

**Subject:** Olympic Coast National Marine Sanctuary  
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To Whom It may concern,

As a diver/underwater photographer I enjoy visiting the many dive sites that are within the Olympic coast National Marine Sanctuary. The ones located withing the Strait of Juan De Fuca (and Tatoosh Island and Duncan Rock) are in the only portion of the Sanctuary that is easily accessible by scuba divers. This is ONE of the few places in ALL of Washington State that scuba divers have a good possibility of encountering Tiger, China, Yellowtail, Black, Canary, Yellowege and Blue Rockfish. The numbers of these fish are declining rapidly and need to be protected.

Please manage this portion of the Sanctuary from a "Watchable Wildlife" perspective so scuba divers from around the state, nation and world have a place within Washington where these long-lived rockfish , other species of fish and invertebrates can be seen, PHOTOGRAPHED and enjoyed for many years to come.

Respectfully,  
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