

**Alaska Longline Fishermen's Association ♦ American Sportfishing Association
Coastal Trollers Association ♦ Northwest Guides and Anglers Association
Northwest Sportfishing Industry Association
Pacific Coast Federation of Fishermen's Association
Pacific Northwest Whale Watching Association ♦ Salmon River Outfitters Association
Santa Cruz Commercial Fishermen's Association ♦ Washington Trollers Association
And more than 130 individual Northwest-based businesses oppose HR 3144**

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Members of Congress
United States House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Members of Congress,

The 140 undersigned businesses and business associations represent commercial and recreational salmon fishermen and related businesses, guiding and outdoor retail businesses and restaurants and food industries based in the Pacific Northwest. Our businesses and the thousands of jobs that they support regionally are highly dependent on Columbia Basin salmon and steelhead. For this reason we are very concerned about salmon conservation and recovery efforts in the Columbia Basin.

We are writing to inform you of our strong opposition to HR 3144. This bill intentionally circumvents the public processes guiding operations of the Federal Columbia River Power System, application of the Endangered Species Act and recovery of salmon and steelhead resources. HR 3144 would also block recent court orders from the U.S. District Court in Portland (OR) that require additional salmon protection measures at federal dams and reservoirs on the Columbia and Snake rivers.

HR 3144 requires Congressional authorization before any additional changes or further study of changing dam operations could be taken to reduce impacts on migrating salmon. This removes the best scientific judgment of regional biologists and engineers and replaces it with a political process taking place in Washington D.C.

If passed into law, HR 3144 would prevent federal managers from operating the dams with additional fish-saving spill. Eliminating the additional spill would have negative impacts on all Columbia Basin salmon, but would put wild Snake River B-run steelhead at immediate risk of extinction; only 362 B-run fish have passed the highest dam so far this year. The additional spill recently ordered by the court is strongly supported by regional salmon biologists. It has been shown to be highly effective in increasing juvenile survival to the Pacific Ocean and the number of adults returning. One can look at the excellent returning runs of fall chinook in 2014 and 2015 and the resulting economic benefits to see why increased spill is critical in the Columbia Basin. We support the use of spill to increase salmon runs. HR 3144 caps spill at levels already determined to be inadequate and detrimental to the

recovery salmon in the Columbia Basin.

We close by urging you to oppose HR 3144. Columbia Basin salmon are critical to the health of the coastal and inland economies and communities of the Pacific Northwest – including California and Alaska. Our businesses are committed to participating in processes that affect salmon and eager to work with Northwest sovereigns and stakeholders to craft lawful, science-based salmon strategies that meet the needs of imperiled salmon populations and the communities of our great region.

Thank you for your consideration of our perspective and the effect of your policies on the culture and economy of the Northwest.

Sincerely,

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