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Please see attached letter in support of the Grays Harbor - Willapa Bay Oyster Growers' request to have Imazamox and imidacloprid used to control industry-threatening hazards in Willapa Bay.

Thank you.

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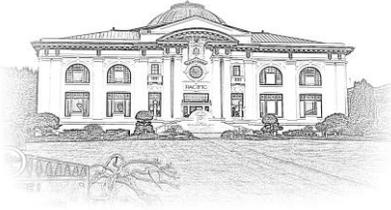
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To Whom It May Concern:

We three Pacific County Commissioners attended the February 1, 2014 event in South Bend with respect to the Grays Harbor – Willapa Bay Oyster Growers' request to have Imazamox and imidacloprid used to control industry-threatening hazards in Willapa Bay.

We do not claim to be scientists, but believe that the oyster men and women have worked hard for generations to protect and nurture the environment of Willapa Bay. The Bay is not one of the most productive oyster and clam sites in the nation by accident. These folks have been good stewards of the land and it's obvious that they wish to continue to be good stewards of the land – hence the need for action to control both japonica and burrowing shrimp in the water of Willapa Bay.

We support the use of Imazamox to manage *Zostera japonica* on commercial clam beds and we support the use of imidacloprid for the control of burrowing shrimp.

We spend a lot of time with local oyster folks. We have gone out on their dredges, spent time at their nurseries, and visited their production facilities. We see them as dedicated environmentally-sensitive growers and farmers who believe in doing things the right way.

Thank you for your consideration.

Steve Rogers, 2014 Chair
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