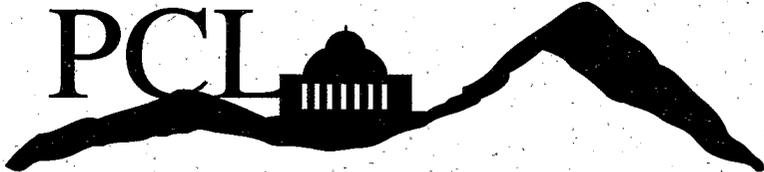


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December 16, 1998

Lester Snow
CalFed

Dear Lester:

We have reviewed the letter sent to you by the Federation of Fly Fishers regarding steelhead. We concur with its findings, and urge you to follow the recommendations of the letter.

As you know, we have tried for some years to gain support to study the concept of moving steelhead and spring run salmon upstream beyond the major dams in the Central Valley to restore their populations. The problems pointed out by the flyfishers could in part be solved if such a study demonstrated the feasibility of such a program.

Please let us know if you develop any other workable ideas to restore the Central Valley steelhead and spring run salmon populations.

Best personal regards,

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Executive Director

Cc: Federation of Fly Fishers

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