

S-Upper Truckee R.  
El Dorado Co.

STATE OF CALIFORNIA  
DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME  
INTRAOFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

DATE August 12, 1955

TO: W. T. SHANNON, DEPUTY DIRECTOR  
  
FROM: INLAND FISHERIES BRANCH  
  
SUBJECT: IMPROVEMENT OF UPPER TRUCKEE RIVER

We hope to improve a half-mile section of subject river as a pilot project next summer.

At the present rate of deterioration of the stream, as a result of bad grazing practices, I am reluctant to wait five years to observe the results of the pilot project before doing anything to protect the rest of the stream. It is going fast.

We should protect the principal spawning tributary of Lake Tahoe.

Would you have any objections if Region II explores the possibility of purchasing the stream, or obtaining permanent easements for purposes of improvement? They could also get some idea of what it might cost if preliminary contacts indicate such an approach might be practical.

Our thinking on the matter is that we need to know whether something of this sort is possible. If it is, we can then look into the possibility of financing it.

Alex Calhoun, Chief  
Inland Fisheries Branch

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cc: Seth Gordon  
Region II, Attention: J. C. Fraser

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