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October 25, 2011

Mr. Jim Kellogg, President
California Fish and Game Commission
P.O. Box 94244-2090
Sacramento, CA 94244-2090

RE: Fish Stocking Regulations

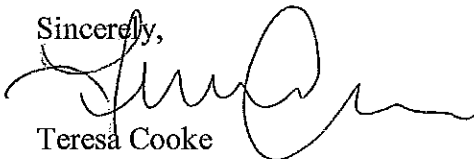
Dear Mr. Kellogg:

On behalf of the California Travel Association (CalTravel), we write in opposition to the October 14, 2011 proposed fish stocking regulations. Given the current economic crisis in California, the expansion and new fee structure that will be imposed on exempt counties will be extremely costly to implement and overly stringent. CalTravel is concerned that recreational lake owners will be unable to comply and will therefore be unable to continue their business.

As a nonprofit association, CalTravel unifies our state's many travel-related businesses by bringing the travel and tourism industry together to deliver an exceptional California experience. The travel and tourism sectors generate more than \$87.7 billion for the state economy, employ over 881,100 Californians directly and bring in approximately \$1.9 billion in local taxes and \$3.4 billion in state taxes. Recreational fishing lures many tourists and sport fishermen to California, plays a vital role in the success of California's tourism industry and contributes to the numbers stated above.

For the reasons stated above, the California Travel Association respectfully asks the Fish and Game Commission to reject the fish stocking regulations as proposed.

Sincerely,



Teresa Cooke
Legislative Advocate
California Travel Association (CalTravel)