

Working with Fishermen

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Key Definitions

- From the federal Magnuson-Stevens Act:
- **“Commercial fishing means fishing, duly authorized under applicable state and/or federal regulations, in which fish, or other seafood, harvested either in whole or in part, are intended to enter commerce through sale, barter, or trade.”**
- From the Code of Federal Regulations:
- **“A fishery-dependent community one that is substantially dependent on or substantially engaged in the harvest or processing of fishery resources to meet social and economic needs, and includes fishing vessel owners, operators, and crew, and fish processors that are based in such communities. A fishing community is a social or economic group whose members reside in a specific location and share a common dependency on commercial, recreational, or subsistence fishing or on directly related fisheries-dependent services and industries (for example, boatyards, ice suppliers, tackle shops).”**

National Standard 8 of the Manguson-Stevens Act takes into account the needs of fishing communities

- **“Conservation and management measures shall, consistent with the conservation requirements of this chapter (including the prevention of overfishing and rebuilding of overfished stocks), take into account the importance of fishery resources to fishing communities by utilizing economic and social data that meet the requirements of paragraph (2), in order to (A) provide for the sustained participation of such communities, and (B) to the extent practicable, minimize adverse economic impacts on such communities.”**



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AN ANALYSIS OF COMMERCIAL FISHING IN THE SAN DIEGO AREA
WITH A PRIMARY FOCUS ON COMMERCIAL FISHING FACILITIES AND INFRASTRUCTURE WITHIN THE
PORT OF SAN DIEGO AT TUNA HARBOR AND DRICSCOLL'S WHARF



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From the California Coastal Act

- **Section 30234:**
- **Facilities serving the commercial fishing and recreational boating industries shall be protected and, where feasible, upgraded. Existing commercial fishing and recreational boating harbor space shall not be reduced unless the demand for those facilities no longer exists or adequate substitute space has been provided. Proposed recreational boating facilities shall, where feasible, be designed and located in such a fashion as not to interfere with the needs of the commercial fishing industry.**
- **Section 30703:**
- **The California commercial fishing industry is important to the State of California; therefore, ports shall not eliminate or reduce existing commercial fishing harbor space, unless the demand for commercial fishing facilities no longer exists or adequate alternative space has been provided. Proposed recreational boating facilities within port areas shall, to the extent it is feasible to do so, be designed and located in such a fashion as not to interfere with the needs of the commercial fishing industry.**

Potential Areas of Conflict

- Competition for Waterfront Space
- Dock Neighbor Conflicts
- Rates/Subsidies
- Habitat Protections
- National Marine Sanctuaries or Marine Monuments
- Other NGO Efforts to Minimize Fisheries
- Offshore Aquaculture Projects
- Offshore Energy Projects
- Marine Spatial Planning