Primus "Last Salmon Man"

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The river water diverts to other places
To nurture central valley seeds
The northern water that sloshes desert fairways
Fulfil So-Cal Golfers' needs

The mighty chinook that used to run the rivers To the grounds where they would spawn Thin in numbers as the tributaries wane Pretty soon they'll all be gone

Jimmy Mac runs the trawler of his father
Who got it passed down from his pa
Three closed seasons and the bank note on his
shoulder
Now Jimmy's hiding from the law

Jimmy watched as the bulk of the fleet Sold their boats and moved away But after the stroke he promised to his father He'd do his best to stay ... in Bodega Bay

He remembered the days when his father used to show him How to set and tend all the gear With his hand on his shoulder he looked out at the waters And said, "Son it is my fear

"That you'll be the last salmon man You're the last salmon man You're the last salmon man You're the last salmon man of the MacDonagal clan"

2010, they reopened NorCal waters To the salmon chasing slew Four straight days Jimmy trolled the jagged coastline But the fish were far and few

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