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Letter of Support by California Fly Fishers Unlimited (CFFU) for the Resolution Request Regarding the Protection of California's Public Trust Anadromous Fisheries set forth by the Northern California Council of the International Federation of Fly Fishers (NCCIFFF)

May 05, 2014

California Fish and Game Commission
1416 9th Street, Room 1320
Sacramento, California 95814

Re: Support for:

RESOLUTION REQUESTING THAT CALIFORNIA'S FISH AND GAME COMMISSION DEVELOP POLICIES AND MONITOR IMPLEMENTATION OF GOALS, OBJECTIVES AND MANAGEMENT PLANS ASSURING THE LONG TERM VIABILITY OF OUR CITIZEN'S PUBLIC TRUST RECREATIONAL AND COMMERCIAL ANADROMOUS FISHERY RESOURCES

Dear Commissioners:

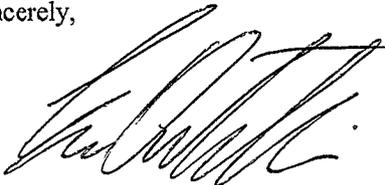
I am writing to express CFFU's support for the resolution presented to you on March 14th, 2014 by NCCIFFF; the resolution that will assure the long-term viability of its anadromous fishery resources for conservation, recreational and commercial purposes.

Anadromous fish such as Salmon and Steelhead follow distinct pecking orders and do not normally tolerate other fish in their feeding lies. As Dr. Peter B Moyle points out in his communiqué titled *Hatcheries and Salmon: Comments on Hatchery Reform*, genetically uniform fish like hatchery fish are more resilient and tend to dominate these lies. This has the logical outcome of negatively impacting the wild population mainly due to the exponential growth of direct competition.

The idea of appointing a Blue Ribbon Panel is exceptional. A specific commission of scientific experts could help analyze and present the data required to take the most mission critical actions.

My organization strongly supports the resolution.

Sincerely,



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This letter was endorsed by the Board of Directors of California Fly Fishers Unlimited at its May 5, 2014 board meeting.