

# **2020 Central Valley Salmon Sport Fishing Regulations**



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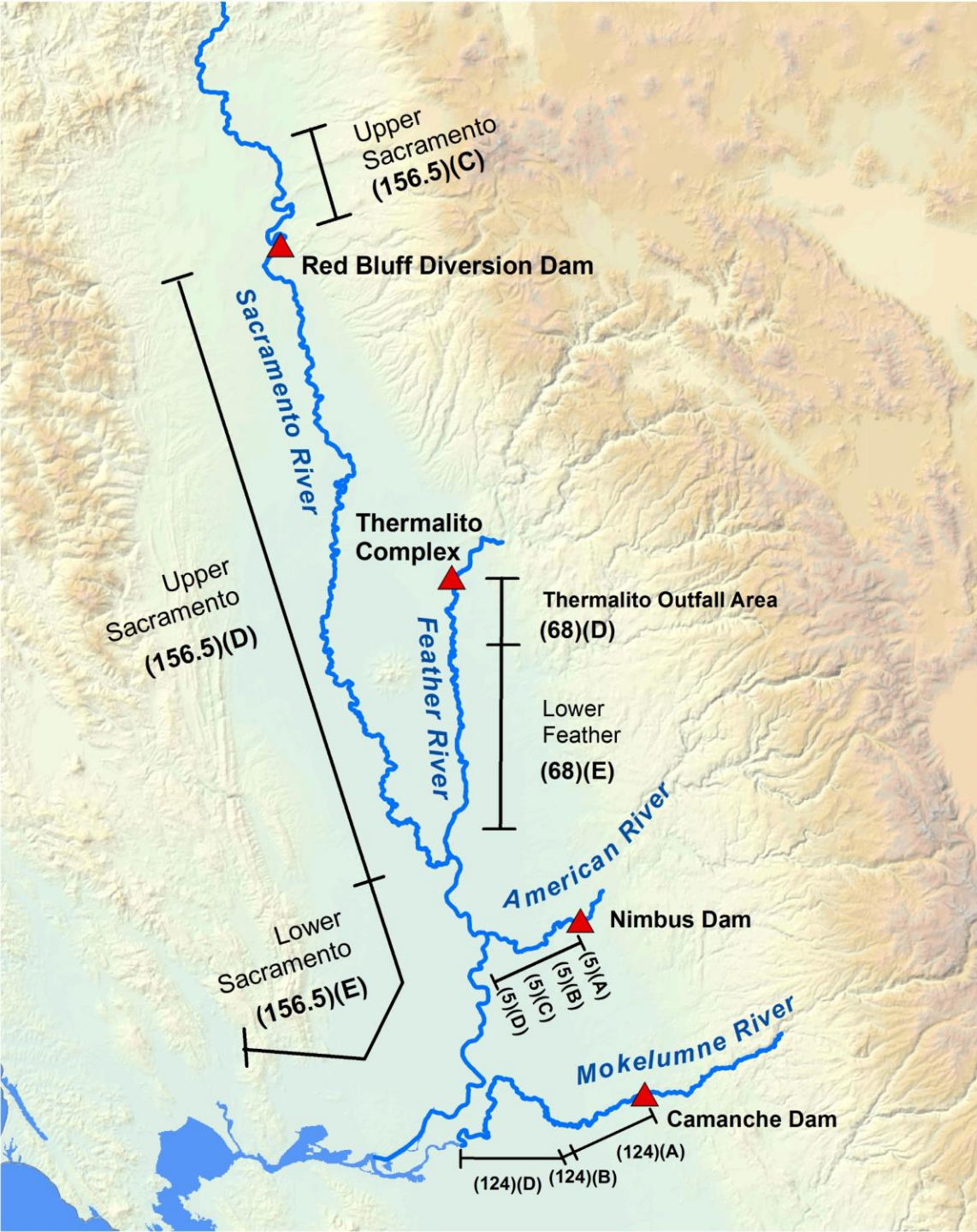


# California Central Valley Waters Open to Chinook Salmon Angling, 2019



# Special Regulation Waters

Major Central Valley Rivers, 2018



# 2019 Sport Fishing Regulations

- Lower American River
  - 2 fish daily bag / 4 fish possession limit
- Feather River
  - 2 fish daily bag / 4 fish possession limit
- Sacramento River
  - 2 fish daily bag / 4 fish possession limit
- Mokelumne River
  - 2 fish daily bag / 4 fish possession limit

# Increased Fishing Opportunities

- Feather River
  - extended the salmon fishing season by two weeks between the Thermalito Afterbay Outfall and the Live Oak boat ramp
- Mokelumne River
  - extended the salmon and hatchery steelhead fishing season on approximately ten miles of river between the Highway 99 Bridge and Elliott Road

# 2020 Regulatory Options

- Option 1 – Any size Chinook Salmon fishery
  - allow harvest of up to [0-4] salmon any size per day
- Option 2 – Limited adult and grilse salmon fishery
  - allow harvest of a limited number of adult salmon, with grilse salmon making up the remainder of the daily bag and possession limits
- Option 3 - Grilse-only salmon fishery
  - allow for a grilse-only salmon fishery

# **Range of Possible Bag and Possession Limits**

- Lower American River
  - Bag limit: 0-4 fish; Possession limit: 0-8 fish
- Feather River
  - Bag limit: 0-4 fish; Possession limit: 0-8 fish
- Mokelumne River
  - Bag limit: 0-4 fish; Possession limit: 0-8 fish
- Sacramento River
  - Bag limit: 0-4 fish; Possession limit: 0-8 fish

