

Memorandum

To : Mr. Richard Wood,
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Date: October 10, 1968

From : **Department of Fish and Game**

Subject : Silver Salmon - Russian River Drainage. Sonoma County.

As was requested in the correspondence of June 20, 1968, 19 tributaries of the Russian River in Sonoma County were checked for the presence of juvenile silver salmon. Capture and identification of the fish was done by the use of a brail net.

It should be noted, however, that a period of low rainfall occurred during the silver salmon spawning season last year. Resulting unfavorable stream conditions might account for the scarcity of silver salmon in some of the tributaries.

The following results were obtained:

1. Willow Creek
Silver Salmon, steelhead, sculpin.
2. Sheephouse Creek
Silver salmon, steelhead.
3. Dutch Bill Creek
4. Freezout Creek
Silver salmon, steelhead.
5. Austin Creek Drainage
 - a) Austin Creek - steelhead, roach, large squawfish, suckers
 - b) Gilliam Creek - steelhead
 - c) East Austin Creek - steelhead, roach, suckers, squawfish
 - d) Ward Creek - steelhead, roach
 - e) Kohute Gulch - dry
 - f) Kidd Creek - Silver salmon, steelhead
 - g) Bearhouse Creek - steelhead, roach
 - h) Black Rock Creek - steelhead

6. Smith Creek
No species of fish found.
7. Porter Creek
Steelhead, roach.
8. Green Valley Creek
Silver salmon, green sunfish, roach, stickleback.
9. Dry Creek Drainage
 - a) Dry Creek - Steelhead, roach, suckers, squawfish
 - b) Felta Creek - Steelhead, roach
 - c) Mill Creek - Steelhead
 - d) Wallace Creek - Steelhead, roach, suckers
 - e) Pena Creek - Steelhead, roach, suckers.

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