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AB 525 Strategic Plan

West Coast Pelagic Conservation Group supports the fight to reduce greenhouse gases

We strongly oppose the use of Floating Offshore Wind (FOSW) as a method to fight that reduction of those gases without careful research of the negative impacts to commercial fishing. Additionally the environmental review process is an environmental review process in name only and is check the box exercise meant to pass through industrialization of our California Current Large Marine Ecosystem without regard to ecological impact and the cost to our fisheries. Nor is there a fair compensation plan that will cover the loss to those fisheries.

Until further research and analysis is conducted using actual scientific method all further advancement of Floating Offshore Wind energy must be stopped until actual research has filled the huge data gaps which prevent any environmental analysis from having any measure of creditability. Economic losses must be calculated based on contributions to the GDP and the need for food security and full government financial compensation paid for income losses, asset depreciation, and stranded capital.

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