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Sb: HR 2738 Fm: MAIL

To: >INTERNET:Ramona@John.Berkeley.edu

Ramona.

How are you? I hope well. Had a friend visiting from Stanford last evening..she spent a lot of time shivering and saying how much less drab California was.....she also spent for over two hours in 36 degree weather waiting in line to get a ticket to the Vermer exhibit which I am sure made the cold all the more encompassing......

Just talked with Dennis McEwen to find out if the Chapter was interested in doing an action alert on HR 2738, the Doolittle-Dooley bill to reform the Central Valley Project Act.

He thought that Paul Brouha might have contacted Ed Bianci on that and that you might be sending letters on same......

I would be more than willing to just put a header on the following file from Ed to the chapter members and send same to you or Ed or who ever is best to copy for the Chapter meeting the last week of February, if that is something that you and Ed, and the Chapter ExCom would like.

Please let me know if you are already working on this....if you have a copy of the Chapter's letter on this, if one was written, it would be very helpful to have a copy of same.

Thanks,

Pam

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pam thanks for your help. just want to reiterate the point that this should be perceived as an AFS effort, not something you are doing in response to a request by us (even though that is what it is). if it comes from AFS it is then perceived as greass roots and that is important as you know.

thanks again

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Jean,

Re. 2738

So far have talked with the in-coming AFS Cal-Neva Chapter President about me helping them prepare an action alert on H.R. 2738.....

Have also sent my draft of same to the Cal-Neva Chapter FAN manager :-)

Will keep you inormed as the Chapter makes decisions on the actions they plan to take.

Thank you for the help.....though of course what help :-)
pam

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Re: Re: news from jean....

Dale,

Just FYI.....evidence points to Dennis Lee being a non functioning link in the Western Division. I think we can assure much better chance of follow up working directly with the CAL-NEVA Chapter..thus that is the action I am taking.

Pam

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johnepi@perm.fw.msu.edu Subject: Re: news from jean....

Pam:

Let's get CAL/NEVA and the Western Division in the loop...can you send

them this information and see if they can start using it?

Reply Separator

Subject: news from jean....

Author: American Fisheries Soc <73312.1155@compuserve.com> at

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Just one more reply....incase this looks like I have not returned Jeanne's call for ten days.......the message I received was that she call yesterday at 3:00......I did not see the message until ~11:30 this am and I called her as soon as I received the message.........

For the record Jeanne has been very helpful to me in the past...also Miller has been great...a call from her might be returned after a call to you, but it would come very close on the heals of our ending our conversation!

take care,

sig fish

ps....did I tell you that John called me after your call re. Trout Unlimited...he really wants that kept quiet....infact they have not talked directly to him about the potential so......it is hard for people outside the District of Chaos to realize that a town of half a million people is soooooo small......

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From: "JFLEMMA" <JFLEMMA@HR.HOUSE.GOV>

Subject: memo for FAN action To: 73312.1155@compuserve.com Comment: MEMO 01/30/96 12:18:00

Pam--

Here is the text that I am hoping AFS and FAN could turn into an action alert for your members. As I mentioned on the phone, House action is expected sometime in March so the sooner the folks can take action the better. Obviously, you should feel free to edit or amend this text in any way you see fit to more accurately reflect AFS views and the type of action alert you would send out. I merely provide the copy to save you some work and provide you with the necessary background. I will put a copy of the bill in the mail today. thanks for your assistance.

jean

SAVE CALIFORNIA FISHERIES OPPOSE H.R. 2738 - The Central Valley Project "Reform" Act

Important California fisheries are under assault in Washington, where subsidized agricultural interests from the Central Valley are steamrolling legislation to regain complete control of California water, excluding the needs of fish and wildlife. Your immediate participation is urgently needed in the fight prevent this catastrophe!

In 1992, Congress passed one of the most important fishery restoration and water reform laws in recent history, the Central Valley Improvement Act (CVPIA). That law brought balance to the allocation of California water, promoting the recovery of commercial and sport fisheries that have long been devastated by the operations of the Central Valley Project on behalf of diverters and irrigators.

H.R. 2738 (formerly H.R. 1906), introduced by Congressmen John Doolittle and Cal Dooley, will undo these reforms and seriously threaten the recovery of virtually every important fishery in the State.

In particular, H.R. 2738 (H.R. 1906) guts the CVPIA's goal of doubling anadromous fish populations in the Sacramento/San Joaquin River basin, and guts provisions requiring the

dedication of 800,000 acre feet of water to fish and wildlife restoration. In addition, it eliminates altogether requirements to restore striped bass, American shad, and sturgeon and cripples the Trinity River in-basin fish restoration program.

In short, the Doolittle-Dooley bill is a return to business as usual where the Central Valley Project is operated only to benefit taxpayer-subsidized agribusiness at the expense of every other interest in the State. THIS BILL MUST BE DEFEATED!

FOUR THINGS YOU CAN DO TO SAVE CALIFORNIA FISHERIES

- H.R. 2738 (H.R. 1906) is expected to be voted on by the full House of Representatives in late March. You must act quickly to stop this legislation and ensure that the recovery of California fisheries continues.
- 1) Write or call your Representative and your Senators telling them to oppose H.R. 2738 (H.R. 1906). They need to hear from the many diverse users of California water --- not just subsidized agriculture. (Several points that you may want to include in your letter or call are included on the back of this sheet.)
- 2) Send a copy of your letter to Congressman George Miller, the chief opponent of H.R. 2738 in the House of Representatives. He needs to know that you support his efforts to stop H.R. 2738. (The Honorable George Miller, 2205 Rayburn HOB, Washington, DC 20515)
- 3) Do you belong to an angling or environmental club in your community? Use the next meeting to urge your fellow members to take action to help save California sport fisheries. Distribute copies of this handout and add their voices to the opposition to H.R. 2738 (H.R. 1906).
- 4) Write or call the environmental or angling reporter at your local paper. Bring their attention to H.R. 2738 (H.R. 1906) and see if they will write a story or an editorial about the efforts of agribusiness to dominate California water policy and ignore the needs of fisheries and wildlife.

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Important Points to Make in a Call or Letter to Your
Representative and Senators

- * Urge them to oppose H.R. 2738 (H.R. 1906) or any other legislation that would undermine the water policy reforms of the Central Valley Improvement Act of 1992 (CVPIA).
- * Tell them of your concerns for the biological diversity of the Central Valley and all of California and stress the importance of maintaining this diversity.
- * Remind them that the California sport and commercial fishing industries contributes hundreds of millions of dollars and thousands of jobs annually to the State's economy. Unlike the agricultural industry, these benefits accrue without the advantage of multi-billion dollar subsidies funded by the taxpayers.
- * Tell them where you fish and why it is important to you. Are you involved in a fisheries related business? How would your business be affected if the population of important fisheries like striped bass, sturgeon, salmon and shad continue to decline?

- * Emphasize the fact that the Central Valley Project should be operated in a manner that serves ALL the interests and needs of the state, not just the needs of the agricultural industry that has enjoyed taxpayer subsidies for decades while the wetlands and the fisheries of the State have been ruined.
- * Finally, let them know that their vote on this issue is of serious interest to you and will play a major role in how you vote in November.

Address your letters to:

The Honorable

U.S. House of Representatives

Washington, DC 20515

Senator

U.S. Senate

Washington, DC 20510

Or call the Capitol switchboard (202-224-3121) and asked to be connected directly to your Representative or Senator's office.

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To: INTERNET:dale_burkett@mail.fws.gov

Dale,

Yes.....she is also going to call you and "kick your butt"..... I decided not to ask her why you deserved such rough treatment...she might have told me :-).

She want the Western Division to kill a bad bill to destroy the Central Valley Fish and Wildlife Improvement Act.... Dennis McEwan will be great on this......

Jeanne is sending material here...I will send same to Dennis McEwan and casper the ghost, Dennis Lee....on this I think we can not count on Lee...no one has heard from him since the meeting in Utah....not even the Western Division Officers! On the other hand McEwan is 100% on line and incharge of the Cal-Neva meeting program the end of February..

Rock and Roll,

sig fish

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Subject: FAN

Pam:

This message was forwarded Jean Flemma > John Epifanio > me > you, Doug and Pat.

Have you called Jean back yet?

Dale

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To: johnepi@PERM.FW.MSU.EDU Comment: MEMO 01/29/96 17:16:00

John

With regard to our conversation on Saturday... I have a phone call into Pam but have not heard back from her yet. I am definitely interested in getting AFS FAN to work this issue as soon as possible, so hopefully she will call me back soon. have attached the document that I did for ASA that FAN could translate into its own action alert for the california. look it over and if you talk to pam before I do, then talk it up with her. should I email this to dale also? what is his email we need to get them going on this right away.

thanks, talk to you later.

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Jean,

The following letter has been mailed with Paul's signature. Hope it helps.

Pam

April 19, 1996

The Honorable George Miller 2205 Rayburn House Office Building Washington DC 20515

Dear Mr. Miller,

Please oppose H.R. 2738 (H.R. 1906) or any other legislation that would undermine the water policy reforms of the Central Valley Improvement Act of 1992 (CVPIA).

The Act furthers the biological diversity of the Central Valley and all of California. This diversity is crucial to maintain our options in the future.

The Act will help maintain California sport and commercial fishing industries that contribute hundreds of millions of dollars and thousands of jobs annually to the State's economy. Unlike the agricultural industry, these benefits accrue without the advantage of multi-billion dollar subsidies funded by the taxpayers.

The Central Valley Project should be operated in a manner that broadly serves the interests and needs of the state, not just the needs of the agricultural industry that has enjoyed taxpayer subsidies for decades while the wetlands and the fisheries of the State have been ruined.

In the interests of California fisheries and biological diversity, please allow the CVPIA work in the manor Congress intended it to.

Sincerely,

Paul Brouha Executive Director

PB: jpq

cc. Ed Bianci, Cal-Neva Chapter President; Ramona Swenson, Cal-Neva FAN Manager; Dennis Lee, Western Division President

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To: 73312.1155@COMPUSERVE.COM Comment: MEMO 04/16/96 10:35:00

Pam

How are you? My boss has asked whether the national AFS could write us a letter supporting the CVPIA and Doolittle bill? We think they may be gearing up to take it to the floor sometime soon and we want to get ready. Could you talk to Paul and fire us off a letter? thanks alot.

jean

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TO



FROM:

Ramona Swenson

FAX:

(510) 689-8874

PHONE:

(510) 689-8822

TO:

Ted Frink (Dept. of Water Resources) 916-227-7554

Dennis McEwan (Dept. of Fish and Game) 916-654-8099 Leslie Millett (Dept. of Water Resources) 916-227-7554 Pam McClelland (American Fisheries Society) 301-897-8096

Ted Nordhaus (Save San Francisco Bay Association) 510-452-9266

DATE:

February 9, 1996

SUBJECT:

CVPIA letter

PAGES:

3 including cover

MESSAGE:

As the Cal-Neva chapter's Manager of the Fisheries Action Network, I wrote the attached letter regarding the chapter's position opposing changes to the CVPIA and gave individualized copies to Ed Bianchi to sign. We sent letters to all members of California's delegation to the House of Representatives (52 total).



American Fisheries Society

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6630 Cutting Blvd. El. Cerrito, CA 94530 January 27, 1996

Representative Bill Baker House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515

Dear Representative Baker,

The California-Nevada Chapter of the American Fisheries Society is a professional organization of over 500 fishery biologists and aquatic scientists in California and Nevada. Our mission is to promote the profession of fisheries biology and to advance the conservation of fish and aquatic ecosystems.

We are writing in regard to H.R. 1906, a bill that threatens the environmental and economic resources of the State of California by significantly undercutting the Central Valley Improvement Act (CVPIA). The CVPIA is a far-reaching water reform bill that was signed into law in 1992 with strong bipartisan support in Congress, as well as support from a broad coalition of fishing interests, urban water agencies, business groups, and environmentalists. Together with the Bay-Delta agreement, which was signed in December 1994 by state and federal governments and affected stakeholders, the CVPIA marked the most significant progress towards resolving California's water wars and restoring its fish and wildlife resources. However, H.R. 1906 jeopardizes this progress by repealing many of the critical features of the CVPIA.

We are generally opposed to H.R. 1906, which eviscerates the fisheries goals of the CVPIA and takes away the tools to achieve restoration of these resources. In particular, we are concerned with the following provisions of the bill:

Restoring Fish and Wildlife Resources 1.

The anadromous fisheries of the Sacramento-San Joaquin system, such as chinook salmon and striped bass, have declined precipitously as more water has been diverted from streams and the Delta. These species are important to our suffering commercial and sport fisheries and to local and state economies. The CVPIA established a goal of doubling anadromous fish production in California streams and rivers by 2002. H.R. 1906 substantially weakens this federal mandate, deferring instead to the state's fish doubling program, which is stalled due to lack of funding. The bill requires only that the Secretary of the Interior "pursue" corrective measures, with no requirement to achieve actual restoration. Finally, H.R. 1906 takes away the means to achieve

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fisheries restoration by effectively repealing the 800,000 acre feet of CVP yield dedicated to flow augmentation for fish and by curtailing funding and use of monies for habitat restoration. We urge you to support strong and meaningful requirements for fish and wildlife conservation.

2. Anadromous Fish

By definition, anadromous fish spend their adult lives in saltwater and return to freshwater to spawn. Anadromous fishes in the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta system include chinook salmon, striped bass, sturgeon, and American shad. H.R. 1906 defies science by excluding striped bass, sturgeon and American shad from the definition of "anadromous fish" in the CVPIA, thereby further weakening the original goals of fishery restoration. Although some of these species are not native to California, they do support substantial sport fisheries. For example, striped bass support a multimillion dollar recreational industry. We urge you to oppose this effort to redefine anadromous fishes, which is not based on sound science but rather the interests of agribusiness.

3. Trinity River

Current law establishes a simple and consensus-based process to develop solutions that will restore fishery resources and habitat in the Trinity River Basin. H.R. 1906 would cripple this process by requiring approval of formal government regulations prior to increasing river flows for fish, thereby destroying the Trinity River restoration program. We urge you to oppose these provisions.

The CVPIA is critical to efforts to resolve California's water wars, restore our fish and wildlife resources, and revitalize our devastated commercial and recreational fishing industries. H.R. 1906 threatens to overturn the landmark cooperation that has been achieved on water resources management issues. Not only will it weaken the CVPIA, it will undermine the Bay-Delta Agreement, the State Water Resources Control Board's water quality control plan, and the joint state-federal long term planning process. For these reasons, we urge you to oppose H.R. 1906.

Sincerely,

Ed Bianchi President California-Nevada Chapter FROM: "JFLEMMA", INTERNET: JFLEMMA@HR. HOUSE.GOV

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I have received a copy addressed to George Miller. It is great, but as I have told Dale, the real need is for letters from the individual members, as many as possible. They should write to their own representative and to the two california senators. Letters from the head of the chapter are great but they do not have the impact that hundreds of letters from individual members will have. This is really where the rubber hits the road. Hopefully the chapter is working on that.

thanks pam,

jean

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Jean,

Just received a faxed copy of the AFS Cal-Neva Chapter letter.....would be pleased to send you same.....

Please send me your fax number.

Take care,

Pam

Organized 1870 to Promote the Conservation, Development and Wise Utilization of the Fisheries

FROM:

Ramona Swenson, INTERNET: ramona@john.berkeley.edu

TO:

American Fisheries Soc, 73312,1155

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American Fisheries Society

2/13/96

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To: American Fisheries Soc <73312.1155@compuserve.com>

From: ramona@john.berkeley.edu (Ramona Swenson)

Subject: Re: HR 2738

Message-ID: <1387956700-38825137@john.Berkeley.EDU>

Hi Pam,

Hope you received the faxed copy of the letter we sent to California's

delegation on the CVPIA "Reform" Act. I'll bring up the idea of a broader

action alert at our next Ex-Comm meeting this week. Thanks for the information!

By the way, I'm checking mail at my ramona@john.berkeley.edu address less

frequently these days, so it might be better to send stuff to my work address trihey1@aol.com. Alas, it's a general address for our entire staff

of 13, so please put my name somewhere in the header or salutation.

Cheers,

Ramona

Phone:

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(510) 689-8822

(510) 689-8874

Ramona Swenson, Ph. D. Associate Aquatic Biologist

(510) 234-BIRD (234-2473) Trihey & Associates, Inc. Home: 4180 Treat Blvd. E-mail: ramona@john.berkeley.edu

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HR 2738

American Fisheries Society

Ramona,

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PAUThankarou for the note 30 drd -8 y 6 dr -8 few EAX me 1297 200 ress.

President 1995-1996

PAUL BROUHA Executive Director

You did a great job on the letters from Ed on HR 2738!!!!!! (Yes I did receive your faxed copy thank you).

I hope that the ExCom approves your idea of asking members to write.....On this for sure the agricultural interests are flooding the members with letters.

If you get a go ahead from the ExCom maybe they would each bring three sheets of as many types of writing paper and envelopes as they can find in their larder or their kids rooms to the chapter meeting to make it easy for people to write.....maybe you could make admission to the mixer three had written letters (one to their delegate and the others to their senators)..then you would know you had them on their way.....heck if there isn't enough writing paper, a plain piece of copy paper and envelope will do...maybe an ExCom member would be able to ask for several hundred pieces of paper and a few hundred plain white envelopes as a donation.

Take care and please let me know if I can help you on this......

Pam

Letters can be really extremely simple...some version of "I ask you to oppose HR 2738 because it will set back aquatic resource restoration in this state...please let me know what you plan to do on this subject and how I may help."

If Ed also suggests people not at the meeting write from home it might be good to add a cautionary note for them to use their own writing paper, not agency writing paper.

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To: American Fisheries Soc <73312.1155@compuserve.com>

Cc: patricia mazik@mail.fws.gov

Subject: Re: HR 2738

This is good stuff!!!!

Reply Separator

Subject: HR 2738

American Fisheries Soc <73312.1155@compuserve.com> at 9DE~INTR Author:

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Pat and Dale...... Just FYI.....Ramona is the FAN Manager for the California Nevada Chapter. In addition to writing letters on this bill to all the state congressional represenatives she sent out an action alert(following) to all the people who she had heard back from on collecting data for the assetts

This is a good example of how FAN makes Chapters more effective at data base. doing what they want to do! Pam

----- Forwarded Message ------

From: Ramona Swenson, INTERNET:ramona@john.berkeley.edu

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Subject: HR 2738
Cc: 73312.1155@compuserve.com (AFS Pam McClelland)
Message-ID: <1386749165-111454812@john.Berkeley.EDU>
Dear Cal-Neva members,
Thank you for returning the Fisheries Action Network questionaire.
sending the following message regarding attempts to gut the Central Valley
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How are you? I hope well. Had a friend visiting from Stanford last evening..she spent a lot of time shivering and saying how much less drab California was.....she also spent for over two hours in 36 degree weather waiting in line to get a ticket to the Vermer exhibit which I am sure made the cold all the more encompassing......

Just talked with Dennis McEwen to find out if the Chapter was interested in doing an action alert on HR 2738, the Doolittle-Dooley bill to reform the Central Valley Project Act.

He thought that Paul Brouha might have contacted Ed Bianci on that and that you might be sending letters on same......

I would be more than willing to just put a header on the following file from Ed to the chapter members and send same to you or Ed or who ever is best to copy for the Chapter meeting the last week of February, if that is something that you and Ed, and the Chapter ExCom would like.

Please let me know if you are already working on this....if you have a copy of the Chapter's letter on this, if one was written, it would be very helpful to have a copy of same.

Thanks,

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Sincerely,

Paul Brouha

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