

Inland trout:

The CA Fish and Game Commission will be having a teleconference meeting at which the Commission will discuss the current version of the Inland Trout Regulation Simplification Plan Document. TU staff and grassroots have been providing feedback to CDFW on this plan since the original document was circulated in 2019, and the current version reflects some of our highest priority suggested amendments and corrections.

Please note this does not include any anadromous waters, so very few local streams are included in the changes.

The teleconference meeting will take place Wednesday, June 24th and Thursday, June 25th with the reg simplification item on the agenda on the 25th. Specifically, the FGC will consider authorizing publication of a formal "Notice of Intent" to update and simplify inland sport fishing regulations. The Commission will take public comment on this and other agenda items -- you can find the current table of proposed regulations, meeting agenda and public comment information below:

Table of Proposed changes:

<https://nrm.dfg.ca.gov/FileHandler.ashx?DocumentID=175721&inline>

Meeting Agenda: <https://nrm.dfg.ca.gov/FileHandler.ashx?DocumentID=180395&inline>

How to join to provide Public Comment :

<https://nrm.dfg.ca.gov/FileHandler.ashx?DocumentID=180444&inline>

Eel River Dams

Those working to restore access to the Eel headwaters would very much appreciate your comments to FERC in support of dam removal on the Eel. As I mentioned on the call we are very early in the process, but a simple "I support dam removal and fisheries restoration on the Eel" is all we really need at this point.

You can comment using the step by step instructions I have created on our website here:

<https://www.redwoodempire-tu.org/eel-river-dams-ta>

There is a sample letter provided.

Additionally, Native Fish Society and Friends of the Eel River each have similar action alerts and sample letters available, CalTrout will as well in the coming days.

And I may have forgotten to mention I am working with TU staff and a broad coalition on this issue including the Round Valley and Wiyot tribes, CalTrout, The Nature Conservancy, Humboldt County, PCFFA, Save California Salmon. More info here:

<https://www.casalmonandsteelhead.org/pottervalleyproject/>