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Greetings:

As a fourth generation Columbia River commercial fishermen, I have heard my share of promises made for Salmon recovery. Most are always broken.

Document 2002-16 follows the broken promise legacy.

I thought NWPPC could be the exception until I heard that the Council rejected Oregon's submitted plan and even refused to allow Oregon's proposal to be on the floor for public debate.

Now, with a productive ocean cycle, we are seeing returns that could go a long way to helping recover some weak stocks to substantial harvestable number for both Sport and Commercial fishermen.

I have waited, "on the beach", for almost forty years for some stocks to rebuild. The corner is near.

I have endured drastic income reduction, watched fellow subsequent generation fishermen succumb to alcoholism, divorce, and even suicide as their livelihood and way of life slowly disappeared.

The salmon and those that depend on them were here before the impoundment's, farmers, and inland navigation. Their needs must be protected. Please do not follow the broken promise legacy of Columbia River salmon recovery.

Thank you for your time.

Warmest regards,

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