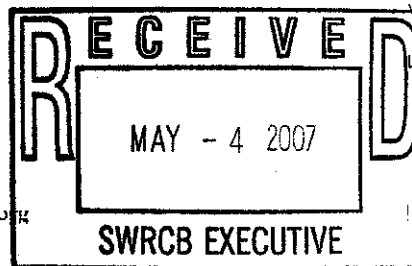


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RE: Comments on the Preliminary Draft of NPDES General Permit for Discharges of Storm Water Associated with Construction Activities

Dear Madam Chairman and Members of the State Board

The Pacific Coast Federation of Fishermen's Associations (PCFFA), representing working men and women in the U.S. West Coast commercial fishing fleet, is pleased to submit comments in response to the State Water Resources Control Board's request for documents, comments, and other information regarding the preliminary draft of NPDES General Permit for Discharges of Storm Water Associated with Construction Activities ("Draft Permit") circulated by the State Board on 2 March 2007.

PCFFA's concern for stormwater discharge has to do with the potential affect on the health and abundance of our anadromous and coastal marine fish populations, and any affect such discharges may have on the safe consumption by humans of fish and shellfish by way of contamination.

PCFFA respectfully requests that its comments be included and incorporated by reference to the comments submitted by the California Coastkeeper Alliance; those comments address the permit provisions in detail. PCFFA looks forward to working with the State Board to develop a final permit that will ensure that the State Board will meet its mandate to protect water quality in the State of California, particularly as it relates to the abundance, health and safety of our valuable fish and shellfish resources.

Sincerely,  
  
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