

## Mitch Farro Biography

Mitch Farro started fishing commercially for salmon in his early teens in the mid 70's. He was elected President of the Trinidad Bay Fishermen's Marketing Association in 1982 and served as that organization's representative to the Pacific Coast Federation of Fishermen's Associations for a decade. He served as a commercial fishing representative alternate on the California Advisory Committee on Salmon and Steelhead Trout starting in 1986, was appointed as a member by the Joint Committee in 1990 and is still serving, also having served as the CAC's Chair for over a decade starting in the late 90's and Vice-Chair since.

Mitch was appointed in 1988 by the Humboldt Co. Board of Supervisors to fill their seat on the Federal fisheries restoration program for the Klamath and served for ten years. He was a founding member of what became the Salmonid Restoration Federation and has been deeply engaged in salmon habitat restoration at a watershed scale since the mid 80's. He has been the Projects Director for the nonprofit Pacific Coast Fish, Wildlife and Wetlands Restoration Association for over 25 years, having completed hundreds of successful projects across many Northcoast watersheds. He has been married to his wife Rhonda for 28 years and has two children in college.