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*Trout  
Committee*

TO: Trout Committee Members  
FROM: Chairman  
SUBJECT: RESOLUTION STATUS

Enclosed is the proposed resolution which was initiated at our June Workshop and prepared by the Subcommittee of Bill Bonner and Monte Seehorn. Ideally we should have had the whole committee agree on the resolution's context in preparation for the Resolutions Committee screening; however, as time is running short, I'm sending it on to Ed Bonn today to allow enough review time before the Southern Division Meeting. If there are Trout Committee members who are not in concurrence with the resolution, please notify me soon so that I can inform Ed Bonn of any changes.

With the prospect that our resolutions may be presented for the SD membership vote, it is important that all members of the Trout Committee attend the SD Meeting in St. Louis if possible. Meeting room reservation has been made for the Trout Committee between 7 and 10 p.m. on Monday, October 13, with slide projector facilities provided.

Please make plans to attend and bring suggestions for new Trout Committee projects.

Each member is being furnished a copy of Monroe Schmidt's talk given at the June Workshop.

Enclosure  
CC: Mr. Glenn McBay  
Mr. Wendell Lorio

*Alfred Boles*

PROPOSED TROUT COMMITTEE RESOLUTIONS

- I. Whereas, most of the States of the Southeast depend wholly or in part on the Federal fish hatchery system for fish used in their trout management programs; and

Whereas, the brown trout, with its ability to withstand heavy fishing pressure, and reach a large size, even in small streams, is essential to the increasingly popular "put-grow-and-take" programs of the Southeast; and

Whereas, the short supply of brown trout in the Federal hatchery system has not met the demand by "put-grow-and-take" programs of the Southeast; and

Whereas, Federally-produced brown trout are becoming increasingly domesticated- lessening their usefulness in the "put-grow-and-take" programs;

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, that the Southern Division of the American Fisheries Society, calls on the U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Division of Fish Hatcheries to increase the production of brown trout with emphasis on the use of wild strains of this species that have the strong survival characteristics essential to successful "put-grow-and-take" programs.

- II. Whereas, most of the States of the Southeast depend wholly or in part on the Federal fish hatchery system for fish used in their trout management programs; and

Whereas, these States need wild strains of brook and rainbow trout for special projects; and

Whereas, only production-oriented domestic strains of these species are available from the U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service;

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, that the Southern Division of the American Fisheries Society, calls on the U. S. Fish and Wildlife, Division of Fish Hatcheries to maintain wild strains of brook and rainbow trout, in addition to the regular "production" stock of fish, in order to provide the limited numbers of wild strain trout needed for stocking special waters where high survival and natural reproduction are feasible.