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**Name:** Stratton, Jewels  
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I urge you 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. The public has waited nearly four decades for these protections to be implemented, which is an immense compromise in itself. Drakes Estero is a rare wildlife refuge where migrating birds stop over, harbor seals give birth, and fish take shelter in eelgrass. As someone who enjoys our nation's national parks and their wildlife, I urge you to uphold the longstanding plan to convert this very special resource to wilderness.

This area was one of the first places I went to feel good when I moved to California. I was a caregiver for my brother before he died. I would go there to get a fresh perspective. Please preserve and protect this area.

I urge you to select alternative "A", which protects marine wilderness next year and is the Environmentally Preferred Alternative. The National Park Service is mandated to provide maximum protection to the natural resources at Drakes Estero 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, and after waiting nearly 40 years for private commercial use rights to expire, it's time to give the estuary the protection it needs. The environmental review shows that alternative "A" is best for public policy, and best protects harbor seals, fish, birds and other natural resources. Drakes Estero is our only marine wilderness on the West Coast, and is irreplaceable, while oysters can be commercially grown elsewhere.

Please honor the promise made for a protected marine wilderness at Drakes Estero. In doing so, you will set a good policy example and reward the public with an enduring legacy feat found nowhere else on the West Coast.

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**Name:** metzgar, mike

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

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**Correspondence:** I urge you to allow the Drakes Estero oyster farm to remain. The Lunny family is a good steward of the Estero and the business they run allows for a renewal of the surrounding waters. Oyster are natures was of filtering the water and making it more natural as God intended.

I urge you to stop the systematic removal of Americans from our NPS controlled/managed properties. Cape Hatteras National Seashore Recreational area is another example of NPS providing suspect 'science' in the attempt to spoof the American people into believing we are unable to coexist with nature without harming the natural ebb and flow.

Removing and killing one species to protect others has proven time and again to upset nature more than allowing it to take its natural course.

I do not urge you to select alternative A as suggested below as this is a protest against the removal of the Lunny Oyster Farm from Drakes Estero.

I urge you to select alternative "A", which protects marine wilderness next year and is the Environmentally Preferred Alternative. The National Park Service is mandated to provide maximum protection to the natural resources at Drakes Estero 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, and after waiting nearly 40 years for private commercial use rights to expire, it's time to give the estuary the protection it needs. The environmental review shows that alternative "A" is best for public policy, and best protects harbor seals, fish, birds and other natural resources. Drakes Estero is our only marine wilderness on the West Coast, and is irreplaceable, while oysters can be commercially grown elsewhere.

Please honor the promise made for a protected marine wilderness at Drakes Estero. In doing so, you will set a good policy example and reward the public with an enduring legacy feat found nowhere else on the West Coast.

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**Name:** Badawy, Nabila  
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I visit this area and love its rustic and natural state. It would be a shame to loose this national treasure.

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I deeply hope that Drakes Estero will be there for my daughter to enjoy its great beauty for her lifetime and beyond;

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**Name:** Senner, Cassie  
**Outside Organization:** NRDC Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,22,2011 05:02:35  
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**Correspondence:** Drakes Estero is a national ecological treasure and should become a protected wilderness area. It has outstanding natural resources, including one of California's largest harbor seal colonies and tens of thousands of shorebirds, waterfowl, native fish and endangered species that use its wetlands, mudflats and eelgrass beds.

In the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act, Congress recognized Drakes Estero as a unique recreational and biological resource and promised that this irreplaceable resource would formally become a wilderness area when non-conforming uses were eliminated. Your agency permitted a commercial oyster company to grow non-native oysters and clams on 1,050 acres in Drakes Estero for 40 years, or until 2012.

Your own draft environmental impact statement reveals the extensive damage that the existing operation has caused to Drakes Estero and Point Reyes National Seashore's beaches. As you know, commercial operations of any kind are not permitted in designated wilderness areas because of such damage. Further, the Park Service's Organic Act mandates protection of park resources and values and strictly limits commercial operations.

Your approval of the proposal to extend the oyster company's permit would be contrary to the Point Reyes Wilderness Act and would establish a dangerous precedent at a time when America's public lands and environmental laws are already under widespread attacks in Congress and elsewhere.

We've been waiting long enough. It is time to allow that permit to expire and to honor Congress' commitment. We want our bay back.

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**Name:** Helm, Carolyn A

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**Correspondence:** I have visited Drakes Bay Oyster Company twice in the last 14 months and am impressed by their hard work and as a provider of jobs for the local community. They have a right to continue operating their business without the interference of the National Park Service. I support a renewable special use permit for Drakes Bay Oyster Company!

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**Name:** Petlock, Kyle  
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**Correspondence:** I am writing to urge the National Park Service to fully protect Drakes Estero wilderness beginning next year as long-intended. The American public deserves to have the West Coast's only marine wilderness protected for future generations to enjoy, and to preserve vital ecosystems. 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, and realizes the crucial role of these ecosystems, 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:** Farmer, veronica  
**Outside Organization:** NRDC Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov.22,2011 07:32:56  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** Drakes Estero is a national ecological treasure and should become a protected wilderness area. It has outstanding natural resources, including one of California's largest harbor seal colonies and tens of thousands of shorebirds, waterfowl, native fish and endangered species that use its wetlands, mudflats and eelgrass beds.

In the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act, Congress recognized Drakes Estero as a unique recreational and biological resource and promised that this irreplaceable resource would formally become a wilderness area when non-conforming uses were eliminated. Your agency permitted a commercial oyster company to grow non-native oysters and clams on 1,050 acres in Drakes Estero for 40 years, or until 2012.

Your own draft environmental impact statement reveals the extensive damage that the existing operation has caused to Drakes Estero and Point Reyes National Seashore's beaches. As you know, commercial operations of any kind are not permitted in designated wilderness areas because of such damage. Further, the Park Service's Organic Act mandates protection of park resources and values and strictly limits commercial operations.

Your approval of the proposal to extend the oyster company's permit would be contrary to the Point Reyes Wilderness Act and would establish a dangerous precedent at a time when America's public lands and environmental laws are already under widespread attacks in Congress and elsewhere.

We've been waiting long enough. It is time to allow that permit to expire and to honor Congress' commitment. We want our bay back.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33128    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Wagner, Steve  
**Outside Organization:** National Parks Conservation Association Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov.22,2011 07:33:02  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** I urge you 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. The public has waited nearly four decades for these protections to be implemented, which is an immense compromise in itself. Drakes Estero is a rare wildlife refuge where migrating birds stop over, harbor seals give birth, and fish take shelter in eelgrass. As someone who enjoys our nation's national parks and their wildlife, I urge you to uphold the longstanding plan to convert this very special resource to wilderness.

I urge you to select alternative "A", which protects marine wilderness next year and is the Environmentally Preferred Alternative. The National Park Service is mandated to provide maximum protection to the natural resources at Drakes Estero 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, and after waiting nearly 40 years for private commercial use rights to expire, it's time to give the estuary the protection it needs. The environmental review shows that alternative "A" is best for public policy, and best protects harbor seals, fish, birds and other natural resources. Drakes Estero is our only marine wilderness on the West Coast, and is irreplaceable, while oysters can be commercially grown elsewhere.

Please honor the promise made for a protected marine wilderness at Drakes Estero. In doing so, you will set a good policy example and reward the public with an enduring legacy feat found nowhere else on the West Coast.

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**Name:** Boulidin, Carol  
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**Name:** Waggoner, Gene & Sharon  
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This area must be protected and maintained in it's natural state. We must remain ever so vigilant and not let the area be destroyed by allowing commercial companies in the area. To much of the Pacific Coast has been destroyed all ready. We must preserve the remaining areas, before they too are destroyed.

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**Name:** falk, charles  
**Outside Organization:** National Parks Conservation Association Unaffiliated Individual  
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I urge you to select alternative "A", which protects marine wilderness next year and is the Environmentally Preferred Alternative. The National Park Service is mandated to provide maximum protection to the natural resources at Drakes Estero 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, and after waiting nearly 40 years for private commercial use rights to expire, it's time to give the estuary the protection it needs. The environmental review shows that alternative "A" is best for public policy, and best protects harbor seals, fish, birds and other natural resources. 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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**Name:** Goldeen, Michael

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Its time for the oyster farming operation to shut down as stated in the original agreement.

Sincerely, Michael Goldeen 1009 Goldenrose St. San Pedro, CA 90731

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**Name:** Hauser, Grace  
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Please protect this estero from continued commercial use. My family visits the area yearly and loves the protected land and water. I teach environmental science at Long Beach City College in California and regularly use Pt. Reyes as a reference for all sorts of discussions. The Park Service knows the value of this area to a healthy ecosystem.

I urge you to hold to the agreement as originally signed. The oyster farmer knew the terms of his contract when he signed his contract. Hold him to it. His political ties to prominent politicians should not give him any advantage.

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**Name:** Hollingsworth, Suzanne  
**Outside Organization:** National Parks Conservation Association Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov.22,2011 09:33:12  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

**Correspondence:** I urge you 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. The public has waited nearly four decades for these protections to be implemented, which is an immense compromise in itself. Drakes Estero is a rare wildlife refuge where migrating birds stop over, harbor seals give birth, and fish take shelter in eelgrass. As someone who enjoys our nation's national parks and their wildlife, I urge you to uphold the longstanding plan to convert this very special resource to wilderness.

I urge you to select alternative "A", which protects marine wilderness next year and is the Environmentally Preferred Alternative. The National Park Service is mandated to provide maximum protection to the natural resources at Drakes Estero 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, and after waiting nearly 40 years for private commercial use rights to expire, it's time to give the estuary the protection it needs. The environmental review shows that alternative "A" is best for public policy, and best protects harbor seals, fish, birds and other natural resources. Drakes Estero is our only marine wilderness on the West Coast, and is irreplaceable, while oysters can be commercially grown elsewhere.

Please honor the promise made for a protected marine wilderness at Drakes Estero. In doing so, you will set a good policy example and reward the public with an enduring legacy feat found nowhere else on the West Coast.

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**Name:** Wyatt, Aimee  
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**Name:** Stern Lazarus, Stephanie  
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**Correspondence:** I am writing to urge the National Park Service to protect the undeveloped coastline of Drakes Estero wilderness next year as long-intended.

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Drakes Estero deserves the highest level of protection as Congress long-intended! It is a rare wildlife refuge where migrating

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**Name:** Singer, Hal

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**Name:** Peterson, Hillary  
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**Name:** Wimberly, Chad A  
**Outside Organization:** Center for Biological Diversity Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,22,2011 10:03:12  
**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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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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**Name:** Lawrence, Jeannie  
**Outside Organization:** National Parks Conservation Association Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,22,2011 10:03:16  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** I urge you 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. The public has waited nearly four decades for these protections to be implemented, which is an immense compromise in itself. Drakes Estero is a rare wildlife refuge where migrating birds stop over, harbor seals give birth, and fish take shelter in eelgrass. As someone who enjoys our nation's national parks and their wildlife, I urge you to uphold the longstanding plan to convert this very special resource to wilderness.

I urge you to select alternative "A", which protects marine wilderness next year and is the Environmentally Preferred Alternative. The National Park Service is mandated to provide maximum protection to the natural resources at Drakes Estero 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, and after waiting nearly 40 years for private commercial use rights to expire, it's time to give the estuary the protection it needs. The environmental review shows that alternative "A" is best for public policy, and best protects harbor seals, fish, birds and other natural resources. Drakes Estero is our only marine wilderness on the West Coast, and is irreplaceable, while oysters can be commercially grown elsewhere.

Please honor the promise made for a protected marine wilderness at Drakes Estero. In doing so, you will set a good policy example and reward the public with an enduring legacy feat found nowhere else on the West Coast.

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**Name:** Phelps, Philip E  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
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**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** I support a renewable Special Use Permit for Drakes Bay Oyster Company.

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I want to add an important point. It is virtually impossible to reclaim wilderness once it is developed. If we allow even small inroads into our last remaining wilderness, which is a tiny fraction of what it once was, it will incrementally be reduced to nothing. Without wilderness, the American Spirit will die. Wilderness inspires our young scientists, engineers, and entrepreneurs to pioneer new developments. Check out who are the people who most love wilderness -- you will find the young talent who will shape America's future. We must preserve each and every acre of wilderness now and forever to keep America strong and preserve the legacy of America The Beautiful for future generations.

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**Name:** Hass, Robert L  
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**Correspondence:** I want to join those who favor preserving the Wilderness designation for Drake's Estero. I live nearby, I have been visiting it since childhood (I am 70), and in the courses in the language of environmental arguments that I teach at the University of California at Berkeley, I and my students--who have read Thoreau and Leopold and Cronon and Snyder--have followed this very contentious debate with interests. It would not be an ecological disaster were Kevin Lunny's much expanded oyster farming operation be allowed to continue, but it is a better idea to do what the law and the planning for the future of the National Seashore envisioned and let the estero be a permanent place where we conserve the treasure of an intact natural ecosystem on the Northern California coast. The oldest and deepest argument for this is Leopold's, to which climate change has given additional force. As the changes to coastlines that rising temperatures is going to bring, we need models of healthy and intact natural systems so that we have a measure of what health is against which to assess how we manage the much larger areas that human activity has altered. Leopold's famous formulation: "The first law of tinkering is to save all the parts." Another powerful argument is precedent. When you start overturning wilderness designations, when do you stop. Another argument, allied to these, is the prudential principle. When in doubt, don't. And another is that every important naturalist and wildlife biologist in the region, as far as I know, the people who know the estero and the greater Point Reyes ecosystem intimately, opposes the oyster farm's expansion and continuance. I understand the local affection for our organic agriculture, for local farming, people who love Point Reyes oysters and the tourist income it brings to our community, and there are plenty of wonderful oyster operations on Tomales Bay and there could be more. So we aren't losing anything by gaining an estero that the instabiility of human interventions has left alone. I also understand the need for jobs and, more subtly and deeply, the need for an economy based on wise use of the land and the shores not just passive enjoyment of it. And those jobs can be had at oyster operations on the east side of Tomales with the infusion of a little capital. Finally I want to say that the narrow arguments to which Dr. Corey Goodman and other have reduced this issue have been very painful to observe--and the ill temper of it eye-opening for the Berkeley students who have been watching the name-calling and the puzzling variety of scientific claims and counter-claims with some amazement. They had hoped that the disinterested and clear eye of good scientific work would be a place to stand, and that has turned out to be only partly true. By focussing on the single issue of seal-pupping, which devolved into arguments over what tide tables were in use at the times in question and when a bit of exposed sand constitutes a sandbar and whether wildlife ecologists have sufficient data to say exactly what depth of water is optimum for seal breeding, the proponents of the oyster farming operation have managed not to address all the other issues for which there is even less clear data. I have been going to Drake's Estero every fall for twnbety years to look for black brant down from Alaska and passing through. I haven't seen them since the oyster farm was expanded. This is anecdote, not evidence. But that is the reason for wilderness designations, because we can't absolutely measure the effect we have on the world, humans need to leave a few places alone. That's good science, good policy, good for the ocean, good for the tens of thousands of migrating birds who work the Pacific coast every season.

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**Name:** Beres, Danielle  
**Outside Organization:** National Parks Conservation Association Unaffiliated Individual  
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I urge you to select alternative "A", which protects marine wilderness next year and is the Environmentally Preferred Alternative. The National Park Service is mandated to provide maximum protection to the natural resources at Drakes Estero 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, and after waiting nearly 40 years for private commercial use rights to expire, it's time to give the estuary the protection it needs. The environmental review shows that alternative "A" is best for public policy, and best protects harbor seals, fish, birds and other natural resources. Drakes Estero is our only marine wilderness on the West Coast, and is irreplaceable, while oysters can be commercially grown elsewhere.

Please honor the promise made for a protected marine wilderness at Drakes Estero. In doing so, you will set a good policy example and reward the public with an enduring legacy feat found nowhere else on the West Coast.

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I would leave this beautiful place alone. The only thing that would come out of building this place up would be a mess from people! You need to leave space for wildlife.....they are on this planet too and its hard enough that we take ALL there land for our own use.

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**Name:** Schiess, Joan  
**Outside Organization:** National Parks Conservation Association Unaffiliated Individual  
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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.

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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**Name:** MULLIGAN, OLIVIA

**Outside Organization:** National Wildlife Federation Action Fund Unaffiliated Individual

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**Correspondence:** Drakes Estero is the ecological heart of Point Reyes National Seashore and a treasure that belongs to all Americans. In 1976, Congress promised that the Estero would receive full wilderness protection when the current lease for commercial oyster

operations expires in 2012. I urge the Park Service to honor the wilderness promise and protect Drakes Estero for future generations.

Drakes Estero is home to 20 percent of the mainland breeding population of harbor seals in California and is used by tens of thousands of shorebirds and waterfowl and dozens of species of native fish. Your draft environmental impact statement makes clear that the existing commercial oyster operation is causing extensive damage to Drakes Estero and the Seashore's beaches, and that allowing these operations to continue would cause even more long-term harm.

Your environmental review also shows that alternative "A"--no new permit for commercial oyster operations and protection of the Estero as full wilderness--is the environmentally preferred alternative and the one that best protects harbor seals, birds, fish and other natural resources.

I urge you to return Drakes Estero to all Americans by selecting alternative "A" and ensuring full wilderness protection for Drakes Estero in 2012. It is time to protect Drakes Estero as Congress intended and to create the West Coast's only marine wilderness for the benefit of people and wildlife.

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**Name:** Ramey, Keegan W

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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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**Name:** Faisal, Marite

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I urge you 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. The public has waited nearly four decades for these protections to be

implemented, which is an immense compromise in itself. Drakes Estero is a rare wildlife refuge where migrating birds stop over, harbor seals give birth, and fish take shelter in eelgrass. As someone who enjoys our nation's national parks and their wildlife, I urge you to uphold the longstanding plan to convert this very special resource to wilderness.

I urge you to select alternative "A", which protects marine wilderness next year and is the Environmentally Preferred Alternative. The National Park Service is mandated to provide maximum protection to the natural resources at Drakes Estero 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, and after waiting nearly 40 years for private commercial use rights to expire, it's time to give the estuary the protection it needs. The environmental review shows that alternative "A" is best for public policy, and best protects harbor seals, fish, birds and other natural resources. Drakes Estero is our only marine wilderness on the West Coast, and is irreplaceable, while oysters can be commercially grown elsewhere.

Please honor the promise made for a protected marine wilderness at Drakes Estero. In doing so, you will set a good policy example and reward the public with an enduring legacy feat found nowhere else on the West Coast.

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**Correspondence:** 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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**Name:** Hess, Mary

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Mary T. Hess 2700 Le Conte Ave #403 Berkeley, CA 94709

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**Name:** Wilson, Thomas A  
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**Correspondence:** I have been a resident of a family home in Inverness since 1980. I have hiked extensively throughout the park and feel that I understand the topography and environment of the area. I have also spent considerable time on the waters of Tomales Bay. I have purchased countless dozens of oysters from DBOC as well as from other growers on Tomales Bay. Because of my familiarity with this area I believe my opinion should be considered. I have read the draft EIS and kept up with all of the information concerning the situation with DBOC . I support none of the alternatives presented as they all force closure of the oyster company in 2022. There should have been an alternate E which allows the oyster company to remain in business as long as it is a good steward of Drakes Estero. ? There is no evidence that DBOC has harmed water quality in the estero. ? There is no evidence that DBOC has harmed seal life or decreased eel grass growth. ? DBOC provides a "Green" and vital food source. ?

DBOC provides employment for a large number of people in this time of vast unemployment. It seems silly to think that removal of the Drakes Bay Oyster Company will create a new wilderness area as it is currently surrounded by highways, trails, and cattle ranches which are an integral part of the National Seashore. I would hope that the NPS would be good stewards of the park land that they manage. For some reason you have been on a witch hunt to destroy DBOC. You have manufactured data, and lied about its acquisition. I am absolutely amazed at your gall in pretending that this faulty information supports your path forward to eliminate DBOC. For some reason the NPS has made it their goal to offend the citizens of West Marin. In conclusion I reject all four of your alternatives as unwarranted. I hope you will come to your senses and for once make the correct decision and allow DBOC to remain as a vital business into the future.

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**Name:** Przemielewski, Thomas A  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
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**Correspondence:** why would you close a business when is state needs jobs! I support a Renewable Special Use Permit for Drakes Bay Oyster Company.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33425    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Villarreal, Arturo  
**Outside Organization:** National Parks Conservation Association Unaffiliated Individual  
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**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** I urge you 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. The public has waited nearly four decades for these protections to be implemented, which is an immense compromise in itself. Drakes Estero is a rare wildlife refuge where migrating birds stop over, harbor seals give birth, and fish take shelter in eelgrass. As someone who enjoys our nation's national parks and their wildlife, I urge you to uphold the longstanding plan to convert this very special resource to wilderness.

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Please honor the promise made for a protected marine wilderness at Drakes Estero. In doing so, you will set a good policy example and reward the public with an enduring legacy feat found nowhere else on the West Coast.

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Drakes Estero is a national ecological treasure and should become a protected wilderness area. It has outstanding natural resources, including one of California's largest harbor seal colonies and tens of thousands of shorebirds, waterfowl, native fish and endangered species that use its wetlands, mudflats and eelgrass beds.

In the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act, Congress recognized Drakes Estero as a unique recreational and biological resource and promised that this irreplaceable resource would formally become a wilderness area when non-conforming uses were eliminated. Your agency permitted a commercial oyster company to grow non-native oysters and clams on 1,050 acres in Drakes Estero for 40 years, or until 2012.

Your own draft environmental impact statement reveals the extensive damage that the existing operation has caused to Drakes Estero and Point Reyes National Seashore's beaches. As you know, commercial operations of any kind are not permitted in designated wilderness areas because of such damage. Further, the Park Service's Organic Act mandates protection of park resources and values and strictly limits commercial operations.

Your approval of the proposal to extend the oyster company's permit would be contrary to the Point Reyes Wilderness Act and would establish a dangerous precedent at a time when America's public lands and environmental laws are already under widespread attacks in Congress and elsewhere.

We've been waiting long enough. It is time to allow that permit to expire and to honor Congress' commitment. We want our bay back.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33439    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Cabezud, Carlos F  
**Outside Organization:** Center for Biological Diversity Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,22,2011 13:08:28  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** To whom it may concern:

I am writing to let you know that I support the wilderness designation for Drake Estero within the Point Reyes National Seashore.

Please select alternative A in the EIS in order to secure this important ecological area for future generations.

Sincerely,

Carlos F. Cabezud

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**Correspondence ID:** 33440    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390

**Name:** Tsihlis, Nick D

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

**Received:** Nov.22,2011 13:08:58

**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.

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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**Correspondence ID:** 33441    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390

**Name:** Klotz, Suzette

**Outside Organization:** Sierra Club Unaffiliated Individual

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**Name:** Marshall, Belinda  
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**Name:** Petzak, Jamaka  
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**Name:** Mora, Kathy  
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**Name:** Neste, Lisa  
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**Name:** White, Kathleen

**Outside Organization:** Sierra Club Unaffiliated Individual

**Received:** Nov,22,2011 13:20:24

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**Name:** Freeman, Gary & Marie

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**Name:** Bein, Ann

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**Name:** Schreck, Stephen  
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**Name:** Dawson, Ron  
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**Name:** Marsh, Judy  
**Outside Organization:** Sierra Club Unaffiliated Individual  
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**Name:** Sendrey, Robert  
**Outside Organization:** Sierra Club Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,22,2011 00:00:00  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** I am writing to urge the National Park Service to stand by its commitment to protect the Drakes Estero wilderness area next year.

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**Correspondence:** Drakes Estero is a national ecological treasure and should become a protected wilderness area. It has outstanding natural resources, including one of California's largest harbor seal colonies and tens of thousands of shorebirds, waterfowl, native fish and endangered species that use its wetlands, mudflats and eelgrass beds.

In the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act, Congress recognized Drakes Estero as a unique recreational and biological resource and promised that this irreplaceable resource would formally become a wilderness area when non-conforming uses were eliminated. Your agency permitted a commercial oyster company to grow non-native oysters and clams on 1,050 acres in Drakes Estero for 40 years, or until 2012.

Your own draft environmental impact statement reveals the extensive damage that the existing operation has caused to Drakes Estero and Point Reyes National Seashore's beaches. As you know, commercial operations of any kind are not permitted in designated wilderness areas because of such damage. Further, the Park Service's Organic Act mandates protection of park resources and values and strictly limits commercial operations.

Your approval of the proposal to extend the oyster company's permit would be contrary to the Point Reyes Wilderness Act and would establish a dangerous precedent at a time when America's public lands and environmental laws are already under widespread attacks in Congress and elsewhere.

We've been waiting long enough. It is time to allow that permit to expire and to honor Congress' commitment. We want our bay back.

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**Name:** Jannenga, Samantha

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

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Please honor the promise made for a protected marine wilderness at Drakes Estero. In doing so, you will set a good policy example and reward the public with an enduring legacy feat found nowhere else on the West Coast.

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I believe it is a good idea to keep the oyster farm in operation. It provides healthy local food and does not seem to be causing environmental degradation. I believe that national parks should not be compromised by commercialism but removing the oyster farm while leaving the dairy farms free to operate is inconsistent. I think there should be restrictions on enlarging the operation so that large factories will not be built, but I think the current situation is of benefit for all consumers, employees and the park itself. I have visited the park twice in the last several years, once with my grandchildren. It is always good for children to see where their food comes from. Thank you, Valerie Murray

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Your own draft environmental impact statement reveals the extensive damage that the existing operation has caused to Drakes Estero and Point Reyes National Seashore's beaches. As you know, commercial operations of any kind are not permitted in designated wilderness areas because of such damage. Further, the Park Service's Organic Act mandates protection of park resources and values and strictly limits commercial operations.

Your approval of the proposal to extend the oyster company's permit would be contrary to the Point Reyes Wilderness Act and would establish a dangerous precedent at a time when America's public lands and environmental laws are already under widespread attacks in Congress and elsewhere.

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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.

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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I am an avid hiker and find more trails being encroached by special interests. We need to protect the little remaining wild life areas.

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**Name:** Hansen, Paul

**Outside Organization:** NRDC Unaffiliated Individual

**Received:** Nov,22,2011 14:33:33

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**Correspondence:** Drakes Estero is a national ecological treasure and should become a protected wilderness area. It has outstanding natural resources, including one of California's largest harbor seal colonies and tens of thousands of shorebirds, waterfowl, native fish and endangered species that use its wetlands, mudflats and eelgrass beds.

In the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act, Congress recognized Drakes Estero as a unique recreational and biological resource and promised that this irreplaceable resource would formally become a wilderness area when non-conforming uses were eliminated. Your agency permitted a commercial oyster company to grow non-native oysters and clams on 1,050 acres in Drakes Estero for 40 years, or until 2012.

Your own draft environmental impact statement reveals the extensive damage that the existing operation has caused to Drakes Estero and Point Reyes National Seashore's beaches. As you know, commercial operations of any kind are not permitted in designated wilderness areas because of such damage. Further, the Park Service's Organic Act mandates protection of park resources and values and strictly limits commercial operations.

Your approval of the proposal to extend the oyster company's permit would be contrary to the Point Reyes Wilderness Act and would establish a dangerous precedent at a time when America's public lands and environmental laws are already under widespread attacks in Congress and elsewhere.

We've been waiting long enough. It is time to allow that permit to expire and to honor Congress' commitment. We want our bay back.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33505    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390

**Name:** Fischer, Quentin

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

**Received:** Nov,22,2011 14:37:52

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**Correspondence:** I urge you 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. The public has waited nearly four decades for these protections to be implemented, which is an immense compromise in itself. Drakes Estero is a rare wildlife refuge where migrating birds stop over, harbor seals give birth, and fish take shelter in eelgrass. As someone who enjoys our nation's national parks and their wildlife, I urge you to uphold the longstanding plan to convert this very special resource to wilderness.

I urge you to select alternative "A", which protects marine wilderness next year and is the Environmentally Preferred Alternative. The National Park Service is mandated to provide maximum protection to the natural resources at Drakes Estero 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, and after waiting nearly 40 years for private commercial use rights to expire, it's time to give the estuary the protection it needs. The environmental review shows that alternative "A" is best for public policy, and best protects harbor seals, fish, birds and other natural resources. Drakes Estero is our only marine wilderness on the West Coast, and is irreplaceable, while oysters can be commercially grown elsewhere.

Please honor the promise made for a protected marine wilderness at Drakes Estero. In doing so, you will set a good policy example and reward the public with an enduring legacy feat found nowhere else on the West Coast.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33506    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390

**Name:** MacLean, David B

**Outside Organization:** Wilderness Society Unaffiliated Individual

**Received:** Nov,22,2011 14:40:15

**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

**Correspondence:** Dear National Park Service:

I strongly support a wilderness designation for Drakes Estero within the Point Reyes National Seashore. I urge the National Park Service and the department of Interior to implement Alternative A in the EIS which protects the local marine environment.

Drake Eestero is an important stop on the West Coast flyway for migrating birds, refuge and birthing ground for seals, and a fish nursery. I believe that Congress and the people intended this area to be included in the wilderness.

I believe that oyster harvesting is not compatible with wilderness and the existing lease must not be renewed after its expiry in 2012. Oyster farms can be established elsewhere

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I urge that Drakes Estero be designated as wilderness per Alternative A.

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**Name:** Wedeen, Nancy

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Thank you for considering Alternative "A" Protect our environment.

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**Name:** Lloyd, Don  
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**Name:** Gafney, Patricia  
**Outside Organization:** National Parks Conservation Association Unaffiliated Individual  
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**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

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**Name:** Muentner, Andrea  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,22,2011 15:11:48  
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**Correspondence:** I support ALTERNATIVE A, which allows the oyster company operating permit to expire and finally establishes wilderness at Point Reyes National Seashore, as Congress legislated thirty-five years ago

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**Name:** Whitaker, Lisa  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,22,2011 15:18:18  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

**Correspondence:** The Draft EIS suggests that kayak tours could provide local jobs to replace those lost by the closure of DBOC. Kayaks, not the boats or staff of DBOC, disturbed harbor seals in Drake's Estero, according to analysis of photographs taken by the NPS from 2007 to 2010. Why would the NPS suggest expanding an activity that NPS has documented having a negative impact on wildlife to replace the benign activities of DBOC? As a resident of Marin and a frequent user of the Seashore, I support a renewable SUP for DBOC. The Seashore is not wilderness, and the DBOC is a cultural resource for visitors and local residents.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33526    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Ginsburg, Stephen  
**Outside Organization:** Sierra Club Unaffiliated Individual  
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**Name:** Austin, Deborah  
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**Name:** Harpe, Jaynee  
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**Name:** Smith, Robert  
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**Name:** Spaccarotelli, Robert  
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**Name:** Garcia, Armando A.  
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**Name:** Treadgold, Jonathan  
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**Name:** Grenier, Michelle  
**Outside Organization:** National Parks Conservation Association Unaffiliated Individual  
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**Name:** Bernal, Judy  
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**Name:** Leacock, Carol  
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**Name:** Bailey, Dorothy  
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**Name:** Barns, Suzanne

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I urge you 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. The public has waited nearly four decades for these protections to be implemented, which is an immense compromise in itself. Drakes Estero is a rare wildlife refuge where migrating birds stop over, harbor seals give birth, and fish take shelter in eelgrass. As someone who enjoys our nation's national parks and their wildlife, I urge you to uphold the longstanding plan to convert this very special resource to wilderness.

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Please honor the promise made for a protected marine wilderness at Drakes Estero. In doing so, you will set a good policy example and reward the public with an enduring legacy feat found nowhere else on the West Coast.

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**Name:** Wagner, George  
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Your approval of the proposal to extend the oyster company's permit would be contrary to the Point Reyes Wilderness Act and would establish a dangerous precedent at a time when America's public lands and environmental laws are already under widespread attacks in Congress and elsewhere.

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**Name:** Coombs, Whitney  
**Outside Organization:** National Wildlife Federation Action Fund Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,22,2011 17:48:34  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** Drakes Estero is the ecological heart of Point Reyes National Seashore and a treasure that belongs to all Americans. In 1976, Congress promised that the Estero would receive full wilderness protection when the current lease for commercial oyster operations expires in 2012. I urge the Park Service to honor the wilderness promise and protect Drakes Estero for future generations.

Drakes Estero is home to 20 percent of the mainland breeding population of harbor seals in California and is used by tens of thousands of shorebirds and waterfowl and dozens of species of native fish. Your draft environmental impact statement makes clear that the existing commercial oyster operation is causing extensive damage to Drakes Estero and the Seashore's beaches, and that allowing these operations to continue would cause even more long-term harm.

Your environmental review also shows that alternative "A"--no new permit for commercial oyster operations and protection of the Estero as full wilderness--is the environmentally preferred alternative and the one that best protects harbor seals, birds, fish and other natural resources.

I urge you to return Drakes Estero to all Americans by selecting alternative "A" and ensuring full wilderness protection for Drakes Estero in 2012. It is time to protect Drakes Estero as Congress intended and to create the West Coast's only marine wilderness for the benefit of people and wildlife.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33587    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Farber, Rick  
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Select Alternative A. Oysters can be grown anywhere, but Drake's Estero is our ONLY marine wilderness on the West Coast. The NPS can set a positive policy example by protecting wilderness rather than exploiting--and destroying--it. Drake's Estero should not be commercially exploited for oyster farming because of their connections to a state senator. PLEASE do not set a negative example for others to seek special exemptions from national park laws. Shame on the senator!

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I have enjoyed Point Reyes trips and want it to be quiet wilderness for my descendents to enjoy. Estuaries are very important.

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At one time I lived in Marin County. When things were difficult, I would drive to this area where I could recoup wandering around and taking in the beauty.

As mentioned above, it is truly important for migrating birds. The stopping places for them continue to diminish. Please support keeping this a wild place.

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**Name:** Akers, Frederick

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**Correspondence ID:** 33611    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Huchins, Adrienne  
**Outside Organization:** NRDC Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,22,2011 18:33:39  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** Drakes Estero is a national ecological treasure and should become a protected wilderness area. It has outstanding natural resources, including one of California's largest harbor seal colonies and tens of thousands of shorebirds, waterfowl, native fish and endangered species that use its wetlands, mudflats and eelgrass beds.

In the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act, Congress recognized Drakes Estero as a unique recreational and biological resource and promised that this irreplaceable resource would formally become a wilderness area when non-conforming uses were eliminated. Your agency permitted a commercial oyster company to grow non-native oysters and clams on 1,050 acres in Drakes Estero for 40 years, or until 2012.

Your own draft environmental impact statement reveals the extensive damage that the existing operation has caused to Drakes Estero and Point Reyes National Seashore's beaches. As you know, commercial operations of any kind are not permitted in designated wilderness areas because of such damage. Further, the Park Service's Organic Act mandates protection of park resources and values and strictly limits commercial operations.

Your approval of the proposal to extend the oyster company's permit would be contrary to the Point Reyes Wilderness Act and would establish a dangerous precedent at a time when America's public lands and environmental laws are already under widespread attacks in Congress and elsewhere.

We've been waiting long enough. It is time to allow that permit to expire and to honor Congress' commitment. We want our bay back.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33612    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** O'Reilly, Patricia  
**Outside Organization:** National Parks Conservation Association Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,22,2011 18:38:19  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** I urge you 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. The public has waited nearly four decades for these protections to be implemented, which is an immense compromise in itself. Drakes Estero is a rare wildlife refuge where migrating birds stop over, harbor seals give birth, and fish take shelter in eelgrass. As someone who enjoys our nation's national parks and their wildlife, I urge you to uphold the longstanding plan to convert this very special resource to wilderness.

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Please honor the promise made for a protected marine wilderness at Drakes Estero. In doing so, you will set a good policy example and reward the public with an enduring legacy feat found nowhere else on the West Coast.

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**Name:** Mulrey, Kel p  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
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**Correspondence:** "I support a renewable Special Use Permit for Drakes Bay Oyster Company."

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**Name:** Diamante, Nina  
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**Name:** Gutman, Andrea & James

**Outside Organization:** Sierra Club Unaffiliated Individual

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**Correspondence:** Point Reyes is a very special place and maintains an attraction for many tourists. In this regard, we do not believe that the very special area known as Drakes Estero wilderness is an appropriate place for continued commercial operation. It is a rare wildlife refuge where migrating birds stop over, harbor seals give birth, and fish spawn and therefore deserves the highest level of protection as Congress long-intended. We urge you enhance, not undermine, protections at Drakes Estero and succumb to special interests seeking to commercialize.

Sincerely, Andrea and James Gutman 10511 Mahoney Dr. Sunland, Ca. 91040

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**Name:** Kovats, Geraldine

**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual

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**Correspondence:** Please renew Drakes Bay Oyster Co.'s Special Use permit. This is an important, ecologically friendly business run by people who are truly the "salt of the earth". Denying this permit would be wholly un-American.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Best, Geraldine Kovats

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**Name:** Ehrlich, Marion

**Outside Organization:** NRDC Unaffiliated Individual

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**Correspondence:** Drakes Estero is a national ecological treasure and should become a protected wilderness area. It has outstanding natural resources, including one of California's largest harbor seal colonies and tens of thousands of shorebirds, waterfowl, native fish and endangered species that use its wetlands, mudflats and eelgrass beds.

In the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act, Congress recognized Drakes Estero as a unique recreational and biological resource and promised that this irreplaceable resource would formally become a wilderness area when non-conforming uses were eliminated. Your agency permitted a commercial oyster company to grow non-native oysters and clams on 1,050 acres in

Drakes Estero for 40 years, or until 2012.

Your own draft environmental impact statement reveals the extensive damage that the existing operation has caused to Drakes Estero and Point Reyes National Seashore's beaches. As you know, commercial operations of any kind are not permitted in designated wilderness areas because of such damage. Further, the Park Service's Organic Act mandates protection of park resources and values and strictly limits commercial operations.

Your approval of the proposal to extend the oyster company's permit would be contrary to the Point Reyes Wilderness Act and would establish a dangerous precedent at a time when America's public lands and environmental laws are already under widespread attacks in Congress and elsewhere.

We've been waiting long enough. It is time to allow that permit to expire and to honor Congress' commitment. We want our bay back.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33630    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Ensign, Meredith  
**Outside Organization:** National Parks Conservation Association Unaffiliated Individual  
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**Correspondence:** I urge you 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. The public has waited nearly four decades for these protections to be implemented, which is an immense compromise in itself. Drakes Estero is a rare wildlife refuge where migrating birds stop over, harbor seals give birth, and fish take shelter in eelgrass. As someone who enjoys our nation's national parks and their wildlife, I urge you to uphold the longstanding plan to convert this very special resource to wilderness.

I urge you to select alternative "A", which protects marine wilderness next year and is the Environmentally Preferred Alternative. The National Park Service is mandated to provide maximum protection to the natural resources at Drakes Estero 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, and after waiting nearly 40 years for private commercial use rights to expire, it's time to give the estuary the protection it needs. The environmental review shows that alternative "A" is best for public policy, and best protects harbor seals, fish, birds and other natural resources. Drakes Estero is our only marine wilderness on the West Coast, and is irreplaceable, while oysters can be commercially grown elsewhere.

Please honor the promise made for a protected marine wilderness at Drakes Estero. In doing so, you will set a good policy example and reward the public with an enduring legacy feat found nowhere else on the West Coast.

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**Correspondence:** This is to tell you that 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.

A unique and ecologically significant wildlife area, Drakes Estero 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.

Selecting Alternative "A" is the only way to accomplish this, 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.

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

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**Name:** Arnold, Alison  
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On a more personal note...I am SO sick of humans destroying what is left of our natural world. for \$\$\$\$ I was in Yosemite 2 weekends ago. It is off season but there were a lot of people. I'm pleased to report that I could tell/feel that they cared and cherished the natural environment they were privileged to visit....companies that destroy what we have left need to move on and find a better, environmentally friendly way to make their \$\$\$\$.

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**Name:** Anderson, Jerrel C  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
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**Correspondence:** I support a renewable special permit for Drakes Bay Oyster Company.

We regularly visit the Bay area to see our daughters and Point Reyes and the oyster farm are required visits each and every time we are there. We buy oysters there and have enjoyed the farm and the wonderful people who operate it. I think it is a valuable

part of the Point Reyes National Seashore and should remain part and parcel to it!

When much of our seafood now comes from foreign sources and is often tainted, it is our obligation to support our own farmers and fishermen by buying their products and urging the government to support our own businesses as well.

Please allow the Drakes Bay Oyster Company to continue operation under a renewable permit arrangement.

Thank you.

Jerrel C. Anderson

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**Name:** Hernandez, Ruben

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**Name:** Muzima, Jeannette  
**Outside Organization:** National Parks Conservation Association Unaffiliated Individual  
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**Correspondence:** I urge you 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. The public has waited nearly four decades for these protections to be implemented, which is an immense compromise in itself. Drakes Estero is a rare wildlife refuge where migrating birds stop over, harbor seals give birth, and fish take shelter in eelgrass. As someone who enjoys our nation's national parks and their wildlife, I urge you to uphold the longstanding plan to convert this very special resource to wilderness.

Pt Reyes and Drakes Estero have been favorite places which we have been blessed to visit for many years. We always feels renewed and blessed to engage with this natural and national treasure.

We are blessed with the capacity to reason, and to protect. Please help us do both.

Thank you very much.

I urge you to select alternative "A", which protects marine wilderness next year and is the Environmentally Preferred Alternative. The National Park Service is mandated to provide maximum protection to the natural resources at Drakes Estero 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, and after waiting nearly 40 years for private commercial use rights to expire, it's time to give the estuary the protection it needs. The environmental review shows that alternative "A" is best for public policy, and best protects harbor seals, fish, birds and other natural resources. Drakes Estero is our only marine wilderness on the West Coast, and is irreplaceable, while oysters can be commercially grown elsewhere.

Please honor the promise made for a protected marine wilderness at Drakes Estero. In doing so, you will set a good policy example and reward the public with an enduring legacy feat found nowhere else on the West Coast.

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**Name:** Hucke, Krysta L  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
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My parents taught me to respect and love the environment and to fight for what I believe in. Well, here goes....

The alternative of choice should be, of course, that which reduces environmental impact of Drakes Estero. I fully understand that this is the objective of an EIS. Earth and humans both need natural places of solitude, places where human impact is minimal if not completely absent. Earth is full of evidence of human development and human invasion on natural places. As it stands today, Drakes Estero is no different. Oyster opportunities are prevalent; Drakes Estero is unique. Activities of Drakes Bay Oyster Company needn't be halted; however, activities of such a business should be established in a place that is far from the protected lands of Point Reyes National Seashore. This little piece of land and sea has been established as protected. So, why don't we do what we promised to do and protect it fully?

I propose that Drakes Estero be released from human ties and converted to full wilderness because future generations deserve to see that humans are capable of protecting that which they promised to protect. Similarly, we should protect the environment of Drakes Estero because the ecosystem that thrives there deserves to be protected.

We should always seek to protect that which we are capable of protecting. We are fully capable of protecting Drakes Estero. Be gone Drakes Bay Oyster Company. Be gone far from Drakes Estero.

Thank you, Krysta Hucke

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**Correspondence ID:** 33659    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
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**Name:** Padilla, Dwight  
**Outside Organization:** NRDC Unaffiliated Individual  
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Drakes Estero is a national ecological treasure and should become a protected wilderness area. It has outstanding natural resources, including one of California's largest harbor seal colonies and tens of thousands of shorebirds, waterfowl, native fish and endangered species that use its wetlands, mudflats and eelgrass beds.

In the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act, Congress recognized Drakes Estero as a unique recreational and biological resource and promised that this irreplaceable resource would formally become a wilderness area when non-conforming uses were eliminated. Your agency permitted a commercial oyster company to grow non-native oysters and clams on 1,050 acres in Drakes Estero for 40 years, or until 2012.

Your own draft environmental impact statement reveals the extensive damage that the existing operation has caused to Drakes Estero and Point Reyes National Seashore's beaches. As you know, commercial operations of any kind are not permitted in designated wilderness areas because of such damage. Further, the Park Service's Organic Act mandates protection of park resources and values and strictly limits commercial operations.

Your approval of the proposal to extend the oyster company's permit would be contrary to the Point Reyes Wilderness Act and would establish a dangerous precedent at a time when America's public lands and environmental laws are already under widespread attacks in Congress and elsewhere.

We've been waiting long enough. It is time to allow that permit to expire and to honor Congress' commitment. We want our bay back.

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In the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act, Congress recognized Drakes Estero as a unique recreational and biological resource and promised that this irreplaceable resource would formally become a wilderness area when non-conforming uses were eliminated. Your agency permitted a commercial oyster company to grow non-native oysters and clams on 1,050 acres in Drakes Estero for 40 years, or until 2012.

Your own draft environmental impact statement reveals the extensive damage that the existing operation has caused to Drakes Estero and Point Reyes National Seashore's beaches. As you know, commercial operations of any kind are not permitted in designated wilderness areas because of such damage. Further, the Park Service's Organic Act mandates protection of park resources and values and strictly limits commercial operations.

Your approval of the proposal to extend the oyster company's permit would be contrary to the Point Reyes Wilderness Act and would establish a dangerous precedent at a time when America's public lands and environmental laws are already under widespread attacks in Congress and elsewhere.

We've been waiting long enough. It is time to allow that permit to expire and to honor Congress' commitment. We want our bay back.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33663    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390

**Name:** Datah, Ian

**Outside Organization:** Sierra Club Unaffiliated Individual

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**Name:** N/A, N/A  
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**Correspondence:** I support a RENEWABLE Special Use Permit for Drakes Bay Oyster Company.

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**Name:** Campisi, Vincent  
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**Name:** Norwick, Stephen A  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,22,2011 20:58:24  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** Superintendent Cicely Muldoon Point Reyes National Seashore 1 Bear Valley Road Point Reyes Station, CA 94956

Dear Madam,

I understand that you are a local person so it is possible that you have memories of visiting Drake's Bay and perhaps eating oysters from the Drake's Bay Oyster Farm. I have been visiting Drake's Bay since I was a boy and I remember when the spit at Limantour Lagoon was lined with fishing shacks and the water smelled like excrement. One of the first thing the Park Service did when the seashore opened was to remove those shacks and their pollution. This greatly improved the quality of fish and shell fish taken from the waters of the National Seashore.

My wife and I have been visiting the oyster company for 35 years and our daughters have been going there most of their lives. As a local person I would like to be able to purchase oysters from the Drake's Bay Oyster Farm continue for many years to come.

However, I am also writing you as a technical person. I do not generally eat oysters because I am the water quality teacher at Sonoma State University, and I know the statistics about filter feeders. I never eat raw shell fish because I do not want to contract one of the many hasty parasitic diseases clams, oysters and mussels carry. However, I do eat cooked oysters from Drake's Bay because I have seen the water quality reports from that bay and compared them to other such reports. As you have seen, there are fewer sources of water pollution there than perhaps any other oyster farm in the country.

I have no interest in the "historic ranches" at Point Reyes. There are plenty of historic ranches around the country. I would be happy if the ranch land at Point Reyes was given over to the wild animals. I would rather see more elk than dairy cows. But the oyster farm is an unusual, perhaps unique source of very safe sea food, and I would like to see your park supporting sustainable fisheries, including sustainable shell fish harvesting, such as that practiced by the Drake's Bay Oyster Farm.

Sincerely yours,

Dr. Stephen A. Norwick Department of Environmental Studies and Planning Sonoma State University Rohnert Park, CA 94928

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**Correspondence ID:** 33671    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Dalpino, Idajane  
**Outside Organization:** National Parks Conservation Association Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,22,2011 21:08:37  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** It is time for a change. Let Marin lead the way by making the estuary a place with no commercial businesses.

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**Name:** Norwick, Marta O  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,22,2011 21:24:26  
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**Correspondence:** I support a renewable Special Use Permit for Drakes Bay Oyster Company! The oyster farm is a wonderful source of fresh oysters grown in the unpolluted bay. I moved to California from Boston over 30 years ago and I know how important it is to support coastal farms such as the Drakes Bay Oyster Farm. My husband and I have visited the oyster farm with our children and now their children for many years and enjoyed the oysters we purchased there. I would like to continue to enjoy the oysters from this family farm with its sustainable shellfish harvesting.

Sincerely, Marta Norwick

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**Name:** Valentine, Jennifer  
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**Name:** Andrea, Iaderosa  
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**Correspondence ID:** 33686    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390

**Name:** Stanton, Christopher B

**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual

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**Correspondence:** I support a renewable Special Use Permit for Drakes Bay Oyster Company.

The farm has become a staple of West Coast culture and a part of Point Reyes modern heritage in its own right. Please do not shut down the operations of such a landmark.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33687    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390

**Name:** Galstyan, Armenuhi

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**Name:** Miyashiro, Marla  
**Outside Organization:** National Parks Conservation Association Unaffiliated Individual  
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**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

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I urge you to select alternative "A", which protects marine wilderness next year and is the Environmentally Preferred Alternative. The National Park Service is mandated to provide maximum protection to the natural resources at Drakes Estero 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, and after waiting nearly 40 years for private commercial use rights to expire, it's time to give the estuary the protection it needs. The environmental review shows that alternative "A" is best for public policy, and best protects harbor seals, fish, birds and other natural resources. 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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**Name:** bradley, jennifer  
**Outside Organization:** Sierra Club Unaffiliated Individual  
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**Correspondence ID:** 33695    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Zabaly, Nicholas  
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**Correspondence ID:** 33696    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Mendoza, Eileen  
**Outside Organization:** National Parks Conservation Association Unaffiliated Individual  
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**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

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Please select alternative "A", to protect this marine wilderness next year when the commercial lease is ended. The National Park Service is mandated to provide maximum protection to the natural resources at Drakes Estero and selecting this alternative is the most consistent course of protection for this park. The environmental review shows that alternative "A" is best for public policy, and best protects harbor seals, fish, birds and other natural resources of this area. Drakes Estero is our only marine wilderness on the West Coast, and is irreplaceable, while oysters can be commercially grown elsewhere.

Sincerely, Eileen Mendoza 1223 Yosemite Drive Los Angeles, CA 90041-2432

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**Name:** Strote, Mary Ellen  
**Outside Organization:** Sierra Club Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,22,2011 00:00:00  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** Point Reyes was established decades ago as a result of George Collins' work on the West Coast Recreation Survey. He and many others put enormous effort in this conservation effort, and their work was for the benefit of the public. Drakes Estero was part of that arduous planning effort.

I urge the National Park Service to protect Drakes Estero wilderness next year as intended when Point Reyes was established. 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, which Congress meant it to have. Please do not undermine protections at Drakes Estero and succumb to interests that seek to commercialize this magnificent place.

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**Name:** Berrios, David  
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**Name:** Rycheck, Kevin  
**Outside Organization:** NRDC Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov.23,2011 00:04:09  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** Drakes Estero is a national ecological treasure and should become a protected wilderness area. It has outstanding natural resources, including one of California's largest harbor seal colonies and tens of thousands of shorebirds, waterfowl, native fish and endangered species that use its wetlands, mudflats and eelgrass beds.

In the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act, Congress recognized Drakes Estero as a unique recreational and biological resource and promised that this irreplaceable resource would formally become a wilderness area when non-conforming uses were eliminated. Your agency permitted a commercial oyster company to grow non-native oysters and clams on 1,050 acres in Drakes Estero for 40 years, or until 2012.

Your own draft environmental impact statement reveals the extensive damage that the existing operation has caused to Drakes Estero and Point Reyes National Seashore's beaches. As you know, commercial operations of any kind are not permitted in designated wilderness areas because of such damage. Further, the Park Service's Organic Act mandates protection of park resources and values and strictly limits commercial operations.

Your approval of the proposal to extend the oyster company's permit would be contrary to the Point Reyes Wilderness Act and would establish a dangerous precedent at a time when America's public lands and environmental laws are already under widespread attacks in Congress and elsewhere.

We've been waiting long enough. It is time to allow that permit to expire and to honor Congress' commitment. We want our bay back.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33704    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Rycheck, Kevin  
**Outside Organization:** National Parks Conservation Association Unaffiliated Individual  
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**Name:** Giordani, Mark  
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**Name:** Botz-Zapp, Maren  
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**Name:** Jackson, Kari  
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**Name:** Isenhower, Eric  
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**Name:** Drake, Ted  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
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**Correspondence:** 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.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33717    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Benitez, Marina  
**Outside Organization:** Sierra Club Unaffiliated Individual  
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**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual

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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.

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

**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual

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**Correspondence:** I support a Renewable Special Use Permit for Drakes Bay Oyster Company.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33720    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390

**Name:** Gee, Anet

**Outside Organization:** Sierra Club Unaffiliated Individual

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**Name:** Garron, Steve  
**Outside Organization:** NRDC Unaffiliated Individual

**Received:** Nov.23,2011 07:04:57  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** Drakes Estero is a national ecological treasure and should become a protected wilderness area. It has outstanding natural resources, including one of California's largest harbor seal colonies and tens of thousands of shorebirds, waterfowl, native fish and endangered species that use its wetlands, mudflats and eelgrass beds.

In the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act, Congress recognized Drakes Estero as a unique recreational and biological resource and promised that this irreplaceable resource would formally become a wilderness area when non-conforming uses were eliminated. Your agency permitted a commercial oyster company to grow non-native oysters and clams on 1,050 acres in Drakes Estero for 40 years, or until 2012.

Your own draft environmental impact statement reveals the extensive damage that the existing operation has caused to Drakes Estero and Point Reyes National Seashore's beaches. As you know, commercial operations of any kind are not permitted in designated wilderness areas because of such damage. Further, the Park Service's Organic Act mandates protection of park resources and values and strictly limits commercial operations.

Your approval of the proposal to extend the oyster company's permit would be contrary to the Point Reyes Wilderness Act and would establish a dangerous precedent at a time when America's public lands and environmental laws are already under widespread attacks in Congress and elsewhere.

We've been waiting long enough. It is time to allow that permit to expire and to honor Congress' commitment. We want our bay back.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33725    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Davis, Josh  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov.23,2011 07:16:10  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** I support a renewable Special Use Permit for Drakes Bay Oyster Company

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**Correspondence ID:** 33726    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Kisner, Al  
**Outside Organization:** Sierra Club Unaffiliated Individual  
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**Name:** Propst, Darel  
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**Name:** Saperia, David  
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**Name:** Rami, Saeed  
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**Name:** Garron, Steven  
**Outside Organization:** National Parks Conservation Association Unaffiliated Individual  
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**Name:** Towner, Christi  
**Outside Organization:** National Parks Conservation Association Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov.23,2011 00:00:00  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** This company bought the remaining time on the lease, now wants to make more than they paid for by extending that lease. This is profiting at the expense of the public, and should not ever be permitted. I am shocked that it is even being considered.

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**Name:** Benjamin, Corey  
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**Name:** Balboni, jennifer  
**Outside Organization:** Sierra Club Unaffiliated Individual  
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**Name:** Dabrowski, Casey  
**Outside Organization:** Sierra Club Unaffiliated Individual  
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**Name:** Avery, Estela  
**Outside Organization:** National Parks Conservation Association Unaffiliated Individual  
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**Name:** Driss, Irene  
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**Name:** Amrine, William  
**Outside Organization:** Sierra Club Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 00:00:00  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** In 1984 I stood at Pt. Reyes Lighthouse and watched a mother humpback and offspring swim through Drake's Bay; when I turned to look landward, all I could see was the wonderful beauty of unspoiled land. The commercial interests would build on every available acre of land in California if given the opportunity. Some needs to be left unspoiled; the human psyche thrives on it.

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**Name:** Mooney, Albert  
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**Name:** Pollack, Michael  
**Outside Organization:** National Parks Conservation Association Unaffiliated Individual  
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**Name:** N/A, N/A

**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual

**Received:** Nov.23,2011 09:19:06

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**Correspondence:** I discovered Pt Reyes about 10 years ago with friends from Marin. I loved it. I have been back many times and found Drake's Bay Oysters about 5 years ago. If I get a chance to be in the bay area, it is always a must. I heard from friends in Marin that the Oyster Co is being evicted by the park service. I have been following the discussions for several years now, and I must say, I find them extremely disturbing.

I am a scientist. I know of Corey Goodman. Mostly from his work and by his reputation. I have met him a couple of times. I was surprised to see his involvement in this dispute. Cory is totally capable of judging the science reported by Sarah Allen. His judgment is scathing. Dr Allen is ideologically motivated, politically motivated, or simply incompetent. Taking her reports at face value is a stain upon the park service. Acting upon her reports is even worse.

I understand the conflict among conservationists who prefer designating areas wilderness, and those who prefer limiting commercial exploitation of reserved lands. I applaud both. But?..

In the specific case of Pt. Reyes, that land has been home to ranching and specifically oyster harvesting for all of its recorded and anthropologically deduced history, since Native tribes harvested oysters from Drakes Bay, and Spanish settlers raised animals there. My feeling is that the ranches and this oyster farm enhance my experience of Pt. Reyes. I would not like to see this beautiful part of West Marin become a wilderness. But it seems that the park service, influenced primarily by the Sierra Club (with whom I usually agree) want to undue centuries of land use.

That is OK. Everyone is entitled to his or her opinion. But to deliberately falsify data, to misrepresent data, or to ignore conflicting data, to support one's position is simply not tolerable. That is what appears to have occurred during the park service's evaluation of Drakes Bay Oyster Farm.

Kevin Lenney has accomplished a surviving small business in Drakes Bay. Against all odds. His facilities are dilapidated because of harassment by the park service.

It is time for this to stop. It is time to embrace DBO. It is time to support Kevin Lenney and move forward. DBO provides a service to Marin, to Pt. Reyes, and to California. Are we not trying to support small business? Especially small business that is not only NOT ecologically destructive, but also actually environmentally beneficial (oysters clean the waters of the bay)?

The actions of the parks department in this regard is not just unfortunate, it is despicable.

Dr Robert Burgeson Professor, Harvard Medical School, Emeritas

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**Name:** Suyehara, Erin

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**Name:** Waybrant, Paul  
**Outside Organization:** National Parks Conservation Association Unaffiliated Individual  
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**Name:** Murphy, Gary

**Outside Organization:** Sierra Club Unaffiliated Individual

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**Correspondence:** I am writing to urge the National Park Service to stick with the 2012 deadline for removing commercial activities from Drakes Estero wilderness. The firm asking for an extension has had 36 years to prepare for this change. This wilderness area deserves to become true wilderness that can be enjoyed as such.

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**Name:** Slattery, Renee R  
**Outside Organization:** Center for Biological Diversity Unaffiliated Individual  
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DON'T DELAY. THIS IS URGENT!!

Sincerely,

Carol Watts 16 Skylark Drive, Larkspur, CA 94939

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**Correspondence ID:** 33763    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Chavez, Phyllis  
**Outside Organization:** Sierra Club Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 10:22:56  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

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**Name:** Lynch, Wendy  
**Outside Organization:** Sierra Club Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 10:23:18  
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**Correspondence ID:** 33765    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Ruperti, Cathy  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 10:25:43  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

**Correspondence:** To whom it may concern:

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Best regards, Cathy Rupert

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**Correspondence ID:** 33766    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** N/A, N/A  
**Outside Organization:** Anarchist Federation Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov.23,2011 10:27:06  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
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**Correspondence ID:** 33767    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Nelson, Catherine  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov.23,2011 10:27:41  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
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Sincerely, Catherine Nelson

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**Correspondence ID:** 33768    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Gilmore, Timothy  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 10:29:37  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** As long as we use money as a medium of exchange, we will always have poverty. It's the basic economic principle of supply and demand. There must be a constant and increasing demand for money; otherwise it's valueless. Those who most need money must continually labor for it simply to survive. The more people need it, the more willing they are to do abominable things to get it. Wealthy and politically powerful people control the money supply, restricting global trade for profits. Used for world domination and the spread of terrorism, those who control it wage wars and pass trade agreements impoverishing the many to benefit the few. We don't have to barter individual goods and products. By voluntarily using our skills and abilities to benefit humanity by structuring service, social and industrial unions to produce, develop and distribute the world's resources we can abolish the overwhelming social ills caused by money: poverty, homelessness, global environmental destruction, waste, illiteracy, war, injustice, crime, slavery, governmental and corporate corruption and fraud, overpopulation and ill health around the world. Only by abolishing money can international cooperation secure genuine world peace, aided by the use of Esperanto, the international language of peace. <antigoldrush.com>

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**Correspondence ID:** 33769    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** cox, tobin n maxwell n budd c  
**Outside Organization:** OREGON WOLFSAVERS Non-profit/Organization  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 00:00:00  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** I LIVE ON THE OREGON COAST...ALL OCEANS MUST BE PROTECTED.!!! NOW !! THANK YOU...SINCERLY OREGON WOLFSAVERS

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**Correspondence ID:** 33770    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Keefe, George N  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 10:43:08  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** I have just returned from visiting Point Reyes National Seashore and 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:** 33771    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Harrington, Cathy  
**Outside Organization:** National Parks Conservation Association Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 10:51:16  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** I urge you 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. The public has waited nearly four decades for these protections to be implemented, which is an immense compromise in itself. Drakes Estero is a rare wildlife refuge where migrating birds stop over, harbor seals give birth, and fish take shelter in eelgrass. As someone who enjoys our nation's national parks and their wildlife, I urge you to uphold the longstanding plan to convert this very special resource to wilderness.

I urge you to select alternative "A", which protects marine wilderness next year and is the Environmentally Preferred Alternative. The National Park Service is mandated to provide maximum protection to the natural resources at Drakes Estero 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, and after waiting nearly 40 years for private commercial use rights to expire, it's time

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**Correspondence ID:** 33772    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Mclear, Heidi  
**Outside Organization:** Sierra Club Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 10:51:52  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

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**Name:** ALDA, MICHAEL  
**Outside Organization:** Sierra Club Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 10:52:21  
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**Correspondence ID:** 33774    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Koster, Sarah M  
**Outside Organization:** PRP Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 10:57:06  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

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**Correspondence ID:** 33775    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Harbin, Chris  
**Outside Organization:** NRDC Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 11:20:46  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

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Your approval of the proposal to extend the oyster company's permit would be contrary to the Point Reyes Wilderness Act and would establish a dangerous precedent at a time when America's public lands and environmental laws are already under widespread attacks in Congress and elsewhere.

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**Name:** Frostick, Sarah  
**Outside Organization:** National Parks Conservation Association Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 11:21:35  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

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**Name:** Perry, April  
**Outside Organization:** Sierra Club Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 11:22:42  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

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**Name:** Angeles, Armond  
**Outside Organization:** Sierra Club Unaffiliated Individual  
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**Correspondence ID:** 33780    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Douglas, Brian E  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 11:30:01  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

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**Correspondence ID:** 33781    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Jacobsen, Peter  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov.23,2011 11:30:09  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** A deal is a deal. I am appalled that political pressure can overturn not only the deal but the best interests of our National Seashore.

Drakes Estero provides our best opportunity for a pristine estuary, and it is so close to so many people who can appreciate and enjoy it.

Please return Drakes Estero to the Seashore.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33782    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Garlasco, David  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov.23,2011 11:38:21  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** I support a renewable special use permit for Drakes Bay Oyster Company

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**Correspondence ID:** 33783    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Lockett, Jennifer  
**Outside Organization:** University of Washington Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov.23,2011 11:38:48  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
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**Name:** N/A, N/A  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
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**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
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**Correspondence ID:** 33785    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390

**Name:** Tilzey, Ragen  
**Outside Organization:** NRDC Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 11:50:18  
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**Correspondence ID:** 33786    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** girardeau, chris  
**Outside Organization:** NRDC Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 11:50:18  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** Drakes Estero is a national ecological treasure and should become a protected wilderness area. It has outstanding natural resources, including one of California's largest harbor seal colonies and tens of thousands of shorebirds, waterfowl, native fish and endangered species that use its wetlands, mudflats and eelgrass beds.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33787    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Johnson, Daniel  
**Outside Organization:** National Parks Conservation Association Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 00:00:00  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** As has long been intended, I respectfully, yet quite adamantly, urge you to protect Drakes Estero wilderness next year. It is in the public interest to create the West Coast's only marine wilderness for the enjoyment of all, rather than to bend to the commercial benefit of a comparative few. Drakes Estero is a rare wildlife refuge that plays a vital role, not only to the Point Reyes National Seashore, but to the ecological balance of the entire West Coast.

As someone who enjoys our nation's national parks and their wildlife, and wishes the same opportunity for future generations, I urge you to uphold the longstanding plan to convert this unique and precious resource to wilderness. These days it seems there's going to be less-and-less we'll be leaving for future generations to enjoy, much less things we'll be proud to be leaving, please let this be one of them.

I urge you to select alternative "A", which protects marine wilderness next year and is the Environmentally Preferred

Alternative. The National Park Service is mandated to provide maximum protection to the natural resources at Drakes Estero 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, and after waiting nearly 40 years for private commercial use rights to expire, it's time to give the estuary the protection it needs. The environmental review shows that alternative "A" is best for public policy, and best protects harbor seals, fish, birds and other natural resources. Drakes Estero is our only marine wilderness on the West Coast, and is irreplaceable, while oysters can be commercially grown elsewhere.

Please honor the promise made for a protected marine wilderness at Drakes Estero. In doing so, you will set a good policy example and reward the public with an enduring legacy feat found nowhere else on the West Coast.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33788    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Tilzey, CPA, Ragen  
**Outside Organization:** National Parks Conservation Association Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 11:51:34  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

**Correspondence:** I urge you 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. The public has waited nearly four decades for these protections to be implemented, which is an immense compromise in itself. Drakes Estero is a rare wildlife refuge where migrating birds stop over, harbor seals give birth, and fish take shelter in eelgrass. As someone who enjoys our nation's national parks and their wildlife, I urge you to uphold the longstanding plan to convert this very special resource to wilderness.

I urge you to select alternative "A", which protects marine wilderness next year and is the Environmentally Preferred Alternative. The National Park Service is mandated to provide maximum protection to the natural resources at Drakes Estero 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, and after waiting nearly 40 years for private commercial use rights to expire, it's time to give the estuary the protection it needs. The environmental review shows that alternative "A" is best for public policy, and best protects harbor seals, fish, birds and other natural resources. 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:** 33789    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Tilzey, Ragen  
**Outside Organization:** Sierra Club Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 11:51:57  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

**Correspondence:** 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.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33790    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Diaz, Azucena  
**Outside Organization:** Sierra Club Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 11:53:32  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

**Correspondence:** 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.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33791    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Henderson, susanna w  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 11:57:52  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** It is imperative that the Drakes Bay Oyster company be allowed to continue.

I don't believe that an oyster ever harmed anyone.

Susanna W Henderson

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**Correspondence ID:** 33792    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Hache, Emily  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 12:04:49  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** I support a renewable Special Use Permit for Drakes Bay Oyster Company.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33793    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** N/A, N/A  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 12:06:54  
**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. 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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**Correspondence ID:** 33794    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Hanckel, Lisa J  
**Outside Organization:** I can't uncheck member Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 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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Not lisahanckel@yahoo.com? Please click here. Thank you! Email\* Sending your message, please wait ...

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**Correspondence ID:** 33795    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** francis, kirk  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 12:10:36  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** PLEASE SELECT THE NO ACTION ALTERNATIVE!!!

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**Correspondence ID:** 33796    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Raby, Alison K  
**Outside Organization:** Mariposa Search Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 12:10:50  
**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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Kind Regards, Alison

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**Correspondence ID:** 33797    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** intriago, sherron  
**Outside Organization:** NRDC Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 12:20:51  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** Drakes Estero is a national ecological treasure and should become a protected wilderness area. It has outstanding natural resources, including one of California's largest harbor seal colonies and tens of thousands of shorebirds, waterfowl, native fish and endangered species that use its wetlands, mudflats and eelgrass beds.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33798    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Courtney, Brigid  
**Outside Organization:** National Parks Conservation Association Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov.23,2011 12:21:56  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** I urge you 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. The public has waited nearly four decades for these protections to be implemented, which is an immense compromise in itself. Drakes Estero is a rare wildlife refuge where migrating birds stop over, harbor seals give birth, and fish take shelter in eelgrass. As someone who enjoys our nation's national parks and their wildlife, I urge you to uphold the longstanding plan to convert this very special resource to wilderness.

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**Name:** Schaeffer, Lorraine  
**Outside Organization:** Sierra Club Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov.23,2011 12:22:11  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** 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.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33800    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Straussburg, Linda  
**Outside Organization:** Sierra Club Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov.23,2011 12:22:29  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** 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.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33801    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Bostock, Vic  
**Outside Organization:** Sierra Club Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 12:22:34  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:**

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**Correspondence ID:** 33802    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Klausing, Michael  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 00:00:00  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:**

? Support the NO ACTION Alternative. It is the Environmentally Preferred Alternative and would provide for the area to become Wilderness in 2012 as Congress intended since the 1970s. ? The Action Alternatives have significant long-term adverse impacts to the Drakes Estero environment, including to wetlands, birds, fish, harbor seals, native mollusks, endangered species, eelgrass beds and to wilderness and the national park experience. ? The Action Alternatives are a direct attack on the Wilderness Act of 1964, run counter to the 1962 Point Reyes enabling legislation and the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act, and set a dangerous precedent for future commercialization of National Parks and Wilderness around the county. ? The oyster operation involves 3,700 motorboat trips per year through harbor seal and eelgrass habitat; promotes the spread of invasive species impacts to native oysters, eelgrass beds, bird, fish and endangered species habitat; and litters remote Point Reyes beaches with thousands of pieces of plastic trash.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33803    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Reback, Mark  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 12:26:10  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:**

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

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**Correspondence ID:** 33804    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Jones-Umberger, Stanley  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 12:28:07  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:**

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**Correspondence ID:** 33805    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Rosenthal, Jessie  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 12:28:21  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** ? Support the NO ACTION Alternative. It is the Environmentally Preferred Alternative and would provide for the area to become Wilderness in 2012 as Congress intended since the 1970s. ? The Action Alternatives have significant long-term adverse impacts to the Drakes Estero environment, including to wetlands, birds, fish, harbor seals, native mollusks, endangered species, eelgrass beds and to wilderness and the national park experience. ? The Action Alternatives are a direct attack on the Wilderness Act of 1964, run counter to the 1962 Point Reyes enabling legislation and the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act, and set a dangerous precedent for future commercialization of National Parks and Wilderness around the county. ? The oyster operation involves 3,700 motorboat trips per year through harbor seal and eelgrass habitat; promotes the spread of invasive species impacts to native oysters, eelgrass beds, bird, fish and endangered species habitat; and litters remote Point Reyes beaches with thousands of pieces of plastic trash.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33806    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Tucker, Meredith c  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 12:28:44  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** ? Support the NO ACTION Alternative. It is the Environmentally Preferred Alternative and would provide for the area to become Wilderness in 2012 as Congress has intended since the 1970s. ? The Action Alternatives have significant long-term adverse impacts to the Drakes Estero environment, including to wetlands, birds, fish, harbor seals, native mollusks, endangered species, eelgrass beds and to wilderness and the national park experience. ? The Action Alternatives are a direct attack on the Wilderness Act of 1964, run counter to the 1962 Point Reyes enabling legislation and the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act, and set a dangerous precedent for future commercialization of National Parks and Wilderness around the county. ? The oyster operation involves 3,700 motorboat trips per year through harbor seal and eelgrass habitat; promotes the spread of invasive species impacts to native oysters, eelgrass beds, bird, fish and endangered species habitat; and litters remote Point Reyes beaches with thousands of pieces of plastic trash.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33807    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Greer, Ed L  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 12:29:36  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** Please support ammendment A - no action plan

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**Correspondence ID:** 33808    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** N/A, N/A  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 00:00:00  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** Thank you for taking the time to read my comments.

I believe that the Draft EIS makes clear that allowing the private, commercial oyster company to exploit Drakes Estero for ten more years would have numerous adverse impacts-most notably from the invasive species-on eelgrass habitat, native fish, harbor seals, resident and migratory birds, endangered species, wilderness values and the National Park experience.

Therefore:

? I support the NO ACTION Alternative. It is the Environmentally Preferred Alternative and would provide for the area to become Wilderness in 2012 as Congress intended since the 1970s. ? I believe that the Action Alternatives have significant long-term adverse impacts to the Drakes Estero environment, including to wetlands, birds, fish, harbor seals, native mollusks, endangered species, eelgrass beds and to wilderness and the national park experience. ? I also believe that the Action Alternatives are a direct attack on the Wilderness Act of 1964, run counter to the 1962 Point Reyes enabling legislation and the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act, and set a dangerous precedent for future commercialization of National Parks and Wilderness around the county. ? Finally, I know that the oyster operation involves 3,700 motorboat trips per year through harbor seal and eelgrass habitat; promotes the spread of invasive species impacts to native oysters, eelgrass beds, bird, fish and endangered species habitat; and litters remote Point Reyes beaches with thousands of pieces of plastic trash. This just isn't acceptable.

Again, thank you for your consideration of my comments.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33809    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Hallett, Mark A  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 12:29:49  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

**Correspondence:** We have to little wilderness. I want the no Action Alternative so that Drakes Estero will become Wilderness in 2012. Thank you, Mark A. Hallett

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**Correspondence ID:** 33810    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** N/A, N/A  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 12:30:01  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** Support the NO ACTION Alternative. It is the Environmentally Preferred Alternative and would provide for the area to become Wilderness in 2012 as Congress intended since the 1970s. ? The Action Alternatives have significant long-term adverse impacts to the Drakes Estero environment, including to wetlands, birds, fish, harbor seals, native mollusks, endangered species, eelgrass beds and to wilderness and the national park experience. ? The Action Alternatives are a direct attack on the Wilderness Act of 1964, run counter to the 1962 Point Reyes enabling legislation and the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act, and set a dangerous precedent for future commercialization of National Parks and Wilderness around the county. ? The oyster operation involves 3,700 motorboat trips per year through harbor seal and eelgrass habitat; promotes the spread of invasive species impacts to native oysters, eelgrass beds, bird, fish and endangered species habitat; and litters remote Point Reyes beaches with thousands of pieces of plastic trash.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33811    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Douglas, Mark L  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 12:31:44  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** I urge NPS to take the NO ACTION ALTERNATIVE so that Drakes Estero will become Wilderness in 2012, as directed by Congress 36 years ago!

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**Correspondence ID:** 33812    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Morgan, Edward R  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 12:33:56  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** preserve Drakes Estero as Wilderness in 2012, rather than continue to allow commercial activity in this important wildlife area.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33813    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** N/A, N/A  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 12:34:45  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** Support the no action alternative to make this beautiful place a protected wilderness.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33814    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Kelsonpetit, Ross  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 00:00:00  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** I support the NO ACTION Alternative. It is the Environmentally Preferred Alternative and would provide for the area to become Wilderness in 2012 as Congress intended since the 1970s. The Action Alternatives have significant long-term adverse impacts to the Drakes Estero environment, including to wetlands, birds, fish, harbor seals, native mollusks, endangered species, eelgrass beds and to wilderness and the national park experience. The Action Alternatives are a direct attack on the Wilderness Act of 1964, run counter to the 1962 Point Reyes enabling legislation and the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act, and set a dangerous precedent for future commercialization of National Parks and Wilderness around the county. The oyster operation involves 3,700 motorboat trips per year through harbor seal and eelgrass habitat; promotes the spread of invasive species impacts to native oysters, eelgrass beds, bird, fish and endangered species habitat; and litters remote Point Reyes beaches with thousands of pieces of plastic trash.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33815    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Hafer, Sarah  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 12:35:12  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** Please consider these critical points:

Support the NO ACTION Alternative. It is the Environmentally Preferred Alternative and would provide for the area to become Wilderness in 2012 as Congress intended since the 1970s. ? The Action Alternatives have significant long-term adverse impacts to the Drakes Estero environment, including to wetlands, birds, fish, harbor seals, native mollusks, endangered species, eelgrass beds and to wilderness and the national park experience. ? The Action Alternatives are a direct attack on the Wilderness Act of 1964, run counter to the 1962 Point Reyes enabling legislation and the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act, and set a dangerous

precedent for future commercialization of National Parks and Wilderness around the county. ? The oyster operation involves 3,700 motorboat trips per year through harbor seal and eelgrass habitat; promotes the spread of invasive species impacts to native oysters, eelgrass beds, bird, fish and endangered species habitat; and litters remote Point Reyes beaches with thousands of pieces of plastic trash.

Thank you for your serious consideration on this matter, Sarah Hafer Sacramento, CA

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**Correspondence ID:** 33816    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Esposito, Dan J  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 12:35:14  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** Dear Sir or Madame,

Please select the No Action Alternative so that Drakes Estero will become Wilderness in 2012, as directed by our Congress 36 years ago. Thank you.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33817    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Grasso, Dori C  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 00:00:00  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:**

The Action Alternatives have significant long-term adverse impacts to the Drakes Estero environment, including to wetlands, birds, fish, harbor seals, native mollusks, endangered species, eelgrass beds and to wilderness and the national park experience. The Action Alternatives are also a direct attack on the Wilderness Act of 1964, run counter to the 1962 Point Reyes enabling legislation and the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act, and set a dangerous precedent for future commercialization of National Parks and Wilderness around the county. The oyster operation involves 3,700 motorboat trips per year through harbor seal and eelgrass habitat; promotes the spread of invasive species impacts to native oysters, eelgrass beds, bird, fish and endangered species habitat; and litters remote Point Reyes beaches with thousands of pieces of plastic trash.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33818    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Zimmerman, Susan  
**Outside Organization:** Dogma LLC Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 00:00:00  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** To Whom It May Concern;

I strongly urge the NPS to select the No Action Alternative so that Drakes Estero will become Wilderness in 2012, as directed by Congress 36 years ago, rather than continue to allow commercial activity in this important wildlife area. The NPS Draft EIS makes clear that allowing the private, commercial oyster company to exploit Drakes Estero for ten more years would have numerous adverse impacts-most notably from the invasive species-on eelgrass habitat, native fish, harbor seals, resident and migratory birds, endangered species, wilderness values and the National Park experience.

? Support the NO ACTION Alternative. It is the Environmentally Preferred Alternative and would provide for the area to become Wilderness in 2012 as Congress intended since the 1970s. ? The Action Alternatives have significant long-term adverse impacts to the Drakes Estero environment, including to wetlands, birds, fish, harbor seals, native mollusks, endangered species, eelgrass beds and to wilderness and the national park experience. ? The Action Alternatives are a direct attack on the Wilderness Act of 1964, run counter to the 1962 Point Reyes enabling legislation and the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act, and set a dangerous precedent for future commercialization of National Parks and Wilderness around the county. ? The oyster operation involves 3,700 motorboat trips per year through harbor seal and eelgrass habitat; promotes the spread of invasive species impacts to native oysters, eelgrass beds, bird, fish and endangered species habitat; and litters remote Point Reyes beaches with thousands of pieces of plastic trash.

Sincerely, Susan Zimmerman Meridian, ID

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**Correspondence ID:** 33819    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Carlson, Jim  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 12:36:47  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** Dear National Park Service,

Please remember that this is a national park, public land, and please put the interests of the public ahead of the interests of one private commercial enterprise that wants to exploit the park for its private gain.

Please adopt the NO ACTION Alternative. It is (obviously) the Environmentally Preferred Alternative, and it would provide for

the area to become Wilderness in 2012 as Congress intended since the 1970s.

Thank you for considering my views.

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<b>Correspondence ID:</b>	33820	<b>Project:</b>	33043	<b>Document:</b>	43390
<b>Name:</b>	Bonometti, Dr. Bobby & Ginny				
<b>Outside Organization:</b>	Unaffiliated Individual				
<b>Received:</b>	Nov.23,2011 12:36:55				
<b>Correspondence Type:</b>	Web Form				
<b>Correspondence:</b>	We urge the NPS to select the No Action Alternative so that Drakes Estero will become Wilderness in 2012, as directed by Congress 36 years ago!				

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<b>Correspondence ID:</b>	33821	<b>Project:</b>	33043	<b>Document:</b>	43390
<b>Name:</b>	Bennett, Virginia H				
<b>Outside Organization:</b>	Sierra Club, Audubon Society Unaffiliated Individual				
<b>Received:</b>	Nov.23,2011 12:37:22				
<b>Correspondence Type:</b>	Web Form				
<b>Correspondence:</b>	As a former California resident and passionate bird-watcher and naturalist, who periodically returns to Point Reyes National Wildlife Refuge, I was horrified to learn of the project to expand commercial oyster farming in Drake's Estero. The important word here is "Refuge"! This area is a vital stop-over and wintering spot for millions of our nation's birds. So little of this type of area is left in the USA, that what we DO have must be guarded and maintained. Any commercial undertaking will surely disturb the wildlife which relies upon these lands. Therefor, I urge rejection of this proposal. This national park is meant to serve all America IN PERPETUUM (forever!) -- not commercial interests!				

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<b>Correspondence ID:</b>	33822	<b>Project:</b>	33043	<b>Document:</b>	43390
<b>Name:</b>	N/A, N/A				
<b>Outside Organization:</b>	Unaffiliated Individual				
<b>Received:</b>	Nov.23,2011 12:38:31				
<b>Correspondence Type:</b>	Web Form				
<b>Correspondence:</b>	I support the NO ACTION Alternative. It is the Environmentally Preferred Alternative and would provide for the area to become Wilderness in 2012 as Congress intended since the 1970s. ? The Action Alternatives have significant long-term adverse impacts to the Drakes Estero environment, including to wetlands, birds, fish, harbor seals, native mollusks, endangered species, eelgrass beds and to wilderness and the national park experience. ? The Action Alternatives are a direct attack on the Wilderness Act of 1964, run counter to the 1962 Point Reyes enabling legislation and the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act, and set a dangerous precedent for future commercialization of National Parks and Wilderness around the county. ? The oyster operation involves 3,700 motorboat trips per year through harbor seal and eelgrass habitat; promotes the spread of invasive species impacts to native oysters, eelgrass beds, bird, fish and endangered species habitat; and litters remote Point Reyes beaches with thousands of pieces of plastic trash.				
	Thank you.				

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<b>Correspondence ID:</b>	33823	<b>Project:</b>	33043	<b>Document:</b>	43390
<b>Name:</b>	N/A, N/A				
<b>Outside Organization:</b>	Unaffiliated Individual				
<b>Received:</b>	Nov.23,2011 12:39:33				
<b>Correspondence Type:</b>	Web Form				
<b>Correspondence:</b>	Pleas select the No Action Alternative so that Drakes Estero will become Wilderness in 2012.				

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<b>Correspondence ID:</b>	33824	<b>Project:</b>	33043	<b>Document:</b>	43390
<b>Name:</b>	N/A, N/A				
<b>Outside Organization:</b>	Unaffiliated Individual				
<b>Received:</b>	Nov.23,2011 12:39:52				
<b>Correspondence Type:</b>	Web Form				
<b>Correspondence:</b>	? I support the NO ACTION Alternative. It is the Environmentally Preferred Alternative and would provide for the area to become Wilderness in 2012 as Congress intended since the 1970s. ? The Action Alternatives have significant long-term adverse impacts to the Drakes Estero environment, including to wetlands, birds, fish, harbor seals, native mollusks, endangered species, eelgrass beds and to wilderness and the national park experience. ? The Action Alternatives are a direct attack on the Wilderness Act of 1964, run counter to the 1962 Point Reyes enabling legislation and the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act, and set a dangerous precedent for future commercialization of National Parks and Wilderness around the county. ? The oyster operation involves 3,700 motorboat trips per year through harbor seal and eelgrass habitat; promotes the spread of invasive species impacts to native oysters, eelgrass beds, bird, fish and endangered species habitat; and litters remote Point Reyes beaches with thousands of pieces of plastic trash.				

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<b>Correspondence ID:</b>	33825	<b>Project:</b>	33043	<b>Document:</b>	43390
<b>Name:</b>	Smith, Diana				
<b>Outside Organization:</b>	Unaffiliated Individual				
<b>Received:</b>	Nov.23,2011 12:40:06				
<b>Correspondence Type:</b>	Web Form				
<b>Correspondence:</b>	I oppose the proposed commercial oyster farm to operate in Drakes Estero in the Philip Burton Wilderness in the Point Reyes National Seashore.				

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**Correspondence ID:** 33826    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Gliva, Stephen  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 12:42:41  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

**Correspondence:** ? Support the NO ACTION Alternative. It is the Environmentally Preferred Alternative and would provide for the area to become Wilderness in 2012 as Congress intended since the 1970s. ? The Action Alternatives have significant long-term adverse impacts to the Drakes Estero environment, including to wetlands, birds, fish, harbor seals, native mollusks, endangered species, eelgrass beds and to wilderness and the national park experience. ? The Action Alternatives are a direct attack on the Wilderness Act of 1964, run counter to the 1962 Point Reyes enabling legislation and the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act, and set a dangerous precedent for future commercialization of National Parks and Wilderness around the county. ? The oyster operation involves 3,700 motorboat trips per year through harbor seal and eelgrass habitat; promotes the spread of invasive species impacts to native oysters, eelgrass beds, bird, fish and endangered species habitat; and litters remote Point Reyes beaches with thousands of pieces of plastic trash.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33827    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Nettleton, John  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 12:44:00  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

**Correspondence:** I urge the NPS to select the No Action Alternative so that Drakes Estero will become Wilderness in 2012, as directed by Congress 36 years ago! The 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act mandates the addition of Drakes Estero to the Philip Burton Wilderness in 2012, when a commercial oyster farm lease expires. Please preserve Drakes Estero as Wilderness in 2012, rather than continue to allow commercial activity in this important wildlife area.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33828    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Hernandez, Eloy J  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 00:00:00  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

**Correspondence:** Please go with a NO ACTION Alternative that would provide for the area to become Wilderness in 2012 as Congress intended since the 1970s. The Action Alternatives will have significant long-term adverse impacts to the Drakes Estero environment, including to wetlands, birds, fish, harbor seals, native mollusks, endangered species, eelgrass beds and to wilderness and the whole national park experience. These Action Alternatives are a direct attack on the Wilderness Act of 1964, run counter to the 1962 Point Reyes enabling legislation and the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act, and set a dangerous precedent for future commercialization of National Parks and Wilderness around the county. The proposed oyster operation involves 3,700 motorboat trips per year through harbor seal and eelgrass habitat. This will promote the spread of invasive species impacts to native oysters, eelgrass beds, bird, fish and endangered species habitat. We also should not litter remote Point Reyes beaches with thousands of pieces of plastic trash!

Again, the NO ACTION Alternative is truly the only way we can preserve this beautiful spot on earth for future generations.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33829    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Rossman, Jeremy  
**Outside Organization:** NRDC Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 12:51:11  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

**Correspondence:** Drakes Estero is a national ecological treasure and should become a protected wilderness area. It has outstanding natural resources, including one of California's largest harbor seal colonies and tens of thousands of shorebirds, waterfowl, native fish and endangered species that use its wetlands, mudflats and eelgrass beds.

In the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act, Congress recognized Drakes Estero as a unique recreational and biological resource and promised that this irreplaceable resource would formally become a wilderness area when non-conforming uses were eliminated. Your agency permitted a commercial oyster company to grow non-native oysters and clams on 1,050 acres in Drakes Estero for 40 years, or until 2012.

Your own draft environmental impact statement reveals the extensive damage that the existing operation has caused to Drakes Estero and Point Reyes National Seashore's beaches. As you know, commercial operations of any kind are not permitted in designated wilderness areas because of such damage. Further, the Park Service's Organic Act mandates protection of park resources and values and strictly limits commercial operations.

Your approval of the proposal to extend the oyster company's permit would be contrary to the Point Reyes Wilderness Act and would establish a dangerous precedent at a time when America's public lands and environmental laws are already under widespread attacks in Congress and elsewhere.

We've been waiting long enough. It is time to allow that permit to expire and to honor Congress' commitment. We want our bay back.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33830    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Andrade, Robert  
**Outside Organization:** NRDC Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 12:51:43  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** Drakes Estero is a national ecological treasure and should become a protected wilderness area. It has outstanding natural resources, including one of California's largest harbor seal colonies and tens of thousands of shorebirds, waterfowl, native fish and endangered species that use its wetlands, mudflats and eelgrass beds.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33831    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Howard, Erin  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 00:00:00  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** I am writing in support of the NO ACTION Alternative. The Action Alternatives have significant long-term adverse impacts to the Drakes Estero environment, including to wetlands, birds, fish, harbor seals, native mollusks, endangered species, eelgrass beds and to wilderness and the national park experience. The Action Alternatives are a direct attack on the Wilderness Act of 1964, run counter to the 1962 Point Reyes enabling legislation and the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act, and set a dangerous precedent for future commercialization of National Parks and Wilderness around the county. The oyster operation involves 3,700 motorboat trips per year through harbor seal and eelgrass habitat; promotes the spread of invasive species impacts to native oysters, eelgrass beds, bird, fish and endangered species habitat; and litters remote Point Reyes beaches with thousands of pieces of plastic trash.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33832    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Guillen, Roberta  
**Outside Organization:** Sierra Club Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 12:53:17  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** 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.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33833    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Turner, Pamela  
**Outside Organization:** NRDC Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 12:53:46  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** Drakes Estero is a national ecological treasure and should become a protected wilderness area. It has outstanding natural resources, including one of California's largest harbor seal colonies and tens of thousands of shorebirds, waterfowl, native fish

and endangered species that use its wetlands, mudflats and eelgrass beds.

In the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act, Congress recognized Drakes Estero as a unique recreational and biological resource and promised that this irreplaceable resource would formally become a wilderness area when non-conforming uses were eliminated. Your agency permitted a commercial oyster company to grow non-native oysters and clams on 1,050 acres in Drakes Estero for 40 years, or until 2012.

Your own draft environmental impact statement reveals the extensive damage that the existing operation has caused to Drakes Estero and Point Reyes National Seashore's beaches. As you know, commercial operations of any kind are not permitted in designated wilderness areas because of such damage. Further, the Park Service's Organic Act mandates protection of park resources and values and strictly limits commercial operations.

Your approval of the proposal to extend the oyster company's permit would be contrary to the Point Reyes Wilderness Act and would establish a dangerous precedent at a time when America's public lands and environmental laws are already under widespread attacks in Congress and elsewhere.

We've been waiting long enough. It is time to allow that permit to expire and to honor Congress' commitment. We want our bay back.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33834    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Richardson, Kathryn  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 12:53:53  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** ? Support the NO ACTION Alternative. It is the Environmentally Preferred Alternative and would provide for the area to become Wilderness in 2012 as Congress intended since the 1970s. ? The Action Alternatives have significant long-term adverse impacts to the Drakes Estero environment, including to wetlands, birds, fish, harbor seals, native mollusks, endangered species, eelgrass beds and to wilderness and the national park experience. ? The Action Alternatives are a direct attack on the Wilderness Act of 1964, run counter to the 1962 Point Reyes enabling legislation and the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act, and set a dangerous precedent for future commercialization of National Parks and Wilderness around the county. ? The oyster operation involves 3,700 motorboat trips per year through harbor seal and eelgrass habitat; promotes the spread of invasive species impacts to native oysters, eelgrass beds, bird, fish and endangered species habitat; and litters remote Point Reyes beaches with thousands of pieces of plastic trash.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33835    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Collins, Carol L  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 12:54:19  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** Please support the NO ACTION Alternative. It is the Environmentally Preferred Alternative and would provide for the area to become Wilderness in 2012 as Congress intended

The Action Alternatives have significant long-term adverse impacts to the Drakes Estero environment, including to wetlands, birds, fish, harbor seals, native mollusks, endangered species, eelgrass beds and to wilderness and the national park experience. The Action Alternatives are a direct attack on the Wilderness Act of 1964, run counter to the 1962 Point Reyes enabling legislation and the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act, and set a dangerous precedent for future commercialization of National Parks and Wilderness around the county. The oyster operation involves 3,700 motorboat trips per year through harbor seal and eelgrass habitat; promotes the spread of invasive species impacts to native oysters, eelgrass beds, bird, fish and endangered species habitat; and litters remote Point Reyes beaches with thousands of pieces of plastic trash.

Thanking you in advance for your attention in this most important matter.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33836    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Valentine, Jennifer  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 12:56:34  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** Support the NO ACTION Alternative. It is the Environmentally Preferred Alternative and would provide for the area to become Wilderness in 2012 as Congress intended since the 1970s. ? The Action Alternatives have significant long-term adverse impacts to the Drakes Estero environment, including to wetlands, birds, fish, harbor seals, native mollusks, endangered species, eelgrass beds and to wilderness and the national park experience. ? The Action Alternatives are a direct attack on the Wilderness Act of 1964, run counter to the 1962 Point Reyes enabling legislation and the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act, and set a dangerous precedent for future commercialization of National Parks and Wilderness around the county. ? The oyster operation involves 3,700 motorboat trips per year through harbor seal and eelgrass habitat; promotes the spread of invasive species impacts to native oysters, eelgrass beds, bird, fish and endangered species habitat; and litters remote Point Reyes beaches with thousands of pieces of plastic trash.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33837    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390

**Name:** Edwards, Eric  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 12:57:28  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** As a longtime supporter of the NPS, I, ? Support the NO ACTION Alternative. It is the Environmentally Preferred Alternative and would provide for the area to become Wilderness in 2012 as Congress intended since the 1970s. ? The Action Alternatives have significant long-term adverse impacts to the Drakes Estero environment, including to wetlands, birds, fish, harbor seals, native mollusks, endangered species, eelgrass beds and to wilderness and the national park experience. ? The Action Alternatives are a direct attack on the Wilderness Act of 1964, run counter to the 1962 Point Reyes enabling legislation and the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act, and set a dangerous precedent for future commercialization of National Parks and Wilderness around the county. ? The oyster operation involves 3,700 motorboat trips per year through harbor seal and eelgrass habitat; promotes the spread of invasive species impacts to native oysters, eelgrass beds, bird, fish and endangered species habitat; and litters remote Point Reyes beaches with thousands of pieces of plastic trash.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33838    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** N/A, N/A  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 12:59:22  
**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.

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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**Correspondence ID:** 33839    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Robertson, Kenneth C  
**Outside Organization:** The Guardian Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 13:00:42  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** Support the NO ACTION Alternative. It is the Environmentally Preferred Alternative and would provide for the area to become Wilderness in 2012 as Congress intended since the 1970s. The Action Alternatives have significant long-term adverse impacts to the Drakes Estero environment, including to wetlands, birds, fish, harbor seals, native mollusks, endangered species, eelgrass beds and to wilderness and the national park experience. The Action Alternatives are a direct attack on the Wilderness Act of 1964, run counter to the 1962 Point Reyes enabling legislation and the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act, and set a dangerous precedent for future commercialization of National Parks and Wilderness around the county. The oyster operation involves 3,700 motorboat trips per year through harbor seal and eelgrass habitat; promotes the spread of invasive species impacts to native oysters, eelgrass beds, bird, fish and endangered species habitat; and litters remote Point Reyes beaches with thousands of pieces of plastic trash.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33840    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Babbitt, Susan M  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 13:01:14  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** Please select the No Action Alternative so Drakes Estero will become Wilderness in 2012, as directed by Congress 36 years ago!

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**Correspondence ID:** 33841    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Friedman, Howard N  
**Outside Organization:** Center For Biological Diversity, Audubon Society, WWF, NWF, Sierra Club Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 13:04:02  
**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.

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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<b>Correspondence ID:</b>	33842	<b>Project:</b>	33043	<b>Document:</b>	43390
<b>Name:</b>	Showers, Merle E				
<b>Outside Organization:</b>	Unaffiliated Individual				
<b>Received:</b>	Nov,23,2011 13:05:06				
<b>Correspondence Type:</b>	Web Form				
<b>Correspondence:</b>	A wilderness is not a wilderness if commercial activity is going on. Vote no on commercial use of the area.				

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<b>Correspondence ID:</b>	33843	<b>Project:</b>	33043	<b>Document:</b>	43390
<b>Name:</b>	Sailer, Randy				
<b>Outside Organization:</b>	Unaffiliated Individual				
<b>Received:</b>	Nov,23,2011 13:13:51				
<b>Correspondence Type:</b>	Web Form				
<b>Correspondence:</b>	i strongly urge you to support the no action alternative for drakes estero in the phillip burton wilderness in the point reyes national seashore.thankyou.				

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<b>Correspondence ID:</b>	33844	<b>Project:</b>	33043	<b>Document:</b>	43390
<b>Name:</b>	Hudson, Marcella D				
<b>Outside Organization:</b>	Unaffiliated Individual				
<b>Received:</b>	Nov,23,2011 13:15:08				
<b>Correspondence Type:</b>	Web Form				
<b>Correspondence:</b>	? Support the NO ACTION Alternative. It is the Environmentally Preferred Alternative and would provide for the area to become Wilderness in 2012 as Congress intended since the 1970s. ? The Action Alternatives have significant long-term adverse impacts to the Drakes Estero environment, including to wetlands, birds, fish, harbor seals, native mollusks, endangered species, eelgrass beds and to wilderness and the national park experience. ? The Action Alternatives are a direct attack on the Wilderness Act of 1964, run counter to the 1962 Point Reyes enabling legislation and the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act, and set a dangerous precedent for future commercialization of National Parks and Wilderness around the county. ? The oyster operation involves 3,700 motorboat trips per year through harbor seal and eelgrass habitat; promotes the spread of invasive species impacts to native oysters, eelgrass beds, bird, fish and endangered species habitat; and litters remote Point Reyes beaches with thousands of pieces of plastic trash.				

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<b>Correspondence ID:</b>	33845	<b>Project:</b>	33043	<b>Document:</b>	43390
<b>Name:</b>	N/A, Doug L				
<b>Outside Organization:</b>	Unaffiliated Individual				
<b>Received:</b>	Nov,23,2011 13:18:22				
<b>Correspondence Type:</b>	Web Form				
<b>Correspondence:</b>	Implement the No Action Alternative so that Drakes Estero will become Wilderness in 2012, as directed by Congress 36 years ago!				

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<b>Correspondence ID:</b>	33846	<b>Project:</b>	33043	<b>Document:</b>	43390
<b>Name:</b>	Wittman, Charley				
<b>Outside Organization:</b>	Unaffiliated Individual				
<b>Received:</b>	Nov,23,2011 13:20:39				
<b>Correspondence Type:</b>	Web Form				
<b>Correspondence:</b>	Please support the 'No Action' alternative. It is the environmentally preferred alternative and would provide for the area to become Wilderness in 2012 as Congress intended since the 1970s.				

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<b>Correspondence ID:</b>	33847	<b>Project:</b>	33043	<b>Document:</b>	43390
<b>Name:</b>	Donat, Asa				

**Outside Organization:** Sierra Club Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov.23,2011 13:21:59  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

**Correspondence:** 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.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33848    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Wightman, Richard  
**Outside Organization:** Sierra Club Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov.23,2011 13:21:59  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

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**Correspondence ID:** 33849    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Clark, Frances  
**Outside Organization:** Sierra Club Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov.23,2011 13:22:07  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

**Correspondence:** 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.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33850    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Nolan, Antoinette  
**Outside Organization:** Sierra Club Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov.23,2011 13:22:13  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

**Correspondence:** 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.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33851    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Oliver, Lindsay  
**Outside Organization:** Sierra Club Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 13:22:18  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:**

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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:** 33852    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Reynolds, Heather  
**Outside Organization:** Sierra Club Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 13:22:46  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:**

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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:** 33853    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** N/A, N/A  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 13:23:54  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** Please select the No Action Alternative (no commercial oyster farm) so that Drakes Estero will become Wilderness in 2012, as directed by Congress 36 years ago!

Junia Overton

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**Correspondence ID:** 33854    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Malley, Karen A  
**Outside Organization:** human on Earth Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 13:25:02  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** ? Support the NO ACTION Alternative. It is the Environmentally Preferred Alternative and would provide for the area to become Wilderness in 2012 as Congress intended since the 1970s.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33855    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Seaver, LaRoy and Mary  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 13:25:21  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** We want to see the Drakes Estero added to the Philip Burton Wilderness Area in 2012 as required in earlier legislation. We oppose extending the commercial company's lease for another ten years. The Drakes Estero is very important for a number of forms of natural wildlife and it is important for us humans to realize and affirm that we must share this planet with other life forms. Preserving the Drakes Estero is one small step in that awareness.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33856    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Brandt, V.  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 00:00:00  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** I understand that the National Park Service (NPS) has completed a draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) and is seeking public comments on a proposal to allow a commercial oyster farm to operate in Drakes Estero in the Philip Burton Wilderness in the Point Reyes National Seashore. The 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act mandates the addition of Drakes Estero to the Philip Burton Wilderness in 2012, when a commercial oyster farm lease expires. Unfortunately, a rider attached to an Interior Appropriations bill granted the Secretary of the Interior the authority to extend the Drakes Bay Oyster Company's lease beyond its expiration. The NPS's draft EIS addresses whether to extend the permit another 10 years.

The oyster operation involves 3,700 motorboat trips per year through harbor seal and eelgrass habitat; promotes the spread of invasive species impacts to native oysters, eelgrass beds, bird, fish and endangered species habitat; and litters remote Point Reyes beaches with thousands of pieces of plastic trash.

The Action Alternatives have significant long-term adverse impacts to the Drakes Estero environment, including to wetlands, birds, fish, harbor seals, native mollusks, endangered species, eelgrass beds and to wilderness and the national park experience.

I therefore strongly support the NO ACTION Alternative. It is the Environmentally Preferred Alternative and would provide for the area to become Wilderness in 2012 as Congress intended since the 1970s.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33857    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Freeman, Helena  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 13:29:39  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** Please take the No Action Alternative on Drakes Estero so that it will be protected and allowed to become wilderness.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33858    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** N/A, N/A  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 13:30:23  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** Support the NO ACTION Alternative. It is the Environmentally Preferred Alternative and would provide for the area to become Wilderness in 2012 as Congress intended since the 1970s. ? The Action Alternatives have significant long-term adverse impacts to the Drakes Estero environment, including to wetlands, birds, fish, harbor seals, native mollusks, endangered species, eelgrass beds and to wilderness and the national park experience. ? The Action Alternatives are a direct attack on the Wilderness Act of 1964, run counter to the 1962 Point Reyes enabling legislation and the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act, and set a dangerous precedent for future commercialization of National Parks and Wilderness around the county. ? The oyster operation involves 3,700 motorboat trips per year through harbor seal and eelgrass habitat; promotes the spread of invasive species impacts to native oysters, eelgrass beds, bird, fish and endangered species habitat; and litters remote Point Reyes beaches with thousands of pieces of plastic trash.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33859    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Bechtel, Paul  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 13:34:12

**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** Please select the No Action Alternative so that Drakes Estero will become Wilderness in 2012, as directed by Congress 36 years ago! The 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act mandates the addition of Drakes Estero to the Philip Burton Wilderness in 2012, when a commercial oyster farm lease expires. I oppose the rider to extend the Drakes Bay Oyster Company's lease beyond its expiration. The NPS's draft EIS addresses whether to extend the permit another 10 years. I urge the NPS to preserve Drakes Estero as Wilderness in 2012, rather than continue to allow commercial activity in this important wildlife area.

Thank you for your attention!

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**Correspondence ID:** 33860    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** N/A, N/A  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 13:36:23  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** Support the NO ACTION Alternative. It is the Environmentally Preferred Alternative and would provide for the area to become Wilderness in 2012 as Congress intended since the 1970s. ? The Action Alternatives have significant long-term adverse impacts to the Drakes Estero environment, including to wetlands, birds, fish, harbor seals, native mollusks, endangered species, eelgrass beds and to wilderness and the national park experience. ? The Action Alternatives are a direct attack on the Wilderness Act of 1964, run counter to the 1962 Point Reyes enabling legislation and the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act, and set a dangerous precedent for future commercialization of National Parks and Wilderness around the county. ? The oyster operation involves 3,700 motorboat trips per year through harbor seal and eelgrass habitat; promotes the spread of invasive species impacts to native oysters, eelgrass beds, bird, fish and endangered species habitat; and litters remote Point Reyes beaches with thousands of pieces of plastic trash.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33861    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Kavanaugh, Michael  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 13:37:44  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** I am writing to urge the National Park Service to adopt the "No Action Alternative" to this proposal so that Drakes Estero can become Wilderness in 2012, as mandated by Congress 36 years ago. As much as I love oysters and support local business, it is time to allow the Estero to begin to recover and become the full wild space that we crave and need.

Thank you for allowing me to comment.

Regards, Michael Kavanaugh

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**Correspondence ID:** 33862    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Deffenbacher, Kenneth A  
**Outside Organization:** Nebraska Sierra Club, Missouri Valley Group Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 13:37:50  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** To Whom It May Concern:

I am in strong support of the No Action alternative with regard to the Drakes Bay area.

Sincerely,

Kenneth A. Deffenbacher, Ph.D.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33863    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Montapert, Anthony  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 13:46:27  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** I urge the NPS to select the No Action Alternative so that Drakes Estero in the Point Reyes National Seashore will become Wilderness in 2012.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33864    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Braithwaite, Georgia  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 13:46:40  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** Please support the NO ACTION Alternative. It is the Environmentally Preferred Alternative and would provide for the area to become Wilderness in 2012 as Congress intended since the 1970s. ? The Action Alternatives have significant long-term adverse impacts to the Drakes Estero environment, including to wetlands, birds, fish, harbor seals, native mollusks, endangered species, eelgrass beds and to wilderness and the national park experience. ? The Action Alternatives are a direct attack on the Wilderness Act of 1964, run counter to the 1962 Point Reyes enabling legislation and the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act, and set a

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**Correspondence ID:** 33865    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** betser, alex  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 13:47:14  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** I support the NO ACTION alternative because commercial farming means disturbance by vehicles, invasive species, pollution and possible restriction of public access. Your mission is to protect the wildlife for public benefit not to sell it at nominal price for someone's personal benefit.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33866    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** N/A, N/A  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 13:47:27  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
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**Correspondence ID:** 33867    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Thompson, Beverly  
**Outside Organization:** Wilderness Watch Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 13:48:38  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** I support the NO ACTION alternative so the area will become a wilderness area in 2012 as Congress intended since the 1970's.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33868    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** N/A, N/A  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 13:49:57  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** I would like to urge the you to select the No Action Alternative so that Drakes Estero will become Wilderness in 2012, as directed by Congress.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33869    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Byars, Rain  
**Outside Organization:** NRDC Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 13:50:37  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** Drakes Estero is a national ecological treasure and should become a protected wilderness area. It has outstanding natural resources, including one of California's largest harbor seal colonies and tens of thousands of shorebirds, waterfowl, native fish and endangered species that use its wetlands, mudflats and eelgrass beds.

In the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act, Congress recognized Drakes Estero as a unique recreational and biological resource and promised that this irreplaceable resource would formally become a wilderness area when non-conforming uses were eliminated. Your agency permitted a commercial oyster company to grow non-native oysters and clams on 1,050 acres in Drakes Estero for 40 years, or until 2012.

Your own draft environmental impact statement reveals the extensive damage that the existing operation has caused to Drakes Estero and Point Reyes National Seashore's beaches. As you know, commercial operations of any kind are not permitted in designated wilderness areas because of such damage. Further, the Park Service's Organic Act mandates protection of park resources and values and strictly limits commercial operations.

Your approval of the proposal to extend the oyster company's permit would be contrary to the Point Reyes Wilderness Act and would establish a dangerous precedent at a time when America's public lands and environmental laws are already under widespread attacks in Congress and elsewhere.

We've been waiting long enough. It is time to allow that permit to expire and to honor Congress' commitment. We want our bay back.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33870    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Ellis, Juno  
**Outside Organization:** Sierra Club Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 13:52:08  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

**Correspondence:** 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.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33871    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Buckingham, Janis  
**Outside Organization:** Sierra Club Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 13:52:27  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

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**Correspondence ID:** 33872    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Oliver, George  
**Outside Organization:** National Parks Conservation Association Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 13:54:53  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

**Correspondence:** I urge you 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. The public has waited nearly four decades for these protections to be implemented, which is an immense compromise in itself. Drakes Estero is a rare wildlife refuge where migrating birds stop over, harbor seals give birth, and fish take shelter in eelgrass. As someone who enjoys our nation's national parks and their wildlife, I urge you to uphold the longstanding plan to convert this very special resource to wilderness.

I urge you to select alternative "A", which protects marine wilderness next year and is the Environmentally Preferred Alternative. The National Park Service is mandated to provide maximum protection to the natural resources at Drakes Estero 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, and after waiting nearly 40 years for private commercial use rights to expire, it's time to give the estuary the protection it needs. The environmental review shows that alternative "A" is best for public policy, and best protects harbor seals, fish, birds and other natural resources. Drakes Estero is our only marine wilderness on the West Coast, and is irreplaceable, while oysters can be commercially grown elsewhere.

Please honor the promise made for a protected marine wilderness at Drakes Estero. In doing so, you will set a good policy example and reward the public with an enduring legacy feat found nowhere else on the West Coast.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33873    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390

**Name:** Couch, Sandra L  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov.23,2011 13:54:56  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** NO ACTION ALTERNATIVE is what I hope you follow. There is no need for a commercial oyster farm or anything else to be done on a National seashore area. Please keep it open to the environment and natural habitat that it currently is.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33874    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Orlinski, Patricia  
**Outside Organization:** Valley Interfaith Project Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov.23,2011 00:00:00  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** Please select the No Action Alternative so that Drakes Estero will become Wilderness in 2012, as directed by Congress 36 years ago! Thank you.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33875    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** N/A, N/A  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov.23,2011 13:57:17  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** I support the NO ACTION Alternative. It is the Environmentally Preferred Alternative and would provide for the area to become Wilderness in 2012 as Congress intended since the 1970s. The Action Alternatives have significant long-term adverse impacts to the Drakes Estero environment, including to wetlands, birds, fish, harbor seals, native mollusks, endangered species, eelgrass beds and to wilderness and the national park experience. the Action Alternatives are a direct attack on the Wilderness Act of 1964, run counter to the 1962 Point Reyes enabling legislation and the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act, and set a dangerous precedent for future commercialization of National Parks and Wilderness around the county. The oyster operation involves 3,700 motorboat trips per year through harbor seal and eelgrass habitat; promotes the spread of invasive species impacts to native oysters, eelgrass beds, bird, fish and endangered species habitat; and litters remote Point Reyes beaches with thousands of pieces of plastic trash.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33876    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** N/A, N/A  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov.23,2011 13:58:27  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** Although I really like eating oysters it is not appropriate to continue commercial oyster farms beyond their license expiration date in the Drakes Estero.

Please select the "No Action" Alternative so that Drakes Estero will become Wilderness in 2012, as directed by Congress 36 years ago!

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**Correspondence ID:** 33877    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Peterson, Sue  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov.23,2011 13:58:43  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** I urge the NPS to select the No Action Alternative so that Drakes Estero will become Wilderness in 2012, as directed by Congress 36 years ago! The 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act mandates the addition of Drakes Estero to the Philip Burton Wilderness in 2012, when a commercial oyster farm lease expires. Unfortunately, a rider attached to an Interior Appropriations bill granted the Secretary of the Interior the authority to extend the Drakes Bay Oyster Company's lease beyond its expiration. Please preserve Drakes Estero as Wilderness in 2012, rather than continue to allow commercial activity in this important wildlife area.

It is clear that allowing the private, commercial oyster company to exploit Drakes Estero for ten more years would have numerous adverse impacts-most notably from the invasive species-on eelgrass habitat, native fish, harbor seals, resident and migratory birds, endangered species, wilderness values and the National Park experience.

I am writing to ask you to support the NO ACTION Alternative. It is the Environmentally Preferred Alternative and would provide for the area to become Wilderness in 2012 as Congress intended since the 1970s. The Action Alternatives have significant long-term adverse impacts to the Drakes Estero environment, including to wetlands, birds, fish, harbor seals, native mollusks, endangered species, eelgrass beds and to wilderness and the national park experience. Also, the Action Alternatives are a direct attack on the Wilderness Act of 1964, run counter to the 1962 Point Reyes enabling legislation and the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act, and set a dangerous precedent for future commercialization of National Parks and Wilderness around the county. The oyster operation involves 3,700 motorboat trips per year through harbor seal and eelgrass habitat; promotes the spread of invasive species impacts to native oysters, eelgrass beds, bird, fish and endangered species habitat; and litters remote Point Reyes beaches with thousands of pieces of plastic trash.

Please consider these points when making your decision. Our future generations are depending on us to make the right choices

TODAY, to keep natural resources available for TOMORROW.

Thank you.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33878    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Haworth, Randy  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov.23,2011 13:59:16  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** This fragile ecosystem was designated by Congress to become a wilderness area nearly forty years ago. It's time to allow Nature to retake what Man has exploited so that this area--and many such precious natural lands--become permanently protected.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33879    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Searles, Dave  
**Outside Organization:** American Heritage Service, Inc. and The Ecotopian Society Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov.23,2011 14:01:02  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** I support the NO ACTION Alternative

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**Correspondence ID:** 33880    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** D'Amico, Donna M  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov.23,2011 14:03:01  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** I support the NO ACTION Alternative as it is the Environmentally Preferred Alternative and would provide for the area to become Wilderness in 2012 as Congress intended since the 1970s.

Thank you for your consideration.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33881    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Vesely, Sakura  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov.23,2011 14:03:51  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** I am writing to support a no action policy regarding Drakes Bay. It is the Environmentally Preferred Alternative and would provide for the area to become Wilderness in 2012 as Congress intended since the 1970s. ? The Action Alternatives have significant long-term adverse impacts to the Drakes Estero environment, including to wetlands, birds, fish, harbor seals, native mollusks, endangered species, eelgrass beds and to wilderness and the national park experience. ? The Action Alternatives are a direct attack on the Wilderness Act of 1964, run counter to the 1962 Point Reyes enabling legislation and the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act, and set a dangerous precedent for future commercialization of National Parks and Wilderness around the county. ? The oyster operation involves 3,700 motorboat trips per year through harbor seal and eelgrass habitat; promotes the spread of invasive species impacts to native oysters, eelgrass beds, bird, fish and endangered species habitat; and litters remote Point Reyes beaches with thousands of pieces of plastic trash.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33882    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Valtri Burgess, Vivian  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov.23,2011 14:03:56  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** ? Support the NO ACTION Alternative. It is the Environmentally Preferred Alternative and would provide for the area to become Wilderness in 2012 as Congress intended since the 1970s. ? The Action Alternatives have significant long-term adverse impacts to the Drakes Estero environment, including to wetlands, birds, fish, harbor seals, native mollusks, endangered species, eelgrass beds and to wilderness and the national park experience. ? The Action Alternatives are a direct attack on the Wilderness Act of 1964, run counter to the 1962 Point Reyes enabling legislation and the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act, and set a dangerous precedent for future commercialization of National Parks and Wilderness around the county. ? The oyster operation involves 3,700 motorboat trips per year through harbor seal and eelgrass habitat; promotes the spread of invasive species impacts to native oysters, eelgrass beds, bird, fish and endangered species habitat; and litters remote Point Reyes beaches with thousands of pieces of plastic trash.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33883    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Forte, Michael  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov.23,2011 14:04:56  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** This change is limited to 10 years. I propose that it should never be lifted. This should be in force until the end of time. It will be the only untouched Oyster Habitat in the country and possibly the world. That should be a source of pride upon which NPS can be proud. There are multiple other sources for the harvesting which have been exploited for centuries, let's leave this one as God created it.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33884    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** brewer, molly  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov.23,2011 00:00:00  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** hi

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**Correspondence ID:** 33885    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** KASTEL, DIANE M  
**Outside Organization:** WILDERNESS WATCH Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov.23,2011 00:00:00  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** The National Park Service (NPS) has completed a draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) and is seeking public comments on a proposal to allow a commercial oyster farm to operate in Drakes Estero in the Philip Burton Wilderness in the Point Reyes National Seashore. We urge the NPS to select the No Action Alternative so that Drakes Estero will become Wilderness in 2012, as directed by Congress 36 years ago! The 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act mandates the addition of Drakes Estero to the Philip Burton Wilderness in 2012, when a commercial oyster farm lease expires. Unfortunately, a rider attached to an Interior Appropriations bill granted the Secretary of the Interior the authority to extend the Drakes Bay Oyster Company's lease beyond its expiration. The NPS's draft EIS addresses whether to extend the permit another 10 years. We urge the NPS to preserve Drakes Estero as Wilderness in 2012, rather than continue to allow commercial activity in this important wildlife area.

The Draft EIS makes clear that allowing the private, commercial oyster company to exploit Drakes Estero for ten more years would have numerous adverse impacts-most notably from the invasive species-on eelgrass habitat, native fish, harbor seals, resident and migratory birds, endangered species, wilderness values and the National Park experience.

? Support the NO ACTION Alternative. It is the Environmentally Preferred Alternative and would provide for the area to become Wilderness in 2012 as Congress intended since the 1970s. ? The Action Alternatives have significant long-term adverse impacts to the Drakes Estero environment, including to wetlands, birds, fish, harbor seals, native mollusks, endangered species, eelgrass beds and to wilderness and the national park experience. ? The Action Alternatives are a direct attack on the Wilderness Act of 1964, run counter to the 1962 Point Reyes enabling legislation and the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act, and set a dangerous precedent for future commercialization of National Parks and Wilderness around the county. ? The oyster operation involves 3,700 motorboat trips per year through harbor seal and eelgrass habitat; promotes the spread of invasive species impacts to native oysters, eelgrass beds, bird, fish and endangered species habitat; and litters remote Point Reyes beaches with thousands of pieces of plastic trash.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33886    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Pasichnyk, Richard  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov.23,2011 14:07:40  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** I see these particular points as the correct direction to take to protect the Phillip Burton Wilderness from adverse effects:

? I support the NO ACTION Alternative. It is the Environmentally Preferred Alternative and would provide for the area to become Wilderness in 2012 as Congress intended since the 1970s. ? The Action Alternatives have significant long-term adverse impacts to the Drakes Estero environment, including to wetlands, birds, fish, harbor seals, native mollusks, endangered species, eelgrass beds and to wilderness and the national park experience. ? The Action Alternatives are a direct attack on the Wilderness Act of 1964, run counter to the 1962 Point Reyes enabling legislation and the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act, and set a dangerous precedent for future commercialization of National Parks and Wilderness around the county. ? The oyster operation involves 3,700 motorboat trips per year through harbor seal and eelgrass habitat; promotes the spread of invasive species impacts to native oysters, eelgrass beds, bird, fish and endangered species habitat; and litters remote Point Reyes beaches with thousands of pieces of plastic trash.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33887    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Smith, Daedra D  
**Outside Organization:** private citizen Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov.23,2011 00:00:00  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** Please do not extend the lease for the commercial oyster company to continue operations in Drakes Estero National Park. This would exacerbate existing problems caused by commercial harvesting and would contribute to continued deterioration of ecosystems.

? Support the NO ACTION Alternative. It is the Environmentally Preferred Alternative and would provide for the area to become Wilderness in 2012 as Congress intended since the 1970s. ? The Action Alternatives have significant long-term adverse impacts to the Drakes Estero environment, including to wetlands, birds, fish, harbor seals, native mollusks, endangered species, eelgrass beds and to wilderness and the national park experience. ? The Action Alternatives are a direct attack on the Wilderness Act of 1964, run counter to the 1962 Point Reyes enabling legislation and the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act, and set a dangerous precedent for future commercialization of National Parks and Wilderness around the county. ? The oyster operation involves 3,700 motorboat trips per year through harbor seal and eelgrass habitat; promotes the spread of invasive species impacts to native oysters, eelgrass beds, bird, fish and endangered species habitat; and litters remote Point Reyes beaches with

thousands of pieces of plastic trash.

The park would be better off without the continued operation of commercial oyster harvesting. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Daedra D. Smith

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**Correspondence ID:** 33888    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Blalack, Russell E  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov.23,2011 14:08:19  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** I live near and have often enjoyed the Point Reyes Wilderness estuary. That is why I am urging the NPS to select the No Action Alternative so that Drakes Estero will become Wilderness in 2012, as directed by Congress 36 years ago! The 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act mandates the addition of Drakes Estero to the Philip Burton Wilderness in 2012, when a commercial oyster farm lease expires. Unfortunately, a rider attached to an Interior Appropriations bill granted the Secretary of the Interior the authority to extend the Drakes Bay Oyster Company's lease beyond its expiration. The NPS's draft EIS addresses whether to extend the permit another 10 years, and I urge you not to do that. Wilderness is rare, wilderness is precious, and this one must be preserved.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33889    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Hagood, Talbott B  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov.23,2011 14:08:36  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** The Draft EIS makes clear that allowing the private, commercial oyster company to exploit Drakes Estuary for ten more years would have numerous adverse impacts. Therefore, I support the No Action alternative as it is the environmentally preferred and would provide for the area to be declared Wilderness in 2012 as Congress intended in the 1970s.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33890    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Wilson, Marjorie P  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov.23,2011 14:10:50  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** Please make the correct decision and allow DBOC to remain a vital business and an integral part of our National Seashore into the future. ? Six generations of our family have considered our Inverness house on the Pt. Reyes Peninsula a refuge and haven. Our home in Inverness was originally purchased in 1925 and through the years family members have hiked extensively throughout the locale. Familiarity with the topography and environment of the Pt. Reyes National Seashore area is part of our family culture. We have also spent considerable time on the waters of Tomales Bay and have purchased countless dozens of oysters from DBOC at the Estero as well as from growers on Tomales Bay. I have read the draft EIS and kept up with all of the information concerning the situation with DBOC . ### The DBOC New Special Use Permit should NOT be denied. It is absurd to think that removal of the Drakes Bay Oyster Company will create a "new" wilderness area. The business, along with the surrounding highways, trails, and cattle ranches, has always been intended to be an integral part of the National Seashore and is in keeping with the intended usage. ### The DBOC New Special Use Permit should be issued per Alternative D - Expanded Onshore Development and Offshore Operations. DBOC has provided a sustainable and important food source for the greater Bay Area. DBOC has provided employment for a large number of people in our community. DBOC has proved itself to be a responsible steward of the environment. ### There is no evidence that DBOC has harmed water quality in the Estero. There is no evidence that DBOC has harmed seal life or decreased eel grass growth. ### I would hope that the NPS would be a good steward of the park land that they manage and for that be held in the highest regard by citizens. However, that high regard is currently missing. The NPS is on an outrageous witch hunt to destroy DBOC. The NPS has manufactured data, and lied about its acquisition. The NPS pretends that this faulty information supports a path forward to eliminate DBOC. Please make the correct decision and allow DBOC to remain a vital business and an integral part of our National Seashore into the future.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33891    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Higgins, Janice  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov.23,2011 14:12:22  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** I am writing to urge your support for the NO ACTION Alternative. It is the Environmentally Preferred Alternative and would provide for the area to become Wilderness in 2012 as Congress intended since the 1970s. Please consider the following: ? The Action Alternatives have significant long-term adverse impacts to the Drakes Estero environment, including to wetlands, birds, fish, harbor seals, native mollusks, endangered species, eelgrass beds and to wilderness and the national park experience. ? The Action Alternatives are a direct attack on the Wilderness Act of 1964, run counter to the 1962 Point Reyes enabling legislation and the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act, and set a dangerous precedent for future commercialization of National Parks and Wilderness around the county. ? The oyster operation involves 3,700 motorboat trips per year through harbor seal and eelgrass habitat; promotes the spread of invasive species impacts to native oysters, eelgrass beds, bird, fish and endangered species habitat; and litters remote Point Reyes beaches with thousands of pieces of plastic trash.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33892    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390

**Name:** Pound, Eloise R  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 14:12:26  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** I SUPPORT A RENEWABLE SPECIAL USE PERMIT FOR DRAKES BAY OYSTER COMPANY. THIS TYPE OF FARMING IS A NEEDED ASSET TO THE AREA.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33893    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Barber, Evelyn C  
**Outside Organization:** voting citizen Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 14:13:14  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** Dear National Park Service Representatives:

Please allow the Drakes Bay Oyster Company's permit to expire without a renewal.

You currently have the power to allow reappearance of the area's natural condition and prevent further environmental collapse which could spread its damage further, if you will simply allow the permit to lapse.

The United States' coastlines need to be preserved as much as humanly possible.

Thank you, and good luck with your decision.

Evelyn Barber

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**Correspondence ID:** 33894    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** N/A, N/A  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 14:16:00  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:**

? Support the NO ACTION Alternative. It is the Environmentally Preferred Alternative and would provide for the area to become Wilderness in 2012 as Congress intended since the 1970s. ? The Action Alternatives have significant long-term adverse impacts to the Drakes Estero environment, including to wetlands, birds, fish, harbor seals, native mollusks, endangered species, eelgrass beds and to wilderness and the national park experience. ? The Action Alternatives are a direct attack on the Wilderness Act of 1964, run counter to the 1962 Point Reyes enabling legislation and the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act, and set a dangerous precedent for future commercialization of National Parks and Wilderness around the county. ? The oyster operation involves 3,700 motorboat trips per year through harbor seal and eelgrass habitat; promotes the spread of invasive species impacts to native oysters, eelgrass beds, bird, fish and endangered species habitat; and litters remote Point Reyes beaches with thousands of pieces of plastic trash.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33895    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Thomsen, Don A  
**Outside Organization:** Widerness Watch Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 14:17:50  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** I urge you to select the No Action Alternative so that Drakes Estero will become Wilderness in 2012, as directed by Congress 36 years ago!

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**Correspondence ID:** 33896    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Baird, Michael & Barbara  
**Outside Organization:** NRDC Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 14:20:38  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:**

Drakes Estero is a national ecological treasure and should become a protected wilderness area. It has outstanding natural resources, including one of California's largest harbor seal colonies and tens of thousands of shorebirds, waterfowl, native fish and endangered species that use its wetlands, mudflats and eelgrass beds.

In the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act, Congress recognized Drakes Estero as a unique recreational and biological resource and promised that this irreplaceable resource would formally become a wilderness area when non-conforming uses were eliminated. Your agency permitted a commercial oyster company to grow non-native oysters and clams on 1,050 acres in Drakes Estero for 40 years, or until 2012.

Your own draft environmental impact statement reveals the extensive damage that the existing operation has caused to Drakes Estero and Point Reyes National Seashore's beaches. As you know, commercial operations of any kind are not permitted in designated wilderness areas because of such damage. Further, the Park Service's Organic Act mandates protection of park resources and values and strictly limits commercial operations.

Your approval of the proposal to extend the oyster company's permit would be contrary to the Point Reyes Wilderness Act and would establish a dangerous precedent at a time when America's public lands and environmental laws are already under widespread attacks in Congress and elsewhere.

We've been waiting long enough. It is time to allow that permit to expire and to honor Congress' commitment. We want our bay back.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33897    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Cohen, Karen  
**Outside Organization:** Sierra Club Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 14:22:47  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

**Correspondence:** 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.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33898    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Albach, Fred  
**Outside Organization:** Sierra Club Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 14:22:52  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

**Correspondence:** 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.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33899    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Cross, Dave and Rita  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 14:24:38  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

**Correspondence:** Dear Managers,

To allow the private, commercial oyster company to exploit Drakes Estero for ten more years would cause many negative impacts on eelgrass habitat, native fish, harbor seals, resident and migratory birds, endangered species, wilderness values and the wonderful National Park experience!

Please support the Environmental (No Action) Alternative. This area would become Wilderness in 2012 which congress has intended since the 1970's!

We feel your support of No Action is the only right thing to do! Leave this pristine wilderness wild, please!

Kind regards,

Dave and Rita Cross

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**Correspondence ID:** 33900    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Fleming, Gary  
**Outside Organization:** National Parks Conservation Association Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov.23,2011 14:24:44  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** I urge you 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. The public has waited nearly four decades for these protections to be implemented, which is an immense compromise in itself. Drakes Estero is a rare wildlife refuge where migrating birds stop over, harbor seals give birth, and fish take shelter in eelgrass. As someone who enjoys our nation's national parks and their wildlife, I urge you to uphold the longstanding plan to convert this very special resource to wilderness.

I urge you to select alternative "A", which protects marine wilderness next year and is the Environmentally Preferred Alternative. The National Park Service is mandated to provide maximum protection to the natural resources at Drakes Estero 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, and after waiting nearly 40 years for private commercial use rights to expire, it's time to give the estuary the protection it needs. The environmental review shows that alternative "A" is best for public policy, and best protects harbor seals, fish, birds and other natural resources. Drakes Estero is our only marine wilderness on the West Coast, and is irreplaceable, while oysters can be commercially grown elsewhere.

Please honor the promise made for a protected marine wilderness at Drakes Estero. In doing so, you will set a good policy example and reward the public with an enduring legacy feat found nowhere else on the West Coast.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33901    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** meyer jr, harold a  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov.23,2011 14:25:14  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** select the no action alternative

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**Correspondence ID:** 33902    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** N/A, N/A  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov.23,2011 14:26:29  
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**Correspondence ID:** 33903    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Franchi, Irena  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
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**Correspondence ID:** 33904    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Mullen, Timothy I  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
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**Correspondence ID:** 33905    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** N/A, N/A  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
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**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** Please do everything in your power to support the NO ACTION Alternative. It is the Environmentally Preferred Alternative and would provide for the area to become Wilderness in 2012 as Congress intended since the 1970s. ? The Action Alternatives have significant long-term adverse impacts to the Drakes Estero environment, including to wetlands, birds, fish, harbor seals, native mollusks, endangered species, eelgrass beds and to wilderness and the national park experience. ? The Action Alternatives are a direct attack on the Wilderness Act of 1964, run counter to the 1962 Point Reyes enabling legislation and the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act, and set a dangerous precedent for future commercialization of National Parks and Wilderness around the county. ? The oyster operation involves 3,700 motorboat trips per year through harbor seal and eelgrass habitat; promotes the spread of invasive species impacts to native oysters, eelgrass beds, bird, fish and endangered species habitat; and litters remote Point Reyes beaches with thousands of pieces of plastic trash. Thank you for your time.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33906    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** N/A, N/A  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov.23,2011 14:36:25  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** I am requesting a vote for the No Action Alternative. Thank you.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33907    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** N/A, N/A  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov.23,2011 14:38:06  
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**Correspondence ID:** 33909    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Yarnell, Susan L  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov.23,2011 14:44:00  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** I support the NO ACTION Alternative. It is the Environmentally Preferred Alternative and would provide for the area to become Wilderness in 2012 as Congress intended since the 1970s. ? The Action Alternatives have significant long-term adverse impacts to the Drakes Estero environment, including to wetlands, birds, fish, harbor seals, native mollusks, endangered species, eelgrass beds and to wilderness and the national park experience. ? The Action Alternatives are a direct attack on the Wilderness Act of 1964, run counter to the 1962 Point Reyes enabling legislation and the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act, and set a dangerous precedent for future commercialization of National Parks and Wilderness around the county. ? The oyster operation involves 3,700 motorboat trips per year through harbor seal and eelgrass habitat; promotes the spread of invasive species

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**Correspondence ID:** 33910    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Lake, Jennifer  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 14:46:13  
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**Correspondence:** Support the NO ACTION Alternative. It is the Environmentally Preferred Alternative and would provide for the area to become Wilderness in 2012 as Congress intended since the 1970s. ? The Action Alternatives have significant long-term adverse impacts to the Drakes Estero environment, including to wetlands, birds, fish, harbor seals, native mollusks, endangered species, eelgrass beds and to wilderness and the national park experience. ? The Action Alternatives are a direct attack on the Wilderness Act of 1964, run counter to the 1962 Point Reyes enabling legislation and the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act, and set a dangerous precedent for future commercialization of National Parks and Wilderness around the county. ? The oyster operation involves 3,700 motorboat trips per year through harbor seal and eelgrass habitat; promotes the spread of invasive species impacts to native oysters, eelgrass beds, bird, fish and endangered species habitat; and litters remote Point Reyes beaches with thousands of pieces of plastic trash.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33911    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** mclain, linda  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 14:47:02  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** please preserve drakes bay at Point Ryes Nat'l seahore

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**Correspondence ID:** 33912    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** fisher, kathryn  
**Outside Organization:** Sierra Club Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 14:52:04  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** 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.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33913    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Garcia, Michelle  
**Outside Organization:** Sierra Club Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 14:52:05  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** 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.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33914    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Clarke, Karen  
**Outside Organization:** Sierra Club Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 14:53:02  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

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**Correspondence ID:** 33915    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Bronk, Martin  
**Outside Organization:** Sierra Club Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 14:53:03  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

**Correspondence:** 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.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33916    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Bates, John K  
**Outside Organization:** United States and California Citizen Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 00:00:00  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

**Correspondence:** I am writing to support the NO ACTION alternative. This area is, has been and should be allowed to become a Wilderness Area in 2012 as Congress and the People intend.

We have so few protected areas in the sea and even fewer where the sea meets the land like this estuary/wetlands, which is home to birds, fish, harbor seals, native mollusks, endangered species, eelgrass beds and to wilderness and the experience of being in the wild. Taking action here is a direct attack on the Wilderness Act of 1964, it runs counter to the 1962 Point Reyes enabling legislation and the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act, and sets a dangerous precedent for future commercialization of National Parks and Wilderness around the county. The oyster operation involves 3,700 motorboat trips per year through harbor seal and eelgrass habitat; promotes the spread of invasive species impacts to native oysters, eelgrass beds, bird, fish and endangered species habitat; and litters remote Point Reyes beaches with thousands of pieces of plastic trash.

I beg you to leave this beautiful, wonderful, place which I love and visit regularly in its natural state. Besides the ethical need to do this there is a very practical, self centered, human need to preserve these last areas. They are important pieces of our increasingly threatened LIFE SUPPORT system here on Planet Earth.

I have to believe you would be more proud looking back on preserving this treasure than you would be in exploiting it and ruining it.

Please preserve and respect this lovely, important wilderness.

Thank you,

John Bates Business owner Eagle Scout Surfer Amateur Biologist US and California Citizen Inhabitant of Planet Earth

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**Correspondence ID:** 33917    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Beavers, Nancy  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 14:57:14  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** I support the NO ACTION Alternative. It is the Environmentally Preferred Alternative and would provide for the area to become Wilderness in 2012 as Congress intended since the 1970s.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33918    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Bundy, Robert D  
**Outside Organization:** Marin Audubon Society Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 14:58:21  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** Very comprehensive document but not conclusive. Because the downside is a potential slight decrease in habitat for seals or ellgrass I favor a ten year extension of the current contract. Data can be evaluated during that period. I personally enjoy visiting the oyster farm on my visits to Point Reyes. Visitors and customers enjoy walking around the facility and learning about the history of the site as well as understanding modern mariculture. The impact from visitors appears minimal and well managed.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33919    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Murphy, Lon  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 14:58:57  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** I support a renewable Special Use Permit for Drakes Bay Oyster Company.

L. Murphy

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**Correspondence ID:** 33920    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Kaufman, Andrea D  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 15:02:34  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** Please select the No Action Alternative, so the the Drakes Estero becomes wilderness in 2012, as directed by Congress.

Continuing the Oyster Farm lease for another 10 years will have significant long-term adverse effects on this important resource, including native birda, seals, endangered species, and eelgrass beds -- even to native oysters.

Please follow the intent of the Wilderness Act of 1964, and of the Point Reyes Wilderness Act of 1976 and allow this important area to become wilderness.

Thank you.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33921    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Stone, William G  
**Outside Organization:** Healing Connections Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 15:03:06  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** Please select the No Action Alternative so that Drakes Estero will become Wilderness in 2012, as directed by Congress 36 years ago. Thank you for saving as much nature as possible for our children.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33922    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Conrich, Robert S  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 15:04:43  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** I support the NO ACTION Alternative.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33923    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** lips, stu  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 15:06:16  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** Support the NO ACTION Alternative. It is the Environmentally Preferred Alternative and would provide for the area to become Wilderness in 2012 as Congress intended since the 1970s. ? The Action Alternatives have significant long-term adverse impacts to the Drakes Estero environment, including to wetlands, birds, fish, harbor seals, native mollusks, endangered species, eelgrass beds and to wilderness and the national park experience. ? The Action Alternatives are a direct attack on the Wilderness Act of 1964, run counter to the 1962 Point Reyes enabling legislation and the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act, and set a dangerous precedent for future commercialization of National Parks and Wilderness around the county. ? The oyster operation involves 3,700 motorboat trips per year through harbor seal and eelgrass habitat; promotes the spread of invasive species impacts to native oysters, eelgrass beds, bird, fish and endangered species habitat; and litters remote Point Reyes beaches with thousands of pieces of plastic trash.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33924    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Lazell, James D  
**Outside Organization:** The Conservation Agency Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 15:09:32  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** Please go with Alternative A: Keep Drakes Estero wilderness.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33925    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Szymanowski, Paul  
**Outside Organization:** NPCA Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 15:13:03  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** ? I support the NO ACTION Alternative. It is the Environmentally Preferred Alternative and would provide for the area to become Wilderness in 2012 as Congress intended since the 1970s. ? The Action Alternatives have significant long-term adverse impacts to the Drakes Estero environment, including to wetlands, birds, fish, harbor seals, native mollusks, endangered species, eelgrass beds and to wilderness and the national park experience. ? The Action Alternatives are a direct attack on the Wilderness Act of 1964, run counter to the 1962 Point Reyes enabling legislation and the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act, and set a dangerous precedent for future commercialization of National Parks and Wilderness around the county. ? The oyster operation involves 3,700 motorboat trips per year through harbor seal and eelgrass habitat; promotes the spread of invasive species impacts to native oysters, eelgrass beds, bird, fish and endangered species habitat; and litters remote Point Reyes beaches with thousands of pieces of plastic trash.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33926    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Starr, M  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 00:00:00  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** Please select the NO Action Alternative so that Drakes Estero will become Wilderness in 2012, as directed by Congress 36 years ago!

The Draft EIS makes clear that allowing the private, commercial oyster company to exploit Drakes Estero for ten more years would have numerous adverse impacts-most notably from the invasive species-on eelgrass habitat, native fish, harbor seals, resident and migratory birds, endangered species, wilderness values and the National Park experience.

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Thank you for your time -- MS

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**Correspondence ID:** 33927    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** DeRoy, Al

**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 15:16:24  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** Please allow the Drake's Bay Oyster Company's lease to expire and allow the area to revert to wilderness. The area is important habitat for a number of both aquatic and terrestrial flora and fauna.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33928    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Sherwood, Michael R  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 15:16:25  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** Dear National Park Service,

I strongly support the National Park Service's efforts to protect the Pt. Reyes Wilderness by not renewing the Johnson Oyster Farm's lease. Therefore, I support the No Action Alternative in the draft EIS.

I am a kayaker. One of my favorite places to kayak is Drake's Estero. We normally put in right next to the Johnson Oyster Farm. However, my enjoyment of the wilderness qualities of this beautiful place is impaired by the existence of the oyster farm, all the stakes and oyster beds, and the running of outboard motor boats by oyster farm employees.

The current owners of the oyster farm purchased it with their eyes wide open, knowing full well that the lease would terminate in 10 years and that the NPS would then take steps to allow the area to revert to true wilderness, with no commercial operations. Thus, there is no equitable argument for extending the lease for another 10 years, or for any amount of time, and every argument in favor of allowing the lease to expire, as has been intended and public knowledge since the wilderness was established.

Thank you for your consideration of my comments.

Michael R. Sherwood

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**Correspondence ID:** 33929    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Roy, Joe  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 15:17:24  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:**

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**Correspondence ID:** 33930    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Lemoine, Kathryn K  
**Outside Organization:** Wilderness Watch & Defenders of Wildlife Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 15:17:32  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:**

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**Correspondence ID:** 33931    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Knoll, Carolyn  
**Outside Organization:** NRDC Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 15:20:53  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:**

Drakes Estero is a national ecological treasure and should become a protected wilderness area. It has outstanding natural resources, including one of California's largest harbor seal colonies and tens of thousands of shorebirds, waterfowl, native fish and endangered species that use its wetlands, mudflats and eelgrass beds.

In the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act, Congress recognized Drakes Estero as a unique recreational and biological resource and promised that this irreplaceable resource would formally become a wilderness area when non-conforming uses were eliminated. Your agency permitted a commercial oyster company to grow non-native oysters and clams on 1,050 acres in Drakes Estero for 40 years, or until 2012.

Your own draft environmental impact statement reveals the extensive damage that the existing operation has caused to Drakes Estero and Point Reyes National Seashore's beaches. As you know, commercial operations of any kind are not permitted in designated wilderness areas because of such damage. Further, the Park Service's Organic Act mandates protection of park resources and values and strictly limits commercial operations.

Your approval of the proposal to extend the oyster company's permit would be contrary to the Point Reyes Wilderness Act and would establish a dangerous precedent at a time when America's public lands and environmental laws are already under widespread attacks in Congress and elsewhere.

We've been waiting long enough. It is time to allow that permit to expire and to honor Congress' commitment. We want our bay back.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33932    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Roberto, Rob  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 15:22:24  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** ? The Action Alternatives have significant long-term adverse impacts to the Drakes Estero environment, including to wetlands, birds, fish, harbor seals, native mollusks, endangered species, eelgrass beds and to wilderness and the national park experience. ? The Action Alternatives are a direct attack on the Wilderness Act of 1964, run counter to the 1962 Point Reyes enabling legislation and the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act, and set a dangerous precedent for future commercialization of National Parks and Wilderness around the county. ? The oyster operation involves 3,700 motorboat trips per year through harbor seal and eelgrass habitat; promotes the spread of invasive species impacts to native oysters, eelgrass beds, bird, fish and endangered species habitat; and litters remote Point Reyes beaches with thousands of pieces of plastic trash.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33933    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Summers, Kathryn  
**Outside Organization:** Sierra Club Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 15:22:29  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** 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.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33934    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Williams, Ray  
**Outside Organization:** Sierra Club Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 15:22:42  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** 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.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33935    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Glenn, Frances  
**Outside Organization:** Sierra Club Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 15:22:48  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

**Correspondence:** 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.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33936    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Jones, Kaija  
**Outside Organization:** National Parks Conservation Association Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 15:25:11  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

**Correspondence:** I urge you 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. The public has waited nearly four decades for these protections to be implemented, which is an immense compromise in itself. Drakes Estero is a rare wildlife refuge where migrating birds stop over, harbor seals give birth, and fish take shelter in eelgrass. As someone who enjoys our nation's national parks and their wildlife, I urge you to uphold the longstanding plan to convert this very special resource to wilderness.

I urge you to select alternative "A", which protects marine wilderness next year and is the Environmentally Preferred Alternative. The National Park Service is mandated to provide maximum protection to the natural resources at Drakes Estero 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, and after waiting nearly 40 years for private commercial use rights to expire, it's time to give the estuary the protection it needs. The environmental review shows that alternative "A" is best for public policy, and best protects harbor seals, fish, birds and other natural resources. 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:** 33937    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Morello, Phyl  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 15:25:13  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

**Correspondence:** My family & I support the NO ACTION ALTERNATIVE so Drakes Estero can be a true wilderness! This was mandated by congress 36 yrs ago.

Point Reyes Wilderness Act mandates the addition of Drakes Estero. Just make it happen.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33938    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Lewis, Cornelius  
**Outside Organization:** National Parks Conservation Association Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 15:25:15  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

**Correspondence:** I urge you 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. The public has waited nearly four decades for these protections to be

implemented, which is an immense compromise in itself. Drakes Estero is a rare wildlife refuge where migrating birds stop over, harbor seals give birth, and fish take shelter in eelgrass. As someone who enjoys our nation's national parks and their wildlife, I urge you to uphold the longstanding plan to convert this very special resource to wilderness.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33939    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Sheridan, Gabriel T  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 15:28:05  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** I support the "No" Alternative

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**Correspondence ID:** 33940    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Walters, Sandra  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 15:29:33  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** SUPPORT NO ACTION ALTERNATIVE

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**Correspondence ID:** 33941    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Hamilton, Wesley F  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 15:29:43  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** I support the now action alternative

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**Correspondence ID:** 33942    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** N/A, N/A  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 00:00:00  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** I would ask you to support the NO ACTION Alternative. It is the Environmentally Preferred Alternative and would provide for the area to become Wilderness in 2012 as Congress intended since the 1970s. The Action Alternatives are a direct attack on the Wilderness Act of 1964, run counter to the 1962 Point Reyes enabling legislation and the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act, and set a dangerous precedent for future commercialization of National Parks and Wilderness around the county. The oyster operation involves 3,700 motorboat trips per year through harbor seal and eelgrass habitat; promotes the spread of invasive species impacts to native oysters, eelgrass beds, bird, fish and endangered species habitat.

For these reasons the oyster operation should not be extended and should be allowed to expire as intended. Commercial activity should not be allowed to continue in this important area.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33943    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Berkeley, Carol  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 15:47:05  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** Please preserve Drakes Estero as Wilderness in 2012, rather than continue to allow commercial activity in this important wildlife area.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33944    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Elman, Mark  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 15:51:26  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** ? I support the NO ACTION Alternative. It is the Environmentally Preferred Alternative and would provide for the area to become Wilderness in 2012 as Congress intended since the 1970s. ? The Action Alternatives have significant long-term adverse impacts to the Drakes Estero environment, including to wetlands, birds, fish, harbor seals, native mollusks, endangered species, eelgrass beds and to wilderness and the national park experience. ? The Action Alternatives are a direct attack on the Wilderness Act of 1964, run counter to the 1962 Point Reyes enabling legislation and the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act, and set a

dangerous precedent for future commercialization of National Parks and Wilderness around the county. ? The oyster operation involves 3,700 motorboat trips per year through harbor seal and eelgrass habitat; promotes the spread of invasive species impacts to native oysters, eelgrass beds, bird, fish and endangered species habitat; and litters remote Point Reyes beaches with thousands of pieces of plastic trash.

Thank you for taking these comments.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33945    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Crawford, Cindy  
**Outside Organization:** Sierra Club Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 15:52:11  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

**Correspondence:** 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.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33946    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** N/A, N/A  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 15:52:14  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

**Correspondence:** Please support the No Action Alternative so that Drakes Estero will become Wilderness in 2012, as directed by Congress 36 years ago. Allowing the private, commercial oyster company to exploit Drakes Estero for ten more years would have numerous adverse impacts-most notably from the invasive species-on eelgrass habitat, native fish, harbor seals, resident and migratory birds, endangered species, wilderness values and the National Park experience.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33947    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Coyne, Lelia M  
**Outside Organization:** wachiska Audubon Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 15:52:32  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

**Correspondence:** Point Reyes is too precious in too many ways not to preserve its Wilderness Status for present and future generations.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33948    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Maranowski, Yvette  
**Outside Organization:** Sierra Club Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 15:52:43  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

**Correspondence:** 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.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33949    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390

**Name:** Mark, Daniel  
**Outside Organization:** Sierra Club Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 15:53:00  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** 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.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33950    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Potter, Michael J  
**Outside Organization:** Eden Foods Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 15:53:04  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** The priority must be the protection of what remains of pristine natural resources, not profits from them.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33951    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Van Der Wal, John & Susan  
**Outside Organization:** None Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 15:53:44  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** We support the National Parks project objectives - their mission. We want a healthy habitat protecting all life forms in and around this very important estero in the Pt.Reyes National Seashore.

We support the no-action alternative with the expiration date of Drakes Bay Oyster Company business operation in November 30, 2012. This is per the Wilderness Act enacted by Congress in 1976.

Drakes Bay Oyster Company took over the lease knowing full well that it is to expire November 30, 2012.

We support the 1976 Wilderness Act and its wilderness designation for Drakes Estero.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33952    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Jeffries, Lynne  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 00:00:00  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

I want to urge the NPS to select the No Action Alternative so that Drakes Estero will become Wilderness in 2012, as directed by Congress 36 years ago! The 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act mandates the addition of Drakes Estero to the Philip Burton Wilderness in 2012, when a commercial oyster farm lease expires. Unfortunately, a rider attached to an Interior Appropriations bill granted the Secretary of the Interior the authority to extend the Drakes Bay Oyster Company's lease beyond its expiration. The NPS's draft EIS addresses whether to extend the permit another 10 years. I want to urge the NPS to preserve Drakes Estero as Wilderness in 2012, rather than continue to allow commercial activity in this important wildlife area.

The Draft EIS makes clear that allowing the private, commercial oyster company to exploit Drakes Estero for ten more years would have numerous adverse impacts-most notably from the invasive species-on eelgrass habitat, native fish, harbor seals, resident and migratory birds, endangered species, wilderness values and the National Park experience.

? Support the NO ACTION Alternative. It is the Environmentally Preferred Alternative and would provide for the area to become Wilderness in 2012 as Congress intended since the 1970s. ? The Action Alternatives have significant long-term adverse impacts to the Drakes Estero environment, including to wetlands, birds, fish, harbor seals, native mollusks, endangered species, eelgrass beds and to wilderness and the national park experience. ? The Action Alternatives are a direct attack on the Wilderness Act of 1964, run counter to the 1962 Point Reyes enabling legislation and the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act, and set a dangerous precedent for future commercialization of National Parks and Wilderness around the county. ? The oyster operation involves 3,700 motorboat trips per year through harbor seal and eelgrass habitat; promotes the spread of invasive species

impacts to native oysters, eelgrass beds, bird, fish and endangered species habitat; and litters remote Point Reyes beaches with thousands of pieces of plastic trash.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this important issue

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**Correspondence ID:** 33953    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Royer, Donna  
**Outside Organization:** National Parks Conservation Association Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 15:55:10  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** I urge you 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. The public has waited nearly four decades for these protections to be implemented, which is an immense compromise in itself. Drakes Estero is a rare wildlife refuge where migrating birds stop over, harbor seals give birth, and fish take shelter in eelgrass. As someone who enjoys our nation's national parks and their wildlife, I urge you to uphold the longstanding plan to convert this very special resource to wilderness.

I urge you to select alternative "A", which protects marine wilderness next year and is the Environmentally Preferred Alternative. The National Park Service is mandated to provide maximum protection to the natural resources at Drakes Estero 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, and after waiting nearly 40 years for private commercial use rights to expire, it's time to give the estuary the protection it needs. The environmental review shows that alternative "A" is best for public policy, and best protects harbor seals, fish, birds and other natural resources. 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:** 33954    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Cherniss, Jennifer  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 15:59:36  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** Please proceed with the addition of Drake's Estero to the Philip Burton National Wildlife Area as set forth in the original legislation. While I am proud to have Drake's Oysters operating in the area, and it does afford at least some level of water quality control, this should not be allowed to Briones Regional Park, in our East Bay Regional Park District. A family cattle operation was grandfathered into the acquisition of the park. While not ideal for a natural preserve, it does put a limit on the impact and duration of this operation, allows the family business to continue, and puts the land into public use today.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33955    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Mattes, Dale B  
**Outside Organization:** Wilderness Watch Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 16:00:47  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** No Action, please, for the following reasons: ? The Action Alternatives have significant long-term adverse impacts to the Drakes Estero environment, including to wetlands, birds, fish, harbor seals, native mollusks, endangered species, eelgrass beds and to wilderness and the national park experience. ? The Action Alternatives are a direct attack on the Wilderness Act of 1964, run counter to the 1962 Point Reyes enabling legislation and the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act, and set a dangerous precedent for future commercialization of National Parks and Wilderness around the county. ? The oyster operation involves 3,700 motorboat trips per year through harbor seal and eelgrass habitat; promotes the spread of invasive species impacts to native oysters, eelgrass beds, bird, fish and endangered species habitat; and litters remote Point Reyes beaches with thousands of pieces of plastic trash.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33956    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** N/A, N/A  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 16:04:58  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** ? Support the NO ACTION Alternative. It is the Environmentally Preferred Alternative and would provide for the area to become Wilderness in 2012 as Congress intended since the 1970s. ? The Action Alternatives have significant long-term adverse impacts to the Drakes Estero environment, including to wetlands, birds, fish, harbor seals, native mollusks, endangered species, eelgrass beds and to wilderness and the national park experience. ? The Action Alternatives are a direct attack on the Wilderness Act of 1964, run counter to the 1962 Point Reyes enabling legislation and the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act, and set a dangerous precedent for future commercialization of National Parks and Wilderness around the county. ? The oyster operation involves 3,700 motorboat trips per year through harbor seal and eelgrass habitat; promotes the spread of invasive species impacts to native oysters, eelgrass beds, bird, fish and endangered species habitat; and litters remote Point Reyes beaches with thousands of pieces of plastic trash.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33957    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** N/A, N/A  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual

**Received:** Nov,23,2011 16:05:34

**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

**Correspondence:** I support the NO ACTION Alternative. It is the Environmentally Preferred Alternative and would provide for the area to become Wilderness in 2012 as Congress intended since the 1970s. The Action Alternatives have significant long-term adverse impacts to the Drakes Estero environment, including to wetlands, birds, fish, harbor seals, native mollusks, endangered species, eelgrass beds and to wilderness and the national park experience. The Action Alternatives are a direct attack on the Wilderness Act of 1964, run counter to the 1962 Point Reyes enabling legislation and the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act, and set a dangerous precedent for future commercialization of National Parks and Wilderness around the county. The oyster operation involves 3,700 motorboat trips per year through harbor seal and eelgrass habitat; promotes the spread of invasive species impacts to native oysters, eelgrass beds, bird, fish and endangered species habitat; and litters remote Point Reyes beaches with thousands of pieces of plastic trash.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33958    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390

**Name:** Graver, Charles E

**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual

**Received:** Nov,23,2011 16:07:06

**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

**Correspondence:** I support the NO ACTION Alternative. It is the Environmentally Preferred Alternative and would provide for the area to become Wilderness in 2012 as Congress intended since the 1970s. ? The Action Alternatives have significant long-term adverse impacts to the Drakes Estero environment, including to wetlands, birds, fish, harbor seals, native mollusks, endangered species, eelgrass beds and to wilderness and the national park experience. ? The Action Alternatives are a direct attack on the Wilderness Act of 1964, run counter to the 1962 Point Reyes enabling legislation and the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act, and set a dangerous precedent for future commercialization of National Parks and Wilderness around the county. ? The oyster operation involves 3,700 motorboat trips per year through harbor seal and eelgrass habitat; promotes the spread of invasive species impacts to native oysters, eelgrass beds, bird, fish and endangered species habitat; and litters remote Point Reyes beaches with thousands of pieces of plastic trash.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33959    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390

**Name:** spar.md, jon

**Outside Organization:** WildEarth Guardians Unaffiliated Individual

**Received:** Nov,23,2011 16:07:18

**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

**Correspondence:** I do not want the private oyster farm to be allowed to continue at The Point Reyes National Seashore. The pollution of the thousands of motor boat trips and the plastic debris that entangles wildlife is a menace. The sooner all commercial activity is withdrawn the better. I DO NOT WANT the Drakes Bay Oyster Company special use permit renewed under any circumstance.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33960    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390

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

**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual

**Received:** Nov,23,2011 16:10:59

**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

**Correspondence:** I want to express support for the NO ACTION Alternative. It is the Environmentally Preferred Alternative and would provide for the area to become Wilderness in 2012 as Congress intended since the 1970s.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33961    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390

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

**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual

**Received:** Nov,23,2011 16:12:08

**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.

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.

<b>Correspondence ID:</b>	33962	<b>Project:</b>	33043	<b>Document:</b>	43390
<b>Name:</b>	Nitz, Jennifer				
<b>Outside Organization:</b>	Unaffiliated Individual				
<b>Received:</b>	Nov,23,2011 16:14:18				
<b>Correspondence Type:</b>	Web Form				
<b>Correspondence:</b>	I support the no action alternative to the Drakes Bay Oyster Company Special Use Permit EIS. Congress directed Drakes Estero to become wilderness 36 years ago. This is a unique area within a wilderness area and National Seashore, that a commercial oyster farm is inappropriate to be in. Please do not permit an extension to the permit.				
<b>Correspondence ID:</b>	33963	<b>Project:</b>	33043	<b>Document:</b>	43390
<b>Name:</b>	Amelang, Loren				
<b>Outside Organization:</b>	Unaffiliated Individual				
<b>Received:</b>	Nov,23,2011 16:16:30				
<b>Correspondence Type:</b>	Web Form				
<b>Correspondence:</b>	I believe Drake's Estero should be allowed to return to true wilderness as soon as possible. Please select the No Action Alternative, avoiding another ten years of commercial exploitation.				
<b>Correspondence ID:</b>	33964	<b>Project:</b>	33043	<b>Document:</b>	43390
<b>Name:</b>	N/A, N/A				
<b>Outside Organization:</b>	Unaffiliated Individual				
<b>Received:</b>	Nov,23,2011 16:16:38				
<b>Correspondence Type:</b>	Web Form				
<b>Correspondence:</b>	I am writing to urge the National Park Service to select the No Action Alternative so that Drakes Estero will become Wilderness in 2012, as directed by Congress 36 years ago! Private oyster farming should not trump the common good. Thank you!				
<b>Correspondence ID:</b>	33965	<b>Project:</b>	33043	<b>Document:</b>	43390
<b>Name:</b>	Blaustein, John				
<b>Outside Organization:</b>	Sierra Club Unaffiliated Individual				
<b>Received:</b>	Nov,23,2011 16:22:30				
<b>Correspondence Type:</b>	Web Form				
<b>Correspondence:</b>	<p>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.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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.</p>				
<b>Correspondence ID:</b>	33966	<b>Project:</b>	33043	<b>Document:</b>	43390
<b>Name:</b>	N/A, N/A				
<b>Outside Organization:</b>	Unaffiliated Individual				
<b>Received:</b>	Nov,23,2011 16:22:35				
<b>Correspondence Type:</b>	Web Form				
<b>Correspondence:</b>	It is critically important that the National Park Service select the NO ACTION ALTERNATIVE so that Drakes Estero will become Wilderness in 2012, as directed by Congress 36 years ago.				
<b>Correspondence ID:</b>	33967	<b>Project:</b>	33043	<b>Document:</b>	43390
<b>Name:</b>	SCHOLZ, ERNEST J				
<b>Outside Organization:</b>	Unaffiliated Individual				
<b>Received:</b>	Nov,23,2011 16:25:04				
<b>Correspondence Type:</b>	Web Form				
<b>Correspondence:</b>	PLEASE SELECT THE NO ACTION ALTERNATIVE				
<b>Correspondence ID:</b>	33968	<b>Project:</b>	33043	<b>Document:</b>	43390
<b>Name:</b>	Sims, Cindy				
<b>Outside Organization:</b>	National Parks Conservation Association Unaffiliated Individual				
<b>Received:</b>	Nov,23,2011 16:25:13				
<b>Correspondence Type:</b>	Web Form				
<b>Correspondence:</b>	I urge you 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. The public has waited nearly four decades for these protections to be implemented, which is an immense compromise in itself. Drakes Estero is a rare wildlife refuge where migrating birds stop over, harbor seals give birth, and fish take shelter in eelgrass. As someone who enjoys our nation's national parks and their wildlife, I urge you to uphold the longstanding plan to convert this very special resource to wilderness.

I urge you to select alternative "A", which protects marine wilderness next year and is the Environmentally Preferred Alternative. The National Park Service is mandated to provide maximum protection to the natural resources at Drakes Estero 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, and after waiting nearly 40 years for private commercial use rights to expire, it's time to give the estuary the protection it needs. The environmental review shows that alternative "A" is best for public policy, and best protects harbor seals, fish, birds and other natural resources. Drakes Estero is our only marine wilderness on the West Coast, and is irreplaceable, while oysters can be commercially grown elsewhere.

Please honor the promise made for a protected marine wilderness at Drakes Estero. In doing so, you will set a good policy example and reward the public with an enduring legacy feat found nowhere else on the West Coast.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33969    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Schwab, Vicki  
**Outside Organization:** NRDC Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov.23,2011 16:27:08  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

**Correspondence:** Drakes Estero is a national ecological treasure and should become a protected wilderness area. It has outstanding natural resources, including one of California's largest harbor seal colonies and tens of thousands of shorebirds, waterfowl, native fish and endangered species that use its wetlands, mudflats and eelgrass beds.

In the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act, Congress recognized Drakes Estero as a unique recreational and biological resource and promised that this irreplaceable resource would formally become a wilderness area when non-conforming uses were eliminated. Your agency permitted a commercial oyster company to grow non-native oysters and clams on 1,050 acres in Drakes Estero for 40 years, or until 2012.

Your own draft environmental impact statement reveals the extensive damage that the existing operation has caused to Drakes Estero and Point Reyes National Seashore's beaches. As you know, commercial operations of any kind are not permitted in designated wilderness areas because of such damage. Further, the Park Service's Organic Act mandates protection of park resources and values and strictly limits commercial operations.

Your approval of the proposal to extend the oyster company's permit would be contrary to the Point Reyes Wilderness Act and would establish a dangerous precedent at a time when America's public lands and environmental laws are already under widespread attacks in Congress and elsewhere.

We've been waiting long enough. It is time to allow that permit to expire and to honor Congress' commitment. We want our bay back.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33970    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** N/A, N/A  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov.23,2011 00:00:00  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

**Correspondence:** The Action Alternatives are a direct attack on the Wilderness Act of 1964, run counter to the 1962 Point Reyes enabling legislation and the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act, and set a dangerous precedent for future commercialization of National Parks and Wilderness around the county. The oyster operation involves 3,700 motorboat trips per year through harbor seal and eelgrass habitat; promotes the spread of invasive species impacts to native oysters, eelgrass beds, bird, fish and endangered species habitat; and litters remote Point Reyes beaches with thousands of pieces of plastic trash. The Action Alternatives have significant long-term adverse impacts to the Drakes Estero environment, including to wetlands, birds, fish, harbor seals, native mollusks, endangered species, eelgrass beds and to wilderness and the national park experience. Thank you for your time in considering my comments

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**Correspondence ID:** 33971    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Geerlings, Sonia M  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov.23,2011 16:31:05  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

**Correspondence:** Please select the No Action Alternative so that Drakes Estero will become Wilderness in 2012, as directed by Congress 36 years ago!

Please preserve Drakes Estero as Wilderness in 2012, rather than continue to allow commercial activity in this important wildlife area.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33972    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390

**Name:** Livingston, Dr. James  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov.23,2011 16:33:00  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** The 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act mandates the addition of Drakes Estero to the Philip Burton Wilderness in 2012, when a commercial oyster farm lease expires. However, a rider attached to an Interior Appropriations bill granted the Secretary of the Interior allows the authority to extend the Drakes Bay Oyster Company's lease beyond its expiration. I urge the NPS to preserve Drakes Estero as Wilderness in 2012, rather than continue to allow commercial activity in this important wildlife area. Thus I argue against the extension of the lease; the company has had fair warning of the expiration, and its arguments for continuation do not overrule the finality of the extension.

It's a simple matter. The company has been served notice. It is as responsible for compliance as any citizen, especially if the Supreme Court properly reverses its weird equation of corporations with citizens.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33973    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** MAZIK, KIM  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov.23,2011 16:33:48  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** I'm writing in support of the NO ACTION Alternative since it is the environmentally preferred alternative and would provide for the area to become Wilderness in 2012 as Congress intended since the 1970s.

Additionally the Draft EIS makes clear that allowing the private, commercial oyster company to exploit Drakes Estero for ten more years would have numerous adverse impacts--most notably from the invasive species--on eelgrass habitat, native fish, harbor seals, resident and migratory birds, endangered species, wilderness values and the National Park experience.

Do the right thing for the marine life!

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**Correspondence ID:** 33974    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Dickens, Marcey C  
**Outside Organization:** Wilderness Watch Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov.23,2011 16:35:31  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** My husband (J Kirk Dickens) and I support the "NO ACTION" alternative, which would disallow the oyster (or other) operation. We NEED to have true wilderness, and disallowing this oyster farm's operations is necessary for this particular location.

We have visited Point Reyes National Seashore. We want it to remain wild (and to heal, from all the use).

Marcey and J Kirk Dickens

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**Correspondence ID:** 33975    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** N/A, N/A  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov.23,2011 16:37:48  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** No Action Alternative so that Drakes Estero will become Wilderness in 2012, as directed by Congress 36 years ago!

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**Correspondence ID:** 33976    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Kallah, Zee  
**Outside Organization:** Ca4e2 Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov.23,2011 16:39:34  
**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. 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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**Correspondence ID:** 33977    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Payne, Bernadette

**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 16:43:42  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** I support the NO ACTION Alternative. It is the Environmentally Preferred Alternative and would provide for the area to become Wilderness in 2012 as Congress intended since the 1970s. ? The Action Alternatives have significant long-term adverse impacts to the Drakes Estero environment, including to wetlands, birds, fish, harbor seals, native mollusks, endangered species, eelgrass beds and to wilderness and the national park experience. ? The Action Alternatives are a direct attack on the Wilderness Act of 1964, run counter to the 1962 Point Reyes enabling legislation and the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act, and set a dangerous precedent for future commercialization of National Parks and Wilderness around the county. ? The oyster operation involves 3,700 motorboat trips per year through harbor seal and eelgrass habitat; promotes the spread of invasive species impacts to native oysters, eelgrass beds, bird, fish and endangered species habitat; and litters remote Point Reyes beaches with thousands of pieces of plastic trash.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33978    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Kuhn, Gerald K  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 16:49:53  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** Select the NO ACTION ALTERNATIVE so that Drakes Estero will become Wilderness in 2012, as directed by Congress 36 years ago.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33979    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Dallas, Polly  
**Outside Organization:** Sierra Club Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 16:52:10  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** 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.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33980    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Altamirano, Andrew  
**Outside Organization:** Sierra Club Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 16:52:42  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** 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.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33981    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Sperry, Adam  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 16:54:15  
**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.

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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**Correspondence ID:** 33982    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Carr, Kathy  
**Outside Organization:** NRDC Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov.23,2011 16:56:54  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** Drakes Estero is a national ecological treasure and should become a protected wilderness area. It has outstanding natural resources, including one of California's largest harbor seal colonies and tens of thousands of shorebirds, waterfowl, native fish and endangered species that use its wetlands, mudflats and eelgrass beds.

In the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act, Congress recognized Drakes Estero as a unique recreational and biological resource and promised that this irreplaceable resource would formally become a wilderness area when non-conforming uses were eliminated. Your agency permitted a commercial oyster company to grow non-native oysters and clams on 1,050 acres in Drakes Estero for 40 years, or until 2012.

Your own draft environmental impact statement reveals the extensive damage that the existing operation has caused to Drakes Estero and Point Reyes National Seashore's beaches. As you know, commercial operations of any kind are not permitted in designated wilderness areas because of such damage. Further, the Park Service's Organic Act mandates protection of park resources and values and strictly limits commercial operations.

Your approval of the proposal to extend the oyster company's permit would be contrary to the Point Reyes Wilderness Act and would establish a dangerous precedent at a time when America's public lands and environmental laws are already under widespread attacks in Congress and elsewhere.

We've been waiting long enough. It is time to allow that permit to expire and to honor Congress' commitment. We want our bay back.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33983    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Joos, Sandra  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov.23,2011 16:59:17  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** I'm writing to urge you to SELECT THE NO ACTION ALTERNATIVE so that Drakes Estero will become Wilderness in 2012, as directed by Congress 36 years ago. The Draft EIS makes clear that allowing the private, commercial oyster company to exploit Drakes Estero for ten more years would have numerous adverse impacts-most notably from the invasive species-on eelgrass habitat, native fish, harbor seals, resident and migratory birds, endangered species, wilderness values and the National Park experience.

All of the Action Alternatives have significant long-term adverse impacts to the Drakes Estero environment, including to wetlands, birds, fish, harbor seals, native mollusks, endangered species, eelgrass beds and to wilderness and the national park experience. Furthermore, the Action Alternatives are a direct attack on the Wilderness Act of 1964, run counter to the 1962 Point Reyes enabling legislation and the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act, and set a dangerous precedent for future commercialization of National Parks and Wilderness around the county. The oyster operation involves 3,700 motorboat trips per year through harbor seal and eelgrass habitat; promotes the spread of invasive species impacts to native oysters, eelgrass beds, bird, fish and endangered species habitat; and litters remote Point Reyes beaches with thousands of pieces of plastic trash.

For these reasons, I again urge you to support the NO ACTION Alternative. It is the Environmentally Preferred Alternative and

would provide for the area to become Wilderness in 2012 as Congress intended since the 1970s.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33984    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** N/A, N/A  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 17:03:01  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** Please support the NO ACTION Alternative. It is the Environmentally Preferred Alternative and would provide for the area to become Wilderness in 2012 as Congress intended since the 1970s. The Action Alternatives have significant long-term adverse impacts to the Drakes Estero environment, including to wetlands, birds, fish, harbor seals, native mollusks, endangered species, eelgrass beds and to wilderness and the national park experience. The Action Alternatives are a direct attack on the Wilderness Act of 1964, run counter to the 1962 Point Reyes enabling legislation and the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act, and set a dangerous precedent for future commercialization of National Parks and Wilderness around the county. The oyster operation involves 3,700 motorboat trips per year through harbor seal and eelgrass habitat; promotes the spread of invasive species impacts to native oysters, eelgrass beds, bird, fish and endangered species habitat; and litters remote Point Reyes beaches with thousands of pieces of plastic trash.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33985    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** N/A, N/A  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 00:00:00  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** Please select the No Action Alternative so that Drakes Estero will become Wilderness in 2012, as directed by Congress 36 years ago.

The Action Alternatives have significant long-term adverse impacts to the Drakes Estero environment, including to wetlands, birds, fish, harbor seals, native mollusks, endangered species, eelgrass beds and to wilderness and the national park experience.

The oyster operation involves 3,700 motorboat trips per year through harbor seal and eelgrass habitat; promotes the spread of invasive species impacts to native oysters, eelgrass beds, bird, fish and endangered species habitat; and litters remote Point Reyes beaches with thousands of pieces of plastic trash.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33986    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** lips, stu  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 17:06:00  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** ? Support the NO ACTION Alternative. It is the Environmentally Preferred Alternative and would provide for the area to become Wilderness in 2012 as Congress intended since the 1970s. ? The Action Alternatives have significant long-term adverse impacts to the Drakes Estero environment, including to wetlands, birds, fish, harbor seals, native mollusks, endangered species, eelgrass beds and to wilderness and the national park experience. ? The Action Alternatives are a direct attack on the Wilderness Act of 1964, run counter to the 1962 Point Reyes enabling legislation and the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act, and set a dangerous precedent for future commercialization of National Parks and Wilderness around the county. ? The oyster operation involves 3,700 motorboat trips per year through harbor seal and eelgrass habitat; promotes the spread of invasive species impacts to native oysters, eelgrass beds, bird, fish and endangered species habitat; and litters remote Point Reyes beaches with thousands of pieces of plastic trash.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33987    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Ryan, Beth  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 17:07:59  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** PLEASE SELECT THE NO ACTION ALTERNATIVE.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33988    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Spencer, Martha  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 17:11:58  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** Dear Sirs,

I am writing to ask you to select the No Action Alternative so that Drakes Estero will become Wilderness in 2012, as directed by Congress 36 years ago. Even though a rider attached to an Interior Appropriations bill granted the Secretary of the Interior the authority to extend the Drakes Bay Oyster Company's lease beyond its expiration in 2012, the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act mandates the addition of Drakes Estero to the Philip Burton Wilderness in 2012, when this commercial oyster farm lease expires. I urge you NOT to extend the permit another 10 years. Please preserve Drakes Estero as Wilderness in 2012, rather than continuing to allow commercial activity in this important wildlife area.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33989    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390

**Name:** Budhia, Keshav  
**Outside Organization:** Sierra Club Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 17:22:10  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** 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.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33990    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Moore, Kathleen  
**Outside Organization:** Sierra Club Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 17:22:38  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** 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.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33991    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** butcher, joan r  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 17:24:29  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** Support the NO ACTION Alternative. It is the Environmentally Preferred Alternative and would provide for the area to become Wilderness in 2012 as Congress intended since the 1970s. ? The Action Alternatives have significant long-term adverse impacts to the Drakes Estero environment, including to wetlands, birds, fish, harbor seals, native mollusks, endangered species, eelgrass beds and to wilderness and the national park experience. ? The Action Alternatives are a direct attack on the Wilderness Act of 1964, run counter to the 1962 Point Reyes enabling legislation and the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act, and set a dangerous precedent for future commercialization of National Parks and Wilderness around the county. ? The oyster operation involves 3,700 motorboat trips per year through harbor seal and eelgrass habitat; promotes the spread of invasive species impacts to native oysters, eelgrass beds, bird, fish and endangered species habitat; and litters remote Point Reyes beaches with thousands of pieces of plastic trash.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33992    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Riley, Maura  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 17:28:07  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** please support NO Alternative!!!!!!!!!!!!!! We need to save our wetlands and wildlife!!!

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**Correspondence ID:** 33993    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Levitt, Lacey  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 17:28:35  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

**Correspondence:** As an American, I support the NO ACTION Alternative. It is the Environmentally Preferred Alternative and would provide for the area to become Wilderness in 2012. In contrast, the Action Alternatives have significant long-term adverse impacts to the Drakes Estero environment, including to wetlands, birds, fish, harbor seals, native mollusks, endangered species, and eelgrass beds. Allowing the private, commercial oyster company to exploit Drakes Estero for 10 more years would have numerous adverse impacts, most notably from the invasive species.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33994    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Shreve, Rick  
**Outside Organization:** NRDC Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov.23,2011 17:29:11  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

**Correspondence:** Drakes Estero is a national ecological treasure and should become a protected wilderness area. It has outstanding natural resources, including one of California's largest harbor seal colonies and tens of thousands of shorebirds, waterfowl, native fish and endangered species that use its wetlands, mudflats and eelgrass beds.

In the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act, Congress recognized Drakes Estero as a unique recreational and biological resource and promised that this irreplaceable resource would formally become a wilderness area when non-conforming uses were eliminated. Your agency permitted a commercial oyster company to grow non-native oysters and clams on 1,050 acres in Drakes Estero for 40 years, or until 2012.

Your own draft environmental impact statement reveals the extensive damage that the existing operation has caused to Drakes Estero and Point Reyes National Seashore's beaches. As you know, commercial operations of any kind are not permitted in designated wilderness areas because of such damage. Further, the Park Service's Organic Act mandates protection of park resources and values and strictly limits commercial operations.

Your approval of the proposal to extend the oyster company's permit would be contrary to the Point Reyes Wilderness Act and would establish a dangerous precedent at a time when America's public lands and environmental laws are already under widespread attacks in Congress and elsewhere.

We've been waiting long enough. It is time to allow that permit to expire and to honor Congress' commitment. We want our bay back.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33995    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Joos, Sandra  
**Outside Organization:** Center for Biological Diversity Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov.23,2011 00:00:00  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

**Correspondence:** I'm sending a second set of comments because I feel so strongly about protecting Drakes Estero and the Point Reyes National Seashore. I support the wilderness designation for Drakes Estero within the Point Reyes National Seashore and 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. 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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**Correspondence ID:** 33996    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Allen, Melissa  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov.23,2011 00:00:00  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form

**Correspondence:** I write to express my support for the NO Action Alternative. Please preserve Drakes Estero as Wilderness in 2012, rather than continue to allow commercial activity in this important wildlife area. It is the Environmentally Preferred Alternative and would provide for the area to become Wilderness in 2012 as Congress intended since the 1970s. The Action Alternatives have significant long-term adverse impacts to the Drakes Estero environment, including to wetlands, birds, fish, harbor seals, native mollusks, endangered species, eelgrass beds and to wilderness and the national park experience. In addition, the Action Alternatives are a direct attack on the Wilderness Act of 1964, run counter to the 1962 Point Reyes enabling legislation and the

1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act, and set a dangerous precedent for future commercialization of National Parks and Wilderness around the county. The oyster operation involves 3,700 motorboat trips per year through harbor seal and eelgrass habitat; promotes the spread of invasive species impacts to native oysters, eelgrass beds, bird, fish and endangered species habitat; and litters remote Point Reyes beaches with thousands of pieces of plastic trash.

Thank you for considering my comments.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33997    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Rudin, David B  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 17:36:48  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** Please choose the no action alternative. We need more wilderness to offset the double whammy of global climate change and unprecedented numbers of species heading towards extinction.

Thank you, David Rudin

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**Correspondence ID:** 33998    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** Mjos, Brita R  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 17:37:18  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** I object to denying the Drakes Bay Oyster Company a new permit. So long as cattle ranches and roads exist on Point Reyes, the area cannot justifiably be considered a wilderness. The Drakes Bay Oyster Company has operated for many years, and is currently under responsible management. Furthermore, the filter-feeding oysters are cleaning the waters that receive runoff from cattle farms. Any negative environmental impacts stemming from the oyster farm must be considered in this circumstance next to the prevalence of cattle ranches in the area and the environmental contamination originating from cattle operations. I certainly respect the efforts of the National Park Service to adhere to the Wilderness Act and to uphold environmental standards, but in this case please remember the other polluters and the reality of Point Reyes as a non-wilderness. If a permit is denied the Drakes Bay Oyster Company, it makes sense to also remove cattle ranches. Then Point Reyes beaches and esteros can begin recovering toward a more wild condition.

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**Correspondence ID:** 33999    **Project:** 33043    **Document:** 43390  
**Name:** N/A, N/A  
**Outside Organization:** Unaffiliated Individual  
**Received:** Nov,23,2011 17:43:34  
**Correspondence Type:** Web Form  
**Correspondence:** I support the NO ACTION Alternative. It is the Environmentally Preferred Alternative and would provide for the area to become Wilderness in 2012 as Congress intended since the 1970s. ? The Action Alternatives have significant long-term adverse impacts to the Drakes Estero environment, including to wetlands, birds, fish, harbor seals, native mollusks, endangered species, eelgrass beds and to wilderness and the national park experience. ? The Action Alternatives are a direct attack on the Wilderness Act of 1964, run counter to the 1962 Point Reyes enabling legislation and the 1976 Point Reyes Wilderness Act, and set a dangerous precedent for future commercialization of National Parks and Wilderness around the county. ? The oyster operation involves 3,700 motorboat trips per year through harbor seal and eelgrass habitat; promotes the spread of invasive species impacts to native oysters, eelgrass beds, bird, fish and endangered species habitat; and litters remote Point Reyes beaches with thousands of pieces of plastic trash.

thank you and happy holidays! environmentally yours, valerie

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