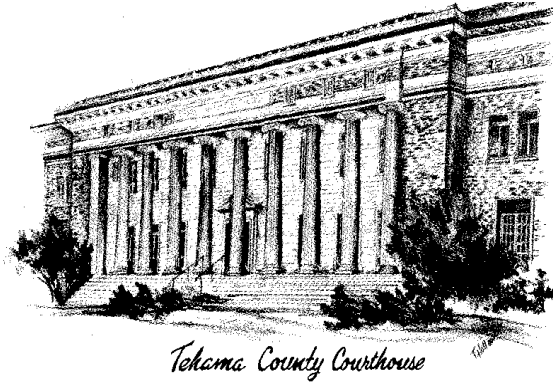


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April 21, 2026

Wildlife Conservation Board  
Dr. Jennifer Norris, Executive Director  
c/o CDFW  
P.O. Box 944209  
Sacramento, CA 94244-2090

Dear Dr. Norris,

On behalf of the Tehama County Board of Supervisors, I am writing to express our strong support for the Resource Conservation District of Tehama County's Emerson Side Channel and Riparian Restoration Project and Perry Riffle Floodplain Restoration Project.

Tehama County, situated along the Sacramento River, depends on this vital resource both economically and recreationally. The health of the river ecosystem is closely tied to our community's rural way of life. For this reason, enhancing and restoring habitat for Chinook salmon is of critical importance to our region.

Ongoing drought conditions have reduced precipitation, leading to lower river flows and elevated water temperatures. These changes pose a significant threat to the already vulnerable winter-run Chinook salmon population. Because the Sacramento River functions as a highly managed water delivery system, it is essential that we implement thoughtful, science-based restoration efforts to mitigate these impacts and support species recovery.

The Emerson Side Channel and Riparian Restoration Project and Perry Riffle Floodplain Restoration Project represent important steps toward improving fish passage, restoring habitat complexity, and enhancing the long-term resilience of salmon populations in the Sacramento River.

We respectfully offer our full support for these projects and commend the Resource Conservation District of Tehama County for their leadership and commitment to environmental stewardship.

Thank you for your consideration.

Tom Walker, Chair  
Tehama County Board of Supervisors