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On Behalf Of:
Committee: Senate Committee On Natural Resources and
Wildfire
Measure, Appointment or
Topic: SB512

Dear Representatives,

I oppose the hatchery program for the reason that it is a short term solution to a problem that requires more long term thought and initiative. As elected officials, your job is to represent your constituents but also to make the hard decisions and the right decisions. Hatchery fish provide fish for people to catch now, but I am concerned about the fish for my children and grandchildren to have the opportunity to catch. I am asking you to please think about future generations and the protections necessary to help improve our wild fish populations. Use the hatchery funds in a way that supports healthy waterways and fish that belong in our rivers. Wild fish belong in our rivers, not fish raised in cement tanks. Please make the right decision based on science.