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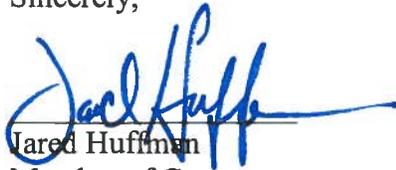
Mick Mulvaney
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The Office of Management and Budget
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Dear Mr. Mulvaney,

I am writing regarding significant, unreasonable delays in the release of funds to California fishing communities that suffered major impacts due to commercial fisheries failures declared under the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation Act in January 2017. Funds to address these disasters were appropriated in February 2018 (P.L. 115-123), and currently remain to be reviewed by OMB before they can be disbursed. The 2016 Yurok Klamath River Chinook salmon commercial fishery disaster and 2015-2016 California Commercial Dungeness crab and rock crab disasters represent \$29.65 million of the \$200 million that was appropriated. Hardworking fishermen, their families, and coastal communities are still struggling from these disasters.

I urge you to immediately transfer these funds and to let me know when this has occurred. Thank you for your prompt response.

Sincerely,


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