



October 15, 2018

To: San Mateo County Harbor District Commissioners
RE: Public Comment – SMCHD Meeting 10/19/18/ Fish and Fleet Event

The commercial fishermen from the Half Moon Bay Seafood Marketing Association and the festival organizers from the Half Moon Bay Commercial Fisheries Trust would like to take this opportunity to formally thank the San Mateo County Harbor District for their continued support for the Fish and Fleet Festival.

The fourth annual festival held on Sept 16, 2018 was, once again, a very successful event, that was enjoyed by thousands of visitors and neighbors to celebrate our commercial fishing fleet. Our vendors featured fourteen unique dishes prepared with sustainable seafood caught by local vessels, and a good time was had by all.

Specifically, we would like to thank Assistant Harbormaster, Cary Smith for working closely with organizers, and for the great communication throughout to ensure that the logistical plan went smoothly. Cary and the other harbor staff on duty on Sunday including Dante Madrigal, Matt Hoff, Bobby Dunn, Jerry Pemberton, Dave Arlington and Daniel Holscher were, as always, helpful, professional and reliable. We would also like to thank Debbie Gehret for all of her help with the paperwork. We know that other staff members pitched in on that day, and in the days before and after, and we appreciate each and every one of them and wish we could call them all out by name as well.

SMCHD is lucky to have such a qualified and professional staff on duty daily at Pillar Point Harbor, and we would like to take this opportunity to ask the commissioners and managers to recognize their great work.

We also appreciate the continued support of the commission to sponsor this event and look forward to another great festival in September of 2019.

Thank You,

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