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74 CULLODEN PARK
SAN RAFAEL, CALIFORNIA

Aug. 16, 1969

Mr. James H. Ryan,
Associate Fishery Biologist,
1001 Jedsmith Drive,
Sacramento, Calif.

Dear Mr. Ryan:

Having discussed the fish planting situation at Wrights Lake with Phil Oakes, and as a cabin owner who has fly-fished the lake for over 30 years, I should like to put in a word of support for more extensive plantings of fingerlings (not catchables) in this lake.

A number of years ago, a survey was made covering hundreds of lakes in the Sierras (I believe by the Fish and Game Commission) and Wrights Lake rated at or near the top for natural fish food per cu. ft. of water.

This has certainly been substantiated over the years by the rapid growth, weight and condition of all trout caught in this lake. German Browns attain a remarkable growth - several I have caught this summer weighed about 1 1/2 pounds for a 14" fish. The 1968 Brown fingerling plant has reached good size.

All of us feel that the important thing is to plant larger numbers of fingerlings (including Eastern Brook) as was done in many former years.

I particularly want to support Phil's contention that the first years test on Kamloops has been most successful - and the need to plant a much larger number for at least one year to give them a substantial start. Many of last years plant have been caught by bait and fly fishermen, and their sizes ranged from 9" to at least 11".

We strongly hope that you can persuade the Commission to plant Wrights Lake in total numbers more comparable to many former years.

Very Truly Yours,
Austin Cadle

Copy:
Mr. P.W. Oakes

August 27, 1969

Mr. Austin Cadle
74 Culloden Park
San Rafael, California

Dear Mr. Cadle:

Thank you for your views on managing the fishery at Wrights Lake, El Dorado County.

Our fish planting schedule for 1969 includes the following during the summer months.

<u>Species</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Size</u>
Rainbow	5000	Catchable (7½-8½ long)
Rainbow	4000	Fingerling (3 inches long)
Kamloops rainbow	4000	Yearling (4-5 inches long)
Brown	4000	Fingerling

We believe this schedule, with the various species sizes and numbers of fish, most ideally meets growing conditions and needs of anglers fishing the lake. We plan to check on fishing quality during the Labor Day weekend and once more later on before the season ends. If we find that our management should be changed we will do so for the 1970 season.

Thank you again for your views; we will consider them carefully.

Sincerely,

J. H. Ryan
Associate Fishery Biologist