

Memorandum

To : Files

Date: April 25, 1975

From : Department of Fish and Game - Region 2

Subject: Glenn-Colusa Irrigation District

On April 24, 1975 at 10 a.m. Captain Nelson and I met with Mr. R. D. Clark and four of his staff. Mr. Clark is Manager and Secretary of the Glenn-Colusa Irrigation District. Purpose of my visit was to advise Mr. Clark of the requirements of Section 1601 and the regulations concerning suction dredges. The Colusa Irrigation District had failed to notify the Department prior to performing stream alteration work in Stony Creek and was presently operating a suction dredge at the Glenn-Colusa Screen in the Sacramento River. Mr. Clark stated he was guided by an Oroville law firm that had said that Glenn-Colusa Irrigation District was exempt from the requirements from Section 1601 of the Fish and Game Code. I advised Mr. Clark to recontact his attorneys to reaffirm this guidance. I furnished him with an information sheet on Section 1601 and blank applications for streambed alteration permits and suction dredge applications.

Mr. Clark will meet with the attorneys on May 1, and I will contact him again on May 2. If he still declines to file the required permit application, I intend to start prosecution with the Glenn County District Attorney.



Clifford Matthews
Patrol Inspector

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cc: Regional Manager
Fisheries Management Supervisor
Environmental Services Supervisor

