

Memorandum

To : Capt. Jim L. White
Placerville District

Date: August 4, 1970

From : Department of Fish and Game Warden P.T.Hickman, Jr..

Subject: Selling of live Trout by River Ranch Resort, Box 197,
Tahoe City-95730.

The above resort is considering the holding of live Trout in a box suspended in the Truckee River. Said fish to be picked out by customers, killed, cooked and eaten at the resort.

The owner Mr. Karl Webber had his Mgr. Pierre Bultinck call me to find out the legal questions concerning this project. He also requested names of private fish hatcheries where the fish could be purchased.

Reference to the Fish & Game Code Section 2301 indicates that it could possibly be a legal operation as long as they complied with Title 14, Section 226 (d & e), although in the sense they are not planting fish directly into the Truckee River. The (d) parts indicates-"from which fish might escape". Section 2302 of the Code is self-explanatory and would also apply.

Inspector Ken Hooker requested this letter in order to send them a written reply, instead of a hasty decision, as fisheries wanted to give the project some additional consideration.

P. T. Hickman, Jr.
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Truckee-Tahoe District.

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August 28, 1970

Mr. Pierre Bultinck, Mgr.
River Ranch Resort
Box 197
Tahoe City, California 95730

Dear Mr. Bultinck:

Warden Hickman forwarded an inquiry to me relative to holding live domestically raised trout for use in your restaurant. The live trout would be held in a box suspended in the Truckee River.

This proposal cannot be legally undertaken under our existing Fish & Game laws. Enclosed is an informational leaflet quoting the various Fish & Game Code sections and Commission regulations pertaining to domestic fish.

You could establish a pond on shore and qualify for a Domestic Fish Breeder's License. However, a facility suspended in the river would not qualify you for such a license.

Enclosed is a list of Domestic Fish Breeders in California from whom trout may be available, should you care to construct a qualifying pond.

Your County Planning Commission should be consulted to determine if they have or know of another agency having an interest in your proposal.

Sincerely,

Kenneth W. Hooker
Patrol Inspector

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cc: Warden Hickman

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