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Ryan Zinke, United States Secretary of the Interior
Cc: Ms. Kelly Hammerle, Branch Chief
National Oil and Gas Leasing Program Development and Coordination Branch
Bureau of Ocean Energy Management
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Re: Notice of Availability of the 2019-2024 Draft Proposed Outer Continental Shelf Oil and Gas Leasing Program and Notice of Intent to Prepare a Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement; BOEM-2017-0074; MMAA 104000; 83 Fed. Reg. 829 (Jan. 8, 2018).

Dear Mr. Zinke,

In stark opposition to California's ongoing economic transition towards renewable energy sources, the federal government is calling to expand fossil fuel development off our coast. Executive Order 13795 directs federal agencies to encourage the exploration and production of offshore oil and gas, including on the Outer Continental Shelf. Because offshore drilling is fundamentally at odds with our coastal economy and way of life, and because our thriving businesses are reliant upon healthy ocean ecosystems, the undersigned businesses and business associations oppose any new offshore oil or gas development off California.

California's economy, the sixth largest in the world, is inextricably tied to clean coastal waters and beaches, as well as a stable climate. Our state boasts one of the most spectacular coastal areas in the nation. Californians and people from all over the world – over 150 million visitors annually – come here to fish, hike, kayak, surf, wine and dine, and enjoy our beaches. Our coastal economy contributes more than half a million jobs and \$40 billion annually to the state. Ocean-based recreation and tourism alone contribute almost \$20 billion annually and provide more jobs than any other state in the country. Meanwhile, California's commercial and recreational fisheries are valued, respectively, at roughly \$7 billion and \$2 billion annually. All of this far outweighs any potential jobs or economic gains that could ever be provided by offshore fossil fuel production.

Drilling increases the likelihood of a devastating oil spill, which can shut down fisheries, close beachside businesses, and deter campers and tourists from visiting our beautiful coastline. California has, in fact, taken a position to intentionally forgo any revenue from new offshore oil and gas development for over 50 years due to the unacceptably high risk, and has instead focused on developing clean renewable energy.

In 1969, Santa Barbara experienced one of the nation's worst oil spills. During that incident, an estimated 4.2 million gallons of crude oil were spilled into the sea, impacting two hundred square miles of ocean and 35 miles of California coastline. The 1969 oil spill not only killed thousands of birds, fish, and marine mammals, but also had a devastating impact on commercial fisheries, tourism, and coastal property values. Despite the progress that has been made since then around drilling safety, Santa Barbara experienced another disastrous incident in 2015 when an offshore platform service pipeline ruptured, again exposing local marine life and communities to the negative and lasting impacts of a massive oil spill. These threats to our wildlife and way of life are unacceptable.

California is on a path towards clean, renewable energy that creates jobs, bolsters the economy, and protects our coastline, natural and economic resources, and marine ecosystems from the risks of oil spills. We, therefore, strongly support efforts underway at the local, state, and national level to oppose new or expanded offshore oil and gas development.

Sincerely,

Pacific Coast Federation of Fisherman's Associations -
on behalf of 750 West Coast fishing companies
Patagonia (Ventura, CA)
TwoXSea (San Francisco, CA)
Klean Kanteen (Chico, CA)
Surf Industry Manufacturers Association - *on behalf of*
109 surf industry product suppliers
12 California business leaders from Environmental
Entrepreneurs Network
Mesh Labs (Napa, CA)
Hobie Sports (Laguna Beach, CA)
The Ritz-Carlton, Laguna Niguel (Dana Point, CA)
The North Face (Alameda, CA)
Sustainable Capital, LLC (Palo Alto, CA)
Solana Energy (Solana Beach, CA)
Greenway Partners (Arcata, CA)
Omnidian, Inc. (Seattle, WA)
Josie Maran Cosmetics (Hollywood, CA)
Mara Hoffman (New York City, NY)
Peak Design (San Francisco, CA)
San Franpsycho (San Francisco, CA)
HDX Hydration Mix (Huntington Beach, CA)
Kokatat (Arcata, CA)
Sickboat Creative Agency (Long Beach, CA)
Livingston Energy Innovations, LLC (Mill Valley, CA)
Raymar Cleaners (Dana Point, CA)
Samudra Skin & Sea (San Francisco, CA)
Hog Island Oyster Company, Inc. (Marshall, CA)
Bureo, Inc. (Ventura, CA)
Mixte Communications (San Diego, CA)
North Ridge Investment Management (Larkspur, CA)
Shelter Co. (San Francisco, CA)
the HIVE & Co. (Dana Point, CA)
The Inertia (Venice, CA)
Duvivier Architects (Venice, CA)
John Paul Mitchell Systems (Beverly Hills, CA)
THE SANDBOX Santa Barbara (Santa Barbara, CA)
Banzai Surf School, LLC (Huntington Beach, CA)
Do Good Events (Half Moon Bay, CA)
Jeux De Vagues (Malibu, CA)
Get Inertia (Huntington Beach, CA)
Salt Therapy Brand (Huntington Beach, CA)
Sand Cloud (San Diego, CA)
Johnson's Beach (Guerneville, CA)
OnBoardSUP (Sausalito, CA)
Robertson Equipment (Wilmington, CA)
Tork Systems, Inc (Alameda, CA)
Sea Forager (San Francisco, CA)
LogicMonitor, Inc. (Santa Barbara, CA)
A-Frame Surf (Carpinteria, CA)
Flying Dutchman Gymnastics (Fairfax, CA)

TravGanic, LLC (Los Angeles, CA)
Alive Yoga (Sebastopol, CA)
Susan Ives Communications (Mill Valley, CA)
The Shopkeepers (Santa Barbara, CA)
AlphaGlider, LLC (San Francisco, CA)
Thesis Gems and Jewelry (Berkeley, CA)
Zenremedy, Inc. (Dana Point, CA)
Hubbell Daily Architecture + Design (Mill Valley, CA)
Reef (Carlsbad, CA)
Ocean Pacific Properties (La Jolla, CA)
Minerva Ventures (Mountain View, CA)
Bradley Ireland Productions (Malibu, CA)
Hamilton Studio (Spokane, WA)
Conscious Ventures Group, Inc. (Sacramento, CA)
Paradise Cove Land Co. (Malibu, CA)
SMART Chiropractic (Santa Barbara, CA)
101 Surf Sports (San Rafael, CA)
Casey & Associates (Sausalito, CA)
Windchaser Wine Co. (Berkeley, CA)
Fine & Rare (San Francisco, CA)
Rincon-Vitova Insectaries, Inc. (Ventura, CA)
San Marcos Farms (Santa Barbara, CA)
Fuller Health (Sausalito, CA)
JF Fitzgerald Company (San Francisco, CA)
SurfDurt (San Diego, CA)
R&D Design and Marketing (Dana Point, CA)
The Law Office of Michael Bruggeman (Tustin, CA)
Santa Barbara Adventure Co. (Santa Barbara, CA)
The Drew Creative (San Clemente, CA)
Evari GIS Consulting, Inc. (San Diego, CA)
Kuity (San Diego, CA)
Vigilant (Oakland, CA)
Drew Maran Construction, Inc. (Palo Alto, CA)
Intex Solutions, Inc. (Santa Monica, CA)
Lakeside Enterprises (Toluca Lake, CA)
The Westly Group (Menlo Park, CA)
Sostevinobile (San Francisco, CA)
Sven Thesen & Associates (Palo Alto)
Holley Consulting (Mill Valley, CA)
Tam Innovations Group, LLC (Sausalito, CA)
Make Good Group (Los Angeles, CA)
Lex Ultima Consulting, LLC (Point Reyes Station, CA)
Replenish (Santa Ana, CA)
Powur, PBC (Del Mar, CA)
Rick DeGolia (Atherton, CA)
Paddle Sports Center (Santa Barbara, CA)
Sea Trek (Sausalito, CA)
MountainLogic, Inc. (North Bend, WA)
Granite Ventures, LLC (San Francisco, CA)
Half Moon Bay Brewing (Half Moon Bay, CA)
Anthropocene Institute Inc. (San Francisco, CA)

OKIINO (San Francisco, CA)
Warbler Communications (Santa Cruz, CA)
RIS Piano (San Rafael, CA)
Sunset Stand Up Paddle (Laguna Beach, CA)
Ventura Chiropractic & Massage (Ventura, CA)
Pannagan Designs (El Cerrito, CA)
Coffee Unified (San Francisco, CA)
Trim Tab Media, LLC (Sebastopol, CA)
Coyuchi, Inc. (San Francisco, CA)
Matchflow Media, LLC (Dana Point, CA)
SurfDurt (San Diego, CA)
StokeShare (Venice, CA)

Redwood Rides (Crescent City, CA)
Gray Matters 4U (San Diego, CA)
Aguavida Premium Water (Canoga Park, CA)
Goofy Graphics (Morro Bay, CA)
Bert Townsend Clock Repair (San Luis Obispo, CA)
Central Coast Outdoors (Los Osos, CA)
A Walk on Water, Inc. (Venice, CA)
Nexus Family Chiropractic (Dana Point, CA)
Going Places Travel (Berkeley, CA)
Keneldon, Inc. (San Diego, CA)
3 Fish Studios (San Francisco, CA)
Hook Fish Co. (San Francisco, CA)

