March 2, 1987

A. J. Gray P. O. Box 626 Fort Bragg, CA 95437

Dear Mr. Gray:

Thank you for your letter concerning the salmon runs on the south fork of Ten Mile River.

As you probably know, silver salmon runs are below historical levels in most northern California streams. We seem to have lost the fish entirely in some areas during the drought years of the late 1970's.

Fortunately, we have found juvenile silver salmon and the carcasses of adult salmon in the course of our barrier removal work on the north stem of the south fork of the Ten Mile River and some of its tributaries.

Our stream clearance/habitat restoration work on these tributaries has allowed fish to utilize habitat that was once above impassable barriers. We hope that by protecting the streamside vegetation, improving logging practices, and restoring habitat, silver salmon runs will return to a significant fraction of their historical levels.

Sincerely,

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