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REMARKS: Urgent For your review Reply ASAP Please Comment

Dear Kevin:

I wish to thank you again for the valuable meeting on Englebright Dam. I didn't speak yesterday, however while lying in bed last night some thoughts came to mind. On the topic of recreation. Both the South Fork and Middle Fork are very popular recreational streams. I've heard that Bridgeport State Park receives over 100,000 visitors per year. What impact would people in the streams have on migration or spawning? I know that in Chico's upper Bidwell there has been concern about this issue.

Another thought: Since so many changes have occurred on the Yuba over the past 150 years, its questionable whether salmon would be successful on the Yuba even if Englebright were removed. I suggest that a government fisheries agency try an experiment. Transport salmon from below Englebright to the tributaries above the lake and observe how they fair? Perhaps the fish may thrive, perhaps they will fail. At least we would have an idea about the current suitability of the Yuba as a salmon stream before a multi-million dollar project is enacted.

I'll be mailing a copy of this fax to CALFED And again, thank you for your excellent facilitation at yesterdays meeting.