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US Department of Transportation  
Office of Infrastructure Finance and Innovation  
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Washington, DC 20590  
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RE: Johnson Pier Transportation Expansion Project

To Whom It May Concern:

The Half Moon Bay Seafood Marketing Association is a collective of commercial fishermen in Half Moon Bay, California. Our fully inclusive organization represents commercial fishing producers of all gear types, all local target species and all sizes of fishing businesses working out of Pillar Point Harbor.

We are writing to express our support for the San Mateo County Harbor District FY 2016 Tiger discretionary grant application for the Johnson Pier Transportation Expansion Project. As the major contributor to our port economy with more than 16 million dollars of seafood offloaded in 2014, commercial fishermen have a significant interest in the expansion and improvement of our harbor facilities.

Our organization has been working closely with new San Mateo County Harbor District management for the past several months, and we are pleased that SMCHD is now heading in a positive direction. Our industry greatly depends on updated infrastructure that allows for efficient commercial fishing operations and for the safety of visitors coming to Pillar Point Harbor to experience a working waterfront. We believe that a well designed project with significant stakeholder input and a positive outcome for our industry, community and region is now possible.

Therefore we support the work by the SMCHD and their grant application. We look forward to participating in the process and to an improved, efficient and safe Johnson Pier.

Sincerely,

Half Moon Bay Seafood Marketing Association

cc: San Mateo County Harbor District Commissioners, Steve McGrath General Manager, Supervisors: Dave Pine, Carole Groom, Don Horsley, Warren Slocum, Adrienne Tissier; Congresswoman Jackie Speier, Senator Jerry Hill, Assemblyman Kevin Mullin, Congresswoman Anna Eshoo, Assemblyman Rich Gordon

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