State of California The Resources Agency

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From : Department of Fish and Game

Subject: Field Note - Jack Peters Gulch, Mendocino County

During an on-site Water Rights Hearing on October 25,1974, juvenilesteelhead were observed in the vicinity of the Surfwood Estates diversion dam.

Juveniles were observed both above and below the dam. In the area checked above the dam, only one juvenile of about 3 inches was observed. About 5 juveniles of about 3 to 4 inches in size were observed in the two pools checked immediately below the dam.

Conclusion - Jack Peters Gulch does, contrary to previous indications, support steelhead trout above the Surfwood Dam.

Recommendations - The Surfwood Dam should be modified to reduce the fish passage problem as part of protest dismissal terms. Thus, the hazard permitting movement only at the higher flow level will be lessened and increased spawning use of the upper drainage will mitigate somewhat reduced flows below the dam. Furthermore, it is in violation of Fish and Game Code 5931.

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