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Comments on Offshore renewable energy webinar

Will there be any measures taken to mitigate and offset marine traffic and construction air quality impacts.

Santa Barbara is a small port with limited facilities. What impacts on infrastructure in the Santa Barbara Harbor and associated community are anticipated as a result of the project. Port or land based storage, increases in trucks and traffic, loading and unloading, ship traffic etc.

What effects will noise from the proposed project have on fish and sea life. Does the propeller noise repel or attract fish and biota from normal migratory routes.

What are the possible detrimental effects or benefits to me as a commercial fisherman could result from the project.

Climate change could drive what are now southerly latitude viable economic fisheries north to the project site.....If I am excluded from the site what would mitigate economic impacts to my current and potential future economic fishery potential. What investments in upgrading my commercial fishing vessel or business should I consider given uncertain economic impacts.

Could the project site impact biological resources by attraction and and serve to collapse proximal viable fisheries?.....What would the loss in economic opportunity value be to commercial fishermen by the creation of De Facto marine reserves/preserves by exclusion of commercial fishing. Who will quantify the increases in marine resources in SPR (Spawning potential Ratio) and can that be applied to reduce SMRs within State waters as a result. Can the MLMA's tenet of "adaptive management" result in a net benefit to commercial fisheries due to increases in Biomass?

Have any permits for repurposing decommissioned oil platforms in the Santa Barbara Channel been received. The energy demand is higher in Southern California.

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