



June 27, 2019

The Honorable Scott Wiener  
California State Senate  
State Capitol, Room 5100  
Sacramento, CA 95814

Re: SB 69 (Wiener): Ocean Resiliency Act of 2019 – **REMOVAL OF OPPOSITION**  
As Amended June 25, 2019

**Assembly Water, Parks and Wildlife – July 2, 2019**

Dear Senator Wiener:

On behalf of the signatories below, we wish to remove our opposition to your bill, SB 69. We have worked collaboratively with your staff and proponents to ensure that Sections 3 and 5 of the bill consider implications to native fish species during the implementation of measures included in this bill, which are intended to improve commercial and recreational fisheries conditions. The June 25 amendment, together with your assurance that Section 5 will be further amended to clarify that the study will also consider impacts on natural spawning fish, address our remaining concerns.

We are committed to being a constructive partner in improving conditions for native fish species, including participation in many collaborative science efforts, where multiple stakeholders work together to define and implement appropriate research activities. SB 69 will ensure that the best available science and information can be brought to bear on the updated management plans for commercial and recreational fisheries; that all stakeholders can participate and understand the rationale for certain changes; and that updates occur in a timely manner.

Again, thank you for the time and attention given to find an acceptable compromise to Sections 3 and 5 of your bill. If you have any questions or wish additional information, please do not hesitate

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