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Sacramento 19, California

August 27th 1960

Mr. Eugene Thomas
Division of Soil Conservation
Dept. of Natural Resources, State of California
Government Center
Placerville, California

Dear Gene:

I am enclosing a summary and cost estimate of the erosion project on the Upper Truckee River.

The Wildlife Conservation Board cannot guarantee us any specific amount of money for this work, but will only say that they have expressed a sincere interest in it, and will help solve the problem. I expect that their willingness to contribute funds will depend very largely upon the willingness of local land owners to help themselves. Ray Nesbitt, Wildlife Board Coordinator, has had a great deal of experience with this sort of thing, and he believes that it would be wise for the local land owners to join with the existing El Dorado Soil Conservation District. I agree with him and we will sincerely appreciate any effort you may be able to make in this direction.

I am writing to Larry Hall to suggest that he set up a meeting before too long where we can present our case to the land owners and other interested parties.

I will keep you informed of any developments.

Thanks very much for your help so far.

Sincerely yours,

Don W. Kelley
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Mr. Larry Hall
Sierra Nevada Realty Company
Al Tahoe, California

Dear Larry:

Here is the cost estimate and report that I promised you.

I believe that erosion control work should be completed in the section between the Alpine Camp Ground and the Pie Shop before any work is done downstream. This does not necessarily mean that the land owners below the Pie Shop should be excluded from any planning done at this time.

A few days ago I talked with Ray Nesbitt, Wildlife Service Board Coordinator. Ray's feeling was that the Board would probably help finance this project, but that since the project is not to solve fish problems alone, the land owners themselves should contribute substantially. It may be that this contribution could be in the form of equipment or material available on their land. In any case, we all agree that the best thing to do next is to arrange a meeting with as many land owners, and others interested in this project, as possible.

I will leave this up to you because I feel that it will be more successful if it originates at the lake than from some governmental office in Sacramento. Just let me know of the date, and I will arrange to have a representative there from the Wildlife Conservation Board and the Soil Conservation Division.

I should like approximately one-half hour to talk and show colored slides about the fisheries part of this problem.

Thanks very much for your help.

Sincerely,

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Mr. Al Mullen,
District Ranger, U. S. Forest Service
Meyers Ranger Station
Meyers, California

Dear Al:

I am enclosing a brief report and cost estimate of our proposed erosion control work on the Upper Truckee River.

Since now there is erosion even on the U. S. Forest Service land I expect that the Forest Service will willingly cooperate.

Larry Hall is going to arrange a meeting of the land owners and other interested parties. At that meeting we will present the fish problem and ask for help. One of the first steps must be the formation of a district that can officially obtain funds and guarantee maintenance after the project has been completed. At this stage, it would appear desirable to extend the El Dorado Soil Conservation District to include the Upper Truckee River.

You will also no doubt be interested to learn that we have decided to go ahead and chemically treat Echo Lake. The job will be done after the lake has been drawn down, we hope, in October.

Very truly yours

Don M. Kelley
Fisheries Biologist III

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