

March 31, 1998

Mr. Bill Townsend  
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Dear Bill:

On March 30, 1998, we received a letter from the National Marine Fishery Service recommending the Department of Fish and Game approve your request to resume your steelhead stocking program. This letter authorized the Ukiah Rod and Gun Club to stock unspawned adult steelhead in tributaries to the Russian River. You may release the following numbers of steelhead in the waters listed below:

Forsythe Creek	25 females	50 to 75 males
Gibson Creek	10 females	20 to 30 males
Mill Creek	25 females	50 to 75 males
Orr Creek	15 females	30 to 45 males

California's salmon and steelhead resources are in trouble and it is only through partnerships with organizations like the Ukiah Rod and Gun Club that these fish can be restored. The Department appreciates your continuing effort to protect and restore the salmon and steelhead resources in Mendocino County. If you have questions concerning your steelhead stocking program please contact me at (707) 944 5532.

Sincerely,



Ken Aasen  
Senior Fishery Biologist  
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cc: Mr. Patrick J. Rutten  
National Marine Fishery Service

Mr. Weldon Jones

bc: Royce Gunter, Sid Poe, John Emig, Scott Harris

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