



**Agenda item : Upper Truckee River - Wild and Scenic Status**  
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El Dorado County Board of Supervisors  
330 Fair Lane  
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Re: Resolution of Support – Upper Truckee Wild and Scenic

Dear Honorable Board of Supervisors:

We are full time residence of Eldorado County and business owners on Tahoe's West Shore. We would urge you to vote in favor of wild and scenic status for the Upper Truckee River. This is one of our favorite places in the world and we try to get there as often as we can. The area offers some of the most spectacular displays of natural color that can be found anywhere, whether it's the wildflowers, scenic vistas or the colorful Lahanton cutthroat trout. Everywhere you look is a picture that must be preserved. Our kids are now old enough that they can hike into the area and enjoy the area as well. We hope that the Upper Truckee is there for their children as well.

Please help protect this very special place.

Dick, Ulli, Mara and Sven White  
Tahoma CA  
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**Wild & Scenic designation for Upper Truckee River**  
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Dear El Dorado County Board of Supervisors -

Please support adoption of the resolution to permanently protect 32 miles of the Upper Truckee River, tributaries and lakes through the Wild and Scenic River designation under the 1968 Wild and Scenic River Act.

As the main tributary in the Tahoe Basin , what happens along the upper Truckee directly affects our drinking water supply, making watershed protection a key component of maintaining Tahoe's exceptional water quality. endorse this proposal by passing a resolution to recommend the Upper Truckee River as Wild and Scenic. protections and management considerations this act requires, affords us the opportunity and access to quality angling on public lands.

Join me in asking the El Dorado Board of Supervisors to endorse this proposal by passing a resolution to recommend the Upper Truckee River as Wild and Scenic.

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***Thank you, Madonna Dunbar***

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El Dorado County  
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RE: Upper Truckee River

Dear Supervisor Santiago:

First off, I am pleased and honored to let you know I was recently informed by Thomas Vilsack, U.S. Secretary of Agriculture, that he has appointed me to another three year term serving on the California Recreation Resource Advisory Committee. This is a citizen advisory committee enabled by the Federal Lands Recreation Enhancement Act of 2004. Our committee oversees recreation fees on federal lands in the California region.

As you know, recreation is an important resource for El Dorado County. Supporting the proposed Wild & Scenic designation for the Upper Truckee River is key in improving El Dorado County's chances in attracting future visitors.

Let me explain in a personal way. My wife, Julie is in her 30<sup>th</sup> year working as a school teacher in Placerville. She stills gets somewhat of a tradition summer break. We use part of this break for an old fashion summer vacation together. Yes, we are lucky to be pretty hardy and healthy people and we're thankful for that. We enjoy the outdoors. Our vacations include hiking, photography, backpacking, and reaching distant trailheads with our 4x4 truck. The anchor to these vacations is flyfishing for wild trout in special places. We are far from rich; we don't have money to waste. We spend time in research to find special places to visit. We want to spend our hard earned money wisely. To be honest with you, even as much as I love El Dorado County, when I apply my research criteria to El Dorado County, it would not even be considered as a place for our vacation, a place to spend time, a place to spend our vacation dollars. There is some tough competition out there, other great places to go in the West, and El Dorado County isn't even in the running.

What do I and others look for that draws our attention to an area? We look for designations that say that a place is special and show that the local people care about their public lands and want the lands' health assured. These designations include Wild & Scenic Rivers and special waters for trout fishing (catch and release and method of fishing special regulations). These designations are not a guarantee but at least tell me and others that requirements are in place

so I might be able to have a better than average chance at a quality fishing experience. They assure me I won't be wasting my time researching an area to visit.

Because of my service on the committee noted above, I tend to ask folks about their choices and decisions in regards to outdoor recreation, especially when Julie & I travel. When folks of similar interests to ours ask about where we are from, El Dorado County, they will ask about opportunities on special waters or about our Wild & Scenic Rivers. We don't have any. As I said, El Dorado County isn't even in the running. These people are choosing to go elsewhere.

When I read editorials like I recently read in our local paper about the proposal for Wild & Scenic River status for the Upper Truckee - along the lines of we don't need no stinking badges, we don't need no special designations, I was saddened because the message was sent out loud and clear that we don't need visitors to come and we don't need the recreation dollars they bring. These short sided sentiments are clearly telling visitors to go elsewhere, that we like things just the way they are.

It is imperative for all of us to look to the future as our public lands based economy continues to transition from resource extraction to sustainable recreation pursuits. I urge you to support Wild & Scenic designation for the Upper Truckee River. The recreating public is out there, they are watching, they make choices on where they visit.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Monte Hendricks". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long, sweeping tail on the final letter.

Monte Hendricks