on the Point Reyes Peninsula in Marin County, California, USA. As a national seashore, it is maintained by the US National Park Service as a nationally important nature preserve within which existing agricultural uses are allowed to continue. Clem Miller, a US Congressman from Marin County wrote and introduced the bill for the establishment of Point Reyes National Seashore in 1962 to protect the peninsula from residential development which was proposed at the time for the slopes above Drake's Bay. Miller's vision included the continuation of the historic ranching and oyster farming along with the preservation of the grasslands and open scenic vistas. The mix of commercial and recreational uses was the reason the area was designated a National Seashore rather than a National Park. All of the park's beaches were listed as the cleanest in the state in 2010."...

Yet this intent of the Point Reyes National Seashore is not covered the NPS Draft EIS rather a long list of subsequent laws subverting the original intent of the National Seashore designation are listed as the authority by which the NPS intends to do away with DBOC's operations, eliminate jobs and change the cultural and business heritage of the area in the name of recreational use.

I urge the Secretary to exercise his authority and enable DBOC to keep operating their fine oyster business in Drake's Bay as and example of American free enterprise operating in concert with Nature. DBOC is the outgrowth of the first oyster aquaculture experiment in the US utilizing Japanese technology and it has worked for many years, in concert with nature. We need more of this type of operation in the US not less.

With the listed agencies: National Park Service (NPS), U.S. Department of the Interior and Cooperating Agencies: California Department of Fish and Game (CDFG), U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, National Marine Fisheries Service (NOAA-NMFS), and U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) against the DBOC, what chance does the small business have to prevail and continue to conduct their business in accord with nature? This listed agencies, headed by appointed rather than elected administrators have little interest in meeting the needs of US citizens, they dance to the tune of their own power agendas expressed in such veiled objective attempts to "enforce" the law, when all along they want their Federal Lands and authorities to expand, in the face of the American way.

This approach at nationalization and resource taking by the Federal Government has been demonstrated again and again over the years to the determent of the US.

I support the Secretary allowing DBOC to continue to operate and the NPS and cooperating agencies finding a way under the law to extend the special use permit for DBOC for as long as they can operate in the free market.

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33043 87 Project: **Document:** Zachritz, Jordan

Name: **Outside Organization:** 

UC Berkeley Unaffiliated Individual

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Name: Zlatunich, Matthew **Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual Received: Oct,16,2011 16:18:59

Correspondence Type: Web Form

Correspondence: Stick to the original agreement. Return Drake's Estero to Wilderness in 2012. Don't make us wait another ten years to enjoy a

wilderness experience at Drake' Estero.

Matt & JoAnn Zlatunich San Francisco

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Name: Franklin, Linda **Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual Received: Oct,16,2011 22:05:50

**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

**Correspondence:** I am writing to support continued operation of Drakes Bay Oyster Company. The local raising, processing and sales of healthy seafood reflects an important value of Bay Area citizens, and should be allowed to continue as long as possible. The picnic areas

should be continued so that visitors can learn about the aquaculture operation and be able to barbeque their shellfish on site. I have been visiting and bringing guests visitors to this location to learn about and enjoy the oyster operation for more than 40 years. I know that the Sierra Club and other groups are planning to bring out many people to speak against the continuation of

the operations, but they do not speak for me, as a member of the Sierra Club.

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Name: Lanatti, David **Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual Received: Oct,16,2011 22:54:23

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I feel that this special use permit approval or denial process is based more on fulfilling or not fulfilling a congressional designation, rather than being based on preventing environmental damage. The wilderness designation that was proposed by congress should be modified to include an exemption for a defined area that could continue to be used by DBOC for the purpose of producing oysters. I do not see any evidence of significant degredation of the land, water, or underwater land as a result of 77 years of oyster cultivation. I feel it is a mistake to remove this food producing entity from Drakes Bay, simply to satisfy a vision of returning the area to a pre-human, or pre-modern human state. I believe the oyster company is a great benefit to the Pt. Reyes National Seashore, and that oysters produced there are unique in flavor, and health benefits. The Park Service underestimates the potential for public support and appreciation that would be realized by keeping this unique facility within the park, not to mention the potential for park support revenue. There is overwhelming public support for DBOC, and the Park Service could benefit greatly by continuing to work with DBOC, and supporting the company's efforts to remain at Drakes Bay. I feel that with the oversight of the Park Service and other concerned agencies, DBOC should be granted special use permit alternative D,

and that a permanent special use permit and exemption from wilderness designation be considered for DBOC.

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center for biological diversity Unaffiliated Individual

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Project: Mitchell, Katherine M

EAC, Inverness Association Unaffiliated Individual

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In support of full wilderness designation for Drakes Estero, beginning 2012:

A Wilderness Adventure

Friday October 14 was one of those glorious fall days on the Point Reyes Peninsula -- blue skies, warm sun, light breezes, and a mid-day high tide compliments of the recent full moon. Perfect for time on the water. We hoisted our canoe atop the car and headed for Drake's Estero.

As we approached the National Seashore boat launch we heard it--jangly music blaring at full volume from nearby Drake's Bay Oyster Company. Quickly we tossed our paddles and lunch into the canoe and headed away. Gradually the noise receded, and we began to savor the quiet of the wilderness we had come to enjoy. But what was that distant whine? A low flying plane? We searched the sky, found nothing, then scanned the water. In the distance we saw it, a small skiff with outboard motor, headed

our way. As it came closer, and the volume increased, we saw that the skiff was loaded with full oyster bags.

We passed the skiff and paddled on; eventually the noise died away. We heard the soft splash of small waves upon our canoe, the calls of the birds; osprey, herons, egrets, cormorants, marbled godwits as well as curious seals also seemed to be enjoying this beautiful day. We were reminded of our honeymoon canoe trip, now nearly 50 years ago, through the wilderness Boundary Waters of Minnesota and Canada where for three days the only evidence we saw of fellow humans were two high-flying planes and a Native American family, also in a canoe.

Opportunities for such a wilderness experience are rarer now than they were 50 years ago, and still as valuable. We hope that Drake's Estero will soon offer that experience to residents and visitors who treasure the beauty and serenity and solitude of our few remaining wilderness places.

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Katherine Mitchell Inverness

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I feel the Lunny Family (owners of Drakes Bay Oyster Co.) has been unfairly treated and this has become a case of human injustice!

The "options" that you offer to them are really not viable options at all.

They are doing great work and have a history of being environmentally conscious!! Their oyster farm actually cleans the water and does not harm the environment in any way - which has been proven by reowned scientists reports. They are also creating jobs, supplying local delicious food, educating people on the environment and their excellent farming practices.

It's really pitiful that this has come to this point just because of a few park and Sierra Club people who have an issue with this. (I'm embarrassed to admit at this point that I'm a member of the Sierra Club).

One last comment...we attended your meeting last evening at the Dance Palace in Point Reyes Station and felt it really was not a fair forum for the public to express their concerns and comments. It should have been in which participants would have been allowed to speak in front of the group.

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Diedrichs, Gary Unaffiliated Individual Oct,19,2011 13:40:35 Web Form

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The continued hostility of the NPS toward DBOC is evident, as none of the proposed alternatives would allow DBOC to continue operations in a viable fashion.

From the start, the NPS has bullied this local, family-owned, eco-friendly business -- to the point where any concerned citizen

must have serious doubt as to the motives of a governmental agency that purports to act in the public interest.

This is not really about wilderness restoration. It is about the raw exercise of politics and power, no matter what any "ordinary" citizen thinks or says.

Oysters are native to Drakes Estero, they clean the water not dirty it, their availability as food enhances the visitor experience to Pt Reyes National Seashore. DBOC is a trusted and responsible steward of Drakes Estero.

Let them be. Let the oysters be. Go spend your millions of taxpayer dollars fighting against something that brings the NPS honor, not disgrace.

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Name: **Outside Organization:**  Dreskin, Wendy Unaffiliated Individual Oct,19,2011 17:21:42

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Web Form I support Alternative A which lets the permit expire and returns the area to wilderness as originally planned. As a park visitor I find motorized boats disturbing. Also, it makes it impossible to know whether to report illegal boating activity in the season when Drakes Bay is closed for seal pupping since DBOC boats do not identify themselves with any markings. A private

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commercial enterprise has no place in a wilderness area.

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Feyling, Paul A Unaffiliated Individual

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I am a Sierra Club member, a nature photographer by trade and an environmental film maker with an interest in the balance between man and nature. I urge you to support the efforts of the Drakes Bay Oyster Company to continue operations. I believe they are a great asset to Pt. Reyes and the Bay Area for economic, historic, and educational and environmental reasons. The current information show of the NPS for comments on the Draft EIS, seems to me a biased way to get support for closing the operation. Pt. Reyes is not a wilderness, the original intention to have a park with historic agricultural activities is a wonderful idea that should be maintained. Please support local agriculture, aquaculture, private initiative and the community interests of Pt. Reyes.

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Sayre, Lynda

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Big Sur Advocates for a Green Environment (B-SAGE) Unaffiliated Individual

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Point Reyes and Drake's Estero are dear to my heart. My mother (passed away 15 years ago) spent hours there working for the Pt. Reyes Bird Observatory. When we were young, she took us to the area many times to view the wildlife, have a picnic and experience the wild and wonderful scenery. Please keep Pt. Reyes wild and protect the many native creatures living there. Do

not extend the permit to the Drakes Bay Oyster Company.

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Name:

Goto, Hans

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I would like to see the lease for the Drakes Bay Oyster Company extended for another 10 years.

In spite of the understandable desire to see this area be wilderness, I see very little impact that this operation has on the wildlife and the environment in the local area. The Oyster Company maintain sustainable practices and are a long time part of anyone's visit to the West Marin area.

It would be a great loss not only to the Lunny family to lose their small business, but to our community and its enrichment.

Thank you and I hope that you extend the lease and let the company continue its operation.

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Name: Babinecz, Greg M Outside Organization: Unaffiliated Individual Oct,20,2011 13:21:27 Received:

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Correspondence: Drakes Bay Oyster Company is an invaluable asset to the local community and Bay Area as whole. They provide employment,

education, and tourism to the community. Their production of local and sustainable oysters helps to meet the ever growing seafood demand of Bay Area consumers. If they were to close, this demand would have to be met by importing other harmful and less sustainable products. While the evidence of their impact on the local wild life is still up for debate and the data collected by NPS scientists is biased and dubious at best, the effects of their closure are tangible and will be immediately felt. Extend the Special Users Permit, as proposed, until further research can be done. Drakes Bay Oyster company is an example

marine stewardship that should be replicated, not eradicated.

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Name: Babinecz M.D., John M

**Outside Organization:** Wade- Townend Pediatrics Unaffiliated Individual

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"Drakes Bay Oyster Company is an invaluable asset to the local community and Bay Area as whole. They provide employment, education, and tourism to the community. Their production of local and sustainable oysters helps to meet the ever growing seafood demand of Bay Area consumers. If they were to close, this demand would have to be met by importing other harmful and less sustainable products. While the evidence of their impact on the local wild life is still up for debate and the data collected by NPS scientists is biased and dubious at best, the effects of their closure are tangible and will be immediately felt. Extend the Special Users Permit, as proposed, until further research can be done. Drakes Bay Oyster company is an example marine stewardship that should be replicated, not eradicated." sincerely, John M. Babinecz M.D.

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Bolger, Sally Unaffiliated Individual **Outside Organization:** Oct,20,2011 15:20:27 Received: **Correspondence Type:** Web Form

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I would like to express my unqualified support for Alternative A: No New Special Use Permit-Conversion to Wilderness. I base my preference on the following three points:

- 1) The nation just celebrated National Wilderness Month and is soon to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the Wilderness Act in 2014. Not issuing a new special use permit to allow oyster operations in Drakes Estero will be an important expression of this nation's continuing commitment to wilderness and a clear recognition of the importance of wilderness to the health of plants, animals, and the human spirit in the face of an ever more intrusive world. This is particularly true in the case of wilderness areas located close to population centers.
- 2) Healthy, unimpaired natural systems have the best ability to be resilient to changes in our environment. Allowing oyster production for another 10 years, at whatever level of operations, will delay the re-establishment of the natural ecosystems of the Estero, and thus will retard the Estero's ability to adapt to the accelerating impacts of climate change and sea level rise.
- 3) The expiration of the lease will have limited long term impact on jobs and oyster production. I firmly believe in the power of the markets, and the temporary disruption in the oyster supply will be filled by expansion of existing or establishment of new aquaculture operations in more appropriate locations, recreating any jobs that are lost with the closure of the Drakes Bay Oyster Company.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this important decision.

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Chandra, Sid Name: Outside Organization:

ECO Resorts Network Unaffiliated Individual

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Please do not renew the Drakes contract for oyster farming for another 10 years. Point Reves is a preserve that belongs to the mammals, sea life and our children. I had taken my daughter to visit Point Reyes to see the beauty that surrounds this preserve including the seals and their voices. Lets not let this be another lesson from Ana Nuevo and the slaughter of seals and mammals for more than 100 years by the ignorant farmers for the sake of business. Ana Nuevo was finally returned to the rightful owners - the Seals. The most beautiful thing in life is that we can learn from our mistakes. Its time to return Point Reyes to the rightful

owners - the seals and other life there.

Since there are other locations for oyster and abalone farming including Davenport, California it is a logical matter and the responsibility of the legislators to leave preserves for our children and future.

With the latest advances in research my company ECO Resorts Network can assist Drakes Oyster Co, with state of the art agua farming methods that is being used for oyster and abalone farming in Davenport, CA by the US Abalone farm company.

Its time to consider the fact that the destruction of a beautiful preserve such as Point Reyes would leave less for the children of the future and the 1st priority of any legislation in the US has to factor the environmental effect and the 2nd priority would be to factor the economic loss to the community when a preserve is destroyed.

ECO Resorts Network is assisting communities in Santa Cruz county to develop eco tourism and to attract visitors and to educate adults and children from around the world about the importance of sustainable living and green living. California has always been a beacon for innovation and eco tourism will be the next major source of revenue for the state. A new California State ECO bill is being drafted to assist California communities with development of the eco-tourism industry that is expected to be \$100 Billion by 2020. Its imperative that the natural preserves be left intact so that this state and its residents can come out of the current American recession using new methods of sustainable businesses and community living.

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As a kayaker, I have spent many happy hours on Drakes' Estero, and know its several bays well. Although my experience is anecdotal, I am always pleasantly surprised by the clarity of the water and the abundance of sea life (mostly small sharks and rays) that I rarely see elsewhere on my paddles. The pristineness of the water is particularly surprising given the ongoing dairy operations within the estero's watershed. Nothing I have seen about the oyster farming operation seems inconsistent with a healthy estero, from the water clarity, the sea life and even the dozens of seals lounging on the sand bars in the lower third of the estero.

It seems particularly disheartening when very little seems to be made in the United States anymore, and more and more jobs are being shipped overseas, and more and more products are being imported, to close down a local, job-providing operation that has very little adverse environmental effect, and provides a local product that people enjoy. My only complaint about the estero is the howling winds that always seem to come up when it's time to paddle back to the upper end of the estero. The presence of the oyster farms does nothing to lessen the wilderness experience of people actually using the estero, and provides a valuable local product. Alternative B, C, or D should be recommended as the preferred alternative, consistent with the 2009 legislation.

Thanks for the opportunity to comment.

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I support allowing the special use permit for the Drake's Estero Oyster Company to expire. There is no reason to permit a Correspondence:

private, for profit enterprise in what could easily be a more valuable wilderness area. Operation of the oyster company entails

multiple impacts, including release of debris and traffic, which degrade an important resource.

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Eckart, Alice H **Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual Oct,21,2011 17:26:27 Received:

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I do not think that the lease should be renewed for Drake's Bay Oyster Company. It is not the mission of the Park Service to support private enterprise in the Point Reyes National Seashore. What is relative to the issue is the protection, restoration and preservation of the Seashore for the people of the United States, and not running a canning factory there for the financial benefit

of private individuals.

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Meeks, Russell L Name:

**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual Received: Oct,21,2011 00:00:00

**Correspondence Type:** Web Form October 20, 2011 Correspondence:

RE: Support for retuning Drakes Estero in Point Reyes to Wilderness Option A- with Restoration

I feel very strongly that Drakes Estero In Point Reyes National Seashore should be returned to wilderness, and the Oyster Company should be closed, and the land restored. The Park study on this issue has termed this Option A- with restoration. This had been agreed to and made Law of our land, and I feel it was completely inappropriate, unethical, to the detriment of the environment, and immoral for Senator Feinstein to extend the lease of the Oyster Company there. Please resist her pressure, this is an issue the Secretary of the Interior of the USA should decide.

I am aware Point Reyes was established partly to preserve the old historic ranches and that part of our history, and support that as long as they don't harm the environment. However Drakes Estero is unique, a one of a kind piece of the natural environment that should not be compromised by the Oyster operation. Drakes Estero is far too precious and beautiful place. That is why the original agreement was made to set it aside and return it to wilderness when the park was created. This is the largest inland estuary on the West coast. It is inside Point Reyes National Seashore. If in 1950 a hot dog stand had been built on Half Dome in Yosemite would you let it stay on Half Dome to give the hot dog vendor a job? Hopefully not, we have learned that the mistakes of the past can be healed, and the land can be restored. The agreement to turn this area into wilderness should not be forsaken for one man's oyster business. The operator of the Oyster Farm has another government subsidized business in the park operating one of the ranches, and knew going into his lease for the oyster farm that the oyster company was going to end and the land was going to be returned to wilderness. He shouldn't be allowed to go back now and re-nig on his agreement with the people of the US and the USNPS.

The USNPS staff that run the National Seashore should be allowed to do their job which is to preserve the natural environment. Special interests should not be allowed to exert outside political pressure for you to do otherwise, and that is what Senator Feinstein is forcing in support of special interest groups.

Our national parks were established to preserve special places like Drakes Estero, not for private individuals to profit from damaging the environment like the they oyster company, or like the Forest Service lets companies clear cut forests, and run cattle over the land for profit. Allowing private commercial agricultural enterprises to farm in our National Parks was a dangerous precedent to start, it should be confined to the Historic Cattle Ranches as originally intended. Support for the Oysters is being funded by big agribusinesses who want to expand the practice elsewhere into other National Parks.

The nation just celebrated National Wilderness Month and is soon to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the Wilderness Act in 2014. Not issuing a new special use permit to allow oyster operations in Drakes Estero will be an important expression of this nation's continuing commitment to wilderness and a clear recognition of the importance of wilderness to the health of plants, animals, and the human spirit in the face of an ever more intrusive world. This is particularly true in the case of wilderness areas located close to population centers.

Healthy, unimpaired natural systems have the best ability to be resilient to changes in our environment. Allowing oyster production for another 10 years, at whatever level of operations, will delay the re-establishment of the natural ecosystems of the Estero, and will significantly retard the Estero's ability to adapt to the accelerating impacts of climate change and sea level rise.

The expiration of the lease will have no long term impact on jobs and oyster production. I firmly believe in the power of the markets, and the temporary disruption in the oyster supply will be filled by expansion of existing or establishment of new aquaculture operations in more appropriate locations, recreating any jobs that are lost with the closure of the Drakes Bay Oyster Company. There are numerous other oyster farms in Tomales Bay less than 5 miles away.

This land is in a US National Park belonging to all Americans, it is not private land. We should not support private use of public park land for profit at the expense of the environment. Drakes Estero could be one of the most peaceful and beautiful places on the earth if the Oyster Company wasn't there. The Estero is home and breeding ground to numerous species of plants and marine mammals, birds, and fish. I have spent countless hours on the Estero paddling in a canoe and hiking around and can testify with first- hand experience to the negative impact of the Oyster Company there. The Oyster Company operation destroys the natural environment in many ways. They run gasoline powered motor boats between their oyster racks out in the water and their oyster processing plant. The air is often still and cold and the Estero is in a Valley so the sound of the motorboats they run resonates over the water and destroys the peaceful enjoyment of the water and surrounding areas, scattering the marine animals and birds. The smell of the exhaust from their outboard motors hangs over the water when the wind is low.

On the shore the oyster processing facility is horrible because it is very noisy with all the pumps and other equipment they use. The sound of the equipment carries for hundreds of yards over the water. The oyster factory also literally emits a horrible stench from all of the decayed flesh of the oysters and oyster shells. The oyster farm just dumps the oyster shells everywhere. The road in stinks all the way in as you drive in toward the dilapidated buildings. It looks like a trailer park. Junk is spread all over the place. The tiny beach area where people are allowed to launch canoes and kayaks during the parts of the year when the marine mammals are not pupping in the estero is completely covered with discarded oyster shells, so you can't walk on them without cutting your feet, and they scrape the bottom of canoes and kayaks being launched over the top of them. The oyster factory also dumps nets or bags of oysters all over the bottom of the Estero, and spite of what anyone says, that cant be beneficial for the bottom of the estero. When paddling out in the estero you have to go around all of the numerous platforms and anchor lines they have all over the place. When you are up on the hills above the Estero you can look down and see the huge extent of the oyster operation including their platforms and bags of oysters on the bottom. At low tide it is especially unsightly.

I have heard the proponents for the oyster company say that we need local farms, but this piece of our National Park is too precious, too naturally beautiful to allow the oyster company to spoil it as they do now by growing non-native species in what is suppose to be a wilderness area.

Please return Drakes Estero to wilderness. If you remove the Oyster Company nature will quickly reclaim the area where the factory is, and the huge quantity of detritus dumped around by the Oyster operation will soon dissipate, and nature will eventually reclaim and purify the beach, the wildlife will spread out and increase and it will be wonderful. If any of you reading this want you can contact me and I will personally take you in a ride in my canoe out onto the Drakes Estero and show you, and you will completely agree with me.

Thank You. Just say no to the Oysters.

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Lunny has been operating a for-profit business since 2004 paying approximately \$3,500 per year to lease prime real estate in a National Park. This should be a monthly payment, actually more. What kind of business plan would include such absurdly low payments? Were this private land, he could not afford to operate. How fortunate for him he gets the same great break with his ranch operation. We, the American tax payers, are subsidizing much of his private business. DBOC claims to produce 50%-60% of the oysters in California, wow they must be making a fortune! How can the much smaller operations stay in business when they must be leasing land for fair market rent? How can we even consider "renting out land" designated as potential wilderness for the sake of a family, for-profit commercial business. And his claims of going out of business, well tis is only one of his government subsidized business. He also benefits from a cheap government leased ranch operation and has his own construction company. This is no hard-up starving business man. He is obviously make serious money. Why else would he be working so hard to keep it and why would anyone even invest in a company that had an expiring lease in 2012? This is a NATIONAL Park not a local park. The issue of this guys little oyster farm is a big issue in Point Reyes and part of West Marin, but look outside to the rest of the country and the answer is easy, our natural resources are much more important than DBOC.

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The preservation of Drakes Estero is a National issue while an oyster company (in business for the last seven years) is a local Correspondence:

issue. We all knew the lease would expire in 2012. Let's stop the silly political games of creating laws to serve private enterprise

that benefit one persons pocket book.

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Name: **Outside Organization:** Received:

Eckart, Charles Unaffiliated Individual Oct.22.2011 11:10:59

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The Point Reyes National Seashore should be the main attraction in itself to our National Seashore. However, this is not always the case. Many visitors to the Seashore are attracted only by Drakes Bay Oyster Company to be served or buy oysters on site. The only benefit of this enterprise is to the owner of the oyster company. The Park Service gets nothing from this enterprise except a small fee for a lease permit and a lot of work policing this operation. When I think of a National Park as a natural resource, it is not for allowing industrialists to profit from mining, lumbering, hunting, grazing or fishing in our parks. That is removing something natural from the park for profit. The natural resource is for the minds of our citizens knowing there are places of natural beauty and uniqueness set aside and preserved for their enjoyment.

What is to be gained with a ten year lease? Only money in the owner's till. Will this ten year lease renewal fiasco go on every ten years forever? If this is the idea, why not be honest and simplify and just renew the lease once for eternity?

I prefer Alternative A. The operation of DBOC should cease on November 30, 2012. Please don't set a precedent.

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Black, Lindsay R Name: **Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual Oct,22,2011 13:56:30 Received:

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I am in favor of Alternative A, letting the permit expire for oyster and clam farming. Please establish a wilderness area in Point Reyes as should have been done long ago. Commercial interests and development have no place in this wild seashore. Please allow it to return to its natural habitat

I am a former Wilderness Ranger from Yosemite National Park. I am now an independent naturalist and biologist. We are like the lorax who speaks for the trees... wild lands can't speak for themselves in the written and oral language that we use. You are the NPS; you have a duty to be watching out for the needs of the ecosystem as a whole. It's also the law. Please consider the needs of the community of plants and animals in the decision just as heavily as you would the political influences that must be involved in such a decision.

Thank you for your consideration and please give each bird and seal an equal vote in this matter.

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Buchanan, Margaux W Unaffiliated Individual Oct,22,2011 17:41:17

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As a San Franciscan who appreciates good shellfish and the environment, it appears that Drake's Bay Oyster Company is both eco-friendly and benefical to California's economy. I urge you to keep the Oyster Company's permit open for another 10 years, and also to consider allowing them to expand under option D. With so many small businesses struggling in today's economy, and the hazard of runoff from the cattle farms in point reyes national seashore being a bigger environmental concern, I urge you to keep our local small business open.

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129 Project: 33043 **Document:** 43390 Kennedy, Maureen Unaffiliated Individual

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I have read the entire EIS. I appreciate the great deal of detail outlined in the report-information that enriches my understanding of Drake's Estero. I'd note that the census data in the report likely incorrectly reports information on this area of West Marin-a large number of our residents in Inverness and further north and west around the Seashore would have avoided the census because they are undocumented.

I live in Inverness about 5 miles away from Drake's Estero as the crow flies, and spend nearly every weekend somewhere in the Park. I hike the Estero Trail roughly 8 times a year, and can easily see the DBOC's physical operations below the trail.

- 1. I note that the legislation from Oct. 2009 would seem to be entirely unnecessary unless, prior to its passage, the Secretary had no option but to convert the DBOC area to wilderness in 2012. If the Secretary had had discretion to extend the lease prior to the passage of the 2009 legislation, Congress would not need to pass the language; therefore the Secretary must not have had that discretion, and that is why the language was inserted into the appropriations bill and passed. Moreover, I'd note the congressional action was within an approps bill (essentially a special-interest earmark), not the Interior authorization process, which is where policy change normally would take place.
- 2. The EIS is quite clear that this debate applies to the oyster farm, NOT to surrounding cattle and dairy operations. I'm not sure why West Marin farmers and ranchers recently have begun to couple their futures to that of the DBOC. There is no connection that I can see, and I'd suggest the NPS make this distinction very clear in the local papers.
- 3. Some in the community seem to suggest that if it can be proven that there is no adverse impact of DBOC operations on wildlife, then there is necessarily no obstacle to extending the lease. I would argue that the transition to wilderness provides (further) benefits to wildlife compared to the current DBOC operation, but just as importantly, it provides myriad other benefits to PRNS visitors-the solitude, sightlines, and undeveloped characteristics mentioned in the EIS. And many of us are looking for a wilderness experience close to the San Francisco metro area. Frankly, even the very development of this EIS suggests that if there's no adverse impact found, then the lease should go forward. I'd argue that even if there no adverse impact were found, the conversion to wilderness should/must go forward, as negotiated in the very carefully crafted "deal" creating the park in the '60s.
- 4. I had a conversation with Mr. Lunny after he took over the lease with just a few years to run. It was a very rainy day and I went to visit the oyster farm for the first time. Water was pouring through a roof at the sales counter. There were artichokes on sale, and just a couple of jars of oysters. I asked him when he planned to fix the roof, and he said, "well, we only have x more years on our lease, so it doesn't make sense to fix the roof or invest in the operation." The value of the operation understandably will skyrocket if and when it is extended, with the value accruing to the Lunny family, not to the public, and not to the area's wildlife. By the way, I imagine that a great many of the visitors to the DBOC are repeat visitors, not unique visitors (p. 212).
- 5. Our parents were promised wilderness in Drake's Bay in 1962/65/72, and I've been waiting for it. I consider it part of my patrimoney, part of the historic and physical landscape I prize here in West Marin. The historic landscape I refer to is that closest to the conditions seen by Drake when he arrived in the area. I intend to pass that wilderness benefit on to my three college-aged sons and their children. If wilderness is taken away from me and my children and grandchildren (along with others in the Bay Area, Northern California and indeed across the country), or if the rich estuary is unexpectedly harmed by a fuel spill or introduction of an unauthorized and virilent oyster specie, we will have lost significant and measurable value; value which will have accrued to DBOC.
- 6. The EIS lists a number of instances where the NPS believes DBOC is out of compliance with its operating permit(s). The standards for the operating permits are set up to protect the parkland. If there is a deviation, it presumably suggests that the parkland has been incrementally harmed. I'm concerned that these non-compliance issues are putting the future wilderness at risk.

- 7. There are other oyster farms in the immediate Pt. Reyes area for visitor enjoyment and oyster production, and there is a good, market-based reason there are no other oyster canneries along the West Coast. As noted in the EIS, the DBOC is not a visitor concession, like the restaurant at Drake's Beach. The public is not supposed to literally pass a law to enable a single business to continue its operations in what has been long-scheduled to be a wilderness area. I can't think of another situation where the American public has been asked to bend over backwards to let a logging company, or a snowmobile company, or a mining company continue to operate in an area committed for 50 years to transition to wilderness.
- 8. A 10-year lease extension is a 20% extension of the original 50 year "deal." An extension means that I will likely be dead before the area is properly converted, and I will not have the opportunity to explore Drake's Estero wilderness with my grandchildren. This is a very specific harm to me and to others similarly situated. For me (and for so many across the country), justice delayed will be justice denied. Moreover, an extension will inevitably lead to campaigns for further extensions. If necessary, I'd suggest the Secretary consider declining to extend the lease just after the next election, but agreeing to an extension now is not acceptable.

9. I think the EIS does not adequately cover the impact extending the lease would have on the many other negotiated situations throughout the NPS system-situations in which the Park Service and local entities have agreed to a transition period of some sort. If this negotiated transition arrangement is broken by the Park Service, the consequences for wilderness, or the authority of the Park Service elsewhere will be significantly and adversely affected.

**Correspondence ID:** 130 Project: 33043 **Document:** 43390

Kite, Edwin S Name:

U.C. Berkeley, Earth and Planetary Science Dep't Unaffiliated Individual **Outside Organization:** 

Oct,22,2011 19:41:35 Received:

**Correspondence Type:** 

Correspondence: I support the continued operation of the oyster farm.

Correspondence ID: 131 Project: 33043 **Document:** 43390

Name: buy flagyl online, buy flagyl online 6 **Outside Organization:** buy flagyl online Unaffiliated Individual

Received: Oct,22,2011 00:00:00 **Correspondence Type:** 

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**Correspondence ID: Project:** 33043 43390 132 **Document:** 

BABINECZ, Valerie Name:

**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual Received: Oct.23.2011 14:54:39

Correspondence Type: Web Form

PLEASE consider all factors before a final decision is made regarding DBOC's Special Users Permit. Biased data cannot be **Correspondence:** 

considered while settling a dispute in a fair and honest way. DBOC offers much to the community. Jobs, education and tourism enhance the area and the economy. It is a known fact that the oysters harvested at Drake's Bay are sustainable of high quality and meet the demand of Bay Area consumers, keeping alive the standards of "buying local"! I implore the NPS scientists to gather accurate research as to the impact on the local wild life from DBOC's production and make final decisions responsibly! Failure to extend this permit will immediately impact the community and the local economy, not to mention the employees who

contribute to the environment by striving to maintain the principles of sustainable seafood.

Thank you!

33043 43390 **Correspondence ID:** 135 **Project: Document:** 

Name: N/A, N/A

**Outside Organization:** Pelican Network Unaffiliated Individual

Received: Oct,25,2011 01:42:33

Correspondence Type: Web Form

Correspondence: I am in favor of ALTERNATIVE A, allowing the oyster company operating permit to expire and finally establishing wilderness

at Point Reyes National Seashore, as Congress legislated thirty-five years ago.

33043 43390 **Correspondence ID:** 136 **Project: Document:** 

Name: Ho, Clara

**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual Oct 25 2011 03:16:55 Received:

**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

Correspondence: Drakes Bay Oyster Company is an invaluable asset to the local community and Bay Area as whole. They provide employment, education, and tourism to the community. Their production of local and sustainable oysters helps to meet the ever growing

seafood demand of Bay Area consumers. Extend the Special Users Permit, as proposed, until further research can be done.

Correspondence ID: 162 Project: 33043 **Document:** 43390 Name: Hansen, Kathryn E

**Outside Organization:** Sierra Club Unaffiliated Individual

Oct 25 2011 21:32:56 Received:

Correspondence Type: Web Form

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I feel that it is important to renew the lease of the oyster company. 1. They provide food that is locally grown. 2. The

environmental impact is de minimus. 3. Many commerical enterprises exist within national parks (i.e. Yosemite has many vendors operating food and lodging establishments). There are so many more critical issues to work on than destroying a vital

and unique business.

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178 Project: 33043 43390 **Correspondence ID: Document:** 

Name: **Outside Organization:** 

Unaffiliated Individual Received: Oct,26,2011 11:11:56

Correspondence Type: Web Form

Correspondence: Dear NPS representatives.

> I have written long letters to you previously and attended 2 public meetings expressing my desire that the oyster company be removed, and the buildings removed, and the site restored to wilderness. I wanted to add one important point to my previous letters. Oysters are an elitist food, or maybe I should say very expensive, costing about \$1.00-2.00 per bite, or more in some places. This is not a food that is feeding the masses of local citizens, most normal people can't even afford to buy oysters. So I think this shoots down the whole argument that some supporters of the oysters are trying to make about the oyster company being an important local food source, locally farmed and produced etc etc. providing protein for the citizens of Marin---that is complete hogwash- the oysters are generally consumed by a very few rich people- so why should the USNPS need to subsidize and provide a venue for that in a National Park?

> The oyster company is making money by damaging the floor of the estero ( no matter what anyone says it should be obvious putting hundreds of bags of anything on the floor of an ecosystem will damage some of the grasses and habitat there), they are junking it up, making noise, running motorboats, taking away from its potential incredible natural beauty and compromising native species habitat- all in a National Park, you can not let this continue please.

Please remove the oyster company and restore the estero and the surrounding land.

Thank you

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**Correspondence ID:** 179

Name:

**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual Received: Oct,26,2011 16:59:41

Correspondence Type: Correspondence:

Project: N/A, N/A

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**Document:** 43390

On its face, the principals who have requested a permit to operate a shellfish culture business have no standing under the terms of Johnson Oyster Company's contract of sale to the USA. Absent full examination of the administrative record, to discover whether a bona fide sales offer covering JOC's property on Drakes Estero was made by JOC to the USA, and legally refused by the USA, before its sale to Kevin Lunny, et al., no presumption exists that DBOC is entitled to status of principal/vendor bound by terms of the RUO contracted between Charles Johnson, et al. and the USA. [see item 14, #CX80003207, executed 9Nov1972] Regardless of subsequent tenure agreements by special permit, the full record of facts and oversight responsibility by agents of the US DOI charged with managing, as fiduciaries acting for the beneficial interests of the entire nation, the matter of how transfer of de facto occupancy was accomplished from JOC to DBOC. Scrutiny should also be directed at defining the mechanism for enforcement, and pre-emptive recourse to assure just compliance with requirements for estimating monetary, time and resource costs, as well as posting performance bond or liens, to ensure full compliance with requirements for cleanup of the occupied property on land, submerged property, and especially surrounding areas contaminated with debris, toxins, etc. by the entire period of JOC's use [see the uncertain terms of Lunny's assumption of Johnson's cleanup obligations, in their 2004-5 contract.] No new permit can reasonably be expected to be issued before resolving these underlying issues. Operations by DBOC should cease, even before 30Nov2012, until such analysis and concrete acknowledgement of responsibility with actionable recourse for non-compliance is firmly established by legally binding stipulation, or settlement through court challenge. This is made necessary by the pattern of obfuscation, denial, diversion, and lack of candid disclosure toward mutual trust and good-faith adherence to agrrements, evidenced by the current occupants of Drakes Estero, DBOC. If the current principals are not found to have been legitimately entitled to tenure then questions of how to settle priority for any potential extension by permit must be settled, perhps being opened to competitive bidding. Furthermore, compensation &/or punitive damages should be sought if impropriety is established, in light of the purposefully covert nature of the transfer executed between Johnson and Lunny in 2004-5. Their extensive contract specifies no press release, and makes no accomodation for the US's right of first refusal.

Under law, circumstantial evidence, neither contradicted nor corroborated by other evidence, is sufficient to bear the burden of proof for rulings reliant on 'the weight of present evidence.' Full consideration to the coincidence, most certainly purposeful, that the year 2012 was set as the close of both types of tenure transition from prior owners as terminable RUO tenants, to the complete occupancy tenure by the US: the original PRNS establishment in 1962 set a 50-year window for residential use by owner-occupiers of land-based ranches. This was followed in 1972 by a 40-year window for JOC. The intent behind not offering a 50-year window to JOC, which would have ended in 2022, must be examined and disclosed in the EIS.

Fundamentally, this is a landlord-tenant dispute. Imagine a couple purchases acreage intending future use as a personal estate,

but pending such future opportunity to retire, agrees to lease back as income property some small segment to the vendor for some set period. Inclusion of a clause permitting extension of a further lease under such terms as may be customary at said future epoch, is anything but obligatory. If, at the close of the lease-back period, the owners wish to gain occupancy of their property purchased years ago, by what rule of property law would their rights be void? This frame for the disputed entitlement to special use permit extension must be presented, or an explanation of why it does not apply must be given in the EIS.

Thank you for a thorough discussion in clear terms of these befuddled matters.

**Correspondence ID:** 180 Project: 33043 **Document:** 

Name: Casmer, Steven J Unaffiliated Individual **Outside Organization:** Received: Oct,26,2011 19:00:09 Web Form

**Correspondence Type:** 

Dear National Park Staff: I have been a customer of the Drake's Bay Oyster Farm for years. It is a solid outfit which does its Correspondence:

best to be a good steward of the land and water while delivering first class oysters. Please allow the farm to continue operations.

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Sincerely, Steven Casmer

33043 43390 **Correspondence ID:** 181 Project: **Document:** 

Name: Takahashi, Richard

**Outside Organization:** PG&E/UC Berkeley Unaffiliated Individual

Received: Oct,26,2011 21:30:57 **Correspondence Type:** Web Form

Dear Review Board: Correspondence:

> I am a native born San Franciscan and have been a customer and supporter of Johnson's and now Drakes Bay Oyster farm for over 30 years. I have a B.S. in Political Economy of Natural Resources from UCB and am a financial supporter of the Pt. Reyes National Seashore non-profit org. Due to my background in natural resource management, I agree that there are no preferred alternative uses for the current commercial oyster business now in operations. I have visited the site for 30 years and have not seen a deterioration in the surrounding environment which demonstrates that the oyster business and operators are good stewards of the land that they use.

> As you may know, the delicious oysters grown and sold from the bay depend on a clean ecosystem in many ways. By allowing the operation to continue you not only help protect the area as a unique natural area, but also demonstrate to the public how productive such practices can be. I urge you to help keep those delicious oysters growing and available to the public so we can all eat and share in a dozen oysters on the half shell - locally!

Please grant a 10 year or 100 year usage permit to the oyster farm.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard Takahashi

**Correspondence ID:** 209 Project: 33043 **Document:** 43390

May, Gerald A Name: **Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual Oct,27,2011 12:58:08 Received:

**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

I prefer that Drakes Bay Oyster Farm be given a permit to continue to operate. **Correspondence:** 

**Correspondence ID:** Project: 33043 **Document:** 43390

Name: Morris, Douglas K

**Outside Organization:** Coalition of National Park Service Retirees Unaffiliated Individual

Received: Oct,27,2011 14:21:07

**Correspondence Type:** 

I am strongly opposed to extending the special use permit for the Drakes Bay Oyster Company. In the late 1960's and early Correspondence: 1970's I served as one of the first supervisory park rangers at the Seashore. Having worked in places where local people sometimes resented a national park because such places prohibited hunting and other extractive uses, it was a great pleasure to work at this new Seashore where the Bay Area population so unanimously supported preservation of this special place. I personally wrote the first draft of the environmental impact statement regarding establishment of statutory wilderness at PORE, and again came to value the overwhelming support for such preservation, including eventual phase-out of the "Johnson" Oyster Farm. Sadly, the passions and commitment of "our" generation seem forgotten by those, including elected officials, who judge issues based upon short-term goals. Park preservation is about a much longer perspective than the current debate addresses, and past victories should not be threatened by contemporary impulses for economic or political gain. The effort by some to extend the subject permit for a few years is one of those impulses, and - based upon law and policy, and the hard-fought victories of

your predecessors - should be rejected.

**Correspondence ID:** 211 Project: 33043 **Document:** 43390

Name: brown, karen **Outside Organization:** 

Unaffiliated Individual Oct,27,2011 00:00:00

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I absolutely stand in support of the Lunny family and the continued operation of Drakes Bay Oyster Company. "Sustainability" is so much better understood today than it was at the time the National Seashore was formed. Today, we know that a

community's ability to feed itself sustainably is perhaps its primary indicator of resilience and ecological viability. I ask that the people's ancient heritage of food production within the National Seashore boundaries be maintained. Our National Seashore could be a national exemplar, standing as a model of a community meeting its essential needs with respect and reverence for its

natural resources and sacred places. Please issue a Special Use Permit to Drakes Bay Oyster Company.

**Correspondence ID:** 

212 Olsen, K.

**Project:** 

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Name: **Outside Organization:** 

Unaffiliated Individual

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I support the wilderness designation for Drakes Estero within the Point Reyes National Seashore. I urge the National Park Service and Department of the Interior to uphold the 1976 Point Reves Wilderness Act and select alternative A, which protects this important marine wilderness and is the environmentally preferred alternative.

Drakes Estero is a unique and ecologically significant wildlife area. It is an important stop on the flyway for migrating birds, a refuge and birthplace for harbor seals and a critical native fish nursery. Congress and the public have long intended that Drakes Estero be given the highest federal level of protection as a wilderness area when the commercial oyster lease expires in 2012.

This can only be accomplished by selecting Alternative "A" and ending commercial use of this sensitive wildlife refuge. Alternative A is the most consistent with National Park Service laws and policies. The Park Service's environmental review shows that alternative "A" best protects wildlife and the National Park experience.

Our national parks are for the people and wildlife protection, and wilderness areas with our parks should not prioritize commercial exploitation. The American public deserves to have this unique marine wilderness protected in a natural state for future generations to enjoy.

Drakes Estero is the only marine wilderness on the West Coast, and is irreplaceable, while oysters can be grown elsewhere.

As someone who enjoys our spectacular national parks, I urge you to not undermine protections at Drakes Estero and succumb to special interests seeking to commercialize these special places.

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213 Project: Masella, Adelia Unaffiliated Individual

**Outside Organization:** Received:

Oct,27,2011 18:18:07 Web Form

Correspondence Type:

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herds of white deer are no longer there (imported they were) but the beauty and special features of this area still remain. I recall seeing whales breaching in view towards the horizon. It it a jewel on the coast and deserves special protection. There are only a few places that are so key to the animals that depend upon the special provisions given in this area.

So I live in a totally different habitat now, the fond memories of hiking in the Point Reyes area are still cherished. I hear the

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Name: **Outside Organization:** Received:

Burgess, Rebecca R Unaffiliated Individual Oct,27,2011 18:23:08 Web Form

Correspondence Type: Correspondence:

I recently read the congressional letter to the Secretary of the Interior regarding an investigation of the Park Service and the science that it paid for, and promoted regarding the Harbor Seals and their well-being within the Estero. I am writing today to say that I am in support of the Oyster Farm, and in support of a lease renewal by the Park Service to the Drakes Bay Oyster Company.

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Name: **Outside Organization:**  Weir, Rhonda R Unaffiliated Individual Oct,27,2011 18:26:56

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Correspondence:

We need to keep our West Coast National Parks safe, please do not damage the area for Drakes Bay Oyster company. Can they not find another place that would not damage an area where the ego is aleady in balance? We do not need to destroy our coast

Sincerely, Rhonda R. Weir

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Name: Garland, Ben

**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual Oct 27 2011 18:29:02 Received:

Web Form **Correspondence Type:** 

I support the continued operation of Drakes Bay Oyster Company and the issuance of a 10-year SUP. Correspondence:

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217 Project: Hedgecock, James T

Name: **Outside Organization:** 

33043 Center for Biological Diversity Unaffiliated Individual

Received:

Oct.27.2011 18:46:07

**Correspondence Type:** 

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Correspondence:

Point Reyes National Seashore in California is a national treasure, renowned for remote beaches, expansive views and charismatic wildlife like tule elk and elephant seals. The ecological heart of Point Reyes is Drakes Estero, a rich estuary refuge for harbor seals, a major stop for migrating birds and a nursery for native fish. I am personally familiar with the area, having lived many years in the San Francisco Bay area. I am disturbed that the wilderness protection legislated by Congress 35 years ago is being threatened by the continued commercial operation of an oyster farm after the private company's permit expires in

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2012. Please do everything in your power to avoid this happening.

Respectfully yours, James Hedgecock

**Correspondence ID:** 

218 Project: 33043 **Document:** 43390

Name: **Outside Organization:**  Bolman, Diane Unaffiliated Individual Oct,27,2011 18:55:10

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If the company maintains the area as pristinely as possible and has been doing so for decades, why not let them continue? There does not seem to be evidence of decline in other species' habitat/health. Why couldn't DB Oyster Co. be reviewed yearly, and if they prove to be negligent, then close them down. It could be established that no other such business could replace it if it did

shut down

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Name: **Outside Organization:** Received:

N/A, N/A Unaffiliated Individual Oct,27,2011 00:00:00

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I support the wilderness designation for Drakes Estero within the Point Reves National Seashore. I urge the National Park Service and Department of the Interior to uphold the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act and select alternative A, which protects this important marine wilderness and is the environmentally preferred alternative.

Drakes Estero is a unique and ecologically significant wildlife area. It is an important stop on the flyway for migrating birds, a refuge and birthplace for harbor seals and a critical native fish nursery. Congress and the public have long intended that Drakes Estero be given the highest federal level of protection as a wilderness area when the commercial oyster lease expires in 2012.

This can only be accomplished by selecting Alternative "A" and ending commercial use of this sensitive wildlife refuge. Alternative A is the most consistent with National Park Service laws and policies. The Park Service's environmental review shows that alternative "A" best protects wildlife and the National Park experience.

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Drakes Estero is the only marine wilderness on the West Coast, and is irreplaceable, while oysters can be grown elsewhere.

As someone who enjoys our spectacular national parks, I urge you to not undermine protections at Drakes Estero and succumb to special interests seeking to commercialize these special places.

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Name:

Ashe, Myrto A

Slow Food Unaffiliated Individual

**Outside Organization:** Received:

Oct,27,2011 19:08:40

**Correspondence Type:** 

**Correspondence:** 

As this type of use was previously specified in the official documents, there is no reason to argue that it takes away the wilderness designation. The whole debate baffles my mind.

The farm should be allowed to stay unless we want to automatically take away their lease because it expired, according to the official documents. Or we should have a debate about its environmental merit, but unfortunately there are many people questioning the quality of the environmental impact research that has been done so far. So it is not time yet to close this farm. **Correspondence ID:** 221 Project: 33043 **Document:** 43390

Goolan, Margie Name: **Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual Oct,27,2011 19:10:08 Received:

**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

Please allow Drakes Bay Oyster Company to continue to harvest and process shellfish at the Point Reyes National Seashore. **Correspondence:** 

They are a wonderful provider of local oysters and asset to the San Francisco Bay Area.

Thank you, Margie Goolan

Correspondence ID: 222 Project: 33043 **Document:** 43390

Name: Stewart, Elizabeth **Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual Received: Oct,27,2011 00:00:00 Web Form

Correspondence Type:

**Correspondence:** I support the wilderness designation for Drakes Estero within the Point Reyes National Seashore. I urge the National Park Service and Department of the Interior to uphold the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act and select alternative A, which protects this important marine wilderness and is the environmentally preferred alternative.

> Drakes Estero is a unique and ecologically significant wildlife area. It is an important stop on the flyway for migrating birds, a refuge and birthplace for harbor seals and a critical native fish nursery. Congress and the public have long intended that Drakes Estero be given the highest federal level of protection as a wilderness area when the commercial oyster lease expires in 2012.

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Correspondence ID: 223 Project: 33043 **Document:** 43390

Novy, Norma N Name:

**Outside Organization:** Marin Organics Unaffiliated Individual

Received: Oct,27,2011 20:23:34

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Correspondence: I very much support the Lunny family continuing to operate their oyster business in Drake's Bay for a long, long time. I have many fond memories of buying oysters there. They are exceptional stewards of the Bay and deserve to be recognized for their

service. Please keep this valuable business in place at Drake's Bay.

**Correspondence ID:** 224 Project: 33043 **Document:** 43390

Name: Barkow, Carolyn F **Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual

Received: Oct,27,2011 00:00:00 Web Form

Correspondence Type: Correspondence:

I urge the National Park Service and Department of the Interior to uphold the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act and select alternative A, which protects this important marine wilderness and is the environmentally preferred alternative.

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**Correspondence ID:** 225 Project: 33043 **Document:** 43390

Pierson, Anne S Name:

**Outside Organization:** Center for Biological Diversity Unaffiliated Individual

Oct,27,2011 21:03:10 Received:

**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

**Correspondence:** Please keep the waters of Point Reyes a marine sanctuary free of commercial exploitation. There needs to be more pristine

marine areas preserved for the future of marine species, particularly bivalves mollusks, and other crustaceans. Anne Pierson

**Correspondence ID:** 226 Project: 33043 **Document:** 43390

Name:

Tyson, Thomas L **Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual Received: Oct,27,2011 21:04:49 Web Form

**Correspondence Type:** Correspondence:

Drakes Bay Oyster company and the Lunny family have been staples in our community for a large majority of my life. To shut down this farm, would be to shut down an essential part of West Marin. Kevin and Nancy Lunny have worked tirelessly at cleaning up the oyster company, and taking care of the environment. Their work has always been aimed towards making the oyster company safe for the environment, while also keeping a thriving local business afloat. There can be no contradictory argument to the fact that they have made enormous strides towards achieving their goal. Although I may not be privy to the intimate details regarding the amount of help to which they have received from the National Park, it seems as if the Lunnys are being met with more energy bent on shutting them down, than energy trying to help them achieve the common goal of a striving local business that is environmentally conscious. Overall, the shutting down of Drakes Bay Oyster Company would be irresponsible and rushed. Irresponsible due to the fact that not all options favoring keeping business open have been explored, and rushed because they were giving an extremely short time frame to fix the problems they inherited. Once again, there is no refuting how far the Oyster Company has come since the Lunnys have taken the reins. So as a local citizen who cares for his community and local environment, I ask that you come to an agreement that favors keeping Drakes Bay Oyster Company open. Thank you.

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Name: **Outside Organization:** Received:

Balanda Brenda N Unaffiliated Individual Oct,27,2011 21:05:25

**Correspondence Type:** Correspondence:

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The whole concept of returning land to "wilderness" after it has been used for food production for close to a hundred years is ludicrous. Wilderness is untouched lands. A better use of this unique national park would be to proudly retain the agriculture and mariculture facilities -- as examples of what sustainable agriculture looks like, and feels like, and tastes like. Our current wretched industrial agriculture is misguided and unsustainable, and needs to be re-thought. Therefore, we must celebrate what is left of our ranches and ovster farms; nurture them, and show them off as examples to be emulated across the country (where possible). Stop persecuting this wonderful oyster farm, whose owners have so carefully been stewarding the land and estero. No one could do a better job of caring for those lands than they are doing. Stop this fascist assault on these good stewards, and rethink your goals for the park, and allow an important food supply for the entire region to continue producing its treasures for all of us.

Correspondence ID: 228 Project: 33043 **Document:** 43390

Smith, Jeffrey H Name: **Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual Received: Oct,27,2011 21:38:58

**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

Dear Sirs, As a lifetime resident of Marin County, I have been eating oysters out of Drakes Bay for all of my 44 years. They are Correspondence: the most sustainable local protein source available in West Marin. The Lunny's have proved to be honorable stewards of their

portion of the Estero, and it is for this reason that I support the renewal of their permit for an additional 10 years. Thank you for your consideration, Jeffrey H. Smith

Correspondence ID: 229 Project: 33043 **Document:** 43390

M, Susan Name:

Unaffiliated Individual **Outside Organization:** Received: Oct,27,2011 21:41:31

Correspondence Type: Web Form

Correspondence: I fully support Drakes Bay continuing to have a sustainable business out at one of my favorite places on earth - Pt. Reyes. They

have been an amazing asset to our community.

Correspondence ID: 33043 230 Project: **Document:** 43390

Loucks, Jennifer Name:

Slow Food and MALT Unaffiliated Individual **Outside Organization:** 

Received: Oct.27.2011 21:44:40

**Correspondence Type:** 

I wholeheartedly support Drakes Bay Oyster Company as a true steward of the land and sea. The Lunneys have gone to great Correspondence: effort to comply with all the rules and regulations. We cannot take every bit of land back to its original state. There is a history of harvesting from the sea from the earliest inhabitants and we need to preserve that, albeit carefully. Coexistence is possible with consideration for all aspects--survival or marine life, and flora and fauna of the region. Please allow the Oyster Company to remain in business and do not bow to the demands of people outside of California or those who insist on taking the land back to

pristine wilderness available only to the few. Thank you.

Correspondence ID: 231 33043 43390 Project: Document:

Name: Steele, DVM, Ken d

**Outside Organization:** sea shepherd, greenpeace, american veterinary medical association Unaffiliated Individual

Received: Oct,27,2011 21:55:21

Correspondence Type: Correspondence:

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Hi- I am a veterinarian and have a bachelors degree in Zoology from U.C.Berkeley. I am a lifelong coastal Californian, love to snorkel, and live in Marin County. I am a USDA agent, and work for the APHIS(Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service)

I am OPPOSED to having any commercial aquaculture operations in Pt. Reyes National Seashore Wilderness Area. It was very clear that the lease would expire in 2012, and the current operators well knew of this. The intent of the lawmakers at that time is plain to see. With the warming of the oceans, red tides will become more common, which in turn could render the harvested oysters toxic due to domoic acid poisoning. My suggestion is to move the operations to locations further north where the water is colder. This would ensure the public safety in regards to the food we eat.

Please revert Pt. Reyes to the wilderness!

Thank you.

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Despina, Eleanore **Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual Received: Oct,27,2011 21:56:53 Web Form

**Correspondence Type:** Correspondence:

I want to reiterate my support for the oyster farm, which I first expressed before the meeting at the Dance Palace, at which the Park Service had prominent displays on its position, while the oyster farm had nothing.

I have felt that the Park Service has shown bias in this process from the beginning. I hope this is not true, now that our park has new leadership.

The oyster farm is of value to our community and our many visitors in every way. It is a year-round local food source. People of all cultures come out to enjoy the oysters, while enjoying the park. I think the oyster farm is an important resource.

Sincerely, Eleanore Despina

**Correspondence ID:** Name:

233 **Project:** 33043 **Document:** jablon, Danya A

**Outside Organization:** Received:

Unaffiliated Individual Oct.27.2011 00:00:00 Web Form

**Correspondence Type:** Correspondence:

I love visiting this part of California. Please give the wilderness designation to Drakes Estero within the Point Reyes National Seashore. Please pick Alternative "A". End commercial use. Keep "America the Beautiful"... beautiful! Keep commercial greed out of our parks. Keep our parks wild! I lived a few houses away from a commercial oyster farm on Lopez Island, Washington. Boats leak oil, its not so clean.

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As someone who enjoys our spectacular national parks, I urge you to not undermine protections at Drakes Estero and succumb to special interests seeking to commercialize these special places.

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234 Project: 33043 **Document:** 43390

Name: **Outside Organization:** 

Boucher, Rachelle

Standards of Excellence Appliances Unaffiliated Individual

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Correspondence: To Whom it May Concern;

> I am a chef, culinary marketer and promoter in Marin. It would be a personal loss and a cultural travesty to close Drake's Oyster Company. I can't believe it is even being considered. The loss of such a remarkable and luscious product and evocative place

would leave a gaping hole in the gorgeous and lush culinary tapestry of Northern California.

How can we even think of closing a business that provides jobs, housing and (for heaven's sake) oysters for people at a time like this?

If the world, and especially Marin is our oyster, than Drakes's is certainly our pearl.

Now, let's just stop this arguing and madness and let bivalves be bivalves, shall we?

More power to Drake's! Chef Rachelle Boucher

Correspondence ID: 235 Project: 33043 **Document:** 43390

Name: Prince, Launa R

**Outside Organization:** Human race Unaffiliated Individual

Received: Oct,27,2011 22:46:55 **Correspondence Type:** Web Form

Please, please, this time, and every time err on the side of citizens and ecological conservation. Please do not allow commercial Correspondence:

ventures. I favor Alternative A; the ocean and its inhabitants deserve a break.

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Name: **Outside Organization:** Received:

Meadows, Belinda Unaffiliated Individual Oct,27,2011 22:48:16 Web Form

**Correspondence Type:** 

**Correspondence:** 

I strongly urge the the Secretary of Interior to exercise discretionary authority to issue a Special Use Permit for a period of 10 years to Drakes Bay Oyster Company. Drakes Bay Oyster Company is a true steward of the bay, a valued and necessary

employer in an area where families struggle to support themselves, and an asset to the community of West Marin.

**Correspondence ID:** 237 Project: 33043 **Document:** 43390

Name: **Outside Organization:** Received:

Osborn, David L Unaffiliated Individual Oct,27,2011 22:53:01

**Correspondence Type:** 

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The present use and scope of operations of the Drakes Bay Oyster company is my prefernce. In this time of uncertainty it would be a grave mistake to stop the production of a viable and sustainable food source. As long as there are animal operations on the Point Reyes Peninsula this will never be a "Wilderness". The Oyster operation is far less impactful than any of the animal operations.

Please allow the Drakes Bay Oyster company to continue operations.

Correspondence ID: 238 Project: 33043 **Document:** 43390

Name: **Outside Organization:** Received:

Waldo, Jason Unaffiliated Individual Oct 27 2011 00:00:00 Web Form

**Correspondence Type:** Correspondence:

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Name: Hershey-Lear, Chandra L Outside Organization: Unaffiliated Individual Received: Oct.27,2011 23:23:08

**Correspondence:** Web Form Every year

Every year my husband and I go to Point Reyes to camp near a deserted beach and hike the beautiful hills of this great area. Every year I am enchanted and every year I am impressed by the commitment of California to maintain Point Reyes as such a charismatic place. Drakes Estero is a favorite spot that we visit time and time again. Having visited Esteros from deep in Mexico on up into California I have been struck by the abuse these areas have suffered; dredging, filling in, polluting by seepage and development and aquaculture, over trafficking by boats. These are nurseries for the seas and a welcome respite for birds and marine life, but we have treated them appallingly bad.

For this reason I ask that Drakes Estero be protected by the Point Reyes Wilderness Act and all private, commercial oyster business be made to leave by 2012. Aquaculture does not belong in a Wilderness Area. Please choose Alternative A, and return Drakes Estero to its beautiful and highly productive natural state.

Thank you for considering my comments.

Sincerely

Chandra Hershey-Lear

Correspondence ID: 240 Project: 33043 Document: 43390

Name: kamm, monika
Outside Organization: Unaffiliated Individual
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**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

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Correspondence ID: 241 Project: 33043 Document: 43390

Name: Hinckley, Frances
Outside Organization: Unaffiliated Individual
Oct,28,2011 01:32:30

Correspondence Type: Web Form

Correspondence:

I am writing in support of the continuation of the historic lease to cultivate oysters, by Drake's Bay Oyster Company in Drake's Estero, in the Point Reyes National Seashore (PRNS.)

I have lived my entire life in the San Francisco Bay Area, including summers in Inverness, the closest town to the oyster operation. My daughter is a 6th generation Inverness resident. The Point Reyes peninsula, including the PRNS is sacred to me. I am very familiar with the area, the weather patterns, the flora and fauna, the history and impacts. I do not write this letter lightly. Initially I was opposed to the idea of extending the oyster lease. I know park employees and have concerns about possible unintended consequences of extending the lease as setting a president on other National Parks. I am not fond of leases in National Parks in general. I also believe that we do need to have areas that truly are wildernesses, meaning as wild as the Yukon was 200 years ago, to the extent possible.

After reading numerous articles covering the events and history from both sides of the situation, I am wholeheartedly supporting

the extension of the current lease indefinitely.

Most importantly, the oysters themselves, and their cultivation, seem to have a net positive impact on the Estero ecosystem. In fact, The Monterey Bay Aquarium's fish guide, which puts the environmental impacts as top priority, list Farmed Pacific oysters as being a "Super Green" food.

The owners of Drake's Bay Oyster Company (DBOC) have a long history as ranchers abutting the Estero of being good stewards of the land. The owner was even recognized in a 2007 Conservation and Stewardship Publication entitled "Stewardship Begins with People."

The Oyster farm provides a wonderful source of high quality, local source of food to a huge 100 mile radius population, at a net-positive impact to the environment: without the use of pesticides, chemicals or other practices that degrade the immediate and larger environment. This is sustainable farming at its best; the oysters themselves filter and clean the water and improve the marine ecosystem. Throughout the history of the oyster farm, all the data shows that they have received clear reports stating no significant impact to the environment.

All of the land abutting the Estero is ranch land, per the Park Service's permission and intent. The original legislation establishing the PRNS explicitly provides for the retention of the ranches. Ranch use is not a wilderness, by my earlier definition. For that matter, this area has not been wilderness since the Miwoks first arrived hundreds of years ago. And, I might add, the Miwoks probably killed and used any harbor seal that they could.

If it is the intent of the Park Service to make PRNS a true wilderness, then we should get everyone out of the area, save researchers; like the Farollon Islands. That means no tourists, no kayakers, no logging, no mineral extraction, no grazing, no roads, no fire suppression, no removing non-native plants and animals. Hmm. What is that definition of wilderness? I really understand that the idea and implementation of Wilderness and National Park are much easier said than done; it's very complicated.

In any case, PRNS is not a wilderness and is unlikely to become one before it becomes separated from the continent by the creeping of the San Andreas Fault. True wilderness was not what was put in the legislation that created the park. It was not the intent of Representative John Burton, the Kennedy administration, or anyone else who had the vision of protecting this chunk of land.

This is proven by the fact that three former California legislators - former Assemblyman William T. Bagley and former Congressmen John L. Burton and Paul N. "Pete" McCloskey Jr. - all of whom helped establish Point Reyes as a national park - assert that Congress had always intended to allow the former Johnson's Oyster Co., now DBOC, to remain in operation. These former legislators have provided documentation to Interior Secretary Salazar, including a 1961 feasibility study of the then proposed national park that declared "existing commercial oyster beds and an oyster cannery at Drakes Estero ... should continue under national seashore status"; and a 1974 letter from the Sierra Club that argued "the water area can be put under the Wilderness Act even while the oyster culture is continued - it will be a prior existing, non-conforming use" according to the Marin Independent Journal.

In May of 2009, the National Research Council found that the National Park Service had "selectively presented, over interpreted, or misrepresented available scientific information on DBOC operations by exaggerating the negative and overlooking potential beneficial effects." The NRC found no significant impact from DBOC operations and recommended moving forward with cooperative adaptive management approach. Additional findings of scientific misconduct have been brought forth since then.

It saddens me that our governmental employees have conducted themselves badly. It saddens me that this issue has become politicized. I also recognize that the scientific misconduct by the NPS and others was the direct cause of things going to Capitol Hill.

Under the previous owners, the oyster operations on Drake's Estero were ramshackled, yet even they did a good job by the marine life, as documented by over forty years of records keeping on impacts to the harbor seals? which are thriving. DBOC has really cleaned up the land impacts and provides proper, safe, healthy conditions for his works and their operation, These are obviously people who go out of their way to do the right thing. They are a local organization, trying to make a living and are keeping their hard earned dollars within the local community. That is what makes a community work. It is the opposite of a big box store, or a multinational bank coming in and setting up a storefront which makes some billionaire tons of money, the vast majority of which gets spent elsewhere, draining the local community.

I do not care to eat oysters, but guests like to go out and try them and DBOC has done a stellar job of sanitizing and upgrading everything. They are a top rate organization providing a valuable local food source, providing honest jobs, good work conditions, and taking exceptional care of the environment.

To me, part of national security is decentralizing things and, instead, making of our country are more self sufficient, while still interconnected. A large part of that is local food production and local stewardship. Stewardship does not work well top down. DBOC is a great example of bottom up stewardship, in the best sense of the word. In addition, part of our being good stewards, as a nation, of our natural resources, including National Parks, is taking care of our global ecosystem. Local food has a small

carbon footprint, which is good for everyone and everything.

I view extending DBOC's lease as a win-win-win, locally, nationally and for the world environment. Please authorize the extension.

Thank you.

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242 Project: N/A, N/A

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Name: **Outside Organization:** 

Center for Biological Diversity Unaffiliated Individual

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243 Project:

Powers, Chris W

**Outside Organization:** 

Rare Artists Unaffiliated Individual

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The members of my community are big fans of Drakes Bay Oyster Company. They provide a great service to us all while being

wonderful stewards of land & sea, not to mention providing jobs

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We really want to see Drakes Bay Oyster Company be able to continue their great work, please allow them to do so ....

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thank you

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244 Project: 33043

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Name:

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**Outside Organization:** Received:

Unaffiliated Individual Oct,28,2011 06:15:55

**Correspondence Type:** 

Correspondence:

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Please adopt Plan A regarding Point Reyes. THat land, estuary, and the animals it suppoorts are a national treasure that should not be compromised for the benefit of industry and the pallate of consumers! Please, please continue to protect this area that is so valuable to me and my family. The loss California will experience in tourism if such lands are compromised is a real threat to

your economy.

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Name: **Outside Organization:**  pasternak, mark b Unaffiliated Individual Oct,28,2011 07:13:54

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**Correspondence Type: Correspondence:** 

I support the extension of the existing use permit for DBOC with no reduction in production.

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246 Project: 33043 Trowbride-Alford, Julie A

National Audubon Society Unaffiliated Individual

**Outside Organization:** Received:

Oct,28,2011 07:48:41

Correspondence Type: Web Form

Correspondence: I vote for the no action alternative, Alternative A. The commercial work would destroy this area.

**Correspondence ID:** 247 Project: 33043 **Document:** 43390

Hutchiinson, Will Name: **Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual Received: Oct.28.2011 07:59:25

Correspondence Type: Web Form

They are part of the solution, not the problem. Please let them stay. We need positive examples of sustainable agriculture. **Correspondence:** 

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Name: **Outside Organization:** 

Bergey, Elizabeth A Unaffiliated Individual Oct,28,2011 08:10:00 Received: Web Form

**Correspondence Type:** 

Correspondence: I support the wilderness designation for Drakes Estero within the Point Reyes National Seashore and urge support of alternative

A, which includes the scheduled closure of oyster 'ranching'.

I am an aquatic biologist at a state University. I went to graduate school in California and visited Point Reyes several times. I also understand the wide range of human effects in landscapes (and seascapes), plants and animals. Humans exploit the vast majority of the earth surface and the least that we can do is to provide areas protected from as much human disturbance as possible.

Although I strongly support marine aquaculture projects that are as 'clean' as oyster and mussel farming, there are other places that are more appropriate. Human-produced sound is a big environmental issue in marine habitats and boats are incredibly noisy - and also produce local pollution.

The marine wilderness area was established under conditions that allowed continuing oyster ranching for many years-a provision that allowed the business to relocate at its leisure. That relocation did not happen (or al least the operators would like to continue point Reyes operations) is not surprising, but IS NOT reason to extend the fishery.

Please make Point Reyes the marine santuary that it was set up to be!!!! I urge the National Park Service and Department of the Interior to uphold the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act and select alternative A, which protects this important marine wilderness and is the environmentally preferred alternative.

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Name: **Outside Organization:** 

Emdy, Lorna Unaffiliated Individual Received: Oct,28,2011 09:08:12 **Correspondence Type:** Web Form

Correspondence:

My husband and I are former Bay Area residents who frequently visited and enjoyed all the beaches and upland hikes at Point Reyes. Please honor your commitment to keep Drakes Bay free of any commercial operations. The Oyster Company owners knew the terms of the lease and when it expired. Extending that lease and allowing them to expand their operations is in complete violation of the concept of a "wilderness" designation for the estero. And it sets a terrible precedent to allow commercial operations in other protected, sensitive lands and waters. They are under constant siege from outside interests.

Please maintain the beauty and integrity of Drake's Bay.

Thank you

Lorna Emdy and Reginald Solomon

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Name: shevis, aron **Outside Organization:** 

Unaffiliated Individual Received: Oct.28.2011 00:00:00

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Akcay, Caglar

Cornell University Unaffiliated Individual

Outside Organization: Received:

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**Correspondence Type:** Correspondence:

I support the wilderness designation for Drakes Estero within the Point Reyes National Seashore. I urge the National Park Service and Department of the Interior to uphold the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act and select alternative A, which protects this important marine wilderness and is the environmentally preferred alternative.

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Project: Bishop, Norman A

NPCA, Sierra Club, Wilderness Society, + 35 others Unaffiliated Individual

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I urge the adoption of Alternative A, No Action, in the DEIS Drakes Bay Oyster Company Special Use Permit. As a national park ranger for 36 years, I became well acquainted with the purpose of national parks, and one of them is not resource extraction.

Having visited Drakes Bay with my family of young children on several occasions, I know personally the wilderness character of Drakes Bay, and hope that character will be preserved for their children and grandchildren. As I write this, I can recall taking color slides of my children wading in the surf and inspecting the life in the tide pools. The sound of that surf should not be drowned out by the sound of motors. The smell of salt air should not be tainted with the odor of burning diesel.

The process and timing of the designation of the area as wilderness has been followed, and is appropriate. The Company has been given many years to accept and adopt to the change in its operation. It is timely to recognize that commercial use is no longer to the benefit of the people of the United States, who are the owners of Point Reyes National Seashore.

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Name: **Outside Organization:** Received:

jacobs, jonathan Unaffiliated Individual Oct,28,2011 10:36:46

**Correspondence Type:** Correspondence:

Web Form Drakes Bay Oyster Company is an environmentally conscious and well run operation and a benefit to the community at large.

The existing permits held by Drakes Bay Oyster Company for commercial harvesting and processing of shellfish at Point Reyes National Seashore should be extended.

Correspondence ID:

255 Project: Simeur, Chris

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**Outside Organization:** Received:

Unaffiliated Individual Oct,28,2011 10:39:44

**Correspondence Type:** 

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which protects this important marine wilderness and is the environmentally preferred alternative.

Alternative A is the most consistent with National Park Service laws and policies. The Park Service's environmental review shows that alternative "A" best protects wildlife and the National Park experience.

As a tax paying US citizen I am expressing a deep interest that NPS choose alternative A and give this area the highest level of federal protection upon expiration of the oyster lease in 2012.

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256 **Project:**  33043 Document: 43390

Name: **Outside Organization:**  ducey, chris r

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Marin County resident Unaffiliated Individual Oct,28,2011 10:44:15

**Correspondence Type:** 

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Correspondence:

As a longtime resident and homeowner in West Marin I can't stress enough how important it is to continue the Special Use Permit for the Drakes Bay Oyster Co.. a county jewel of a sustainable and beneficial environmnetally beneficial aquaculture. In times when our food supplies grow more threatened and contaminated with pollutants by the nanosecond it seems rather ludicrous to consider the closing of this vital local resource which provides our county & Bay area residents with a clean, nutritious and regenerative protien source. I've not seen in any reports the fact stated that the very lifecycle of oysters is that of a dedicated 24/7 water improvement machine. Has anyone ever considered the ill effects to the Bay water quality itself if this "cleansing machinery" was curtailed? Of course not.

Be smart, a local food source like this is nothing to be trifled with as more species of fish are added too the no catch list weekly due to overfishing and species extiction fears...or high mercury levels!

All locally raised organic protien and organic food crops should be revered and protected for the common good of food needs for the entire Bay Area and beyond.

Thank you, Mr. Ducey

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Name: **Outside Organization:**  mart, alan Unaffiliated Individual Oct,28,2011 10:57:49

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I have been following this process for many years. I would like to make a few points here. First of all, to consider naming this wilderness area will degrade that designation for other areas. The point Reyes National Seashore was created by condemnation proceedings of existing ranches that have been continuously inhabited by Europeans from the time of the Spanish and the Russians, native grasses were replaced by European grasses. There are roads throughout the area:many of them paved. Although the beach itself is relatively unchanged, the rest of the landscape is in no way wilderness.

The current users of the property have improved it significantly. Even though surrounded by 9 million people, it is the cleanest estuary in California because of its use as an aquaculture site. The surrounding Ranche is managed organically, sustainably, and ecologically. They create their own forage, and in every way are improving the land and water around them.

On the northern border of the ranch is a Coast Guard facility. That can hardly be considered wilderness. The current lease holders have improved this resourse while providing food for the community. Because of its use, it has allowed hundreds of thousands of people who use the park to enjoy this resource.

In the recent past; mistakes have been made. Shoddy science, misstatements, bureaucratic fieldoms, and political pressuring have clouded the facts of this permit.

Let's move forward. Who will take care of this resource if it is closed to all activity. Please renew this lease. Thank you

**Correspondence ID:** 

258 Project: 33043 **Document:**  43390

Name: **Outside Organization:** Received:

Dierks, Sandra Unaffiliated Individual Oct.28.2011 11:29:54 Web Form

**Correspondence Type:** Correspondence:

As a resident of Marin County, living in West Marin and part of the farming community, I am in support of keeping Drakes Bay Oysters here and open as long as the family wants to operate it. The threads that weave this fragile group of food producers in Marin are thin and well worn, and we cannot afford to loose anyone, especially a family with so much knowledge of the land and surroundings. I am proud of this park and of some of the fine folks who work within it like Brannon Ketchum, David Press

and Gorden White. We as farmers have been working on a project with the park for 12 years now and feel good about the association with them. I have had many conversations about the uniqueness of this wonderful park being in coorperation with Agriculture and community. It was always supposed to be that way and we trusted that, in fact were a part of making it happen. I have spent a lot of time at Drakes Bay Oysters bringing children out there to learn about growing oysters. I see a great relationship with the Oyster Co. and the park. The oysters they produce, in my opinion are the best. It is such a joy to ride through the park, take walks and buy oysters to bring home. Please consider the gifts we are blessed with here with the beauty of the land and the fine people who work so hard to put food on our tables. Don't take another thread out of this well treasured cloth. Sandra Dierks

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Name: **Outside Organization:**  N/A, N/A

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I support the wilderness designation for Drakes Estero within the Point Reyes National Seashore. I urge the National Park Service and Department of the Interior to uphold the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act and select alternative A, which protects this important marine wilderness and is the environmentally preferred alternative.

Drakes Estero is a unique and ecologically significant wildlife area. It is an important stop on the flyway for migrating birds, a refuge and birthplace for harbor seals and a critical native fish nursery. Congress and the public have long intended that Drakes Estero be given the highest federal level of protection as a wilderness area when the commercial oyster lease expires in 2012.

This can only be accomplished by selecting Alternative "A" and ending commercial use of this sensitive wildlife refuge. Alternative A is the most consistent with National Park Service laws and policies. The Park Service's environmental review shows that alternative "A" best protects wildlife and the National Park experience.

Our national parks are for the people and wildlife protection, and wilderness areas with our parks should not prioritize commercial exploitation. The American public deserves to have this unique marine wilderness protected in a natural state for future generations to enjoy.

Drakes Estero is the only marine wilderness on the West Coast, and is irreplaceable, while oysters can be grown elsewhere.

As someone who enjoys our spectacular national parks, I urge you to not undermine protections at Drakes Estero and succumb to special interests seeking to commercialize these special places. The national parks are for the American people to enjoy. Not for businesses to destroy for their own profit. Please. Continue to allow Drakes Estero to be enjoyed for future generations, not only for people but for the animals living there.

Project: Correspondence ID: 260 33043 **Document:** 43390

Name:

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**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual Received:

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I urge the renewal of the special use permit issued to Drakes Bay Oyster Company. As a 20 year Bay Area resident, I am proud of the work Marin County has done to create sustainable business that promote diversity, quality, and celebration of the agricultural heritage of that area. Tourists love it, students of conservation policy study it, local econonomy thrives by it.

Please consider the range of value and benefits that Drakes Bay Oyster Company promotes: Sustainable business, sustainable operations, culturally significant.

I recommend trying their oysters...you will want to have them continue.

Renee Solari

**Correspondence ID:** 

261 **Project:** 33043 **Document:** 43390

Name: **Outside Organization:**  de Marne, Henri Unaffiliated Individual Oct,28,2011 11:44:14

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**Correspondence Type:** Correspondence:

Point Reyes National Seashore, which we visited some years ago, is such a special place that it must be preserved at all costs.

The variety of sea creatures we saw, non-existent in the East, was stunning, and we greatly value this experience, which we hope, one day, to repeat.

The 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act must not be not be overturned!

Please do not allow the commercial interests to prevail and ruin this great natural treasure.

**Correspondence ID:** 262 Project: 33043 **Document:** 43390

Name: Carter, Virginia **Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual Received: Oct.28.2011 11:57:43 **Correspondence Type:** Web Form

Drakes oyster bay co. Had until 2012. Now the company has been bought out. The issues were resolved years ago. This area **Correspondence:** 

now becomes wilderness, not for use by another private company.

**Correspondence ID:** 263 Project: 33043 **Document:** 43390

Name: Lange, Brendan V **Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual Received: Oct,28,2011 11:59:18

**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

I support Drakes Bay oysters! Rural renewal, jobs, life, humans count too!!! Correspondence:

**Correspondence ID:** 33043 **Document:** 43390 Project:

Smith, Peggy E Name: Cowgirl Creamery Unaffiliated Individual **Outside Organization:** 

Oct,28,2011 11:59:33 Received:

**Correspondence Type:** Web Form Correspondence:

I find the Point Reyes National Seashore, with it's established, responsible agricultural businesses within the parks boundaries to be more of a model for the future of the National Park system to work toward, rather than working toward a slow extinction of leases to those existing farms within it's boundaries. I would like to show my support for a continuation of the DBOC lease by granting the new 10 year SUP. I feel that the Lunny's are a huge asset in the Point Reyes community, as well as the greater San Francisco Bay Area and that it is important that they are allowed to continue with their business, Drakes Bay Oyster

Company, at the Drakes Estero.

Thank you for your consideration. Peg Smith

Correspondence ID: 265 Project: 33043 **Document:** 43390

Name: Armstrong, Liz

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

Oct.28.2011 00:00:00 Received:

**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

Correspondence:

I urge the National Park Service to protect Drakes Estero wilderness next year, as long intended. It is in the public interest to create the West Coast's only marine wilderness for the enjoyment of all. Drakes Estero is a rare wildlife refuge where migrating birds stop over, harbor seals give birth, and fish spawn. As someone who enjoys our nation's spectacular national parks and their wildlife, I urge you to not undermine protections at Drakes Estero and succumb to special interests seeking to commercialize these special places.

I urge Secretary Salazar to select alternative "A", which protects marine wilderness next year and is the Environmentally Preferred Alternative. The NPS is mandated to provide maximum protection to the natural resources, as stated in the Seashore's legislation, and selecting this alternative is the most consistent with the laws and policies affecting this park. Our national parks are set aside for the public and for wildlife protection, not commercial exploitation. The environmental review shows that alternative "A" best protects harbor seals, fish, birds and other wildlife and plants. Drakes Estero is our only marine wilderness on the West Coast, and is irreplaceable, while oyster can be commercially grown elsewhere.

By protecting wilderness, the National Park Service will set a positive policy example while commercializing it will set a negative example and help other commercial interests seek special exemptions from national park laws.

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Name: Sitcoske, Marcia **Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual Received: Oct,28,2011 13:01:41

**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

Correspondence:

I urge you to allow the Drake's Bay Oyster Company to continue its operations. There are many reasons including:

1) environmental: oysters are good for the ecosystem. 2) food source: They are a local, sustainable, organic food source which we desperately need. 3) cultural: It is part of our local culture and heritage. 4) economic: They provide numerous local jobs and support the local and regional economy. 5) financial: it is a successful family run business instead of a huge corporation.

Finally they are not hurting anyone or anything. Quite the opposite! The Drake's Bay Oyster Company is a valuable resource which we should support and encourage.

Thank you.

Correspondence ID: 267 Project: 33043 **Document:** 43390

Name: Moreno, Alejandro

**Outside Organization:** Green MBA Program at Dominican University of California Unaffiliated Individual

Received: Oct,28,2011 13:08:48

Correspondence Type: Web Form

Correspondence: My family has lived in West Marin since Dec. 1977, and we believe in being stewards of the land, ocean/water and air, and passing these priceless resources on to the next generations to come in as good as or better a state than they're in now. We also believe in economic sustainability, and this should work in conjunction with local ecosystems, not against. They are not mutually exclusive, they can indeed work together harmoniously as well as profitably.

> DBOC is an example of a company that works WITH the environment, not against. Their very business depends on taking care of the local ecosystem. If they didn't, not only would their neighbors have turned against them long ago, but they would've shot themselves in the foot at the same time. Thankfully, this is not the case, and they are an asset to the Triple Bottom Line of People, Planet and Profits for West Marin and for Northern California in general. Marin County has become world-famous for its oysters, which brings tourists and creates jobs, while also taking care of the ocean and land. DBOC is part of this successful sustainable business model.

> As a lifelong believer in sustainability (before we'd even heard of the term), and even more so as a recent graduate of the Green MBA program at Dominican University of San Rafael (of which I am a member and not an official representative), I urge you to renew their Special Use Permit for another 10 years, if not longer.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

-Alejandro Moreno, Green MBA Woodacre, Marin County California

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268 Project: Ruch, Jeff P

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**Outside Organization:** 

PEER Non-profit/Organization

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Public Employees For Environmental Responsibility (PEER) and Wilderness Watch jointly conclude that the lands and waters designated as wilderness and potential wilderness within Point Reyes National Seashore is no place for commercial aquaculture. We urge the National Park Service (NPS) to halt the Drakes Bay oyster farm when the current 40-year lease expires in 2012. The Organic Act of 1916 mandates that the NPS conserve natural objects and wildlife of the parks in an unimpaired state. The enabling act for Point Reyes, as amended in 1976, requires that the NPS administer Point Reyes in accordance with the Organic Act, and "without impairment of its natural values? and supportive of the maximum protection, restoration and preservation of the natural environment within the area." 16 U.S.C. 459c-6(a). The enabling act contains no exceptions for commercial aquaculture. Commercial aquaculture exists at Point Reyes only as a pre-existing, time-limited lease that has a fixed expiration date. Beyond allegations that commercial aquaculture impairs natural objects and wildlife, commercial aquaculture is contrary to "maximum protection, restoration and preservation" of the natural environment in Drake's Bay. In addition, there is a more compelling legal reason why the oyster farm must end. In 1976 Congress designated 25,303 acres of Point Reyes as wilderness and 8,003 acres as potential wilderness (P.L. 94-544 and P.L. 94-567). The lands and waters used by Drakes Bay Family Farms are in an area classified by Congress as "potential wilderness." Congress mandated that potential wilderness be reclassified by the Secretary of the Interior as wilderness when "?all uses prohibited by the Wilderness Act have ceased." The Wilderness Act prohibits, among other things "commercial enterprise" 16 U.S.C. 1133(c). An exception to this prohibition exists only for "commercial services" necessary for recreation 16 U.S.C. 1133(c) (5). Thus, upon expiration of the current 40-year lease for the commercial aquaculture in 2012, the NPS cannot issue a new lease. Rather, the NPS must reclassify the area of the leasehold as wilderness. It would be inconsistent with the law for the NPS to perpetuate the prohibited use that renders the potential wilderness unqualified for re-designation. The NPS is familiar with the re-designation process at Point Reyes National Seashore. On November 10, 1999, the NPS published a Federal Register notice to re-designate 1,752 acres of potential wilderness of Point Reyes as full wilderness. The Drake's Bay leasehold area represents a significant portion of the remaining "potential wilderness" in Point Reyes. PEER and Wilderness Watch recognize the political pressure being brought to bear on the NPS but we all recognize that it is law and difficult decisions that sustain the integrity of the national park system. The law requires that Point Reyes be managed "without impairment of its natural values?and supportive of the maximum protection, restoration and preservation of the natural environment within the area" 16 U.S.C. 459c-6(a). The Wilderness Act further reinforces this mandate by strictly proscribing commercial enterprise. There is no room in Drakes Bay for commercial aquaculture once the lease expires. Never before has the NPS or Congress authorized a commercial enterprise within areas designated as wilderness or potential wilderness in an area of the national park system. Never before has the NPS or Congress authorized a commercial aquacultural operation in a national seashore. Point Reyes is one of the superlative gems of the national park system, to be managed for the inspiration and benefit of all the American people. To place the interests of one lessee over the integrity of Point Reyes National Seashore and the national park system would be most unfortunate. In the history of our national parks, we as a nation resisted grazing sheep in our parks to provide wool for the uniforms of the World War I doughboys. In World War II, we as a nation repelled attempts to cut the Sitka spruce forests in Olympic National Park for the war effort. What has become of us as a people if we as a nation cannot protect the precious resources of Point Reyes for a few oysters? We pledge to do all that

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we can to help protect Point Reyes National Seashore. 33043

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Although commercial operations are inconsistent with the Wilderness Act, Congress allowed an existing oyster-growing business in Drakes Estero to stay, with the mandate that it had to cease operations in 2012.

Now, the Drakes Bay Oyster Company, a commercial shellfish producer that bought the oyster company's remaining operating rights in 2005, wants to expand and extend the original special use permit within Drakes Estero wilderness for a minimum of 10 additional years. Backed by the powerful shellfish lobby, the company is waging an expensive misinformation campaign to attack the Wilderness Act and the National Park Service, and overturn the wilderness designation.

A deal is a deal. Drakes Bay Oyster Company bought the business in 2005, knowing the permit expired in 2012. It is not fair to change the rules now so they can make a profit from a public asset funded by taxpayers. But powerful political and special interests are pressuring Congress and spending millions of dollars to try to extend the lease and keep the long-promised wilderness protection from taking effect at Point Reyes National Seashore.

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Name: **Outside Organization:**  Rogers, Peter

Marin Organic Unaffiliated Individual

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Oct,28,2011 14:45:31

**Correspondence Type:** 

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Correspondence:

Please extend Drakes Bay Oyster Company special use permit. Kevin Lunney and his team are honest, conscientious people, and the oyster farm is an asset to our community and our ecology. I share the NPS's desire to return its lands to a near-native state, but this is one case where the benefits of an aquacultural operation more than offset the minor environmental costs.

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**Outside Organization:** 

smith siegel, connie

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individual Unaffiliated Individual

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**Correspondence Type:** 

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**Correspondence:** 

I support the Drakes Bay Oyster company continuing on Drakes Estero. They are a public resource, have complied with

regulations, and should be allowed to stay.

**Correspondence ID:** Name:

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**Outside Organization:** Received:

Wolpert, William B Unaffiliated Individual Oct.28.2011 15:39:58

Correspondence Type:

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Correspondence:

While I have enjoyed and appreciate many of our Wilderness Areas, I do not believe that Drakes Estero should be off-limits to responsible agriculture and aquaculture. The Wildnerness Act was intended to save pristine environments, not roll back the clock to create them. I believe the Wilderness Act was mis-applied in this instance. Drakes Estero has been surrounded by dairy farms for over 100 years. Now these historic ranches are being phased out. Drakes Estero id special and should be held to high environmental standards. The oyster operation seems to be the perfect compliment. I have canoed Drakes Estero and the water is pristine and clear. I know what the oyster operation looked like when it was operated by the Johnson family. It is a vast improvement today. The Lunny operation of Drakes Bay Oysters is an example of good stewardship. It should be allowed to

continue.

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275 Project: 33043

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Name:

N/A, N/A

**Outside Organization:** 

Unaffiliated Individual Oct,28,2011 16:24:49

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Correspondence:

Please support Alternative A which allows the oyster operating contract to expire and will allow the Point Reyes Wilderness to return to its natural state as it was supposed to be protected 35 years ago. We need to protect our natural places of beauty and habitat. Once destroyed, Nature is destroyed forever.

**Correspondence ID:** Name:

276 Project: Matthew, Diane

33043 **Document:** 43390

**Outside Organization:** 

Mt. Barnabe Farm Unaffiliated Individual

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Oct 28 2011 00:00:00

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Correspondence:

I am in favor of Alternative D because after exhaustive environmental review and 77 years of mariculture in Drakes Bay, the wetlands, ell grass and harbor seals seem to be thriving. There is evidence of native oysters in the bay in the past and DBOC is

the source of 80% of the oysters that are produced for the local economy.

As an organic farmer I am committed to sustainable practices that make it possible for humans to co-exist with little impact or even positive impact on the environment. We must learn to live within nature's limits not separate our activities from nature, after all we are part of nature.

Correspondence ID: 277 Project: 33043 Document: 43390

Name: Halvorson , Heather
Outside Organization: Unaffiliated Individual
Received: Oct,28,2011 17:29:38

Correspondence Type: Web Form

Correspondence: It is clear allowing the private, commercial oyster operation to exploit Drakes Estero for ten more years would have numerous

adverse impacts on eelgrass habitat, native fish, harbor seals, resident and migratory birds, endangered species, wilderness values and the National Park experience. The commercial oyster operations involve 3700 disruptive and noisy motorboat trips per year through harbor seal and eelgrass habitat, promote the spread of invasive species and litter remote beaches with

thousands of pieces of plastic trash.

There are more appropriate places to grow oysters. It is time to return Drakes Estero to all Americans as marine wilderness, as Congress intended.

Correspondence ID: 278 Project: 33043 Document: 43390

Name: N/A, N/A

Outside Organization: Unaffiliated Individual Received: Oct,28,2011 20:29:39

Correspondence Type: Web Form

Correspondence: Please keep Drakes Bay Oyster Company alive and grant the special permit to continue operation. We in Sonoma and Marin

counties love those oysters!

Thank you.

Correspondence ID: 279 Project: 33043 Document: 43390

Name: McFarland, Pete

Outside Organization: Many--include Audubon, Marin Conser League, Save Redwoods, etc. Unaffiliated Individual

**Received:** Oct,28,2011 20:46:55

Correspondence Type: Web Form

Correspondence: I am asking that you select Alternative A. It best meets the purpose we originally fought for and always believed would occur

when the 40 year Reservation Of Use expired.

The owners of Drakes Bay Oyster Company purchased the remaining 7 years of the lease knowing full well it would not be renewed; but have spent the intervening time convincing powerful politicians they have been treated unfairly and they should be given a renewal. They should not be rewarded for their effort and allowed to appropriate this public land for their own profit.

Correspondence ID: 280 Project: 33043 Document: 43390

Name: Schwaller, Greg and Laurie
Outside Organization: Unaffiliated Individual
Received: Oct,28,2011 22:02:24

Correspondence Type: Web Form

Correspondence: We are writing to urge you to support wilderness designatgion for Drakes Estero in the Point Reyes National Seashore.

Please select Alternative A, the environmentally preferred alternative, to end commercial exploitation of this irreplaceable natural resource. Drakes Estero is the only Marine Wilderness on the West Coast.

We have been fortunate enough to visit it twice so far, and we hope to be able to return to see it unimpaired. We want our grand-daughter to be able to enjoy it as we have some day.

Thank you for selecting Alternative A. We are counting you.

Correspondence ID: 281 Project: 33043 Document: 43390

Name: Meadows, Teri
Outside Organization: Unaffiliated Individual
Oct,28,2011 22:35:21

Correspondence Type: Web Form

Correspondence: We should keep the Drakes Bay Oyster Company open because the Company provides a local, sustainable source of food for our community. In these times of uncertainty, we need as many local sources of sustainable food production as possible in case

we can not bring food from outside our region. The Drakes Bay Oyster Company provides us all a great service.

Correspondence ID: 282 Project: 33043 Document: 43390

Name: Rubin, Angela
Outside Organization: Unaffiliated Individual
Oct,28,2011 22:56:11

Correspondence Type: Web Form

Correspondence: Having read the articles about the Drakes Bay Oyster Company and the renewal of their lease and having also visited their facility I am strongly in favor of allowing them to continue in operation I respectfully request that you give them the required extension to their lease. They are good stewards of the land and the bay and should be permitted to continue growing and

harvesting oysters. Their oysters are delicious to eat and provide jobs and also help the West Marin economy attracting tourists and locals alike. It would be a sad day in Marin to see them go - they are a delightful and well run enterprise and a part of the County's history.

Correspondence ID: 283 Project: 33043 **Document:** 43390

Sletteland, Amy Name: Unaffiliated Individual **Outside Organization:** Received: Oct,28,2011 23:37:46 **Correspondence Type:** Web Form

I am sending the best comments I have uncovered from Kurt Repanshek at CoastWatcher.com: Correspondence:

> "I strongly support family farms within the seashore but oppose shellfish farms in the wildlife-rich tidelands of Drakes Estero. While oysters may be a moneymaker, there are other waters? Tomales Bay? where oysters may be grown and sold just as profitably. Lunny's is the only private tidelands-based industry in the park.

> In a letter to Rep. Dicks, the executive director of the California Coastal Commission pointed out that the oyster company had not received all the required permits for its operation.

'This operation has a history of State regulatory compliance problems under both the prior owner/operator as well as the current lessee-permittee. I have enclosed a November 29, 2007, Commission staff report prepared in connection with an enforcement action taken pursuant to the California Coastal Act that sets forth the background and then current legal status of various uses DBOC (Drakes Bay Oyster Co.) had undertaken without benefit of required State permits," wrote Peter Douglas. "I also enclose a copy of a recent letter sent to DBOC notifying the Company that it is not in compliance with some of the provisions of the Commission's Cease and Desist Order approved pursuant to its staff recommendation on December 12, 2007. Such failure to comply has now necessitated additional enforcement action by the Commission.

'In addition to our concerns about ongoing non-compliance with the Commission's previous law enforcement order, we note that the DBOC currently does not have a required coastal development permit for the facility, in its entirety, notwithstanding the fact we have been diligent and accommodating in an effort to bring this operation into compliance with State law," continued Mr. Douglas. "It seems to us that before the Congress bestows a valuable benefit on the DBOC by extending its right to continue its commercial operation for ten years beyond the current required expiration date of 2012, it would be prudent to ensure that the beneficiary of such special treatment be required to comply with all State regulatory requirements.'

AND from the Sierra Club: "The Draft EIS makes it clear that the No Action Alternative, which would allow the current oyster company permit to expire on November 30, 2012, as long anticipated, is the environmentally preferable alternative for the Drakes Estero according to federal wilderness law, the best available science, and National Park Service policy on natural resources conservation and restoration.

The three action alternatives each permit the private commercial oyster operation to exploit Drakes Estero for ten more years, which the Draft EIS makes abundantly clear would have numerous long-term adverse environmental impacts on eelgrass, native fish, harbor seals, resident and migratory birds, endangered species, wilderness values, and the National Park experience.

Some of these adverse impacts include a highly invasive organism [Didendum vexillum] which is spreading from the unnatural hard substrate of the mariculture gear and attaching itself to eelgrass and smothering it; over 3700 motorboat trips per year that increase water turbidity, flush birds, and have cut over 8.5 linear miles of eelgrass; disturbance to and displacement of harbor seals; and thousands of pieces of plastic aqua-trash littering the Seashore beaches and wilderness areas the past several months.

Drakes Estero is an ecological treasure that should be protected as part of our national heritage, not exploited for private, commercial profit in contradiction to our nation's wilderness laws and values. There are appropriate places to grow oysters, like Tomales Bay, Humboldt Bay, and Morro Bay. It is time to return Drakes Estero to all Americans as marine wilderness, as Congress intended.

FINALLY, from myself: Thirty (30) jobs are actually inconsequential in comparison, but rather a ruse, since the farm could be re-located and everyone involved as well. Some Americans have been out of work for 2 years. I wouldn't be surprised if many the folks employed are un-documented, anyway! So, it might boil down to only 10 jobs held by citizens of the U.S.

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Beatty, Diane Name: **Outside Organization:** 

National Parks Conservation Association Unaffiliated Individual

Received: Oct.29.2011 00:00:00

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I urge Secretary Salazar to select alternative "A", which protects marine wilderness next year and is the Environmentally Preferred Alternative. The NPS is mandated to provide maximum protection to the natural resources, as stated in the Seashore's legislation, and selecting this alternative is the most consistent with the laws and policies affecting this park. Our national parks are set aside for the public and for wildlife protection, not commercial exploitation. The environmental review shows that alternative "A" best protects harbor seals, fish, birds and other wildlife and plants. Drakes Estero is our only marine wilderness on the West Coast, and is irreplaceable, while oysters can be commercially grown elsewhere.

By protecting wilderness, the National Park Service will set a positive policy example while commercializing it will set a negative example and help other commercial interests seek special exemptions from national park laws.

Correspondence ID: 285 33043 **Document:** 43390 Project:

Name: Baron, Linda

Outside Organization: citizen Unaffiliated Individual Oct.29.2011 12:34:07

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**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

As long-time stewards of the land, Drakes Bay Oyster Co. and the Lunny family operate with a deep respect for the earth and Correspondence: the waters of the Estero ecosystem. Their farms provide jobs, housing, and income to many local families, and are a significant

part of the history and diversity of Marin County's thriving agricultural community. We urge you to PLEASE issue a Special

Use Permit to Drakes Bay Oyster Company.

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Name:

Bubala, Louis **Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual Oct,29,2011 14:16:55

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Correspondence: Please provide a wilderness designation for Drakes Estero at Point Reyes National Seashore. This is consistent with the 1976

Point Reyes Wilderness Act, and you should select Alternative A to provide the best and most complete protection.

**Correspondence ID: Project:** 33043 **Document:** 43390

Name:

N/A, N/A **Outside Organization:** 

Unaffiliated Individual Oct 29 2011 18:19:38 Received:

**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

Correspondence:

The plan has been in place for many years to let the current lease expire. It was intended to allow the park to return to a more natural state while allowing the owner time to make alternate plans. Instead it was sold to a new owner who stands to gain substantial economic benefit if the lease is now renewed. The park does not need a business in the middle of the estuary. The current owner knew of the planned lease expiration. Keep the park use for the people and nature, not one company's business

**Correspondence ID:** 288 33043 43390 **Project: Document:** 

Neuendorff, David J Name:

**Outside Organization:** Human Race Unaffiliated Individual

Received: Oct.29.2011 19:38:35 Web Form

Correspondence Type:

Correspondence: We should be setting aside and protecting biological reserves where humans may visit but not alter the environment. This is

especially important with a world population exceeding seven billion humans. If we do not protect the oceans and allow them to be despoiled the consequences for all species will be dire. For too long exploitation of the environment has been allowed

unchecked. Preserves should be protected completely without exception. Thank you.

**Correspondence ID:** 289 Project: 33043 **Document:** 43390

N/A, N/A Name:

**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual Received: Oct,29,2011 21:41:28

**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

Please Support Alternative A: no action, allowing Drake's Estero to become wilderness as Congress intended. Correspondence:

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N/A, N/A Name:

Outside Organization: Unaffiliated Individual Received: Oct,30,2011 00:00:00

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Drakes Estero is a unique and ecologically significant wildlife area. It is an important stop on the flyway for migrating birds, a refuge and birthplace for harbor seals and a critical native fish nursery. Congress and the public have long intended that Drakes Estero be given the highest federal level of protection as a wilderness area when the commercial oyster lease expires in 2012.

This can only be accomplished by selecting Alternative "A" and ending commercial use of this sensitive wildlife refuge. Alternative A is the most consistent with National Park Service laws and policies. The Park Service's environmental review shows that alternative "A" best protects wildlife and the National Park experience.

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As someone who enjoys our spectacular national parks, I urge you to not undermine protections at Drakes Estero and succumb to special interests seeking to commercialize these special places.

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Koors, Nancy W Name: Unaffiliated Individual **Outside Organization:** Received: Oct,30,2011 11:02:05 Web Form **Correspondence Type:** 

Please, please keep the no action position. Allow the Drakes Bay Oyster Company to leave the estero in 2012. Correspondence:

Correspondence ID: 292 Project: 33043 **Document:** 43390

Name: Elton, Wallace M Outside Organization: Unaffiliated Individual Received: Oct.30,2011 13:24:09

Correspondence Type: Web Form **Correspondence:** 

I am writing as someone who has visited Point Reyes National Seashore to express support for Alternative A in the Draft EIS for the Drakes Bay Oster Company Special Use Permit within the Seashore and thus end commercial use of important marine habitat that should be protected as designated Wilderness. In reaching this position, I noted the following:

\* Only Alternative A is consistent with 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act in which Congress determined that Drakes Estero should become Wilderness when the commercial oyster farming permit expires in 2012.\* Drakes Estero is an ecologically important area for harbor seals, migrating waterfowl and other wildlife, and its eel grass beds serve as a vital nursery for fish. It is a marine wilderness that is unique on the west coast. \* The Park Service's environmental review shows that Alternative A best protects wildlife and the National Park experience. \* Commercial use of national parkland and Wildrness is inappropriate. \* The oyster company new the situation when it purchased the remaining years of the permit, and oysters can be farmed elsewhere.

I urge you to adopt Alternative A to preserve Drakes Estero's special natural qualities and those of Point Reyes as a whole for future generations rather than weaken protections for the benefit of a private interest.

Thank you.

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Name: steele, kathryn **Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual Received: Oct.30,2011 18:25:42 **Correspondence Type:** Web Form

Correspondence: Let the oyster contract expire and leave as wilderness...alone..

**Correspondence ID:** 33043 Document: 43390 294 Project:

N/A, N/A Name: **Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual Received: Oct,30,2011 18:38:12

**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

As a longtime West Marin resident I feel compelled to say that it is important to me that The Drakes Bay Oyster Co be allowed Correspondence: to continue their operation. This is a longtime natural food resource that is being managed in a very sustainable way. As I

understand it, one ogf the missions of the Nation Park Service, is to co-operate with agriculture, not run it out of exiatance. I truly hope a compromise can be reached to maintain this VERY VALUABLE + HISTORIC FOOD RESOURCE in our county.

**Correspondence ID:** 295 Project: 33043 **Document:** 43390 James, Timothy Name: **Outside Organization:** National Parks Conservation Association Unaffiliated Individual

Received: Oct,30,2011 00:00:00

**Correspondence Type:** 

I urge the National Park Service to protect Drakes Estero wilderness next year, as long intended. It is in the public interest to Correspondence:

create the West Coast's only marine wilderness for the enjoyment of all. Drakes Estero is a rare wildlife refuge where migrating

birds stop over, harbor seals give birth, and fish spawn. As someone who enjoys our nation's spectacular national parks and their wildlife, I urge you to not undermine protections at Drakes Estero and succumb to special interests seeking to commercialize these special places.

I urge Secretary Salazar to select alternative "A", which protects marine wilderness next year and is the Environmentally Preferred Alternative. The NPS is mandated to provide maximum protection to the natural resources, as stated in the Seashore's legislation, and selecting this alternative is the most consistent with the laws and policies affecting this park. Our national parks are set aside for the public and for wildlife protection, not commercial exploitation. The environmental review shows that alternative "A" best protects harbor seals, fish, birds and other wildlife and plants. Drakes Estero is our only marine wilderness on the West Coast, and is irreplaceable, while oysters can be commercially grown elsewhere.

By protecting wilderness, the National Park Service will set a positive policy example while commercializing it will set a negative example and help other commercial interests seek special exemptions from national park laws.

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Correspondence ID:

296 Project: 33043 **Document:** 

Name:

Baird, Mariah **Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual Oct,30,2011 21:05:49 Web Form

Received: Correspondence Type: Correspondence:

I am a Marin County resident and frequent user of the Pt. Reyes National Seashore. I support ending the oyster operation in Drakes Estero when scheduled on November 30, 2012.

I support Alternative A in the DEIS.

The decision to sunset the oyster operation was correct when it was made, and it is still the right decision. The current operator knew the area was designated to become a Federal Wilderness Area when the reservation of use expired. It is unacceptable to extend the operation. Alternative A honors the commitment made to the public, and provides the best possible protection for native species and habitat because it would protect eelgrass beds, control invasive species (Didemnum), restore the natural ecosystem, remove the impact of boating and human activity, and stop the noise generated by the operation. The area should be returned to wilderness as designated without exception. Thank you.

**Correspondence ID:** 

33043 **Document:** 43390 Project:

Name: **Outside Organization:** Received:

Unaffiliated Individual Oct,31,2011 00:01:35

Correspondence Type:

Web Form

Halligan, Sue -

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Correspondence:

I support the wilderness designation for Drakes Estero within the Point Reyes National Seashore. I urge the National Park Service and Department of the Interior to uphold the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act and select alternative A, which protects this important marine wilderness and is the environmentally preferred alternative.

I lived in northern California from 1975 to 1990 and visited Point Reyes National Seashore many times.

Drakes Estero is a unique and ecologically significant wildlife area. It is an important stop on the flyway for migrating birds, a refuge and birthplace for harbor seals, and a critical native fish nursery. Congress and the public have long intended that Drakes Estero be given the highest federal level of protection as a wilderness area when the commercial oyster lease expires in 2012.

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Name: **Outside Organization:**  Franklin, Constance A Unaffiliated Individual Oct,31,2011 08:45:03 Web Form

Received: Correspondence Type:

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As a life long resident of California, one of our greatest assests are our rich diversity. I have traveled through deserts, redwood forests and all our National parks. As an advocate for wildlife, and one who understands they are vital in sustaining our ecoystems and treasured by Californians, I am urging you to choose Alternative A, and allow the oyster company operating permit to expire. Our wise bipartisan forefathers protected our wilderness for future generations, and I hope that you intend the same. Please establish wilderness at Point Reyes National Seashore - for now and our future generations. Conservation and

protection please.

**Correspondence ID:** 

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N/A, N/A

**Outside Organization:** Received:

Unaffiliated Individual Oct,31,2011 00:00:00

Correspondence Type: Web Form

Correspondence:

I support the wilderness designation for Drakes Estero within the Point Reyes National Seashore. I urge the National Park Service and Department of the Interior to uphold the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act and select Alternative A, which protects this important marine wilderness and is the environmentally preferred alternative.

Drakes Estero is a unique and ecologically significant wildlife area. It is an important stop on the flyway for migrating birds, a

refuge and birthplace for harbor seals and a critical native fish nursery. Congress and the public have long intended that Drakes Estero be given the highest federal level of protection as a wilderness area when the commercial oyster lease expires in 2012.

This can only be accomplished by selecting Alternative "A" and ending commercial use of this sensitive wildlife refuge. Alternative A is the most consistent with National Park Service laws and policies. The Park Service's environmental review shows that Alternative "A" best protects wildlife and the National Park experience.

Our national parks are for the people and wildlife protection, and wilderness areas with our parks should not prioritize commercial exploitation. The American public deserves to have this unique marine wilderness protected in a natural state for future generations to enjoy.

Drakes Estero is the only marine wilderness on the West Coast, and is irreplaceable, while oysters can be grown elsewhere.

I urge you to not undermine protections at Drakes Estero and succumb to special interests seeking to commercialize these special places.

Correspondence ID: 300 Project: 33043 Document: 43390

Name: Outside Organization: Received: Smith, Rich Unaffiliated Individual Oct,31,2011 00:00:00 Web Form

Correspondence Type: Correspondence:

I support the wilderness designation for Drakes Estero within the Point Reyes National Seashore. I urge the National Park Service and Department of the Interior to uphold the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act and select alternative A, which protects this important marine wilderness and is the environmentally preferred alternative.

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Correspondence ID: 301 Project:

Name: Outside Organization: Received: Spring, Jennifer L Unaffiliated Individual Oct,31,2011 09:52:28 Web Form

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Correspondence: Dear National Park Service,

Please uphold the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act and select alternative A. Congress and the public have long intended that Drakes Estero be given the highest federal level of protection as a wilderness area when the commercial oyster lease expires in 2012.

Drakes Estero is the only marine wilderness on the West Coast, and is irreplaceable, while oysters can be grown elsewhere.

thank you,

Jennifer Spring

Correspondence ID: 302 Project: 33043 Document: 43390

Name:
Outside Organization:

powell, regina c Unaffiliated Individual Oct,31,2011 10:00:36 Web Form

Correspondence Type: Correspondence:

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ondence: Please, we must save our land for we do not have much & we need to protect all that we have left

**Correspondence ID:** 303 **Project:** 33043 **Document:** 43390

DeRemus, David Name: **Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual Oct,31,2011 10:01:29 Received:

**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

Correspondence: Please leave Point Reyes National Seashore under the protection of the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act.

This marine wilderness with its unique estuary should be left as a national treasure and not exploited by any type of commercial

development.

Correspondence ID: 304 Project: 33043 **Document:** 43390

Name: N/A, N/A

**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual Received: Oct,31,2011 00:00:00 Web Form

Correspondence Type: **Correspondence:** 

I support the wilderness designation for Drakes Estero within the Point Reyes National Seashore. I urge the National Park Service and Department of the Interior to uphold the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act and select alternative A, which protects this important marine wilderness and is the environmentally preferred alternative.

Drakes Estero is a unique and ecologically significant wildlife area. It is an important stop on the flyway for migrating birds, a refuge and birthplace for harbor seals and a critical native fish nursery. Congress and the public have long intended that Drakes Estero be given the highest federal level of protection as a wilderness area when the commercial oyster lease expires in 2012.

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Correspondence ID: 305 Project: 33043 **Document:** 43390

N/A, N/A Name:

**Outside Organization:** self Unaffiliated Individual Received: Oct,31,2011 00:00:00 Web Form

Correspondence Type:

Correspondence:

I support the wilderness designation for Drakes Estero within the Point Reves National Seashore. I urge the National Park Service and Department of the Interior to uphold the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act and select alternative A, which protects this important marine wilderness and is the environmentally preferred alternative.

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33043 Correspondence ID: 306 Project: **Document:** 43390

N/A, N/A Name:

Outside Organization: Received:

Unaffiliated Individual Oct,31,2011 00:00:00

**Correspondence Type:** 

Web Form

Correspondence:

I support the wilderness designation for Drakes Estero within the Point Reyes National Seashore. I urge the National Park Service and Department of the Interior to uphold the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act and select alternative A, which protects this important marine wilderness and is the environmentally preferred alternative.

Drakes Estero is a unique and ecologically significant wildlife area. It is an important stop on the flyway for migrating birds, a refuge and birthplace for harbor seals and a critical native fish nursery. Congress and the public have long intended that Drakes Estero be given the highest federal level of protection as a wilderness area when the commercial oyster lease expires in 2012.

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Name: Outside Organization: Received:

Unaffiliated Individual Oct,31,2011 00:00:00

Correspondence Type:

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Garbrick, Kathe

Correspondence:

I support the wilderness designation for Drakes Estero within the Point Reyes National Seashore. I urge the National Park Service and Department of the Interior to uphold the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act and select alternative A, which protects this important marine wilderness and is the environmentally preferred alternative.

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As someone who enjoys our spectacular national parks, I urge you to not undermine protections at Drakes Estero and succumb to special interests seeking to commercialize these special places.

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308 Project:

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Name: Outside Organization: Deming, Patrick National Parks Conservation Association Unaffiliated Individual

Received:

Oct,31,2011 00:00:00

Correspondence Type:

Web Form

Correspondence:

I urge the National Park Service to protect Drakes Estero wilderness next year, as long intended. It is in the public interest to create the West Coast's only marine wilderness for the enjoyment of all. Drakes Estero is a rare wildlife refuge where migrating birds stop over, harbor seals give birth, and fish spawn. As someone who enjoys our nation's spectacular national parks and their wildlife, I urge you to not undermine protections at Drakes Estero and succumb to special interests seeking to commercialize these special places.

I urge Secretary Salazar to select alternative "A", which protects marine wilderness next year and is the Environmentally Preferred Alternative. The NPS is mandated to provide maximum protection to the natural resources, as stated in the Seashore's legislation, and selecting this alternative is the most consistent with the laws and policies affecting this park. Our national parks are set aside for the public and for wildlife protection, not commercial exploitation. The environmental review shows that alternative "A" best protects harbor seals, fish, birds and other wildlife and plants. Drakes Estero is our only marine wilderness

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By protecting wilderness, the National Park Service will set a positive policy example while commercializing it will set a negative example and help other commercial interests seek special exemptions from national park laws.

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Name: **Outside Organization:**  Bloomer, Jerry Unaffiliated Individual Oct,31,2011 15:22:26

Received: Correspondence Type:

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Correspondence:

I favor ALTERNATIVE A, allowing the oyster company operating permit to expire and finally establishing wilderness at Point Reyes National Seashore, as Congress legislated thirty-five years ago.

Drakes Estero is a unique, wildlife-rich estuary; it is a crucial resting and foraging area for hundreds of thousands of resident and migrating birds; it provides habitat for unique plant and animals; and it has some of the largest extent of native eelgrass habitat along the California coast.

Commercial operations are inconsistent with the Wilderness Act. To allow a private company to continue to operate in Drakes Estero is a violation of the original agreement and a bad precedent for the future of our wilderness lands.

**Correspondence ID:** 

Name:

310 Project: 33043

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**Outside Organization:** 

Gachesa, Ellen Unaffiliated Individual Oct,31,2011 00:00:00

Received: **Correspondence Type:** Correspondence:

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I support the wilderness designation for Drakes Estero within the Point Reyes National Seashore and the National Park Service and Department of the Interior maintaining the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act and select alternative A, which protects this important marine wilderness and is the environmentally preferred alternative. I support and revel in our spectacular national parks and impploreyou to do your duty by protecting Drakes Estero and not knuckle under to special interests seeking to commercialize these special places. Congress and the people have always intended that Drakes Estero be given the highest federal level of protection as a wilderness area when the commercial oyster lease expires in 2012. This area needs preservation for future generations.

As the world's population reaches SEVEN BILLION this month and the oceans are even more rapidly being depleted, Drakes Estero's unique and ecologically significant wildlife area needs protection. It is an important path on the flyway for migrating birds, a refuge and birthing grounds for harbor seals and a critical native fish nursery.

This can only be accomplished by selecting Alternative "A" and ending commercial use of this sensitive wildlife refuge. Alternative A is the most consistent with National Park Service laws and policies. The Park Service's environmental review shows that alternative "A" best protects wildlife and the National Park experience.

Our national parks are for the people and wildlife protection, and wilderness areas with our parks should not prioritize commercial exploitation. The American public deserves to have this unique marine wilderness protected in a natural state for future generations to enjoy. Drakes Estero is the only marine wilderness on the West Coast, is irreplaceable, and oysters can be grown some where else.

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Name: **Outside Organization:**  Liles, David T

Center for Biological Diversity Unaffiliated Individual

Received:

Oct,31,2011 00:00:00

**Correspondence Type:** Correspondence:

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I support the wilderness designation for Drakes Estero within the Point Reyes National Seashore. I urge the National Park Service and Department of the Interior to uphold the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act and select alternative A, which protects this important marine wilderness and is the environmentally preferred alternative.

Drakes Estero is a unique and ecologically significant wildlife area. It is an important stop on the flyway for migrating birds, a refuge and birthplace for harbor seals and a critical native fish nursery. Congress and the public have long intended that Drakes Estero be given the highest federal level of protection as a wilderness area when the commercial oyster lease expires in 2012.

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Sincerely, David Liles

Correspondence ID: 312 Project: 33043 Document: 43390

Name: Penner, Marsha L
Outside Organization: self Unaffiliated Individual
Received: Oct,31,2011 15:33:47

**Correspondence Type:** Web Form Dear Sirs,

Thank you for the oppportunity to comment on the plans for Drakes Estero within the Point Reyes National Seashore.

As a native Californian and admirer of many of the beautiful and unique lands in our state, I am very concerned that the only marine wilderness on the West Coast is in danger of being overcome by a business operation.

The Drakes Bay Oyster Company bought the original oyster company's remaining operating rights in 2005, knowing that the permit expired in 2012. A deal is a deal and people like myself do not want this business to be expanded or extended. It is not fair to change the rules now so they can make a profit from a public asset funded by taxpayers.

If we lose the wilderness status at Drakes Estero, it opens the door for industry to do the same in our wilderness areas and national parks across the country.

Our national parks and wilderness areas don't belong to big business. They belong to the American people. Please reject all efforts to extend the oyster company lease, and ensure that Drakes Estero is maintained as wilderness consistent with the Wilderness Act.

Thank you, and I look forward to your response.

Correspondence ID: 313 Project: 33043 Document: 43390

Name: N/A, N/A

Outside Organization: Unaffiliated Individual Received: Oct,31,2011 00:00:00

Correspondence Type: Web Form

Correspondence: I support the wilderness designation for Drakes Estero within the Point Reyes National Seashore. I urge the National Park Service and Department of the Interior to uphold the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act and select alternative A, which protects this important marine wilderness and is the environmentally preferred alternative.

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Correspondence ID: 314 Project: 33043 Document: 43390

Name: Farrell, Luke

Outside Organization: SavePointReyesWilderness Unaffiliated Individual

**Received:** Oct,31,2011 15:37:07

Correspondence Type: Web Form

Correspondence: I urge that is should be considered: ALTERNATIVE A, allowing the oyster company operating permit to expire and finally establishing wilderness at Point Reyes National Seashore, as Congress legislated thirty-five years ago

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Name: sodoro, tom **Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual Oct,31,2011 00:00:00 Received:

**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

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Name: Mayer, Heidi

**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual Received: Oct,31,2011 00:00:00

**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

Correspondence:

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**Correspondence ID:** 317 **Project:** 33043 Document: 43390

Name:

N/A, N/A

**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual Received: Oct,31,2011 16:23:22

**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

**Correspondence:** Point Reyes belongs to all of the people and not just the Oyster Company. Therefore I believe it only fair people have a say in

how their land is managed.

318 Project: 33043 43390 Correspondence ID: Document:

Name: fremont, john Unaffiliated Individual **Outside Organization:** Oct,31,2011 00:00:00 Received:

Correspondence Type: Web Form

## Correspondence:

I have visited Point Reyes many times, and appreciate its pristine beauty. I support the wilderness designation for Drakes Estero within the Point Reves National Seashore. I urge the National Park Service and Department of the Interior to uphold the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act and select alternative A, which protects this important marine wilderness and is the environmentally preferred alternative.

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Name: **Outside Organization:**  N/A, N/A

Unaffiliated Individual

Received: **Correspondence Type:**  Oct,31,2011 00:00:00

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Name:

Holland, Fern

Unaffiliated Individual

**Outside Organization:** 

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Ponisciak, Joseph **Outside Organization:** 

Received: **Correspondence Type:** Correspondence:

Unaffiliated Individual Oct,31,2011 00:00:00 Web Form

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N/A, N/A Unaffiliated Individual

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Project: Goin, Lynda O

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**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual Received: Oct,31,2011 16:52:03

**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

As a US citizen who uses and values public land, I oppose turning public lands over to private business. The Drakes Bay Oyster Correspondence:

Company should not be given a renewed permit to do business at Point Reyes National Park

324 33043 43390 Correspondence ID: Project: Document:

Name: N/A, N/A

Unaffiliated Individual **Outside Organization:** Oct,31,2011 00:00:00 Received: **Correspondence Type:** Web Form Correspondence: Sample Letter

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Name: **Outside Organization:** 

butcher, joan r Unaffiliated Individual Received: Oct,31,2011 00:00:00 Web Form

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Name: N/A, N/A

**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual Received: Oct,31,2011 00:00:00

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Mrs R.Baltz

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Name: Outside Organization: Noel, Kaela Unaffiliated Individual Oct,31,2011 17:11:15

Outside Organization: Received:

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I'm a native Californian who takes pride in the unsurpassed beauty of our state. I particularly think that Point Reyes is

unsurpassed, and I have encouraged countless friends and acquaintances to visit on their trips to San Francisco. That such a place of unique beauty may have its protected status rescinded is appalling to me. Please uphold the 1976 Point Reyes

Wilderness act, and select Alternative A.

Correspondence ID: 328 Project: 33043 Document: 43390

Name: Outside Organization:

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Babbitt, Susan M Unaffiliated Individual Oct,31,2011 17:12:22 Web Form

Correspondence Type:

**Correspondence:** I support Alternative A. Thank you for your attention.

Correspondence ID: 329 Project: 33043 Document: 43390

Name:
Outside Organization:

Smith, Heather M Unaffiliated Individual Oct,31,2011 00:00:00

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Name: McDonough, Rebecca

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

Received: Oct,31,2011 00:00:00

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Name: **Outside Organization:** Received:

Unaffiliated Individual Oct,31,2011 00:00:00 Web Form

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Name: **Outside Organization:** Received:

krajewski, philip Unaffiliated Individual Oct,31,2011 18:31:13 Web Form

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Correspondence Type:

i dont need 35,000 characters to say - stay out of point reyes to the oyster people and have the wilderness designation of point Correspondence:

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reyes stay as is as laid out in the 1976 act. STAY OUT 33043

**Correspondence ID:** 333

N/A, N/A Name:

**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual Oct,31,2011 18:50:16 Received:

**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

Correspondence: Do something right for the planet Mr. Salazar and Return Point Reyes to the people and leave our wonderful wildlife alone. This

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is the way it was intended to be. Stop selling us and the animals out.

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Name: **Outside Organization:** Received:

Diamond, Ivan F Unaffiliated Individual Oct,31,2011 19:19:03 Web Form

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I have read most of the documentation concerning the environmental impact of the Drakes Bay Oyster Company (DBOC). I also Correspondence: have a home in Point Reyes, which my family uses 3 days/week all year long.

> Four alternatives have been presented by the US Dept of the Interior. Of these, I support alternative D, the least onerous alternative for the DBOC. In my opinion, the original legislation enables the DBOC to continue operations without encumbrance. Virtually all experienced legislators familiar with DBOC, past and present, agree.

DBOC is an outstanding resource to our community in Point Reyes. We live in Point Reyes because it is an environmental treasure. DBOC has maintained superlative environmentally protective operations. In fact, DBOC is a great resource for the Point Reyes community in providing a valuable local commercial service and in maintaining the environment in the estuary.

I am a physician scientist. I am convinced that the scientific evidence presented against DBOC has been proven to be flawed and

inaccurate and should have no bearing on any decisions about the future of DBOC. I believe that most of my fellow residents in the Point Reves community agree with me.

I and my friends are prepared to express ourselves to members of Congress and the President. We are ready to do what we can personally, financially and legally to ensure the continued presence of DBOC in our neighborhood. I urge you to enable DBOC to remain a viable member of our environmentally blessed community. Ivan Diamond, MD, PhD

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Name: **Outside Organization:** Received:

Hutton, Edyth A Unaffiliated Individual Oct.31,2011 00:00:00 Web Form

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336 Project: Crane, A

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Name: Outside Organization: Received: Jaegers, Martha Unaffiliated Individual Oct,31,2011 00:00:00

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340 Project: ozkan, dogan

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i.h.d. Unaffiliated Individual Oct.31.2011 20:57:09

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Tan, Hiedi Unaffiliated Individual Oct.31.2011 20:59:43

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Project: frigo, dina

Unaffiliated Individual Oct,31,2011 00:00:00

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Sincerely, Dina Frigo

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Project: Lobel, Colleen P

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**Outside Organization:** Received: Correspondence Type:

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Our Public land are for the American People, not private businesses/corporations. Protect Point Reyes and Stop Attacks On America's Wilderness NOW.

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344 **Project:** Miller Jr. Michael H **Document:** 

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**Outside Organization:** Received:

Unaffiliated Individual Oct,31,2011 21:39:23

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Do we have to develop everywhere? Can't we preserve places and then not ruin them by letting development in our National Forest, Parks, Seashores, and wilderness areas? Can't we save these places just to save them for the animals and plants already there? And, for future generations? Isn't this your mission anyway?

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Name: **Outside Organization:**  Frohn, Joyce Unaffiliated Individual Oct,31,2011 21:48:36 Web Form

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I support Alternative A. Allow Point Reyes National Seashore to become a wilderness. Public lands should be for the public not

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Project: Smith, Glenn C

**Outside Organization:** 

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A former resident of the Bay Area, I have been inspired countless times by the Estero and surrounding area. I urge you to not to succumb to special interests seeking to commercialize this special place.

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347 Project: 33043 **Document:** 43390 Clarke Chuck

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348 **Project:** 33043 Duncan, Charles A

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349 **Project:** Montapert, Anthony Unaffiliated Individual

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Unaffiliated Individual Nov,01,2011 02:07:05

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Name: Outside Organization: Received: Rogers, Ruth A Unaffiliated Individual Nov,01,2011 00:00:00 Web Form

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Drakes Estero is the only marine wilderness on the West Coast, and is irreplaceable, while oysters can be grown elsewhere.

As someone who enjoys our spectacular national parks, I urge you to not undermine protections at Drakes Estero and succumb to special interests seeking to commercialize these special places." From Suggested Letter. Sincerely, Ruth Rogers

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Point Reyes National Seashore as wilderness, including 2,500 acres at Drakes Estero, the only marine wilderness on the West Coast. Drakes Estero is a unique, wildlife-rich estuary; providing a crucial resting and foraging area for hundreds of thousands of resident and migrating birds and habitat for unique plant and animals.

Although commercial operations are inconsistent with the Wilderness Act, Congress allowed an existing oyster-growing business in Drakes Estero to stay, with the mandate that it had to cease operations in 2012. Now special interests are pressuring Congress and spending millions of dollars to try to extend the lease and keep the long-promised wilderness protection from taking effect at Point Reyes National Seashore.

If the wilderness status at Drakes Estero is lost, it opens the door for industry to do the same in our wilderness areas and national parks across the country. Our national parks and wilderness areas don't belong to big business. They belong to the American people.

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Name: **Outside Organization:**  Morris, Gregg H T. Gilbert Pesarson Audubon Unaffiliated Individual

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To Whom It May Concern:

Please support immediate wilderness designation for Drakes Estero when the current commercial oyster lease expires next year as called for in the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act. This is a vital and globally significant environmental treasure. National parks should be for the protection of wildlife and the enjoyment of people, not for commercial exploitation. The NPS' environmental analysis clearly shows that Alternative A provides the best protection for natural values. I urge you to support it.

Sincerely,

Gregg Morris, Director T. Gilbert Pearson Audubon Society Guilford County, North Carolina

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Are we not trashing our environment enough, without sacrificing another wilderness area to commercial use? Our national wild lands need to be wild

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Our national parks and wilderness areas don't belong to Drakes Bay Oyster Company or any other big business for profit. These areas belong to the American people.

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Name: **Outside Organization:**  Bailey, Michael Unaffiliated Individual Nov,01,2011 00:00:00

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Murray, John

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Name: **Outside Organization:**  Gray, Sylvia Ř Unaffiliated Individual Nov.01.2011 09:39:05

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I am in favor of ALTERNATIVE A. I wish you would allow the oyster company operating permit to expire. You should finally establish wilderness at Point Reyes National Seashore, as Congress legislated thirty-five years ago. This precious resource

should not be squandered for commercial cause.

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362 Project: Battels, Faith E

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Name: **Outside Organization:** Received:

Unaffiliated Individual Nov,01,2011 00:00:00

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Dear National Parks Service People:

It's time to stop ruining the earth.

Therefore, I support the wilderness designation for Drakes Estero within the Point Reyes National Seashore. I urge the National Park Service and Department of the Interior to uphold the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act and select alternative A, which protects this important marine wilderness and is the environmentally preferred alternative.

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Sincerely, Faith E. Battels

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Name: **Outside Organization:** 

Hodges, Suzanne

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Name: **Outside Organization:**  Battels, HR Unaffiliated Individual Nov.01.2011 00:00:00

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Project: McLamb, Lynette

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I strongly support Alternative A- "no action" which will allow the lease to expire and this magnificent area be returned to wilderness for all of us to enjoy, including the native flora and fauna. The request for a lease extension to allow a private commercial operation to profit on public land at the expense of the environment is selfish on the part on the lease holder and sets a bad precedent for our entire wilderness system.

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**Outside Organization:** 

Cannon, John R

Conservation Science Institute Unaffiliated Individual

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Thank you

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Garrett Thomas Name: **Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual Nov,01,2011 11:22:08 Received:

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I'm in support of keeping the wilderness designation of Drakes Estero in the Point Reyes National Seashore. You already know Correspondence:

ho important this area is to migrating birds and other wild life. Commercial use of this sensitive wildlife refuge must end.

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Nerad, Lindsay R **Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual Received: Nov,01,2011 00:00:00 Web Form

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Regards, Lindsay Nerad

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Herman, Jill Name:

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Correspondence: I agree with the information below taken from the Center for Biological Diversity's website:

http://action.biologicaldiversity.org/p/dia/action/public/?action\_KEY=8557

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Please put wildlife first! It is so important now more than ever!

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Hurst-Waitz, Elizabeth Unaffiliated Individual Nov.01.2011 00:00:00

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Allow the area 10 years to recover and then consider the best use.

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Sincerely, Marinell Danie

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Name: **Outside Organization:**  Guldman, Sandra Unaffiliated Individual Nov.01.2011 12:03:09

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Please adopt the No-action Alternative, which would maintain the the 1976 terms for ending commercial oyster-growing operations when the permit expires in 2012. This area should be wilderness, as intended by Congress. The attempt by supporters of Drakes Bay Oyster Company to rewrite history is misguided and should be rejected. There are other places to grow oysters; there is only one Drakes Estero.

Drakes Estero shelters one-fifth of the mainland breeding population of harbor seals in California. Furthermore, its wetlands, mudflats and eelgrass beds are home to numerous shorebirds, waterfowl, native fish and endangered species. The impacts of commercial oyster operations should be ended.

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Name:

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**Outside Organization:** 

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Alternative A only. Leave nature alone!

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378 Project: 33043

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Name:

barber, mary s

**Outside Organization:** Received:

Unaffiliated Individual Nov,01,2011 12:09:31

**Correspondence Type:** 

Correspondence:

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Please keep the Point Reyes National Seashore the pristine treasure it is now and out of the hands of commercial fishing

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Correspondence ID: Name:

379 Project: Samp, Cecelia

43390 **Document:** 

**Outside Organization:** Received:

Unaffiliated Individual Nov,01,2011 00:00:00

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Name:

Kieffer, Ramsay C

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National Parks Unaffiliated Individual

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**Correspondence ID:** 382 Project: 33043 **Document:** 43390

Name: Fiske, Robert

**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual Received: Nov,01,2011 12:59:29

Correspondence Type: Web Form

Correspondence: Please protect Drakes Estero within the Point Reyes National Seashore from ALL attempts to use it for commercial purposes

(such as oyster farming).

Thank you,

Robert Fiske, Ph.D.

**Correspondence ID:** 

383 Project: 33043 **Document:** 43390

Name:

Levitan, Lauren **Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual Nov,01,2011 00:00:00 Received: Web Form

Correspondence Type: **Correspondence:** 

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Unaffiliated Individual

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Name: Weber, Nicole

**Outside Organization:** Care2 Unaffiliated Individual Nov 01 2011 00:00:00 Received:

**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

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Good day. I am in favor of ALTERNATIVE A, allowing the oyster company operating permit to expire and finally establishing wilderness at Point Reyes National Seashore, as Congress legislated thirty-five years ago. Thank you for your consideration.

**Correspondence ID:** 386 Project: 33043 **Document:** 43390

Name: Gates, Cecelia

Mt. Shasta Rising Spirit Unaffiliated Individual **Outside Organization:** 

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Correspondence Type: Web Form

HANDS OFF OUR NATURAL BEAUTY!!! Correspondence:

33043 43390 Correspondence ID: 387 Project: Document:

Name: Cero Wood, Ericka **Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual Nov,01,2011 00:00:00 Received: Web Form

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Devine, Patricia Name: **Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual Nov 01 2011 00:00:00 Received:

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Name: N/A, N/A

**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual Received: Nov,01,2011 00:00:00

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Name: **Outside Organization:** Received:

Gardner, Brandi Unaffiliated Individual Nov,01,2011 00:00:00

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33043 Correspondence ID: 392 Project: Document:

Name:

Vaughn, Jason

National Parks Conservation Association Unaffiliated Individual

**Outside Organization:** Received:

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**Correspondence Type:** Correspondence:

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393 Project: 33043 **Document:**  43390

Name: **Outside Organization:**  Hodapp, Natalie

National Parks Conservation Association Unaffiliated Individual

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Project: Co, Anna Maria V

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Project: 33043 Tacker, Barbara J

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Name: **Outside Organization:** 

Center for Biological Diversity Unaffiliated Individual

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Project: 33043 **Document:** 43390 Valencia, Suzanne

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Sierra Club Unaffiliated Individual Nov,01,2011 00:00:00

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Project: Stansfield, Lesley a 33043 **Document:** 

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center for biological diversity Unaffiliated Individual

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400 Project: Weber, Nicole

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Correspondence ID:

401 Project: 33043 **Document:** 43390

Name:

Thornton, Rosemary L

**Outside Organization:** Received:

Wachiska Audubon Society Unaffiliated Individual Nov.01.2011 00:00:00

**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

Correspondence:

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Please save this area for people on our planet who value wildlife and wild places. Yours truly, Rosemary L. Thornton

**Correspondence ID:** 

33043 43390 Project: **Document:** 

Name:

Jensen, Margaret

**Outside Organization:** Received:

National Parks Conservation Association Unaffiliated Individual Nov,01,2011 00:00:00

Correspondence Type:

Correspondence:

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403 Project: 33043 **Document:** 43390

Name: **Outside Organization:**  Albin, Pam

National Parks Conservation Association Unaffiliated Individual

Received:

Nov,01,2011 00:00:00

**Correspondence Type:** 

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I have been lucky to enjoy Point Reyes and Drakes Estero when I lived in California and now visit it whenever I can. I hope the marine life can do the same without commercial oyster farming in the same area.

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Project: Attaway, Sherry

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National Parks Conservation Association Unaffiliated Individual

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This is a no brainer. We either 1) have something left of this planet to let our future generations enjoy, or 2) we remove any hope for them in steps taken without thought to anything except exploitation. Beware, you will have to live with your actions, but not only yourself, everyone in the generations to come will suffer long after you're gone.

Make it a legacy of hope and chance for those not yet on this planet. Do the right thing, because in my book and a great many others....it's the only choice available.

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405 Project: 33043

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Name:

Gafney, Patricia Unaffiliated Individual

**Outside Organization:** Received:

Nov,01,2011 00:00:00 Web Form

Correspondence Type:

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Thank You, Patricia Gafney

Correspondence ID: Name:

406 Project: N/A, Liz

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**Outside Organization:** Received:

Unaffiliated Individual Nov,01,2011 19:22:48

Correspondence Type: Web Form Correspondence:

Please designate this part of the California coast as Federally Protected Wilderness. It is so beautiful, so rich is diverse species and what California is all about: a state with stunning scenery, an abundance of natural wealth and dedicated citizens who long to preserve the wildnerness while we still can.

Thank you.

Correspondence ID:

407 Project: Molinari, Victoria

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Name: **Outside Organization:** Received:

Unaffiliated Individual Nov,01,2011 20:30:58 Web Form

**Correspondence Type:** 

Correspondence:

"The sun, the moon and the stars would have disappeared long ago... had they happened to be within the reach of predatory

human hands."-Henry Havelock Ellis

please protect this beautiful wilderness. it is more valuable this this companies money.

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**Correspondence ID:** 

Name:

Vinton, Joanne M

Project: 33043

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**Outside Organization:** Received:

Unaffiliated Individual Nov,01,2011 20:48:33

**Correspondence Type:** Web Form I visited Point Reyes last year on a birding trip and saw the Drakes Bay Oyster Company site. What an ugly place. Should not be

Correspondence:

allowed in a National Park. I support letting the SUP expire. 33043

**Correspondence ID:** 

Name:

409 N/A, N/A

Unaffiliated Individual Nov,01,2011 00:00:00

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**Outside Organization:** Received: **Correspondence Type:** 

Web Form

Correspondence:

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410 **Project:** N/A, N/A

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**Correspondence ID:** 411 Project: 33043 **Document:** 43390

JABER, JOE J Name:

**Outside Organization:** N/A Unaffiliated Individual Nov,01,2011 21:33:26 Received:

**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

**Correspondence:** I strongly believe that the lease for Drake's oyster farm should be extended past November 2012. This is sustainable use of parkland that should be encouraged. I believe they are good stewards of the water and land, how else can they grow their

oysters. I have visted the area many times, and find the farm to have a reasonable footprint. The Nature Conservancy often promotes dual sustainable use of an area, I don't know what their stand on this matter is, but I think the oyster farm should stay.

Local food:)

**Correspondence ID:** 412 **Project:** 33043 Document: 43390

Packard, Nancy Name:

Unaffiliated Individual **Outside Organization:** Received: Nov,01,2011 21:49:39

**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

Please protect wildlife and protect people by supporting 'wilderness' designation at Point Reyes National Seashore when the **Correspondence:** 

Drakes Bay Oyster Company permit expires. Take courage to be a conservationist. Thank you.

**Correspondence ID:** 413 Project: **Document:** 43390

Groneznack Amy E Name: **Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual Nov,01,2011 00:00:00 Received:

Correspondence Type: Web Form

I support the wilderness designation for Drakes Estero within the Point Reyes National Seashore. I urge the National Park Correspondence: Service and Department of the Interior to uphold the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act and select alternative A, which protects

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Sincerely, Amy Groncznack Novato, CA

Correspondence ID: Project: 33043 **Document:** 43390

Name: Chersky, Suzy **Outside Organization:** 

National Parks Conservation Association Unaffiliated Individual

Nov,01,2011 00:00:00 Received:

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**Correspondence ID:** 415 Project: 33043 43390 Document:

Name: Stelling, Morton A **Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual Received: Nov,01,2011 00:00:00

Correspondence Type: Web Form

Correspondence: I support the wilderness designation for Drakes Estero within the Point Reyes National Seashore. I urge the National Park Service and Department of the Interior to uphold the 1976 Point Reves Wilderness Act and select alternative A, which protects

this important marine wilderness and is the environmentally preferred alternative.

I support preserving natural areas for wildlife because it is essential to the existence of human life. There must be balance if

humans are to avoid living in a wasteland.

Correspondence ID: 416 **Project:** 33043 Document: 43390

Name: delson, dave

**Outside Organization:** move on .org .com Unaffiliated Individual

Received: Nov,01,2011 22:23:07 **Correspondence Type:** Web Form

Correspondence: please preserve the environ ment

Correspondence ID: 417 33043 43390 **Project: Document:** 

Name: Harris, Roger D **Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual Nov,01,2011 23:26:50 Received:

**Correspondence Type:** Web Form Correspondence: Dear NPS:

> Thank you for preparing the DEIS. I would like to urge the NPS to adopt Alternative A, ending commercial activity in Drake's Estero in a year and establishing wildness status there according the the park's plan.

> I am a Certified Wildlife Biologist with 30 years of professional experience in Marin County as a consulting biologist. I have a M.S. from U.C. Berkeley in Wildlands Resource Science and have studied the Drakes Estero situation for a number of years. I have visited the site on a number of occasions over the years.

There is no scientific doubt that the commercial operation on the estero is incompatible with wilderness status and that it is harmful to the environment. This is well documented in the DEIS, which finds that Alternative A is the environmentally least impacting alternative.

We have an abundance of commercial operations for profit, including oyster farms in California. But we have only one pristine estero in the entire state. It is a treasure too important to our generation and to future generations to squander.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the DEIS.

Sincerely, Roger D. Harris

**Correspondence ID:** 418 Project: 33043 Document: 43390

N/A, N/A Name: **Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual

Nov,02,2011 00:00:00 Received: **Correspondence Type:** Web Form

Correspondence:

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**Correspondence ID:** 

419 Project: Stuber, Bonny

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Name: **Outside Organization:** 

National Parks Conservation Association Unaffiliated Individual

Received: Nov.02.2011 00:00:00

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420 Project: Quinones, Maria

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National Parks Conservation Association Unaffiliated Individual

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**Outside Organization:** Received:

Falzgraf, Nelli Unaffiliated Individual Nov,02,2011 00:00:00

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Thank you, Nelli Falzgraf, Bellevue NE 68005

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422 **Project:** 33043 **Document:** 43390

Name: Outside Organization: Received: Redman, Kate Unaffiliated Individual Nov,02,2011 00:00:00 Web Form

Correspondence Type: Correspondence:

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Regards,

**Correspondence ID:** 

423 **Project:** 33043 **Document:** 43390

Name:

Potter, Dave G

Outside Organization: p

private citizen Unaffiliated Individual Nov,02,2011 08:14:17

Correspondence Type:

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I support the wilderness area [Drakes Estero] at Point Reyes National Seashore. I think commercial uses of our public lands such as the private oyster farming needs to be closed out, ended, as quickly as possible. I think profits for a few individuals should certainly not take priority over maintaining this area for wild plants and animals for the enjoyment/satisfaction of many, many Americans. Please, please take alterative A to keep wilderness designation and end commercial oyster farming. The vast

majority of America is commercially developed and degraded. Please do not let it continue at Drakes Estero!

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Correspondence ID: Name:

424 **Project:** 33043 **Document:** Rheingruber, Carlye Unaffiliated Individual

Outside Organization: Received:

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425 **Project:**  33043 **Document:**  43390

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**Outside Organization:** Received: **Correspondence Type:** 

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Unaffiliated Individual Nov,02,2011 00:00:00

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**Correspondence ID:** 

426 Project: Plourde, Carole

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National Parks Conservation Association Unaffiliated Individual

Nov,02,2011 00:00:00

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**Outside Organization:** 

Thornton, William C Sierra Club Unaffiliated Individual

Received: **Correspondence Type:**  Nov,02,2011 00:00:00

Correspondence:

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First Name\* William Last Name\* Thornton Email\* cactusworld@msn.com Street\* 2955 E. Chula Vista Dr. City\* Tucson, State/Province\* AZ

Correspondence ID: 428 Project: 33043 **Document:** 43390

Name: Meints, Edith A

**Outside Organization:** Audubon Unaffiliated Individual

Received: Nov.02.2011 00:00:00

Correspondence Type: Web Form

Correspondence: I visited Point Reyes years ago and was stunned by its beauty and uniqueness.

> Please keep the Wilderness designation for Drakes Estro with the Point Reyes National Seashore. I urge the National Park Service and Department of the Interior to uphold the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act and select alternative A, which protects this important marine wilderness and is the environmentally preferred alternative.

As a grandmother I want this beautiful area to be preserved for all future citizens.

Thank you. Edith Meints

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Name: White, Kaiba

**Outside Organization:** Center for Bilological Diversity Unaffiliated Individual

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**Correspondence ID:** 430 Project: 33043 **Document:** 43390

Lien, Kevin Name:

**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual Received: Nov,02,2011 10:25:59

**Correspondence Type:** 

**Correspondence:** I am in support of "Option A" - keep the existing agreement as it is. This is the best for the protection of this unique and valuable estuarine environment and for the ecosystem services that it represents.

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church, cassandra Name:

**Outside Organization:** 

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Unaffiliated Individual Nov,02,2011 10:27:00

**Correspondence Type:** Correspondence:

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I am writing because I beleive that the Point Reyes National Seashore is an interdependent habitat for many, many species that must maintain the wilderness designation. Drakes Estero is a jewel in the California coastline, that provides habitat to so many species & the wilderness designation must not be sacrificed for commercial exploitation. I support upholding the 1976 Pt. Reyes Wilderness Act & select Alternative A, which protects this marine wilderness. Alt. A is the preferred environmental plan that is the most consistent with National Park Service Law & policies. All commercial use of the refuge must End as it was written in law. As an American citizen I demand that my parks are protected from exploitation by commercial greed. My voice is for the animals & the habitat. Pt. Reyes Natl. Seashore represents the interconnectedness of nature, & humans must learn to respect all species deserve habitat & protection on planet earth, or we endanger ourselves alo in the near future. Thank you for my citizens comments to be reviewed. cassandra church

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**Outside Organization:** Received:

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The original agreement with Drakes Bay Oyster Company stated that it would be allowed to operate until 2012. The fact that another owner purchased the company in 2005 does not mean it can extend its activities past that date. The time is up.

This is a wilderness area, and although a limited exception was made for the original Drakes Bay Oyster Company, the Point Reyes National Seashore should now revert to its national park status over the full 71,000 acres. This is public land, and the government does not have the right to turn it over to private use. It is entrusted to preserve and protect, rejecting the pressure from business and political interests.

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Name:

Weber, Andrea

**Outside Organization:** Received:

Unaffiliated Individual Nov,02,2011 00:00:00

Correspondence Type: Web Form

Correspondence:

To Whom It May Concern:

As someone who has enjoyed Pt Reyes for the past 40 years, I support the wilderness designation for Drakes Estero within the Point Reyes National Seashore. I urge the National Park Service and Department of the Interior to uphold the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act and select alternative A, which protects this important marine wilderness and is the environmentally preferred alternative.

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Sincerely,

Andrea Weber El Sobrante, CA

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Name: **Outside Organization:**  Stoddard, Amy Unaffiliated Individual Nov.02.2011 00:00:00

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Name: Miller, Carol L

Virginia Wilderness Committee Unaffiliated Individual

Outside Organization: Virginia Wilderness C Received: Nov,02,2011 11:01:45

Correspondence Type: Web Form

**Correspondence:** Please adopt Alternative A, the No Action Alternative.

The EIS and the facts on the ground clearly lay out the ecological reasons to allow this area to return to the wild. Wilderness will not only protect the breeding grounds for the harbor seals, but will protect the wetlands and mudgrass where numerous shorebirds, water fowl, native fish, and endangered species have their homes.

Not respecting the 1976 Congressional commitment would be a direct attack on the Wilderness Act of 1964, and would set a dangerous precedent for future commercialization of National Parks and Wilderness around the country.

The Drakes Bay Oyster Company can go elsewhere to raise oysters. I ask you to please take the only responsible action: no action at all.

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Name: Keefer, Tiffany

Outside Organization: National Parks Conservation Association Unaffiliated Individual

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Name: Boyce, Robert

Outside Organization: Unaffiliated Individual Received: Nov,02,2011 00:00:00

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Name: Adams, Keith S
Outside Organization: Unaffiliated Individual
Received: Nov,02,2011 12:49:18

Correspondence Type: Web Form

Correspondence: Having read a brief history of the Point Reyes National Seashore and Drakes Estero, I support Alternative A, No New Special

Use Permit? Conversion to Wilderness (No-action), which would see the area returned to true wilderness, as intended by the

origianl legislation 35 years ago.

**Correspondence ID:** 439 **Project:** 33043 **Document:** 43390 **Name:** Knoll, Lindsay

Outside Organization: National Parks Conservation Association Unaffiliated Individual

**Received:** Nov,02,2011 00:00:00

**Correspondence:** Web Form Correspondence: I have person

I have personally visited Point Reyes and I was awed by the many whales swimming so close to the shore. I've never had the opportunity to see these amazing animals up close and it as a beautiful experience. I urge the National Park Service to protect Drakes Estero wilderness next year, as long intended. It is in the public interest to create the West Coast's only marine wilderness for the enjoyment of all. Drakes Estero is a rare wildlife refuge where migrating birds stop over, harbor seals give birth, and fish spawn. As someone who enjoys our nation's spectacular national parks and their wildlife, I urge you to not undermine protections at Drakes Estero and succumb to special interests seeking to commercialize these special places.

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Name: Edmundson, Jacqueline
Outside Organization: Unaffiliated Individual
Received: Nov.02.2011 00:00:00

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Correspondence: Please uphold the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act and select alternative A, which protects this important marine wilderness

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Name: **Outside Organization:**  Cowin Carvn L Unaffiliated Individual Nov,02,2011 00:00:00 Web Form

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442 Project: Trufan, Hal

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Unaffiliated Individual Nov,02,2011 00:00:00

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Audubon Unaffiliated Individual Nov,02,2011 00:00:00

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**Outside Organization:** 

Maslowski, Linda Unaffiliated Individual Nov.02.2011 15:28:53

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Correspondence:

I visited Pt. Reyes and the Drakes Estero this summer. It is a beautiful preserve and should remain as is. The small oyster farm was interesting, and seemed non-intrusive, but to allow a large commercial operator to expand and take over the estero would be horrible. Keep the area pristine and allow people to enjoy it without all the side-effects that large business operations bring with them.

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Name: **Outside Organization:** 

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Couch, Sandra L. Unaffiliated Individual Nov,02,2011 15:50:23

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Please protect Point Reyes National Seashore in California from any more Oyster Bay effects. No more interference from anyone or anything should be allowed in this area.

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446 Project: 33043 **Document:** 

Name: **Outside Organization:**  KNOLL, HOLLY

National Parks Conservation Association Unaffiliated Individual

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Jean, Carole G Name:

Center for Biological Diversity Unaffiliated Individual

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Name: Outside Organization: Received: Taylor, Imogen Unaffiliated Individual Nov,02,2011 00:00:00

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Neumeier, Gloria Name: Unaffiliated Individual **Outside Organization:** Received: Nov.02.2011 17:45:21

**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

I am in favor of Alternative A. I believe the whole issue of the oyster farm is over blown. The original idea of the park was for Correspondence: wilderness, non-commercial use. If we have an oyster farm, why not a fish selling shop or tour busses? Gloria Neumeier

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**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual Received: Nov,02,2011 00:00:00

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Brunetto, Monica M Outside Organization: Unaffiliated Individual Received: Nov,02,2011 00:00:00

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N/A, N/A Name:

Unaffiliated Individual **Outside Organization:** Nov,02,2011 18:31:56 Received:

**Correspondence Type:** 

Although I have enjoyed oysters from the Pt. Reyes National Seashore since before it was a National Seashore, I am concerned Correspondence: about the precedent that would be set if the oyster farm is allowed to maintain operations after an agreement was made to turn over the property to the National Park Service. While I emphatically support local businesses, I see no reason that the original

contract should not be honored. There are other oyster farms in our region, & they can certainly supply this product sufficiently. Please don't open the door allowing private businesses to renege on their agreements with the American people.

Correspondence ID: 454 Project: 33043 **Document:** 43390

Rigby, Cheryl V Name: **Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual Nov,02,2011 00:00:00 Received: Correspondence Type: Web Form

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Name: Schmale, Peter C **Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual Received: Nov.02.2011 18:52:45

**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

The Park Service must non-renew the commercial oyster operation at Drakes Estero Point Reyes National Seashore when the Correspondence: current permit expires. It is a designated wilderness area and should stay that way. It is a bad precedent to allow commercial

operations in pristine areas like this. I love oysters but Tomales Bay has plenty

**Correspondence ID:** 456 Project: 33043 **Document:** 43390

Name: Goodman, Margaret

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

Nov,02,2011 00:00:00 Received: Web Form **Correspondence Type:** 

Protected estuaries are essential to the health of our oceans and land. Correspondence:

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Name: Lininger, Jay **Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual Received: Nov,02,2011 00:00:00 **Correspondence Type:** Web Form

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Sincerely,

Jay Lininger

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Name: NA

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Name: Outside Organization: Received: Worley, Steven Unaffiliated Individual Nov,02,2011 00:00:00 Web Form

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Name:

Kuchera, Steve

Outside Organization:

National Parks Conservation Association Unaffiliated Individual

Nov,02,2011 00:00:00

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I am in favor of ALTERNATIVE A, allowing the oyster company operating permit to expire and finally establishing wilderness at Point Reyes National Seashore, as Congress legislated thirty-five years ago. I oppose a 10-year extension of the Drakes Bay Oyster Company's operating permit in the national park.

Correspondence ID: 463 Project: 33043 Document: 43390

Name: Biwer, Yseult

Outside Organization: National Parks Conservation Association Unaffiliated Individual

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Outside Organization: Received:

Correspondence Type: Correspondence: Shepherd, Marion Unaffiliated Individual Nov,03,2011 00:00:00 Web Form

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Name: Overton, Steve Outside Organization: Unaffiliated Individual Received: Nov,03,2011 00:00:00

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National Parks Conservation Association Unaffiliated Individual

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D'Cruz, Anna-Maria Name: **Outside Organization:** None Unaffiliated Individual Nov,03,2011 00:00:00 Received:

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National Parks Conservation Association Unaffiliated Individual

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I have read and strongly agree with the following. Nothing about this is sustainable. The time passed long ago, where we need to rethink out entire, corporate run economic system. We are quickly driving ourselves off of a cliff like a bunch of lemmings.

Remember, the only creatures that have continued to thrive on earth, are those that found a niche, giving back equal to what they have taken. We are so far from this balance that it is sure annihilation for a our entire species in the not so far future, and we are, have been and will take many others along with us in this rat rate to the end.

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480 Project: Cloud, Michael Unaffiliated Individual

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**Project:** Riley, Jennie

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Name: Eisenberg, Bart
Outside Organization: Unaffiliated Individual
Received: Nov,03,2011 12:36:29
Correspondence Type: Web Form

Correspondence: As the DEIR makes clear, the oyster company's continued operation would have long-term major adverse impacts on the natural

soundscape and wilderness. Those two factors alone make DBOC incompatible with a national seashore in general, and the

Point Reyes Wilderness Act in particular. I therefore urge the adoption of Alternative A.

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Name: Priebe, Matthew T
Outside Organization: Unaffiliated Individual
Received: Nov,03,2011 13:06:59

Correspondence Type: Web Form

Correspondence: I am a resident of California and have visited Point Reyes many times. I want the NPS to finally enforce the wilderness act

properly and prohibit commercial developement in the "protected" areas of the park. Please let the oyster desruction end so that the natural ecosystem can recover properly. Alternative A needs to be chosen so that industry does not have a foothold and precedent to invade other wilderness areas of America. Just because the area is water rather than land does not mean that it

should be exploited. Thank you very much.

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Name: Massoni, Gina
Outside Organization: Unaffiliated Individual
Received: Nov,03,2011 00:00:00

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Name: Newman, Roberta E. E

**Outside Organization:** 

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Name:

Newell, Daniel

**Outside Organization:** 

National Parks Conservation Association Unaffiliated Individual

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487 Project: Crocker Deb

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National Parks Conservation Association Unaffiliated Individual

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Thomas, Maghon R

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491 **Project:** 

hegeman, elizabeth

**Outside Organization:** 

city university of ny Unaffiliated Individual

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Shofstall, Stephen R Unaffiliated Individual Nov.03.2011 00:00:00

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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

I wholeheartedly support the wilderness designation for Drakes Estero within the Point Reyes National Seashore. I strongly urge the National Park Service and Department of the Interior to uphold the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act and select Alternative "A", which protects this important marine wilderness and is the environmentally preferred alternative.

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As an annual pass holder who enjoys our spectacular national parks, I urge you to not undermine protections at Drakes Estero and succumb to special interests seeking to commercialize these special places.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Stephen R. Shofstall

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Name: Outside Organization: Received: Getter, Camile A Unaffiliated Individual Nov,03,2011 00:00:00 Web Form

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Thank you for your time, Camile Getter

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Silverstone, Andrew

Outside Organization: Received:

Animal Care Clinic of Holland Road Unaffiliated Individual

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Matsumoto, Sarah

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I am writing to urge the National Park Service to protect Drakes Estero wilderness next year as long intended. The American public deserves to have the West Coast's only marine wilderness protected for future generations to enjoy. Drakes Estero is a rare wildlife refuge where migrating birds stop over, harbor seals give birth, and fish spawn, and it deserves the highest level of protection as Congress long-intended. As someone who enjoys our nation's spectacular national parks, I urge you to not undermine protections at Drakes Estero and succumb to special interests seeking to commercialize these special places.

I urge the National Park Service and the Department of the Interior to select alternative "A", which protects marine wilderness and is the environmentally preferred alternative. The NPS is mandated to provide maximum protection to the natural resources, as stated in the Seashore's legislation, and selecting this alternative is the most consistent with the laws and policies affecting this park. Our national parks are for the people and wildlife protection, not commercial exploitation. The environmental review shows that alternative "A" best protects harbor seals, fish, birds and other wildlife and plants. Drakes Estero is our only marine

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National Parks and wilderness areas are treasured by the majority of Americans and are for the public interest, not for private commercial exploitation. By protecting wilderness, the National Park Service will set a positive policy example while commercializing it will set a negative example and help others seek their special exemptions from national park laws.

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McDonough, Brad Name: **Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual Received: Nov.03.2011 16:14:34

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I support Alternative A, which would let the permit for oyster growing expire. This would benefit the wildlife of this area which Correspondence:

is very important.

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In 1976, in recognition of its environmental significance, Congress committed that Drakes Estero within the Point Reves National Seashore would have full wilderness protection in 2012, when an existing commercial oyster farm use permit expires. Drakes Estero shelters twenty percent of the mainland breeding population of harbor seals in California, and its wetlands, mudflats and eelgrass beds are home to numerous shorebirds, waterfowl, native fish and endangered species. Drakes Bay Oyster Company purchased the remaining 7 years on a 40-year non-renewable permit in 2005.

Since then, they have lobbied aggressively to overturn the wilderness designation, with backing from interests which would like to commercialize our national parks.

The National Park Service recently released a draft Environmental Impact Statement with the best available science on the oyster operation impacts.

It is clear allowing the private, commercial oyster operation to exploit Drakes Estero for ten more years would have numerous adverse impacts on eelgrass habitat, native fish, harbor seals, resident and migratory birds, endangered species, wilderness values and the National Park experience. The commercial oyster operations involve 3700 disruptive and noisy motorboat trips per year through harbor seal and eelgrass habitat, promote the spread of invasive species and litter remote beaches with thousands of pieces of plastic trash.

There are more appropriate places to grow oysters. It is time to return Drakes Estero to all Americans as marine wilderness, as Congress intended.

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Joos, Sandra

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Avila, Ron **Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual Received: Nov,03,2011 00:00:00 Web Form

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Name: Outside Organization: godfrey, laura Split Rail Vineyard Unaffiliated Individual

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Szendrey, Jennifer J

**Outside Organization:** Received:

Citizen Against Businesses Interests Ruining Our Environment Unaffiliated Individual Nov,03,2011 00:00:00

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33043 **Document:** Project: Dello Buono, Carmen J

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Hicks, Janet M The Bumper Foundation Unaffiliated Individual **Outside Organization:** 

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Name: Marquez, Dominique Outside Organization: Unaffiliated Individual Received: Nov,04,2011 00:00:00

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Marie, Dawn Unaffiliated Individual Nov,04,2011 00:00:00

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It is clear allowing the private, commercial oyster operation to exploit Drakes Estero for ten more years would have numerous adverse impacts on eelgrass habitat, native fish, harbor seals, resident and migratory birds, endangered species, wilderness values and the National Park experience. The commercial oyster operations involve 3700 disruptive and noisy motorboat trips per year through harbor seal and eelgrass habitat, promote the spread of invasive species and litter remote beaches with thousands of pieces of plastic trash.

There are more appropriate places to grow oysters. It is time to return Drakes Estero to all Americans as marine wilderness, as Congress intended.

**Correspondence ID:** 549 Project: 33043 **Document:** 43390

Name: Petrolati, Patrizia Outside Organization: Unaffiliated Individual Received: Nov,04,2011 00:00:00 **Correspondence Type:** 

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Project: 33043 **Document:** 43390 Petrolati Alberto

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Name: **Outside Organization:**  Campbell, Karen

National Parks Conservation Association Unaffiliated Individual

Received: **Correspondence Type:**  Nov,04,2011 00:00:00 Web Form

Correspondence:

I urge the National Park Service to protect Drakes Estero wilderness next year, as long intended. It is in the public interest to create the West Coast's only marine wilderness for the enjoyment of all. Drakes Estero is a rare wildlife refuge where migrating birds stop over, harbor seals give birth, and fish spawn. As someone who enjoys our nation's spectacular national parks and their wildlife, I urge you to not undermine protections at Drakes Estero and succumb to special interests seeking to commercialize these special places.

I urge Secretary Salazar to select alternative "A", which protects marine wilderness next year and is the Environmentally Preferred Alternative. The NPS is mandated to provide maximum protection to the natural resources, as stated in the Seashore's legislation, and selecting this alternative is the most consistent with the laws and policies affecting this park. Our national parks are set aside for the public and for wildlife protection, not commercial exploitation. The environmental review shows that alternative "A" best protects harbor seals, fish, birds and other wildlife and plants. Drakes Estero is our only marine wilderness on the West Coast, and is irreplaceable, while oysters can be commercially grown elsewhere.

By protecting wilderness, the National Park Service will set a positive policy example while commercializing it will set a negative example and help other commercial interests seek special exemptions from national park laws.

**Correspondence ID:** 553 Project: 33043 **Document:** 43390

Name:

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**Outside Organization:** 

Unaffiliated Individual Nov,04,2011 05:50:50

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33043 **Document:** 43390 Project:

Name:

Stockdale Wolfe, Ellen S

**Outside Organization:** 

Center for Biological Diversity Unaffiliated Individual Nov.04.2011 07:19:41

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Sincerely, Mrs. Thomas Wolfe

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Name: St Outside Organization: Use Received: No

Stainton, Matthew H Unaffiliated Individual Nov,04,2011 08:36:27

Correspondence Type: Web Form

**Correspondence:** To whom it is of concern,

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Correspondence ID: 556 Project: 33043 Document: 43390

Name: Wesley, F. Robert
Outside Organization: Unaffiliated Individual
Received: Nov,04,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: Web Form

Correspondence: I favor Alternative A, allowing the oyster company operating permit to expire and finally establishing wilderness at Point Reyes

National Seashore, as Congress legislated thirty-five years ago. Thank you for your consideration.

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Name: Clark, Loralee
Outside Organization: Unaffiliated Individual
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Scott, Belinda J Unaffiliated Individual Nov,04,2011 08:52:48

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Name: **Outside Organization:** 

Project: Cordero, Ann K Unaffiliated Individual

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I support protection of Drakes Estero as marine wilderness through the environmentally preferred Alternative A (no action alternative). Maintaining the natural ecosystem of this area is appropriate in a national seashore. Rather than continuing the commercial use of this area, other areas should be found for growing oysters.

Correspondence ID:

560 Project: Nute, Edward

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**Outside Organization:** 

Marin Audubon Society Unaffiliated Individual

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PL 94-567 established Drakes Bay as a wilderness after November 2012. This is the law and I am opposed to continuation of the Oyster Company lease beyond that point. A wilderness means no development and no commercial activity.

Drakes Bay is a precious resource and the commercial oyster operation is counter to the wilderness designation. We have very little wilderness left in the US and every little bit we can get should be honored.

Edward Nute

Correspondence ID:

Name: **Outside Organization:** Received: Correspondence Type: 561 Project: Forbes William Unaffiliated Individual Nov,04,2011 10:35:43

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Project: Irwin, John J

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Name: **Outside Organization:** 

U S Citizen Unaffiliated Individual

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John J. Irwin

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563 **Project:**  33043 **Document:** 

Name: **Outside Organization:** 

McNeal, Jacob A

Salmon Films Unaffiliated Individual

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Chalfa, Matt Unaffiliated Individual Nov,04,2011 11:28:37

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Valera, Vanessa A Unaffiliated Individual

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I urge the National Park Service and the Department of the Interior to select alternative "A", which protects marine wilderness and is the environmentally preferred alternative. The NPS is mandated to provide maximum protection to the natural resources, as stated in the Seashore's legislation, and selecting this alternative is the most consistent with the laws and policies affecting this park. Our national parks are for the people and wildlife protection, not commercial exploitation. The environmental review shows that alternative "A" best protects harbor seals, fish, birds and other wildlife and plants. Drakes Estero is our only marine wilderness on the West Coast, and its irreplaceable, while oysters can be grown elsewhere

National Parks and wilderness areas are treasured by the majority of Americans and are for the public interest, not for private commercial exploitation. By protecting wilderness, the National Park Service will set a positive policy example while commercializing it will set a negative example and help others seek their special exemptions from national park laws.

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Barnes, Robyn Unaffiliated Individual Nov,04,2011 12:38:59

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**Outside Organization:** Center for Bio-Diversity Unaffiliated Individual

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570 Project: Triggs, Lori L

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In 1976, in recognition of its environmental significance, Congress committed that Drakes Estero within the Point Reyes National Seashore would have full wilderness protection in 2012, when an existing commercial oyster farm use permit expires. Drakes Estero shelters twenty percent of the mainland breeding population of harbor seals in California, and its wetlands, mudflats and eelgrass beds are home to numerous shorebirds, waterfowl, native fish and endangered species. Drakes Bay Oyster Company purchased the remaining 7 years on a 40-year non-renewable permit in 2005.

Since then, they have lobbied aggressively to overturn the wilderness designation, with backing from interests which would like to commercialize our national parks.

The National Park Service recently released a draft Environmental Impact Statement with the best available science on the ovster operation impacts.

It is clear allowing the private, commercial oyster operation to exploit Drakes Estero for ten more years would have numerous adverse impacts on eelgrass habitat, native fish, harbor seals, resident and migratory birds, endangered species, wilderness values and the National Park experience. The commercial oyster operations involve 3700 disruptive and noisy motorboat trips per year through harbor seal and eelgrass habitat, promote the spread of invasive species and litter remote beaches with thousands of pieces of plastic trash.

There are more appropriate places to grow oysters. It is time to return Drakes Estero to all Americans as marine wilderness, as Congress intended.

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571 Project: 33043 43390 Document: Moore, Tasha M

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Center for Biological Diversity Unaffiliated Individual

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572 Project: 33043 **Document:** 

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575 33043 43390 **Document:** Project: Ambriz, Jacqueline

**Outside Organization:** Received:

Center for Biological Diversity Unaffiliated Individual

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Name: N/A, N/A

**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual Received: Nov,04,2011 00:00:00

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Dear Sir or Madam, Please consider these comments regarding wilderness designation for Drakes Estero, in the Point Reyes National Seashore.

I urge the National Park Service and Department of the Interior to uphold the 1976 Point Reves Wilderness Act and select alternative A. Alternative A protects this important marine wilderness and is the environmentally preferred alternative. The Park Service's environmental review shows that alternative "A" best protects wildlife and the National Park experience.

Congress committed that Drakes Estero would have full wilderness protection in 2012, when the permit for Drakes Bay Oyster Company expires. The commercial oyster operations involve 3700 motorboat trips per year through wetlands and harbor seal habitat, spreads invasive species and litters remote beaches with thousands of pieces of plastic trash.

Twenty percent of the mainland breeding population of harbor seals in California live there. Irreplaceable wetlands, mudflats and eelgrass beds are home to numerous shorebirds, waterfowl, native fish and endangered species.

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I've been to spectacular Point Reyes. All of it deserves protection.

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Thank you for your kind attention.

Sincerely, Cynthia Patterson

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Geerlings, Sonia Unaffiliated Individual

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I believe it would be a tragedy for business interests to encroach on Drakes Estero. As the only marine wilderness on the West Coast, it should be preserved and treasured. The oyster trade should respect this untouched resource and take their business elsewhere.

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Please do the right thing.

All eyes are upon you.

Thank you!

**Correspondence ID:** 580 33043 **Document:** 43390 Project:

Mason, Joe Name:

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

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**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

Correspondence: It is in the public interest to create the West Coast's only marine wilderness for the enjoyment of all.

> Please protect Drakes Estero wilderness next year. It is a rare wildlife refuge where migrating birds stop over, harbor seals give birth, and fish spawn. Don't undermine protections at Drakes Estero and succumb to special interests seeking to commercialize these special places.

> I urge Secretary Salazar to select alternative "A", which protects marine wilderness next year and is the Environmentally Preferred Alternative. The NPS is mandated to provide maximum protection to the natural resources, as stated in the Seashore's legislation, and selecting this alternative is the most consistent with the laws and policies affecting this park. Our national parks are set aside for the public and for wildlife protection, not commercial exploitation. The environmental review shows that alternative "A" best protects harbor seals, fish, birds and other wildlife and plants. Drakes Estero is our only marine wilderness on the West Coast, and is irreplaceable, while oysters can be commercially grown elsewhere.

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Fabing, Keith F

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584 Project: Chipman, Pam

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Name:

levitt robert

center for biological diversity Unaffiliated Individual **Outside Organization:** 

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Thank you,

Robert Levitt

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Name:

Allen, J

Unaffiliated Individual

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Famous for expansive beaches, open grasslands, forested ridges, tranquil bays, and valuable wetlands, the Point Reyes National Seashore is a rare and renowned nature preserve only an hour's drive from San Francisco. More than a thousand species of plants and animals live within the 71,000-acre national park.

In recognition of this rich natural diversity and its scientific significance, Congress voted in 1976 to protect more than 33,000 acres at Point Reyes National Seashore as wilderness, including 2,500 acres at Drakes Estero, the only marine wilderness on the West Coast.

Drakes Estero is a unique, wildlife-rich estuary; it is a crucial resting and foraging area for hundreds of thousands of resident and migrating birds; it provides habitat for unique plant and animals; and it has some of the largest extent of native eelgrass habitat along the California coast.

Although commercial operations are inconsistent with the Wilderness Act, Congress allowed an existing oyster-growing business in Drakes Estero to stay, with the mandate that it had to cease operations in 2012.

Now, the Drakes Bay Oyster Company, a commercial shellfish producer that bought the oyster company's remaining operating rights in 2005, wants to expand and extend the original special use permit within Drakes Estero wilderness for a minimum of 10 additional years. Backed by the powerful shellfish lobby, the company is waging an expensive misinformation campaign to

attack the Wilderness Act and the National Park Service, and overturn the wilderness designation.

A deal is a deal. Drakes Bay Oyster Company bought the business in 2005, knowing the permit expired in 2012. It is not fair to change the rules now so they can make a profit from a public asset funded by taxpayers. But powerful political and special interests are pressuring Congress and spending millions of dollars to try to extend the lease and keep the long-promised wilderness protection from taking effect at Point Reyes National Seashore.

If we lose the wilderness status at Drakes Estero, it opens the door for industry to do the same in our wilderness areas and national parks across the country.

**Correspondence ID:** 591 Project: 33043 **Document:** 43390

Name: **Outside Organization:** Received:

Borrelli, Silvana Unaffiliated Individual Nov.05.2011 15:09:51 Web Form

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Correspondence ID: 592 **Project:** 33043 **Document:** 43390

Name: N/A. N/A

**Outside Organization:** 

Unaffiliated Individual Nov.05.2011 15:10:05 Received:

**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

Correspondence: Please preserve Point Reyes for the animals, the environment and for future generations to enjoy.

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Name: **Outside Organization:** 

Towneship Wildelife Society Unaffiliated Individual

Nov.05.2011 16:16:33 Received:

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**Project:** sargeant, olivia

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I strongly support a renewal for drakes bay oyster company permit and will preference representation, councilpeople, and

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Sincerely, H. Nash

**Correspondence ID:** 

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Project: McDonald, Patricia A

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Outside Organization: Received:

National Park Service Unaffiliated Individual

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Name: **Outside Organization:** Received:

Nelson, Catheirne Unaffiliated Individual Nov,05,2011 17:33:34 Web Form

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Sincerely, Catherine Nelson

Correspondence ID: 598 **Project:** 33043 43390 Document:

Name: **Outside Organization:**  Ruperti, Cathy Unaffiliated Individual

Received:

Nov,05,2011 17:35:25 Web Form

**Correspondence Type:** Correspondence:

To whom it may concern:

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Regards, Cathy Ruperti

Correspondence ID: Project: 33043 **Document:** 43390

Name: Rosenkotter, Barbara **Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual Received: Nov,05,2011 17:51:57

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Unaffiliated Individual Nov,05,2011 18:24:01 Web Form

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Grundy, Rebecca M Unaffiliated Individual

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Name: N/A, N/A

Outside Organization: Unaffiliated Individual Nov,05,2011 21:13:41

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Correspondence ID: 603 Project: 33043 Document: 43390

Name: Tomasuolo, Andrew

Outside Organization: National Parks Conservation Association Unaffiliated Individual

**Received:** Nov,05,2011 22:40:50 **Correspondence Type:** Web Form

Correspondence: Come on, does everything have to be exploited for GREED over nature, please it's time we at least save one area.

I urge the National Park Service to protect Drakes Estero wilderness next year, as long intended. It is in the public interest to create the West Coast's only marine wilderness for the enjoyment of all. Drakes Estero is a rare wildlife refuge where migrating birds stop over, harbor seals give birth, and fish spawn. As someone who enjoys our nation's spectacular national parks and their wildlife, I urge you to not undermine protections at Drakes Estero and succumb to special interests seeking to commercialize these special places.

I urge Secretary Salazar to select alternative "A", which protects marine wilderness next year and is the Environmentally Preferred Alternative. The NPS is mandated to provide maximum protection to the natural resources, as stated in the Seashore's legislation, and selecting this alternative is the most consistent with the laws and policies affecting this park. Our national parks are set aside for the public and for wildlife protection, not commercial exploitation. The environmental review shows that alternative "A" best protects harbor seals, fish, birds and other wildlife and plants. Drakes Estero is our only marine wilderness on the West Coast, and is irreplaceable, while oysters can be commercially grown elsewhere.

By protecting wilderness, the National Park Service will set a positive policy example while commercializing it will set a negative example and help other commercial interests seek special exemptions from national park laws.

Correspondence ID: 604 Project: 33043 Document: 43390

Name: Commons, Sandy
Outside Organization: Unaffiliated Individual
Received: Nov,06,2011 00:40:29

**Correspondence Type:** Web Form Correspondence: I support

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**Correspondence ID:** Name:

Project: hughes, jennifer l

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Unaffiliated Individual Nov,06,2011 08:23:34

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I was raised inside Muir Woods National Monument and my Father Michael was a law enforcement ranger for thirty years. I myself was a park ranger. I was raised going to Point Reyes on a regular basis. It is a very special place and needs to be treated as such.

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**Correspondence ID:** 

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**Outside Organization:** 

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Center for Biological Diversity Unaffiliated Individual

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Name: N/A, N/A

**Outside Organization:** Center for Biological Diversity Unaffiliated Individual

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**Correspondence ID:** 608 Project: 33043 Document:

Name: **Outside Organization:** Received:

Sandholdt, Kim Unaffiliated Individual Nov,06,2011 10:05:06

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I urge you to not undermine protections at Drakes Estero and succumb to special interests seeking to commercialize these refuges. We cannot mix refuges with commercial interests.

**Correspondence ID:** 

609 Project: 33043 Document: 43390

Name: **Outside Organization:**  Dadgar, Lisa Unaffiliated Individual Nov,06,2011 11:49:58

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**Correspondence Type:** Web Form Correspondence:

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As someone who enjoys our spectacular national parks, and the beauty of Point Reves often, I urge you to not undermine protections at Drakes Estero and succumb to special interests seeking to commercialize these special places.

Thank you.

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Name: **Outside Organization:** Received:

Dorsey, Thomas

National Parks Conservation Association Unaffiliated Individual Nov,06,2011 11:56:36

Correspondence Type: Correspondence:

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611 Project:

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Name: **Outside Organization:** Received:

kohler, amala s Unaffiliated Individual Nov,06,2011 11:58:25

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Thank you for your consideration, best regards amala kohler

**Correspondence ID:** 612 **Project:** 33043 **Document:** 43390

Pugh, Rene Name:

**Outside Organization:** self Unaffiliated Individual Nov,06,2011 12:11:45 Received:

**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

Correspondence: Theodore Roosevelt got it and if i am correct our National Park System began.our National Parks are designated areas of intense beauty awash with innumerable species of flora and fauna. The purpose of parks are to protect and preserve these unique areas. No government entity has the right to rape plunder pillage and abuse such areas because our National Parks belong to the American people....not government or Big Business.ON a smaller scale, there is talk about privatizing State Parks....a stupid,non-sensical idea perpetrated by Repuglican governors in Pa. and N.J and elsewhere. How despicable, disgusting, arrogant and outrageous. Corbett and Christy say it will save money. I say it is yet another manipulative, dishonest ploy to use the

economic card again to destroy our State Parks by turning them over to Big Business...as it is in Pa.,gas cos. are already drilling in our State Parks. Enough is Enough! State Parks belong to the residents/taxpayers in Pa,NJ and wherever such environmental insanity is being perpetrated by power hungry Governors. Parks belong to "WE THE PEOPLE".

**Correspondence ID:** 613 Project: 33043 **Document:** 43390

Name:

Stancek, Claire Marie **Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual Nov,06,2011 12:55:18 Received: **Correspondence Type:** Web Form

Correspondence:

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Sincerely, Claire Marie Stancek

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Name: Smale, Mary A **Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual Nov.06.2011 00:00:00 Received:

**Correspondence Type:** Web Form Correspondence:

It is clear allowing the private, commercial oyster operation to exploit Drakes Estero for ten more years would have numerous adverse impacts on eelgrass habitat, native fish, harbor seals, resident and migratory birds, endangered species, wilderness values and the National Park experience. The commercial oyster operations involve 3700 disruptive and noisy motorboat trips per year through harbor seal and eelgrass habitat, promote the spread of invasive species and litter remote beaches with thousands of pieces of plastic trash.

There are more appropriate places to grow oysters. It is time to return Drakes Estero to all Americans as marine wilderness, as Congress intended.

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Name: Carroll , Linda L Unaffiliated Individual **Outside Organization:** Nov,06,2011 16:22:37 Received:

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Correspondence:

Because the Point Reyes National Seashore is the only marine wilderness on the West Coast, it is important that the original arrangement made by national legislation to preserve it be maintained. Industrial operations have no place in this rich and diverse marine environment, which serves as an incubator for many important species. Drakes Bay Oyster Company knew when it bought the business that the operations would end in 2012. Permitting this industrial operation to break a deal in such an important wilderness area would set a very bad precedent. Please act to enforce the original deal and to preserve this amazing

wilderness for future generations.

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616 **Project:** 33043 **Document:** 43390

Name: Outside Organization: Received: Stejskal, Nancy Unaffiliated Individual Nov,06,2011 16:55:50 Web Form

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617 **Project:** 33043 **Document:** 43390

Name: Outside Organization: Clutts, Pamela National Parks Conservation Association Unaffiliated Individual

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618 **Project:** 33043 **Document:** 43390 N/A, N/A

Outside Organization: Received: Unaffiliated Individual Nov,06,2011 17:45:02 Web Form

Correspondence Type: Correspondence:

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National Parks Conservation Association Unaffiliated Individual

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620 **Project:** 

Bramlette, Jenny M

**Outside Organization:** center for biological diversity Unaffiliated Individual

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621 Project: 33043 43390 Document: Magliola, Lawrence

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**Outside Organization:** Received:

Unaffiliated Individual Nov.06.2011 18:05:34 Web Form

**Correspondence Type:** Correspondence:

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Sincerely,

Lawrence Magliola

**Correspondence ID:** 

622 Project:

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Name:

Savage, Charles W

Outside Organization:

Marin Audubon Society, EAC West Marin Unaffiliated Individual

Received:

Nov,06,2011 18:54:56

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Correspondence:

Melanie Gunn, Public Outreach Coordinator Point Reyes National Seashore

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Dear Ms. Gunn,

I have reviewed the National Park Service's (NPS) Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Drake's Bay Oyster Company's (DBOC) request for a Special Use Permit (SUP). The Secretary of the Interior should decline to exercise his discretionary authority to issue a new 10 year SUP to the DBOC. The NPS should adopt Alternative A, No Special Use Permit, and convert the land and waters currently occupied by DBOC to Wilderness pursuant to PL 94-544 and PL 94-567 of 1976.

The Point Reyes National Seashore was created by an Act of Congress in 1962. Congress later designated the Drakes Estero as potential wilderness in the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act. Congressional Committees clearly expressed the intent of the 1976 Act to eventually convert lands and waters designated as potential wilderness to full wilderness status: "As is well established, it is the intention that those lands and waters designated as potential wilderness additions will be essentially managed as wilderness, to the extent possible, with efforts to steadily continue to remove all obstacles to the eventual conversion of these lands and waters to wilderness status." (House Report No. 94-1680, at 3)(1976)

In 1972, the Johnson Oyster Company, with commercial shellfish operations in Drakes Estero sold its property to the NPS which in turn allowed the Johnson Oyster Company to continue commercial shellfish operations under a Reservation of Use and Occupancy (RUO) with a Special Use Permit (SUP) set to expire in 2012. In 2005, the DBOC purchased the Johnson Oyster Company subject to the exisiting RUO and associated SUP set to expire on November 30, 2012. DBOC has submitted a request for a new SUP for 10 years once the exisiting RUO and SUP expire in 2012.

The Secretary of the Interior should not grant DBOC's request for a new 10 year SUP. The issuance of a new SUP would be inconsistent with Congressional intent that Drakes Estero receive full wilderness protection in November 2012 under Point Reyes Wilderness Act with the cessation commercial shellfish operations. After 40 years, the Drakes Estero deserves wilderness protection to promote the restoration of a vital marine habitat and sanctuary for marine life populations. Commercial interests should not be allowed to subvert the overriding public interest to protect and sustain the vital marine ecosystem of Drakes Estero. To do otherwise would set a dangerous precedent that would eviscerate existing protection afforded to designated land and marine areas under the Point Reyes Wilderness Act.

Respectfully submitted,

Charles W. Savage November 6, 2011

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623 **Project:**Galvanek, Janel
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624 Project:

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Name: **Outside Organization:** Received: **Correspondence Type:**  powell, regina c Unaffiliated Individual Nov,06,2011 21:06:32

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625 Project: Reisman, David C Unaffiliated Individual

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Lynne, C

National Parks Conservation Association Unaffiliated Individual

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Scheel, Aubrey M Unaffiliated Individual Nov,06,2011 23:57:21 Web Form

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Name: **Outside Organization:**  Johnson, Linda

Endangered Earth Unaffiliated Individual Nov 07 2011 00:18:39

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630 **Project:** 33043 **Document:** Schlosser, Olivia

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Name: Outside Organization: Molinari, Victoria Unaffiliated Individual Nov,07,2011 00:00:00 Web Form

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Ensign, Dianne Name: **Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual Nov,07,2011 08:05:04 Received:

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Name: G. Elvsa

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Name:

Rothman, Kristen A

**Outside Organization:** 

Center For Biological Diversity Unaffiliated Individual

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Name: **Outside Organization:** Received: **Correspondence Type:**  NELSON, EMILY Unaffiliated Individual Nov,07,2011 10:05:15

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Unaffiliated Individual Nov,07,2011 10:24:24

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Name: talbot, marie v **Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual Received: Nov.07.2011 10:32:24

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Name: Dabrusin, Karen **Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual Received: Nov.07.2011 10:51:06

**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

I am a longtime volunteer doing habitat restoration work at Pt. Reyes as well as at other locations in the Bay Area. I do this Correspondence: work because I appreciate the specialness of Pt. Reyes as being one of the few places remaining with minimal infrastructure or

other intrusion on its natural beauty. Drake's Estero is particularly pristine and exquisite. The original intention of Congress was for Pt. Reyes to remain wilderness; having an oyster-farming business located on Drake's Estero directly contradicts that intent.

Therefore, I support Alternative A (no action) allowing the lease to expire in 2012 as the original law states.

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Name: N/A, N/A

Unaffiliated Individual **Outside Organization:** 

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Quinteros, Robin J Name: **Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual Nov,07,2011 11:24:00 Received:

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641 Project: 33043 43390 **Correspondence ID: Document:** 

Name: Maurin, Margaret S **Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual Received: Nov,07,2011 11:42:46

**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

Having visited the spectacular Point Reyes National Seashore a few years ago, I STRONGLY SUPPORT THE WILDERNESS Correspondence:

DESIGNATION for this beautiful area. I urge the National Park Service and the Department of the Interior TO UPHOLD THE 1976 PORT REYES WILDERNESS ACT AND SELECT ALTERNATIVE A, WHICH PROTECTS THIS IMPORTANT MARINE WILDERNESS AND IS THE ENVIRONMENTALLY PREFERRED ALTERNATIVE. Sincerely yours, Dr.

Margaret S. Maurin

**Correspondence ID:** 642 Project: 33043 **Document:** 43390

Esteve, Gregory V Name: **Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual Nov,07,2011 11:43:36 Received:

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N/A, N/A Name: **Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual

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Name:

Bergen, Marie

**Outside Organization:** Received:

Sierra Club Unaffiliated Individual Nov,07,2011 00:00:00

**Correspondence Type:** 

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I am writing to urge the National Park Service to protect Drakes Estero wilderness next year as long intended. The American public deserves to have the West Coast's only marine wilderness protected for future generations to enjoy. Drakes Estero is a rare wildlife refuge where migrating birds stop over, harbor seals give birth, and fish spawn, and it deserves the highest level of protection as Congress long-intended. As someone who enjoys our nation's spectacular national parks, I urge you to not undermine protections at Drakes Estero and succumb to special interests seeking to commercialize these special places.

I urge the National Park Service and the Department of the Interior to select alternative "A", which protects marine wilderness and is the environmentally preferred alternative. The NPS is mandated to provide maximum protection to the natural resources, as stated in the Seashore's legislation, and selecting this alternative is the most consistent with the laws and policies affecting this park. Our national parks are for the people and wildlife protection, not commercial exploitation. The environmental review shows that alternative "A" best protects harbor seals, fish, birds and other wildlife and plants. Drakes Estero is our only marine wilderness on the West Coast, and its irreplaceable, while oysters can be grown elsewhere

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Name: **Outside Organization:**  Bernstein, Laura J Center for Biological Diversity Unaffiliated Individual

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Grady, Tracey Unaffiliated Individual

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Younger, Charles Unaffiliated Individual Nov,07,2011 14:12:42 Web Form

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Suelflow, Melinda L **Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual Nov 07 2011 15:05:07 Received: Web Form

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652 Project: Sweeney, Kathy Unaffiliated Individual

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653 Project: 33043 **Document:** 43390

Name: **Outside Organization:** Received:

nay, Donn E Unaffiliated Individual Nov,07,2011 16:37:45

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I do not support making the Reyes Point Estuary a wilderness area and fully support the Drakes Bay Oyster Company. They were there long before all this wilderness crap came along.

Correspondence ID:

33043 **Document:** 43390 654 Project: Lewis, Patrick

Name: **Outside Organization:** Received:

Unaffiliated Individual Nov.07.2011 00:00:00

Correspondence Type: Correspondence:

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As someone who has spent 27 years living within 40 miles of the Pt. Reyes National Seashore, I feel qualified to say that it is one of our most spectacular national parks. I urge you to not undermine protections at Drakes Estero and succumb to special interests seeking to commercialize these special places. Thanks for listening.

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655 **Project:** Fonseca. Pamela

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656 **Project:** Fondevila, Isabel

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Name: Outside Organization:

Sierra Club Unaffiliated Individual

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**Correspondence ID:** 657 Project: 33043 **Document:** 43390

Bunch, Betty Name: **Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual Nov,07,2011 17:46:10 Received:

**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

THIS PARK WAS SET ASIDE FOR WILDERNESS AND SHOULD REMAIN THAT WAY--NO Correspondence:

FISHING, TRAPPING, HUNTING, NO BUSINESS THERE.

**Correspondence ID:** 658 Project: 33043 **Document:** 43390

Name: Hunt, Lesley

**Outside Organization:** Sierra Club Unaffiliated Individual

Nov,07,2011 17:47:41 Received:

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Cecil Ian Name:

Sierra Club Unaffiliated Individual **Outside Organization:** 

Nov,07,2011 17:53:20 Received:

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**Correspondence ID:** 660 Project: 33043 **Document:** 43390 Sullivan, Edward

Name: **Outside Organization:** 

Sierra Club Unaffiliated Individual

Nov,07,2011 17:55:12 Received:

**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

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661 Project: 33043 43390 Correspondence ID: Document:

Name: Matsumoto, Sarah

**Outside Organization:** Sierra Club Unaffiliated Individual

Received: Nov,07,2011 00:00:00

**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

Correspondence: I love hiking in Point Reyes National Seashore with my family. And the wilderness and wetlands are critical for the wildlife that

we love to see there.

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Andrews, Theresa Name: **Outside Organization:** 

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**Correspondence ID:** 663 **Project:** 33043 Document:

Name:

Blair, Roger

Sierra Club Unaffiliated Individual **Outside Organization:** 

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Name: **Outside Organization:**  Bressanutti, Ricardo Sierra Club Unaffiliated Individual

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Name:

Chiu, Albert

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**Outside Organization:** 

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Name:

Hall, James

**Outside Organization:** 

Sierra Club Unaffiliated Individual

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Correspondence ID: 667 Project: 33043 Document: 43390

Name: Paggi, Christopher

Outside Organization: National Parks Conservation Association Unaffiliated Individual

**Received:** Nov,07,2011 18:02:04

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I urge the National Park Service to protect Drakes Estero wilderness next year, as long intended. It is in the public interest to create the West Coast's only marine wilderness for the enjoyment of all. Drakes Estero is a rare wildlife refuge where migrating birds stop over, harbor seals give birth, and fish spawn. As someone who enjoys our nation's spectacular national parks and their

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I urge Secretary Salazar to select alternative "A", which protects marine wilderness next year and is the Environmentally Preferred Alternative. The NPS is mandated to provide maximum protection to the natural resources, as stated in the Seashore's legislation, and selecting this alternative is the most consistent with the laws and policies affecting this park. Our national parks are set aside for the public and for wildlife protection, not commercial exploitation. The environmental review shows that alternative "A" best protects harbor seals, fish, birds and other wildlife and plants. Drakes Estero is our only marine wilderness on the West Coast, and is irreplaceable, while oysters can be commercially grown elsewhere.

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Correspondence ID: 668 Project: 33043 Document: 43390

Name: Packard, Thomas

Outside Organization: Sierra Club Unaffiliated Individual

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Correspondence ID: 669 Project: 33043 Document: 43390

Name: Hammer, F

Outside Organization: Sierra Club Unaffiliated Individual

**Received:** Nov,07,2011 00:00:00

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Please protect Drakes Estero . As someone who lives in San Francisco, heading up to Point Reyes for the weekend and spending time at Drakes Estero is a wonderful respite from urban life. We deserve to have the West Coast's only marine wilderness protected for future generations to enjoy. Drakes Estero is a rare wildlife refuge where migrating birds stop over, harbor seals give birth, and fish spawn, and it deserves the highest level of protection. Do not undermine protections at Drakes Estero and succumb to special interests seeking to commercialize these special places.

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Name: **Outside Organization:** Received:

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**Outside Organization:** 

Rasmussen, Sarah

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**Correspondence ID:** 673 Project: 33043 43390 Document:

Name:

Jimenez, Grace Sierra Club Unaffiliated Individual

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Name: **Outside Organization:**  Thompson, Lawrence Sierra Club Unaffiliated Individual

Received:

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The National Park Service should protect Drakes Estero and make it a true wilderness next year by getting rid of the oyster business. Drakes Estero is a rare wildlife refuge where migrating birds stop to rest and marine life flourishes.

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Name:

Merrill, Rodney

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I urge the National Park Service and the Department of the Interior to select alternative "A", which protects marine wilderness and is the environmentally preferred alternative. The NPS is mandated to provide maximum protection to the natural resources, as stated in the Seashore's legislation, and selecting this alternative is the most consistent with the laws and policies affecting this park. Our national parks are for the people and wildlife protection, not commercial exploitation. The environmental review shows that alternative "A" best protects harbor seals, fish, birds and other wildlife and plants. Drakes Estero is our only marine wilderness on the West Coast, and it is irreplaceable, while oysters can be grown elsewhere.

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Correspondence ID: 676 Project: 33043 Document: 43390

Name: N/A, N/A

Outside Organization: Unaffiliated Individual Received: Nov,07,2011 18:36:33

**Correspondence Type:** Web Form **Correspondence:** Dear Sir an

Dear Sir and/or Madam: I support the wilderness designation for Drakes Estero within the Point Reyes National Seashore. I urge the National Park Service and Department of the Interior to uphold the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act and select alternative A, which protects this important marine wilderness and is the environmentally preferred alternative. Drakes Estero is a unique and ecologically significant wildlife area. It is an important stop on the flyway for migrating birds, a refuge and birthplace for harbor seals and a critical native fish nursery. Congress and the public have long intended that Drakes Estero be given the highest federal level of protection as a wilderness area when the commercial oyster lease expires in 2012. This can only be accomplished by selecting Alternative "A" and ending commercial use of this sensitive wildlife refuge. Alternative A is the most consistent with National Park Service laws and policies. The Park Service's environmental review shows that alternative "A" best protects wildlife and the National Park experience. Our national parks are for the people and wildlife protection, and wilderness areas with our parks should not prioritize commercial exploitation. The American public deserves to have this unique marine wilderness protected in a natural state for future generations to enjoy. Drakes Estero is the only marine wilderness on the West Coast, and is irreplaceable, while oysters can be grown elsewhere. As someone who enjoys our spectacular national parks, I urge you to not undermine protections at Drakes Estero and succumb to special interests seeking to commercialize these special places.

sincerely,

Dave C

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Name: Outside Organization: Jimenez, Vanessa Sierra Club Unaffiliated Individual

**Received:** Nov,07,2011 00:00:00

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678 **Project:** 33043 **Document:** 43390

Name: Denny, Cynthia

Outside Organization: Sierra Club Unaffiliated Individual

**Received:** Nov,07,2011 18:42:23

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Meakin JWT Name:

**Outside Organization:** Sierra Club Unaffiliated Individual

Nov,07,2011 00:00:00 Received:

**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

**Correspondence:** I am writing to ask the National Park Service to protect Drakes Estero next year as intended.

> I have no objection to a commercial fishery operating within the Estero provided concession income accrues to the Park Service, but would like some mitigation For instance, electric boats and careful waste management.

I visit Point Reyes 20+ times a year and know the Estero area firsthand.

If there is boilerplate below about Alternative "A", please ignore it.

J.W.T. Meakin

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McD, Ruth Name:

**Outside Organization:** Received:

**Correspondence Type:** Correspondence:

Unaffiliated Individual Nov,07,2011 18:51:28

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Name: Patton, Carol

**Outside Organization:** Sierra Club Unaffiliated Individual

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682 Project: MacLeod, Gordon 33043 **Document:**  43390

Name:

Sierra Club Unaffiliated Individual

**Outside Organization:** Received:

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683 Project: 33043 **Document:** 43390

Name:

Simonian, Tom

Sierra Club Unaffiliated Individual

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33043 **Document: Project:** 

Aynsley, Eryl Name:

Sierra Club Unaffiliated Individual

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Name:

Landau, Beryl

Sierra Club Unaffiliated Individual

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686 **Project:**  33043 **Document:**  43390

Name:

Colvig, Sarah

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**Outside Organization:** 

Doss, Heide

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**Correspondence ID:** 688 Project: 33043 **Document:** 43390 Reece, Monique

Name: **Outside Organization:** 

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Henderson, Michael

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Name:

Fredericks, Barbara

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Ellestad, Nancy Name: **Outside Organization:** 

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Name: **Outside Organization:**  Hammerstad, Charles Sierra Club Unaffiliated Individual

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693 **Project:** 33043 43390 **Document:** Sawver, Peter

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Name: Maher, Linda

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Name: Pratt., Connie

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Name: Sells, Lucy

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Seeley, Marsha Outside Organization: Sierra Club Unaffiliated Individual

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705 Project: 33043 **Document:** 43390 Bock, Heather And Gerhard

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712 Project: 33043 Boyle, Patricia

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826 **Project:** 33043 **Document:** 43390 Matthews, Charlotte

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Name: Cannon, Billie

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Name: Ray, Thomas

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Martin, Andrea

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Dunson, Debra

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I support the wilderness designation for Drakes Estero within the Point Reyes National Seashore. I urge the National Park Service and Department of the Interior to uphold the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act and select alternative A, which protects this important marine wilderness and is the environmentally preferred alternative.

Drakes Estero is a unique and ecologically significant wildlife area. It is an important stop on the flyway for migrating birds, a refuge and birthplace for harbor seals and a critical native fish nursery. Congress and the public have long intended that Drakes Estero be given the highest federal level of protection as a wilderness area when the commercial oyster lease expires in 2012.

This can only be accomplished by selecting Alternative "A" and ending commercial use of this sensitive wildlife refuge. Alternative A is the most consistent with National Park Service laws and policies. The Park Service's environmental review shows that alternative "A" best protects wildlife and the National Park experience.

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Act up for your Planet before it is too late my friend...

Sincerely

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The Drake Estero area of the Point Reyes national seashore should be preserved and protected. I recently did a long trail run along the estuary where I saw much wildlife, including herds of elk and many varieties of water fowl. Please protect this remarkable area. I believe if you give the commercial fishing operation an inch, they will take a mile. I've seen what commercial oyster farms can do to areas like the Asateague Island National seashore.

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It is time to make Drakes Estero a top priority, as a wildlife refuge (the birds, the seals, the wild oysters, the fish all need protection). Please put the interests of the public and wild landscape -- of which so little is left -- above those of particular special interests.

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Silva, Eileen

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Wright, Natalie

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Drakes Estero, part of Point Reyes National Seashore, was slated for protection as a Wilderness Area by Congress in 1976. It is one of the few remaining undeveloped estuaries and is a critical habitat for marine life. When Congress established the Point Reyes wilderness, it allowed an operating oyster factory to continue operations there only until 2012. Drakes Estero is a rare wildlife refuge where migrating birds stop over, harbor seals give birth, and fish spawn. I urge the National Park Service to protect Drakes Estero wilderness next year as long-intended. Do the right thing, by acting on behalf of the wildlife and parks the

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After all, no one absolutely needs to eat oysters, but we all depend on functioning marine ecosystems for life itself. There is no place for unsustainable and destructive commercial operations in a place like Drakes Estereo.

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Kirk, Judith Name:

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984 **Project:** 33043 Tshimika-Edmunds, Annie

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I am writing to urge the National Park Service to protect Drakes Estero wilderness next year as long-intended. The American public deserves to have the West Coast's only marine wilderness protected for future generations to enjoy. Drakes Estero is a rare wildlife refuge where migrating birds stop over, harbor seals give birth, and fish spawn. It deserves the highest level of protection as Congress long-intended. As someone who enjoys our nation's spectacular national parks, I urge you to not undermine protections at Drakes Estero and succumb to special interests seeking to commercialize these special places.

I urge the National Park Service and the Department of the Interior to select alternative "A", which protects marine wilderness and is the environmentally preferred alternative. The NPS is mandated to provide maximum protection to the natural resources, as stated in the Seashore's legislation, and selecting this alternative is the most consistent with the laws and policies affecting this park. Our national parks are for the people and wildlife protection, not commercial exploitation. The environmental review shows that alternative "A" best protects harbor seals, fish, birds and other wildlife and plants. Drakes Estero is our only marine wilderness on the West Coast, and it is irreplaceable, while oysters can be grown elsewhere.

National Parks and wilderness areas are treasured by the majority of Americans and are for the public interest, not for private commercial exploitation. By protecting wilderness, the National Park Service will set a positive policy example while commercializing it will set a negative example and help others seek their special exemptions from national park laws.