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Dear Sirs: Concerning "Action 3.1.1 Fisheries on the Pacific West Coast are already "Sustainable Fisheries" . It is now illegal for any Federally Managed fishery to overfish or to participate in overfishing therefore declare all California Fisheries "Sustainable". California managed fisheries especially the Nearshore Fishery have higher protection standards than the federal guidelines (control rules). Please do not duplicate seafood distribution chains as the fisheries are already sustainable therefore more distribution chains just lessens the profitability of the chains already in place. Action Item 4.2.1 The definition of "sustainable" that is already in use is ok the way it is defined. Action Item 4.3.1 Co-management with consumptive stakeholders should be encouraged. Thank you for allowing me to comment. Bill James