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Hi Melanie,
I would like to submit this written comment. I will also be there today to comment in person.
Thank you,
Joseph

Hi, my name is Joseph Gallia. I own and operate the charter boat New Easy Rider. I took over the boat from my uncle Eddie in 2000. Eddie passed away and so did the old way of fishing. After some tough years in the fishing industry, I am one of the few charter boats specializing in salmon fishing still operating. I am here asking for a CAP for the good of my customers and for salmon fishing overall.

Big C's captain and I are also Golden Gate Fishermen's Association board members, so our presence operating out of Pillar Point will be beneficial to Half Moon Bay fishing. GGFA works hard to preserve and support the Central and Northern California fisheries and is doing a lot of work behind the scenes to keep salmon fishing alive and thriving in the future.

I am an independent family owned business that advertises and books my own boat. I have an established clientele and already have customers booked well into the first two weeks of this salmon opener starting April 11. In past years, I have run south of Pigeon Point in April to catch salmon from my home base in Berkeley, but this trip takes longer, burns more fuel, and can be unsafe coming around Seal Rock depending on the weather. Leaving from Pillar Point instead gives my customers the best opportunity for fishing time.

Bringing my boat here will also benefit the harbor and Half Moon Bay because people will be coming here for multiple days, stopping in shops, staying in hotels, and seeing how great it is here. Historically, I've also had more people wanting to come on my boat than I have space for, and this extra business will spill over to the other boats running. I believe Pillar Point can be the premier destination for people wanting to catch springtime salmon and other fisheries throughout the year. But it starts with letting elite charter boats, like the New Easy Rider, operate here and bring in the excitement and experience of really good salmon fishing.

Thank you.