



United States Department of the Interior

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

Point Reyes National Seashore
Point Reyes, California 94956

IN REPLY REFER TO:

A7221

January 26, 2010

Mr. Neal Desai
Associate Director, Pacific Region
National Parks Conservation Association

Dear Neal:

This is in response to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request dated January 24, 2010, and assigned National Park Service FOIA Tracking Number 2011-243. In your request you sought the following:

"Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act ("FOIA"), 5 U.S.C. § 552 (as amended) and to Department of Interior Regulations at 43 C.F.R. Part 2, I hereby request that you provide me with specific non-exempt materials related to Drakes Bay Oyster Company's request to modify its DFG lease boundary and introduce two new species into the estero for commercial harvesting. I request the letters and supporting documents associated with DBOC's request. I already have a 5/10/04 4 page letter from Reese Surveying to Lunny, and an associated map, so no need to send these documents. Should you have the requested materials in electronic form, that would be preferred. These documents pertain to an upcoming DFG meeting on February 3, 2011.

I respectfully request that any costs or fees associated with this request be waived. The FOIA fee standard mandates a waiver or reduction of fees associated with a request if "disclosure of the information is in the public interest because it is likely to contribute significantly to public understanding of the operations or activities of the government and is not primarily in the commercial interest of the requester." 5 U.S.C. § 552(a)(4)(A)(iii). The records sought by NPCA fall squarely within FOIA's mandate.

NPCA is a non-partisan non-profit public interest organization that is a leading voice of the American people in protecting and enhancing our National Park System. Since 1919, NPCA, its members, and partners have worked together to protect the park system and preserve our nation's natural, historical, and cultural heritage for present and future generations. By educating and informing our more than 300,000 members about the National Parks, NPCA enables more Americans to understand and participate in decisions that affect our national parks. In doing so, NPCA provides an invaluable service to the nation.

The use of this information is not related to commercial interests in any way whatsoever. The only purposes for which we are making this request are related to the public interest. Our goal is to use and disseminate the requested records for public benefit. NPCA and its members have a long-standing interest in protecting the natural resources and the natural, cultural, and historical heritage of our

National Parks, including the Point Reyes National Seashore. Release of these records will primarily benefit the public and contribute to its understanding of government policies.

The disclosure of this information is critical for the public at large, not just the environmental community.”

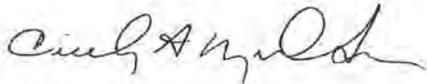
In response to your request, we located the following documents that we are providing to you in their entirety:

1. Drakes Bay Oyster Company (DBOC) letter to Fish & Game (F&G) 04/27/10
2. DBOC letter to F&G 05/10/10
3. Point Reyes National Seashore (PRNS) letter to F&G 07/07/10
4. DBOC letter to PRNS 07/22/10
5. F&G letter to PRNS 08/11/10
6. PRNS letter to F&G 10/15/10

The fee for providing these documents is less than \$30 and is not being charged in accordance with 43 CFR 2.16(b)(2) and 2.18(a).

If you have any questions concerning your request, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,



Cicely A. Muldoon
Superintendent

Enclosures