

**Table 1. Public Proposed Regulatory Changes and Department Recommendations For 2012 Inland Sport Fishing Regulations Review Cycle**

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SF 1: District and Special Regulations	Region 1 #1, Trinity River Guide Association, L, 4/4/2011	Establish a hatchery-coho fishery on the Trinity R. Limit 5 hatchery coho per year.	Do Not Accept Under Evaluation	Coho salmon are currently listed as threatened under both federal and state ESA. The Department provided background information regarding this proposal to the Fish and Game Commission at their April 2012 meeting in Eureka. The Department is awaiting the release of the Hatchery Scientific Review Group report about excessive coho production at the Trinity River Hatchery and will report back to the Commission and interested parties.
SF 1: District and Special Regulations	Region 1 #10, Ron, L, No date	Insert the word "intake" after the word powerhouse in Article 2 (b) Sierra District (4).	Accept with Modification	The Department is submitting a regulation change proposal to correct the name for the power house intake to Pit No. 1 PG&E Diversion Dam. This proposal will address the concern raised in this comment.
SF 1: District and Special Regulations	Region 1 #12, Leslie, McNamer, Del Norte Co. Board of Supervisors, L, 4/28/1010	Request that Chinook Jacks (< 24 in.) not be counted in annual bag limit for the Smith River. Allow the retention of one wild Chinook < 24 in. or one adult Chinook > 24 in. per day, with an annual bag limit of 5 wild adult Chinook per year.	Accept with Modification	The Department supports this proposal to change the regulation to an annual bag limit of 5 wild "adult" Chinook salmon. An adult will be defined as a fish greater than or equal to 22", which is consistent with the Klamath River. The Department is submitting a regulation change proposal. This proposal will address the concern raised in this comment.
SF 1: District and Special Regulations	Region 1 #13, Charles Buccaria, N. Cal. Federation of Fly Fishermen, E, 2/26/2010	a) Request development of a strategic management plan for the Smith River.	a) Comment Noted	a) This comment can't be addressed by this regulatory action for inland sport fishing regulations, Sections 1.05 - 40.15, Title 14, CCR. Management plans are developed by a separate process. Smith River salmonid stocks are considered stable at this time and the Department continues to expand salmonid monitoring on the Smith River.
SF 1: District and Special Regulations	Region 1 #13, Charles Buccaria, N. Cal. Federation of Fly Fishermen, E, 2/26/2010	b) Requests additional law enforcement for the Smith River to stop snagging and illegal netting.	b) Comment Noted	b) This comment can't be addressed by this regulatory action for inland sport fishing regulations, Sections 1.05 - 40.15, Title 14, CCR. Snagging is an illegal method of take and all observations should be reported to CalTip.
SF 1: District and Special Regulations	Region 1 #14, Charles Buccaria, N. Cal. Federation of Fly Fishermen, L, 1/10/2012	Adopt a zero limit catch-and-release regulation when Smith river flows are below 400 cfs or when the river is closed above Rowdy Creek.	Accept with Modification	The Department is submitting a regulation change proposal to raise the low flow trigger to 600 cfs. Smith River salmonid stocks are considered stable at this time and the Department continues to expand salmonid monitoring on the Smith River. Any further changes will be assessed when more data is available.
SF 1: District and Special Regulations	Region 1 #15, Rory McDonald, E, 12/27/2011	a) Smith River Middle Fork from the mouth upstream to Niels Christensen Memorial Bridge extend the season through the month of April. The current season ends March 31.	a) Accept	a) The Department is submitting a regulation change proposal to provide an additional month of fishing opportunity for bank anglers above the forks of the Smith River within the sections of forks proposed. The Smith River from the Middle and South Forks is already open until April 30.
SF 1: District and Special Regulations	Region 1 #15, Rory McDonald, E, 12/27/2011	b) Smith River South Fork from the mouth upstream approximately 1,000 feet to the County Road (George Tryon) bridge extend the season through the month of April. The current season ends March 31.	b) Accept	b) The Department is submitting a regulation change proposal to provide an additional month of fishing opportunity for bank anglers above the forks of the Smith River within the sections of forks proposed. The Smith River from the Middle and South Forks is already open until April 30.
SF 1: District and Special Regulations	Region 1 #17, Charles Buccaria, N. Cal. Federation Of Fly Fishermen, O, 4/12/2012	a) Requests to close the Sandy Hole Area when the low flow closure is in effect higher up the Smith River to stop snagging.	a) Do Not Accept	a) Snagging is already an illegal action and all observations should be reported to CalTip. Smith River salmonid stocks are considered stable at this time and the Department continues to expand salmonid monitoring on the Smith River.

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SF 1: District and Special Regulations	Region 1 #17, Charles Buccaria, N. Cal. Federation Of Fly Fishermen, O, 4/12/2012	c) Requests to only open below Ship-A-Shore Motel when the low flow closure is in effect higher up the Smith River to stop snagging.	c) Do Not Accept	c) Snagging is already an illegal action and all observations should be reported to CalTip. Smith River salmonid stocks are considered stable at this time and the Department continues to expand salmonid monitoring on the Smith River.
SF 1: District and Special Regulations	Region 1 #17, Charles Buccaria, N. Cal. Federation Of Fly Fishermen, O, 4/12/2012	d) Only allow single barbless hooks on lure to stop snagging in the Smith River.	d) Do Not Accept	d) Snagging is already an illegal action and all observations should be reported to CalTip. Smith River salmonid stocks are considered stable at this time and the Department continues to expand salmonid monitoring on the Smith River.
SF 1: District and Special Regulations	Region 1 #17, Charles Buccaria, N. Cal. Federation Of Fly Fishermen, O, 4/12/2012	e) Requests to allow only catch and release fishing when the low flow closure is in effect higher up the Smith River to stop snagging.	e) Do Not Accept	e) Snagging is already an illegal action and all observations should be reported to CalTip. Smith River salmonid stocks are considered stable at this time and the Department continues to expand salmonid monitoring on the Smith River.
SF 1: District and Special Regulations	Region 1 #17+B9, Charles Buccaria, N. Cal. Federation Of Fly Fishermen, O, 4/12+B64/2012	f) Make the tightline technique illegal similar to WA regulations to combat snagging.	f) Do Not Accept	f) Snagging is already an illegal action and all observations should be reported to CalTip. Smith River salmonid stocks are considered stable at this time and the Department continues to expand salmonid monitoring on the Smith River.
SF 1: District and Special Regulations	Region 1 #2, Thomas Weseloh, CalTrout, L, 4/22/2010	a) Expansion of waters open to angling on the South Fork Trinity River as proposed by DFG.	a) Accepted	a) Adopted by Commission in 2010. This proposal was recommended by the Department in 2010 and was adopted by the Fish and Game Commission with the following alterations: The season was modified to Nov. 1- March 31 and was restricted to artificial barbless lures only. This alteration was made to protect Chinook salmon and summer steelhead from incidental angling mortality.
SF 1: District and Special Regulations	Region 1 #2, Thomas Weseloh, CalTrout, L, 4/22/2010	b) Selective harvest of marked hatchery coho on the Trinity River	b) Do Not Accept Under Evaluation	b) Coho salmon are currently listed as threatened under both federal and state ESA. The Department provided background information regarding this proposal to the Fish and Game Commission at their April 2012 meeting in Eureka. The Department is awaiting the release of the Hatchery Scientific Review Group report about excessive coho production at the Trinity River Hatchery and will report back to the Commission and interested parties.
SF 1: District and Special Regulations	Region 1 #2, Thomas Weseloh, CalTrout, L, 4/22/2010	c) Marking of all Trinity River Hatchery produced spring Chinook to allow for better management	c) Do Not Accept Under Evaluation	c) The Department is evaluating 100% marking of Trinity River hatchery spring Chinook. Currently, 25% of spring Chinook are being marked at the hatchery and increased marking would require the following: 1. Funding agreement with the Bureau of Reclamation to perform the additional marking. 2. Department concurrence that this program would not be detrimental to existing fishery monitoring programs in marine and inland fisheries. 3. Evaluation of management options under a 100% marking regime. 4. Concurrence with other basin Co-managers.

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SF 1: District and Special Regulations	Region 1 #3, Judy Pflueger, Trinity Co. Board of Supervisors, L, 5/18/2010	Supports the expansion of waters open to angling on the Upper Trinity River main stem above Trinity Lake: Open all year with gear and bag limit restrictions same as general trout season (5 trout per day/ 10 in possession). Proposed open area is from Trinity Lake upstream to the confluence of High Camp and Dead Fall creeks (about 20 miles).	Do Not Accept Under Evaluation	DFG is currently conducting Upper Trinity River snorkel surveys to document abundance/presence of adfluvial trout. Surveys will continue into March and April, 2012, after which time, determination will be made when survey results are conclusive. If survey results show abundance to warrant open to angling, Department will recommend acceptance of proposed regulation.
SF 1: District and Special Regulations	Region 1 #4, Peter Finnie, Trinity Co. F&G Advisory Comm., L, 5/13/2010	Trinity River main stem above Trinity Lake: Open all year with gear and bag limit restrictions same as general trout season (5 trout per day/ 10 in possession). Proposed open area is from Trinity Lake upstream to the confluence of High Camp and Dead Fall creeks (about 20 miles).	Do Not Accept Under Evaluation	DFG is currently conducting Upper Trinity River snorkel surveys to document abundance/presence of adfluvial trout. Surveys will continue into March and April, 2012, after which time, determination will be made when survey results are conclusive. If survey results show abundance to warrant open to angling, Department will recommend acceptance of proposed regulation.
SF 1: District and Special Regulations	Region 1 #5, Judy Pflueger, Trinity Co. Board of Supervisors, L, 2/16/2010	Supports regulation proposal for the South Fork Trinity River: Open the reach from the bridge on Wildman Road (USFS 30) to the confluence with the main stem Trinity R. from October 1 through March 31. Artificial lures with barbless hooks only. Limit 2 hatchery trout or steelhead. No salmon.	Accepted	Adopted by Commission in 2010. This proposal was recommended by the Department in 2010 and was adopted by the Fish and Game Commission with the following alterations: The season was modified to Nov. 1- March 31 and was restricted to artificial barbless lures only. This alteration was made to protect Chinook salmon and summer steelhead from incidental angling mortality.
SF 1: District and Special Regulations	Region 1 #6, Peter Finnie, Trinity Co. F&G Advisory Comm., L, 2/10/2010	South Fork Trinity River: Open the reach from the bridge on Wildman Road (USFS 30) to the confluence with the main stem Trinity R. from October 1 through March 31. Artificial lures with barbless hooks only. Limit 2 hatchery trout or steelhead. No salmon.	Accepted	Adopted by Commission in 2010. This proposal was recommended by the Department in 2010 and was adopted by the Fish and Game Commission with the following alterations: The season was modified to Nov. 1- March 31 and was restricted to artificial barbless lures only. This alteration was made to protect Chinook salmon and summer steelhead from incidental angling mortality.
SF 1: District and Special Regulations	Region 1 #7, Gary Seput, L, 3/22/2010	a) South Fork Trinity River: Open the reach from the bridge on Wildman Road (USFS 30) to the confluence with the main stem Trinity R. from October 1 through March 31. Artificial lures with barbless hooks only. Limit 2 hatchery trout or steelhead. No salmon.	a) Accepted	a) Adopted by Commission in 2010. This proposal was recommended by the Department in 2010 and was adopted by the Fish and Game Commission with the following alterations: The season was modified to Nov. 1- March 31 and was restricted to artificial barbless lures only. This alteration was made to protect Chinook salmon and summer steelhead from incidental angling mortality.

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SF 1: District and Special Regulations	Region 1 #7, Gary Seput, L, 3/22/2010	c) Marking of all Trinity River Hatchery produced spring Chinook to allow for better management	c) Do Not Accept Under Evaluation	c) The Department is evaluating 100% marking of Trinity River hatchery spring Chinook. Currently, 25% of spring Chinook are being marked at the hatchery and increased marking would require the following: 1. Funding agreement with the Bureau of Reclamation to perform the additional marking. 2. Department concurrence that this program would not be detrimental to existing fishery monitoring programs in marine and inland fisheries. 3. Evaluation of management options under a 100% marking regime. 4. Concurrence with other basin Co-managers.
SF 1: District and Special Regulations	Region 1 #7, Gary Seput, L, 3/22/2010	d) Open Upper Trinity River main stem above Trinity Lake to angling Nov. 16 through Friday preceding the last Saturday in April, zero bag only artificial lures with barbless hooks may be used.	d) Do Not Accept Under Evaluation	d) DFG is currently conducting Upper Trinity River snorkel surveys to document abundance/presence of adfluvial trout. Surveys will continue into March and April, 2012, after which time, determination will be made when survey results are conclusive. If survey results show abundance to warrant open to angling, Department will recommend acceptance of proposed regulation.
SF 1: District and Special Regulations	Region 1 #8, Delbert Craig, Modoc Co. F&G and Rec. Comm., L, 11/2/2009	a) Open Silver Creek, Lassen County, to fishing between Swonger Reservoir and Lost Lake.	a) Do Not Accept	a) This portion of Silver Creek is a critical reach of stream for spawning of rainbow trout which migrate upstream from Swonger Reservoir. This reach is approximately 3 miles long, of which approx. 1 mile is suitable for spawning. Due to cold water temperatures, spawning occurs in late May and June making the large adult spawners highly susceptible to take. This reach is also easily accessible using the existing roadways increasing their susceptibility. Silver Creek is a small stream supporting small resident trout and limited spawning. Opening this reach of stream to fishing would only benefit those interested in targeting the large adult spawners. The reach was closed to protect the spawning fish and was done so with approval by involved stakeholders. In order to consider this request the status of the stream and reservoir population would need to be accessed. Further, the Department is awaiting results for genetic analysis from samples collected in Silver Creek. It is currently unclear if the rainbow trout are a unique redband population, which would be deserving of such conservation measures.
SF 1: District and Special Regulations	Region 1 #8, Delbert Craig, Modoc Co. F&G and Rec. Comm., L, 11/2/2009	b) Change the daily bag limit of Nelson Corral Reservoir, Lassen County, from 2 trout per day to 5 trout per day.	b) Do Not Accept	b) Nelson Corral Reservoir is stocked with Eagle Lake rainbow trout fingerlings by airplane. During years of low water the reservoir is not stocked due to unlikely success of trout reaching catchable size. After consecutive years of adequate water levels and trout stocking, Nelson Corral Reservoir can produce trophy trout weighing several pounds. Increasing the limit will potentially make the trophy trout more vulnerable to over utilization. The 2-fish daily limit is in place to promote the trophy potential of Nelson Corral Reservoir.
SF 1: District and Special Regulations	Region 1 #9, Charles Buccaria, N. Cal. Federation Of Fly Fishermen And Patt Wardlaw, E, 10/22/2009	Requests additional law enforcement be directed to the Smith River to stop poaching and illegal netting.	Do Not Accept	This comment can't be addressed by this regulatory action for inland sport fishing regulations, Sections 1.05 - 40.15, Title 14, CCR. Snagging is an illegal method of take and all observations should be reported to CalTip.

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SF 1: District and Special Regulations	Region 1 #16, Ben Taylor, O, 4/12/2012	b) Requests to close lower river when the low flow closure is in effect higher up the Smith River to stop snagging.	b) Do Not Accept	b) Snagging is already an illegal action and all observations should be reported to CalTip. Smith River salmonid stocks are considered stable at this time and the Department continues to expand salmonid monitoring on the Smith River.
SF 1: District and Special Regulations	Region 1 #16, Ben Taylor, O, 4/12/2012	c) Requests to only open below Ship-A-Shore Motel when the low flow closure is in effect higher up the Smith River to stop snagging.	c) Do Not Accept	c) Snagging is already an illegal action and all observations should be reported to CalTip. Smith River salmonid stocks are considered stable at this time and the Department continues to expand salmonid monitoring on the Smith River.
SF 1: District and Special Regulations	Region 1 #16, Ben Taylor, O, 4/12/2012	d) Make the tightline technique illegal to stop snagging in the Smith River.	d) Do Not Accept	d) Snagging is already an illegal action and all observations should be reported to CalTip. Restrictive gear regulations have not proven to significantly reduce snagging activities.
SF 1: District and Special Regulations	Region 1 #16, Ben Taylor, O, 4/12/2012	e) Only allow single barbless hooks on lure to stop snagging in the Smith River.	e) Do Not Accept	e) Snagging is already an illegal action and all observations should be reported to CalTip. Smith River salmonid stocks are considered stable at this time and the Department continues to expand salmonid monitoring on the Smith River.
SF 1: District and Special Regulations	Region 1 #17, Darren Marue, O, 4/12/2012	a) Adopt a zero limit catch-and-release regulation when Smith river flows are below 400 cfs or when the river is closed above Rowdy Creek.	a) Accept with Modification	a) The Department is submitting a regulation change proposal to raise the low flow trigger to 600 cfs. Smith River salmonid stocks are considered stable at this time and the Department continues to expand salmonid monitoring on the Smith River. Any further changes will be assessed when more data is available.
SF 1: District and Special Regulations	Region 1 #17, Darren Marue, O, 4/12/2012	b) Requests to only open below Ship-A-Shore Motel when the low flow closure is in effect higher up the Smith River to stop snagging.	b) Do Not Accept	b) Snagging is already an illegal action and all observations should be reported to CalTip. Smith River salmonid stocks are considered stable at this time and the Department continues to expand salmonid monitoring on the Smith River.
SF 1: District and Special Regulations	Region 1 #18, Lenard Turner, E, 5/16/2012	Requests the mainstem Upper Pit River be open to fishing year round, from the top of Pit One Falls, above Pit One Power House, in Shasta Co., to the beginning of Pit River at the Warner Mountains.	Do Not Accept Under Evaluation	This river section is open under Sierra District Regulations; 1) last Saturday in April through November 15; and 2) for sections east of Highway 395, the Saturday proceeding Memorial Day through November 15. The Department does not have data to assess a winter fishery impacts on trout populations within the upper Pit River watershed. Trout are known to be present in the tributaries within requested area, however it is unknown if there is movement between tributaries using the river as a corridor or using the river in general during the winter months. Trout tissue samples from some Pit River tributaries have been collected, but still need to be analyzed. Given the length of the requested area and lack of current data, more information is needed to make the appropriate decision. The Department plans to further assess the upper Pit River, from the Shasta-Lassen County line upstream to the confluence of the North and South Forks of the Pit River, near Alturas. Trout are present in the North and South forks of the Pit River, originating from the Warner Mountains, and will not be considered for a winter fishery.

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SF 1: District and Special Regulations	Region 1 #19, Gary Bagnaschi, L, 5/9/2012	Reopen Battle Creek from the Battle Creek bridge to the Sacramento River to catch and release fishing with barbless hooks and artificial flies only from Nov. 1 to Dec. 31.	Do Not Accept	Most of the land along the north side of Battle Creek downstream of the Gover Road Bridge is in private ownership with limited opportunities for access. Battle Creek is the migration corridor accessing one of the most extensive salmon and steelhead restoration projects in the state of California. Upon completion of the \$125 million project, it will recover over 50 miles of historic habitat for salmon and steelhead. Battle Creek offers one of the best restoration opportunities in the upper Sacramento River. The steelhead population is in the early stages of recovery and any fishing may delay recovery in this unique stream. This Battle Creek reach is also a designated salmon spawning area under Fish and Game Code Section 1505 and contains some of the densest salmon redds (nests) of any Sacramento River tributary. Anglers targeting steelhead commonly wade through shallow water disturbing spawning salmon and damaging their redds. Considering the limited access and potential harm to salmon redds and wild steelhead recovery, the Department recommends this section of Battle Creek remain closed to fishing.
SF 1: District and Special Regulations	Region 2 #1, Robert Baiocchi, E, 8/4/2011	a) Change Lake Davis fishing season from open all year to open from May 1 to December 31.	a) Do Not Accept	a) The tributaries at Lake Davis are already closed from November 15th through the Saturday preceding Memorial Day. Therefore, the proposed closure from "January 1st-April 30th" to protect spawning trout in the tributaries at Lake Davis is already intact. Changing the regulations in the lake itself would not affect the trout spawning in the tributaries. There is no need to change the current Lake Davis fishing season. Springtime harvesting in the lake itself does not have a detrimental impact on the trout population at Lake Davis. Lake Davis has a generous allotment of trout and has natural recruitment from the major tributaries. A springtime closure actually has the potential to hurt the local economy. Many anglers only fish Lake Davis in the springtime right after ice out. There is also a large amount of ice fishing and an ice fishing derby (typically held in February) that a springtime lake closure would have a negative impact on fish opportunities.
SF 1: District and Special Regulations	Region 2 #1, Robert Baiocchi, E, 8/4/2011	b) Change daily bag limit from 5 with 10 ten in possession to a daily bag limit of 2 trout, 4 in possession.	b) Do Not Accept	b) Lake Davis has a generous allotment of trout and has natural recruitment from the major tributaries. There is no need to change the current "Bag Limit" regulations. Post 2007 chemical treatment creel surveys and field sampling reports have not indicated a decrease in the trout population at Lake Davis. Current field sampling of the major Lake Davis tributaries indicates that trout are spawning successfully. While decreasing the "take" regulations might affect the quantity of trout in Lake Davis, it would not be beneficial to the quality of the trout in Lake Davis. Decreased harvesting would actually lead to an overall decrease in trout size and condition factor due to increased competition.
SF 1: District and Special Regulations	Region 2 #2, Sam Craig, E, 10/9/1010	a) On the lower Yuba River artificial lure material must be attached to the hook (not above the hook on the leader) to stop fish snagging which deforms escaped fish.	a) Do Not Accept	a) Snagging is already an illegal action and all observations should be reported to CalTip. Restrictive gear regulations have not proven to significantly reduce snagging activities.
SF 1: District and Special Regulations	Region 2 #2, Sam Craig, E, 10/9/1010	b) Ban the use of plastic beads to stop fish snagging.	b) Do Not Accept	b) Snagging is already an illegal action and all observations should be reported to CalTip. Restrictive gear regulations have not proven to significantly reduce snagging activities.

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SF 1: District and Special Regulations	Region 2 #3, David Goicoechea, Sierra Co. Board of Supervisors, L, 4/12/2010	Allow unrestricted fishing for non-native species in Independence Lake.	Do Not Accept	Current angling regulations in Independence Lake allow for harvest of non-native trout with limits that parallel general district regulations. Angling use and harvest is not adequate to impact non-native trout (for the benefit of Lahotan Cutthroat Trout (LCT) at current levels. Agencies have experimental projects underway to reduce impacts of non-native trout on LCT. Further, unrestricted harvest on non-native trout may increase illegal harvest of LCT.
SF 1: District and Special Regulations	Region 2 #4, Aaron Schultz, L, 4/26/2010	Make Willow Hills Pond a "Catch and Release" only lake.	Do Not Accept	This proposal seeks to ban harvest and provide for catch-and-release fishing only because anglers taking over limits have been observed. Willow Hills Reservoir is managed by the City of Folsom Parks and Regulations, and it is posted that a fishing license is required and that all laws regarding limits and fish species are enforced. DFG stocks the lake annually during the spring with catchable-size rainbow trout with the expectation that they will be quickly caught, a 'put and take' strategy intended to provide fishing opportunities while the weather is cool enough for trout to survive. During the summer months, bass and sunfish that naturally spawn in the lake provide fishing opportunities during the hotter weather, when these fish are more active.
SF 1: District and Special Regulations	Region 2 #6, Scott Harris, E, 4/16/2011	a) Change the limit in Mill Creek downstream of Mineral through the State Park to 2 fish weekly.	a) Do Not Accept	a) Zero take limit is protective of the naturally produced trout species. Allowing catch on a weekly/biweekly basis is an enforcement issue. A punch card at an additional fee would be required.
SF 1: District and Special Regulations	Region 2 #6, Scott Harris, E, 4/16/2011	b) Change the limit on the Feather River from Belden down stream to Center Powerhouse to 2 fish weekly.	b) Do Not Accept	b) Zero take limit is protective of the naturally produced trout species. Allowing catch on a weekly/biweekly basis is an enforcement issue. A punch card at an additional fee would be required. For the Feather River, a two-fish weekly limit is impossible to enforce. The Feather River is stocked at Beldon so there is a high likelihood that any fish taken are of hatchery origin. (Belden to Cresta). Hatchery stocked trout do not survive in this reach because of the presence of the parasite <i>Ceratomyxa Shasta</i> .
SF 1: District and Special Regulations	Region 2 #6, Scott Harris, E, 4/16/2011	c) Yuba River from Highway 20 Bridge downstream to the town of Yuba City allow bait with one fish every 2 weeks.	c) Do Not Accept	c) Zero take limit is protective of the naturally produced trout species. Allowing catch on a weekly/biweekly basis is an enforcement issue. A punch card at an additional fee would be required. The referenced section (Hwy 20 to Yuba City) of the river currently allows for take of only hatchery trout and it is 2/day 4/possession limit. As the Yuba River has no hatchery, targeting hatchery fish is actually of benefit to the natural occurring <i>O. mykiss</i> population in the river by decreasing competition for resources. The issue with changing current regulations on the Yuba to allow bait is there is a higher chance of fish swallowing the hook. This can lead to higher rates of hook and release mortality among non-targeted individuals including listed species present in the river. Hook and release mortality of listed species is also the reason for having the artificial/barbless regulation currently in place.
SF 1: District and Special Regulations	Region 2 #8, Mark Van Hoomissen, E, 9/19/2011	b) Change salmon and steelhead bag limit to zero on the American River from Nimbus Dam downstream to the SMUD power line crossing.	b) Do Not Accept	b) The lower American River is one of the most popular salmon and steelhead fisheries in the Central Valley, thus, it takes a lot of careful planning to balance both interests. The height of the salmon spawning season (November and December) is closed to fishing from Ancil Hoffman Park to Hazel Avenue to allow the majority of the salmon to spawn and the fry to emerge from the gravel undisturbed by fishermen. In January, the steelhead fishery opens and allows fishermen to target hatchery steelhead only. This gives the naturally produced steelhead a chance to spawn in the river with reduced competition from hatchery steelhead.
SF 1: District and Special Regulations	Region 3 #1, Parker Pringle, E, 9/20/2011	Seeks to clarify regulations to prevent anglers from targeting Chinook and Coho salmon in the Russian River.	Accept with Modification	The Department is submitting a regulation change proposal to close all waters to salmon fishing unless noted in the district and special regulations. This proposal will address the concern raised in this comment.

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SF 1: District and Special Regulations	Region 3 #4, Briana Haller, L, 5/26/2011	Either place fish ladder in Walnut Creek below lower most drop structure or open the fishery.	Do Not Accept	There is no spawning habitat in Walnut Creek and the salmon are considered strays from Central Valley hatcheries.
SF 1: District and Special Regulations	Region 3 #5, Dougald Scott, N. Cal. Federation of Fly Fishermen, E, 9/28/2009	a) Alameda Creek and tributaries downstream of Calaveras and San Antonio reservoirs – closed to fishing all year.	a) Do Not Accept	a) The Department does not support complete closure of these streams at this time due to existing populations of warm water game fishing and the strong angler support to maintain access to these fish.
SF 1: District and Special Regulations	Region 3 #5, Dougald Scott, N. Cal. Federation of Fly Fishermen, E, 9/28/2009	b) Coyote Creek and Upper Penitencia Creek – closed to fishing all year.	b) Do Not Accept	b) The Department does not support complete closure of these streams at this time due to existing populations of warm water game fishing and the strong angler support to maintain access to these fish.
SF 1: District and Special Regulations	Region 3 #5, Dougald Scott, N. Cal. Federation of Fly Fishermen, E, 9/28/2009	c) Guadalupe Creek below Guadalupe Reservoir including Los Gatos Ck. Below Vasona Lake, and Alamitos Ck. And Arroyo Calero below Calero Reservoir – closed to fishing all year.	c) Do Not Accept	c) The Department does not support complete closure of these streams at this time due to existing populations of warm water game fishing and the strong angler support to maintain access to these fish.
SF 1: District and Special Regulations	Region 3 #5, Dougald Scott, N. Cal. Federation of Fly Fishermen, E, 9/28/2009	d) Stevens Creek downstream of Stevens Reservoir – closed to fishing all year.	d) Do Not Accept	d) The Department does not support complete closure of these streams at this time due to existing populations of warm water game fishing and the strong angler support to maintain access to these fish.
SF 1: District and Special Regulations	Region 4 #1, Kevan Urquhart, Monterey Peninsula Water Management District L, 5/3/2012, O 5/23/2012	a) Request a year round fishery for striped bass in the Carmel, Salinas, and Pajaro river lagoons to reduce predation on steelhead.	a) Do Not Accept Under Evaluation	a) The Department must complete its evaluation and coordinate this proposal through constituent groups, notably CA Sportfishing Protection Alliance, CA Striped Bass Association, and United Anglers, based upon recent Commission action concerning striped bass fishing and a recent Department decision to not continue the pilot striped bass predator removal project.
SF 1: District and Special Regulations	Region 4 #1, Kevan Urquhart, Monterey Peninsula Water Management District L, 5/3/2012, O 5/23/2012	b) Request the use of barbless hooks and artificial lures only, year round or outside of steelhead season, in the Carmel, Salinas, and Pajaro river lagoons.	b) Do Not Accept Under Evaluation	b) The Department must complete its evaluation and coordinate this proposal through constituent groups, notably CA Sportfishing Protection Alliance, CA Striped Bass Association, and United Anglers, based upon recent Commission action concerning striped bass fishing and a recent Department decision to not continue the pilot striped bass predator removal project.
SF 1: District and Special Regulations	Region 4 #1, Kevan Urquhart, Monterey Peninsula Water Management District L, 5/3/2012, O 5/23/2012	g) Consider if there is need for a summer fishing closure (June-August) to reduce catch and release mortality when the water temperature normally exceeds 21°C in the Carmel, Salinas and Pajaro river lagoons.	g) Do Not Accept Under Evaluation	g) The Department must complete its evaluation and coordinate this proposal through constituent groups, notably CA Sportfishing Protection Alliance, CA Striped Bass Association, and United Anglers, based upon recent Commission action concerning striped bass fishing and a recent Department decision to not continue the pilot striped bass predator removal project.

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SF 1: District and Special Regulations	Region 4 #2, Brian LeNeve, Carmel River Steelhead Association, O 5/23/2012	Supports striped bass removal or regulation changes to increase striped bass harvest in the Carmel River lagoon to reduce predation on steelhead from striped bass.	Do Not Accept Under Evaluation	The Department must complete its evaluation and coordinate this proposal through constituent groups, notably CA Sportfishing Protection Alliance, CA Striped Bass Association, and United Anglers, based upon recent Commission action concerning striped bass fishing and a recent Department decision to not continue the pilot striped bass predator removal project.
SF 1: District and Special Regulations	Region 5 #1, Brian Trautwein, Environmental Defense Center, L, 6/14/2011	Requests emergency action to close the following to fishing: Sisquoc River watershed, Sespe Creek watershed above the Alder Creek confluence, and North Fork Matilija Creek watershed above Wheeler George Campground.	Accept with Modification	Previously addressed at Nov. 2011 FGC meeting and did not qualify as an emergency action. The Department is submitting a regulation change proposal to close Sisquoc River, will evaluate the extent of anadromous waters in Sespe Creek, and the North Fork of the Matilija has an impassable dam on it. This proposal will address the concern raised in this comment.
SF 1: District and Special Regulations	Region 5 #3, Ace Carter, E, 4/28/2010	Concerned about improper catch and release methods used by many anglers at Jackson Lake. And that bag limit regulations are not being enforced.	Comment Noted	Once a trout is caught and is a part of the bag, it is counted as a part of the bag and no more trout may be captured. This regulation is already in place. Bass tournament participants may upgrade legally after their bag is filled. The upgrading exception does not apply to trout.
SF 1: District and Special Regulations	Region 6 #1, Dick Noles, L, 10/11/2010	Seeks to change regulations on <b>Rush Creek, Lower</b> (Mono County, Grant Lake to Mono Lake). <b>Current Regs:</b> Last Sat. in April through Nov.15. Only artificial lures with barbless hooks may be used-Zero bag and possession limit. <b>Proposed Regs:</b> Split into 2 sections; Grant Lake to Highway 395, last Sat. in April through Nov.15. Only artificial lures with barbless hooks may be used. Zero bag and possession limit.. Highway 395 to Mono Lake, last Sat. in April through Nov.15. Bag limit 2 per day and 2 in possession.	Do Not Accept	The history of dewatering, litigation, and restoration of the tributaries to Mono Lake is a complex issue. Rush Creek was entirely diverted from 1941-1983. Ongoing, long term studies and stream flow releases have been ordered by the State Water Resources Control Board to fish and riparian habitat; and to monitor the stream, riparian habitat and its fish population with reference to target criteria. Attempts to deliver the full range of required restoration flows have not succeeded due to inadequate physical infrastructure, and criteria for the abundance and sizes of fish in the stream have also not been met. The Department is working diligently with all involved parties to remedy these shortcomings. The Commission established the zero limit regulation on Rush Creek in response to scientific and public input, because existing harvest was confounding important and expensive long-term studies. The proposed change in regulations would undermine the ability of the Department and the State Water Resources Control Board to restore and evaluate Rush Creek, and could disrupt complex negotiations.
SF 1: District and Special Regulations	Region 6 #2, Pat Noles, E, 7/22/2011	Letter detailing support for <b>Rush Creek, Lower</b> regulations change and list of organizations that support his request: Los Angeles Dept. of Water & Power; Mono County Board of Supervisors; Mono County Fish & Game Advisory Board; Inyo County Fish & Game Advisory Board.	Do Not Accept	The history of dewatering, litigation, and restoration of the tributaries to Mono Lake is a complex issue. Rush Creek was entirely diverted from 1941-1983. Ongoing, long term studies and stream flow releases have been ordered by the State Water Resources Control Board to fish and riparian habitat; and to monitor the stream, riparian habitat and its fish population with reference to target criteria. Attempts to deliver the full range of required restoration flows have not succeeded due to inadequate physical infrastructure, and criteria for the abundance and sizes of fish in the stream have also not been met. The Department is working diligently with all involved parties to remedy these shortcomings. The Commission established the zero limit regulation on Rush Creek in response to scientific and public input, because existing harvest was confounding important and expensive long-term studies. The proposed change in regulations would undermine the ability of the Department and the State Water Resources Control Board to restore and evaluate Rush Creek, and could disrupt complex negotiations.

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SF 1: District and Special Regulations	Region 6 #3, Duane Hazard, Mono Co. Board of Supervisors, L, 6/12/2011	Letter detailing Mono County Board of Supervisors support for <b>Rush Creek, Lower</b> regulations change.	Do Not Accept	The history of dewatering, litigation, and restoration of the tributaries to Mono Lake is a complex issue. Rush Creek was entirely diverted from 1941-1983. Ongoing, long term studies and stream flow releases have been ordered by the State Water Resources Control Board to fish and riparian habitat; and to monitor the stream, riparian habitat and its fish population with reference to target criteria. Attempts to deliver the full range of required restoration flows have not succeeded due to inadequate physical infrastructure, and criteria for the abundance and sizes of fish in the stream have also not been met. The Department is working diligently with all involved parties to remedy these shortcomings. The Commission established the zero limit regulation on Rush Creek in response to scientific and public input, because existing harvest was confounding important and expensive long-term studies. The proposed change in regulations would undermine the ability of the Department and the State Water Resources Control Board to restore and evaluate Rush Creek, and could disrupt complex negotiations.
SF 1: District and Special Regulations	Region 6 #4, Steve Marti, Mono Co. Fish. Comm., L, 8/30/2011	Seeks to change regulations on the <b>West Walker River</b> (Mono County). <b>Current Regs:</b> Last Sat. in April through Nov.15. Bag limit 5 per day, 10 in possession. <b>Proposed Regs:</b> First Sat. in April through Nov.15 Bag limit 5 per day, 10 in possession. Nov. 16 through Friday preceding the first Sat. in April. Only artificial lures with barbless hooks may be used. Zero bag and possession limit.	Do Not Accept	The West Walker River is part of the USFWS Lahontan Cutthroat Trout Recovery Plan. The Region needs to evaluate the potential fishery resource impacts before expanding winter fishing into the West Walker River along with the potential increase in public use on both DFG and USFS public lands. Angling in Mono County waters consistently opens for take of trout on the Last Saturday in April for both the benefit of potentially natural breeding trout and for a consistent angling opening day to take trout from Eastern Sierra waters. The 1st Saturday in April opener could potentially impact natural spawning conditions and the historical opening fishing day in the Eastern Sierra. This proposal would create confusion for the public and a greater demand on law enforcement. If the proposal was accepted, additional Department staff time and resources would be required to coordinate with USFWS, Toiyabe National Forest, Mono County Board of Supervisors, local communities, fishing constituent groups, and emergency response agencies prior to supporting winter fishing on the West Walker River.
SF 1: District and Special Regulations	Region 6 #5+B69 Dennis Byrne, L, 4/12/2012	Seeks to change regulations on the <b>East Walker River</b> . <b>Current Regs:</b> Last Sat. in April through Nov.15. Minimum size limit: 18" total length. Only artificial lures with barbless hooks may be used. Bag limit 1 per day, 1 in possession. Nov. 16 through the Friday preceding the last Sat. in April. Only artificial lures with barbless hooks may be used. Zero bag and possession limit. <b>Proposed Regs:</b> Last Sat. in April through Nov.15. Minimum size limit: 18" total length. Only artificial lures with barbless hooks may be used. Bag limit 1 per day, 1 in possession.	Do Not Accept	This proposed change in regulations would eliminate the winter season of C & R fishing. The regulations were changed for the East Walker River below Bridgeport Reservoir in 2007. The annual reduction in flow on the East Walker River has caused icing problems in exceptionally cold winters and creates a problem for fish throughout the system during these times. A 2007 Heritage and Wild Trout survey detailing use, catch rates and angler satisfaction in March and April showed moderate levels of use, comparable or better catch rates than the traditional season and high angler satisfaction. Angler satisfaction was overwhelming supportive of the opportunity to fish the East Walker River in the winter months. Satisfaction ratings for 1) the opportunity to fish the East Walker River in winter, 2) catch and release regulations, and 3) utilization for future trips, all ranked above 90%. The recommendation would reduce fish opportunities and angler satisfaction in the few dedicated C & R waters available in the Eastern Sierra.

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SF 1: District and Special Regulations	Region 6 #6, Steve Marti, Mono Co. Fish. Comm., L, 10/24/2011	Seeks to change regulations on <b>Crowley Lake</b> . <b>Current Regs:</b> Last Sat. in April through July 31. Bag limit 5 per day, 10 in possession. August 1 through Nov. 15. Minimum size limit: 18" total length. Only artificial lures with barbless hooks may be used. Bag limit 2 per day, 2 in possession. <b>Proposed Regs:</b> Last Sat. in April through Labor Day. Bag limit 5 per day, 10 in possession. The day after Labor Day through Nov. 15. Minimum size limit: 18" total length. Only artificial lures with barbless hooks may be used. Bag limit 2 per day, 2 in possession.	Do Not Accept	Crowley Lake is a very important fishery for the Eastern Sierra. Opening day is a huge event for the local communities drawing thousands of fishermen and visitors to these small towns. The current regulations were designed to protect fall run fish and fall hatchery plants that grow quickly and contribute large fish to opening day catch rates. Fluctuations in weather, water temperatures and algae growth in August can create poor conditions for trout in the lake and contributes to the reduction in fishing pressure and catch rates in August. Additional information can be found in the Department's Crowley Lake Management Plan. The stocking of triploid fish in 2013 may have an effect on the Crowley Lake fishery and this recommendation is rejected based on the need for current and future data collection pertaining to the effects of triploid fish stocking in Crowley Lake
SF 1: District and Special Regulations	Region 6 #7, Susan Cash, Inyo Co. Board of Supervisors, L 7/19/2011+B101	Supports proposal to change regulations on <b>Rush Creek, Lower</b> (Mono County, Grant Lake to Mono Lake). <b>Current Regs:</b> Last Sat. in April through Nov.15. Only artificial lures with barbless hooks may be used-Zero bag and possession limit. <b>Proposed Regs:</b> Split into 2 sections; Grant Lake to Highway 395, last Sat. in April through Nov.15. Only artificial lures with barbless hooks may be used. Zero bag and possession limit.. Highway 395 to Mono Lake, last Sat. in April through Nov.15. Bag limit 2 per day and 2 in possession.	Do Not Accept	The history of dewatering, litigation, and restoration of the tributaries to Mono Lake is a complex issue. Rush Creek was entirely diverted from 1941-1983. Ongoing, long term studies and stream flow releases have been ordered by the State Water Resources Control Board to fish and riparian habitat; and to monitor the stream, riparian habitat and its fish population with reference to target criteria. Attempts to deliver the full range of required restoration flows have not succeeded due to inadequate physical infrastructure, and criteria for the abundance and sizes of fish in the stream have also not been met. The Department is working diligently with all involved parties to remedy these shortcomings. The Commission established the zero limit regulation on Rush Creek in response to scientific and public input, because existing harvest was confounding important and expensive long-term studies. The proposed change in regulations would undermine the ability of the Department and the State Water Resources Control Board to restore and evaluate Rush Creek, and could disrupt complex negotiations.
SF 1: District and Special Regulations	Region 6 #8, Mono Co, Fish. Comm., L, 10/14/2010	Supports proposal to change regulations on <b>Rush Creek, Lower</b> (Mono County, Grant Lake to Mono Lake). <b>Current Regs:</b> Last Sat. in April through Nov.15. Only artificial lures with barbless hooks may be used-Zero bag and possession limit. <b>Proposed Regs:</b> Split into 2 sections; Grant Lake to Highway 395, last Sat. in April through Nov.15. Only artificial lures with barbless hooks may be used. Zero bag and possession limit.. Highway 395 to Mono Lake, last Sat. in April through Nov.15. Bag limit 2 per day and 2 in possession.	Do Not Accept	The history of dewatering, litigation, and restoration of the tributaries to Mono Lake is a complex issue. Rush Creek was entirely diverted from 1941-1983. Ongoing, long term studies and stream flow releases have been ordered by the State Water Resources Control Board to fish and riparian habitat; and to monitor the stream, riparian habitat and its fish population with reference to target criteria. Attempts to deliver the full range of required restoration flows have not succeeded due to inadequate physical infrastructure, and criteria for the abundance and sizes of fish in the stream have also not been met. The Department is working diligently with all involved parties to remedy these shortcomings. The Commission established the zero limit regulation on Rush Creek in response to scientific and public input, because existing harvest was confounding important and expensive long-term studies. The proposed change in regulations would undermine the ability of the Department and the State Water Resources Control Board to restore and evaluate Rush Creek, and could disrupt complex negotiations.
SF 1: District and Special Regulations	Statewide #12, Dale White, E, 12/19/2009	d) Increase trout limit from 1 to 2.	d) Accept with Modification	d) The Department has proposed increasing the trout bag limit to 2 hatchery trout or hatchery steelhead and a possession limit of 4 hatchery trout or hatchery steelhead. This proposal will address the concern raised in this comment.

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<b>SF 1: District and Special Regulations</b>	<b>Statewide #8</b> , Ted and Sandra Rich, L, 8/2/2010	Increase the daily bag limit of trout from 5 to 10 fish per day.	Do Not Accept	In order to provide for quality angling for the public, the Department recommends the retention of the current bag limit. The goal of the 5-fish bag limit was to enable the hatcheries to grow a larger fish, which anglers seem to prefer more than small fish. Anglers fishing two or more days are able to retain up to 10-fish possession limit.
<b>SF 1: District and Special Regulations</b>	<b>Statewide #9</b> , George Clarke, E, 5/1/2011	b) Recommends a 2-trout daily bag limit on the Sacramento R. (probably in the Redding area).	b) Accept with Modification	b) The Department has proposed increasing the trout bag limit to 2 hatchery trout or hatchery steelhead and a possession limit of 4 hatchery trout or hatchery steelhead for the Sacramento River. This proposal will address the concern raised in this comment.
<b>SF 2: Sturgeon Sport Fishing</b>	<b>Region 2 #5</b> , Michael Wolt, E, 4/11/2011	Close Lisbon Slough to fishing from February to May to prevent take of sturgeon; fishermen snagging sturgeon that are holding up at the weir when high flows occur.	Do Not Accept	Snagging is already an illegal action and all observations should be reported to CalTip. Restrictive gear regulations have not proven to significantly reduce snagging activities. Additional warden activity during periods of time when sturgeon are present would be recommended if budgeting allows.
<b>SF 2: Sturgeon Sport Fishing</b>	<b>Region 3 #2</b> , Richie Woodard, E, 1/10/2010	Concerned about over sized sturgeon and possession. " Wants the term "possession" clarified. Possession should include any fish removed from the water. Concerned specifically about over-sized sturgeon being removed from the water for photo purposes.	Accept with Modification	The Department is submitting a regulation change proposal for sturgeon fishing to prohibit use of snares, hooks other than one single point, single shank, barbless, and removal of fish greater than 68 inches long from the water. This proposal will address the concern raised in this comment.
<b>SF 3: Black Bass Sport Fishing</b>	<b>Region 2 #7</b> , Chris Muench, E, 12/3/2009	Change the black bass size restriction from 12-inch minimum to a maximum limit (unspecified) or to a no size restriction in Rucker Lake.	Do Not Accept	While there is anecdotal evidence that bass in Rucker Lake are stunted, the Department does not have the fisheries data to support this regulatory change at this time.
<b>SF 3: Black Bass Sport Fishing</b>	<b>Region 5 #2</b> , Sam Bush, E, 1/5/2011	Wants slot limit for bass in Wolford and Dixon lakes in San Diego County. Also requests a catch and release regulation for bass during the spawning period,	Do Not Accept	The Department is submitting a regulation change proposal to remove all black bass slot limits statewide and the Region does not have sufficient data to change bass limits or required catch and releasing fishing on San Diego County lakes.
<b>SF 5: General Sport Fishing</b>	<b>Region 1 #11</b> , Paul Monnot, L, 3/24/2011	Copco and Iron Gate Reservoirs: Remove the current daily bag limit of 25 on yellow perch.	Accept	The Department is submitting a regulation change proposal to move yellow perch into its separate section with no limit. This proposal will address the concern raised in this comment.
<b>SF 5: General Sport Fishing</b>	<b>Region 2 #8</b> , Mark Van Hoomissen, E, 9/19/2011	a) Change size limit on striped Bass to 24 inches,	a) Do Not Accept	a) The current size limit of 18 inches protects both sub-adult and adult stripers which would be between 3 – 4 years old at that size and the Department does not have fisheries data to support size limit change at this time.
<b>SF 5: General Sport Fishing</b>	<b>Region 3 #3</b> , Costantine Lobastov, L, 10/3/2010	Decrease striped bass minimum size limit to 15 inches. Currently 18 inches.	Do Not Accept	The current size limit of 18 inches protects both sub-adult and adult stripers which would be between 3 – 4 years old at that size and the Department does not have fisheries data to support size limit change at this time.
<b>SF 5: General Sport Fishing</b>	<b>Region 4 #1</b> , Kevan Urquhart, Monterey Peninsula Water Management District L, 5/3/2012, O 5/23/2012	c) Request to reduce striped bass size limit to 12 inches or less or eliminate the size limit completely in the Carmel, Salinas, and Pajaro river lagoons.	c) Do Not Accept Under Evaluation	c) The Department must complete its evaluation and coordinate this proposal through constituent groups, notably CA Sportfishing Protection Alliance, CA Striped Bass Association, and United Anglers, based upon recent Commission action concerning striped bass fishing and a recent Department decision to not continue the pilot striped bass predator removal project.

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SF 5: General Sport Fishing	Region 4 #1, Kevan Urquhart, Monterey Peninsula Water Management District L, 5/3/2012, O 5/23/2012	d) Request an increase in the bag and possession limit for striped bass in the Carmel, Salinas, and Pajaro river lagoons.	d) Do Not Accept Under Evaluation	d) The Department must complete its evaluation and coordinate this proposal through constituent groups, notably CA Sportfishing Protection Alliance, CA Striped Bass Association, and United Anglers, based upon recent Commission action concerning striped bass fishing and a recent Department decision to not continue the pilot striped bass predator removal project.
SF 5: General Sport Fishing	Region 4 #1, Kevan Urquhart, Monterey Peninsula Water Management District L, 5/3/2012, O 5/23/2012	e) Request that anglers be required to fill out a daily modified Carmel River Angler Surevy report form and fin clip striped bass in the Salinas and Pajaro river lagoons.	e) Do Not Accept Under Evaluation	e) The Department must complete its evaluation and coordinate this proposal through constituent groups, notably CA Sportfishing Protection Alliance, CA Striped Bass Association, and United Anglers, based upon recent Commission action concerning striped bass fishing and a recent Department decision to not continue the pilot striped bass predator removal project.
SF 5: General Sport Fishing	Region 4 #1, Kevan Urquhart, Monterey Peninsula Water Management District L, 5/3/2012, O 5/23/2012	f) Request that anglers be required to retain all striped bass caught in the Carmel, Salinas and Pajaro river lagoons.	f) Do Not Accept Under Evaluation	f) The Department must complete its evaluation and coordinate this proposal through constituent groups, notably CA Sportfishing Protection Alliance, CA Striped Bass Association, and United Anglers, based upon recent Commission action concerning striped bass fishing and a recent Department decision to not continue the pilot striped bass predator removal project.
SF 5: General Sport Fishing	Region 4 #1, Kevan Urquhart, Monterey Peninsula Water Management District L, 5/3/2012, O 5/23/2012	h) Request allowance to take striped bass in the Carmel, Salinas, and Pajaro river lagoons during low flow closures to reduce predation on steelhead.	h) Do Not Accept Under Evaluation	h) The Department must complete its evaluation and coordinate this proposal through constituent groups, notably CA Sportfishing Protection Alliance, CA Striped Bass Association, and United Anglers, based upon recent Commission action concerning striped bass fishing and a recent Department decision to not continue the pilot striped bass predator removal project.
SF 5: General Sport Fishing	Statewide #1, Perry Adkisson, E, 9/15/2010	Requests that the use of slingshots be made legal for the take of fish.	Do Not Accept	Current regulations allow the use of bow and arrows, and spear guns for the harvest of fish in selected areas. Bow and arrow tackle is required to have a line attached to the arrow for retrieval of the fish. The use of a slingshot to harvest a fish would provide no assurance that the fish would be appropriately killed and retrieved.
SF 5: General Sport Fishing	Statewide #10, Mark T. Micoch, Nor-Cal Fishing Guides, E, 4/6/2011	a) Restrict the hook-type on all non-buoyant lures exceeding ¾-ounce to circle hooks only to reduce snagging.	a) Do Not Accept	a) Snagging is already an illegal action and all observations should be reported to CalTip. Restrictive gear regulations have not proven to significantly reduce snagging activities. This proposed requirement will place a burden on legal anglers and gear manufacturers.
SF 5: General Sport Fishing	Statewide #10, Mark T. Micoch, Nor-Cal Fishing Guides, E, 4/6/2011	b) Restrict the leader-length to no more than 6 feet above the lowermost hook to reduce snagging.	b) Do Not Accept	b) Snagging is already an illegal action and all observations should be reported to CalTip. Restrictive gear regulations have not proven to significantly reduce snagging activities. This proposed requirement will adversely impact other type of legal fishing methods (i.e. fly fishing).
SF 5: General Sport Fishing	Statewide #11, Ray Robinson, L, No date	Seeking endorsement of a nation-wide reciprocal fishing license agreement.	Do Not Accept	This comment can't be addressed by this regulatory action for inland sport fishing regulations, Sections 1.05 - 40.15, Title 14, CCR. License fees are set by the Legislature.

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SF 5: General Sport Fishing	Statewide #12, Dale White, E, 12/19/2009	a) Increase fishing license fees,	a) Do Not Accept	a) This comment can't be addressed by this regulatory action for inland sport fishing regulations, Sections 1.05 - 40.15, Title 14, CCR. License fees are set by the Legislature.
SF 5: General Sport Fishing	Statewide #12, Dale White, E, 12/19/2009	b) Add a stamp for salmon,	b) Do Not Accept	b) This comment can't be addressed by this regulatory action for inland sport fishing regulations, Sections 1.05 - 40.15, Title 14, CCR. Only the Legislature has the authority to establish a salmon stamp.
SF 5: General Sport Fishing	Statewide #12, Dale White, E, 12/19/2009	c) No harvest of wild steelhead (catch and release only),	c) Comment Noted	c) The Department stopped harvest of wild steelhead in 2009.
SF 5: General Sport Fishing	Statewide #13, Jonathan Watson, E, 10/17/2011	Limit the length of leader for salmon tackle to prevent the snagging technique of "flossing or beading".		b) Snagging is already an illegal action and all observations should be reported to CalTip. Restrictive gear regulations have not proven to significantly reduce snagging activities. This proposed requirement will adversely impact other type of legal fishing methods (i.e. fly fishing).
SF 5: General Sport Fishing	Statewide #2, Trevor Long, E, 3/18/2010	Either no limit on sunfish or increase the limit to 50.	Do Not Accept	The sunfish limit was decreased from no limit to 25 (in combination with crappie) in 2009 due to illegal commercialization. The justification for the more restrictive sunfish limit has not changed due to continued Enforcement concerns.
SF 5: General Sport Fishing	Statewide #3, W. Boone Mora, E, 1/3/2011	Allow the use of bluegill for bait.	Do Not Accept	Fin fish are already allowed as bait in certain locations under existing bait regulations. Continued Enforcement concerns regarding illegal commercialization do support expanding existing bait regulations statewide.
SF 5: General Sport Fishing	Statewide #6, Ken & Dianna Opiat, E, 4/16/2011	Requests that the Steelhead Fishing and Restoration Report Card contain more than 30 entry spaces.	Comment Noted	This comment can't be addressed by this regulatory action for inland sport fishing regulations, Sections 1.05 - 40.15, Title 14, CCR.
SF 5: General Sport Fishing	Statewide #7, David Bourland, E, 3/17/2011	a) Increase the size of traps for the take of catfish from 3 feet to 4 feet in length.	a) Do Not Accept	a) It is illegal to take catfish with traps.
SF 5: General Sport Fishing	Statewide #7, David Bourland, E, 3/17/2011	b) Offer a fishing license for half a year at half price.	b) Do Not Accept	b) This comment can't be addressed by this regulatory action for inland sport fishing regulations, Sections 1.05 - 40.15, Title 14, CCR. License fees are set by the Legislature.
SF 5: General Sport Fishing	Statewide #9, George Clarke, E, 5/1/2011	a) Limit the number of fishing guide licenses.	a) Do Not Accept	a) This comment can't be addressed by this regulatory action for inland sport fishing regulations, Sections 1.05 - 40.15, Title 14, CCR. The Department does not support restricting access to fishing guide licenses.
SF 6: Spearfishing	Statewide #14, Waterman's Association and other diver groups, L, 2/6/2012, O, 4/12/2012	a) Request amended Section 27.85 to allow spearfishing of striped bass	a) Comment Noted	a) This comment can't be addressed by this regulatory action for inland sport fishing regulations, Sections 1.05 - 40.15, Title 14, CCR. This comment has been deferred to the Marine Region.
SF 6: Spearfishing	Statewide #14, Waterman's Association and other diver groups, L, 2/6/2012, O, 4/12/2012	b) Request amended Section 2.30 to allow spearfishing of striped bass	b) Accept with Modification	b) The Department is submitting a regulation change proposal to allow spearfishing for striped bass in limited locations. This proposal will address the concern raised in this comment.

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SF 6: Spearfishing	Statewide #15, Simon Volanski, E, 5/3/2012	a) Request amended Section 27.85 to allow spearfishing of striped bass	a) Comment Noted	a) This comment can't be addressed by this regulatory action for inland sport fishing regulations, Sections 1.05 - 40.15, Title 14, CCR. This comment has been deferred to the Marine Region.
SF 6: Spearfishing	Statewide #15, Simon Volanski, E, 5/3/2012	b) Request amended Section 2.30 to allow spearfishing of striped bass	b) Accept with Modification	b) The Department is submitting a regulation change proposal to allow spearfishing for striped bass in limited locations. This proposal will address the concern raised in this comment.
SF 6: Spearfishing	Statewide #16, CA Striped Bass Association, L, 3/27/2012	a) Request amended Section 27.85 to allow spearfishing of striped bass	a) Comment Noted	a) This comment can't be addressed by this regulatory action for inland sport fishing regulations, Sections 1.05 - 40.15, Title 14, CCR. This comment has been deferred to the Marine Region.
SF 6: Spearfishing	Statewide #16, CA Striped Bass Association, L, 3/27/2012	b) Request amended Section 2.30 to allow spearfishing of striped bass	b) Accept with Modification	b) The Department is submitting a regulation change proposal to allow spearfishing for striped bass in limited locations. This proposal will address the concern raised in this comment.
SF 6: Spearfishing	Statewide #17, Bill Bernard, O, 4/12/2012	Request amended Section 2.30 to allow spearfishing of striped bass in lakes and rivers	Accept with Modification	The Department is submitting a regulation change proposal to allow spearfishing for striped bass in limited locations. This proposal will address the concern raised in this comment.
SF 6: Spearfishing	Statewide #18, Brandy Easter, O, 4/12/2012	a) Request amended Section 27.85 to allow spearfishing of striped bass	a) Comment Noted	a) This comment can't be addressed by this regulatory action for inland sport fishing regulations, Sections 1.05 - 40.15, Title 14, CCR. This comment has been deferred to the Marine Region.
SF 6: Spearfishing	Statewide #18, Brandy Easter, O, 4/12/2012	b) Request amended Section 2.30 to allow spearfishing of striped bass	b) Accept with Modification	b) The Department is submitting a regulation change proposal to allow spearfishing for striped bass in limited locations. This proposal will address the concern raised in this comment.
SF 6: Spearfishing	Statewide #4, Daniel Burke, E, 8/27/2011	a) Freshwater spearfishing regulations should be the same as bow and arrow regulations statewide.	a) Do Not Accept	a) The Department does not support expanding spearfishing statewide to alignment these regulations with bow and arrow regulations. The Department remains concerned about the ability to enforce spear fishing regulations beyond the existing designated locations.
SF 6: Spearfishing	Statewide #4, Daniel Burke, E, 8/27/2011	b) Bow and arrow regulations should include tilapia and mullet in the first sentence.	b) Do Not Accept	b) Tilapia and mullet are not found statewide and existing regulations already offer opportunities for these species where they exist.
SF 6: Spearfishing	Statewide #5, Dennis Haussler, L, 6/12/2011	a) Freshwater spearfishing regulations should be the same as bow and arrow regulations statewide.	a) Do Not Accept	a) The Department does not support expanding spearfishing statewide to alignment these regulations with bow and arrow regulations. The Department remains concerned about the ability to enforce spear fishing regulations beyond the existing designated locations.
SF 6: Spearfishing	Statewide #5, Dennis Haussler, L, 6/12/2011	b) Allow spearfishing for striped bass	b) Accept with Modification	b) The Department is submitting a regulation change proposal to allow spearfishing for striped bass in limited locations. This proposal will address the concern raised in this comment.