## SALMON ADVISORY SUBPANEL REPORT ON CURRENT HABITAT ISSUES

The Salmon Advisory Subpanel (SAS) is in support of the draft letter regarding Conservation of the Sacramento River Winter-Run Chinook prepared by the Habitat Committee (HC).

Fishermen are not the least bit responsible for the collapse of the Sacramento winter-run Chinook salmon, but we are paying the costs incurred for the benefit of the inland water users. It is time to remind water managers of the need to ensure practices that minimize further harm to the winter-run. To this end, the SAS encourages the Council to write the State of Water Resources Control Board (SWRCP) and the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation (BOR) regarding the conservation of Sacramento River winter-run Chinook.

The SAS concurs in the strategies outlined in the HC's draft letter including that the SWRCP/BOR regulate Trinity Reservoir in a manner that protects in-Basin fishery needs first and foremost.

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