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Mr. Bruce Robinson, Executive Secretary
El Dorado County Planning Commission
429 Main Street
Placerville, California 95667

Dear Mr. Robinson:

I have just had a chance to review your minutes of October 26, 1967, and noted with pleasure the action of the Commission in regard to Item 9.a., Tahoe Paradise Units 60 and 61. I believe we are making real progress here and wanted to thank you and the Commission for the fine support which you have given the Department in trying to protect the Upper Truckee River.

There are many more problems facing us in this area with more and more subdivisions being developed, but I believe the guidelines set for Tahoe Paradise and for other areas previously reviewed are strong steps in the right direction. We plan to have representatives present for your December 4 hearing in regard to Kyburz Land Company developments adjacent to the airport, and hope that we can prevent the channelization of the Truckee as proposed in this development.

I am deeply concerned with any developments in the Truckee River flood plain, particularly in this area. In the past, during heavy runoff years, I have seen the entire flood plain completely flooded with 1 or more feet of water over the area. If we get subdivision developments moving into this area, the next step will be for complete channelization of the river and guniting of the banks to facilitate accelerated runoff. This to me would be disasterous.

Phil Baker or other representatives of the Department will be in touch with you within the next week to discuss these problems further. Thanks again for your fine support and progressive action.

Sincerely,

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cc: Phil Baker, Captain White, Warden Hart, Ray Dunham, Wildlife Conservation Board, Gene Thomas

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