



SeafoodTrade Strategy - NOAA Service Account <seafoodtrade.strategy@noaa.gov>

Input for US Seafood Trade Task Force

1 message

Lauren Kong <laurenkong1@gmail.com>
To: SeafoodTrade.Strategy@noaa.gov

Thu, Jul 30, 2020 at 12:42 AM

Dear NOAA,

I love seafood. I really enjoy it but I infrequently eat it due to sustainability concerns. When assessing seafood trading I vouch for sustainability being the #1 factor in making decisions. I also want to point out the importance of listening to scientists. We should put less pressure on mainstream seafood like salmon and have a supply of fish not normally consumed by Americans such as bycatch or invasive species like carp. American culture has little variety of seafood and I want to say most people are missing out on delicious sustainable fish species. Maybe it's best to work with restaurants to expose the public to different types of seafood? Also, we should not do business with countries that have unsustainable or questionable fishing practices. I also think we should have a ban on particularly detrimental fishing practices such as trawling.

Thank you for your time,
Lauren