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Subject: Cape Lookout MCA concern

Audobon Society,

My family owns a charter fishing business out of Garibaldi, OR. We are concerned with the designation of Cape Lookout as an MCA. In short, we are concerned that it may affect our access to safe anchorage, fishing, and diving areas within 200m of the cape *during certain times of the year*.

I read through the proposal (as well as I could, it's long and wordy for folks not steeped in this type of process), including the answer to my very question on page 50. While the answer *appears* to satisfy my question, I still haven't been able to see where in the proposal this is actually addressed besides in the question. I did see paragraphs stating that the education of boaters was more of a goal than enforcement. To me, that indicated that there may be a prohibitive law, but since it is hard to enforce there will be more effort toward education.

I also know that during certain times of the year while birds are nesting, places like 3 Arch Rocks (National, therefore different, I understand) prohibits boaters within 500ft. It is my concern that the answer to the question may have been misleading in saying that access by boat is allowed EXCEPT (this part not being said) during nesting season. As the proposal states, boater/fisher/diver use is sporadic and infrequent. I think it very unlikely that boating activity causes undue stress to birds or pinnipeds in this area at any time of year, and that boaters should continue to have access to this area.

Please pardon me for being inherently suspicious, but can you please point me to a certain portion of the text of the proposal that guarantees access, including anchorage, within the 200m area to boaters?

Also, has there been any direct outreach to charter operators (actual charter boats, not guides) from Garibaldi? I see that there was a web-based information exchange, but a web-based format is grossly insufficient to reach out to many fishermen. Some of us are baffled by webinars or lack the reliable internet access that makes them accessible - not to mention the time away from our business that this involves. Old fashioned phone calls would be a great way to reach out. I can be a resource for providing contact info to parties potentially affected in the charter fleet, please let me know if you need that. I recently worked with Friends of Cape Falcon on their Rocky Habitat proposal in just this manner. I would also recommend outreach to the commercial fleet, as they have been known to occasionally use Cape Lookout for overnight shelter in strong weather/seas. The Pacific City Dory Association would also be a good group of stakeholders to contact.

Rumors of restricting our access to Cape Lookout are circulating, we appreciate your help clearing things up.

Thanks in advance,

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