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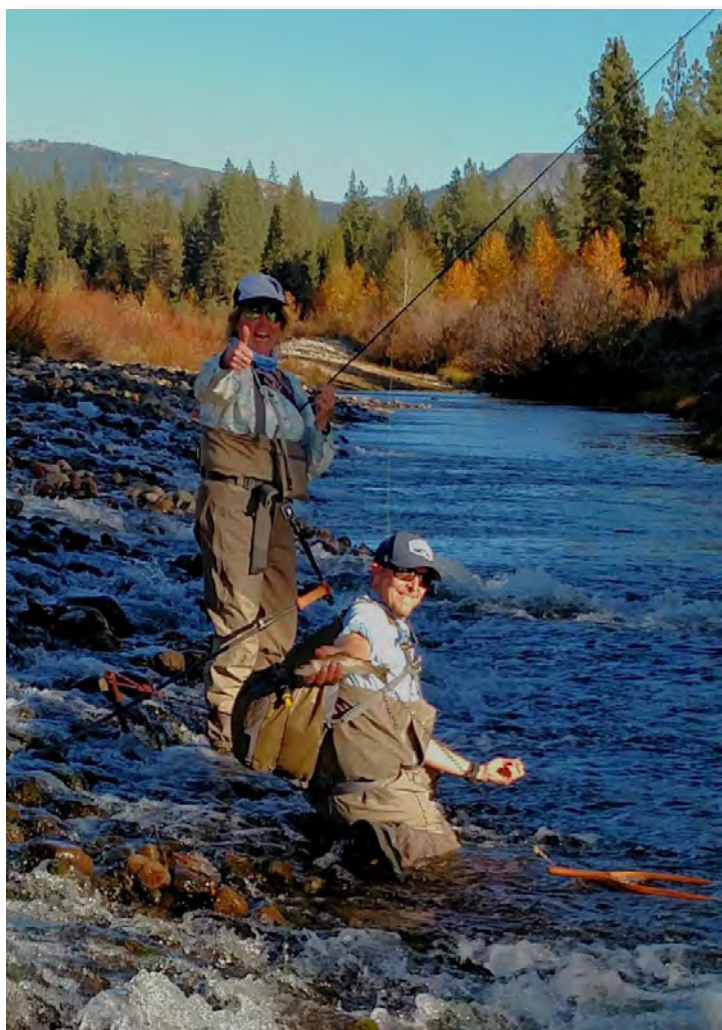
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T h e F i s h e r m a n ' s L i n e

**September Meeting, Tuesday September 25, 2018
7:30 pm @ Harper Jr. High School
Mike Pease Presents: Mike Pease Adventures, The Feather River Fly
Fishing School & Greenhorn Ranch**

This month, Tuesday September 25th at Harper Junior High School, the Fly Fishers of Davis will hear from Mike Pease of Mike Pease Adventures. Mike will provide an overview of Mike Pease Adventures, The Feather River Fly Fishing School and Greenhorn Ranch. Mike will be sharing how he became a guide, the waters he guides locally and in "The Lost Sierra" and the fly fishing school he created in Plumas County at Greenhorn Ranch. He will also discuss upcoming programs he will be offering in partnership with Greenhorn. Of course, fly fishing tips, techniques and locations will be discussed as well.

Mike Pease is the owner of Mike Pease Adventures and founder of the Feather River Fly Fishing School in Plumas County near Graeagle, California. Mike grew up trout and steelhead fishing with his father and grandfather on many of the well-known streams of Northern California. He took his skill and art to a new level when he learned to fly fish 25 years ago in the Greater Redding area with many of the masters of the Northstate. Mike is a patient and skilled fly fishing instructor and guide. He combines a career as a Stanford trained educator with a lifetime of fishing and adventure to provide a unique approach to the pedagogy of teaching others to fly fish. Mike attended fly fishing guide School in 2014 at Clearwater Lodge to learn best how to share his passion. Mike strives to make you a client for life while helping you hone your angling skills and serving all of your fly fishing needs.

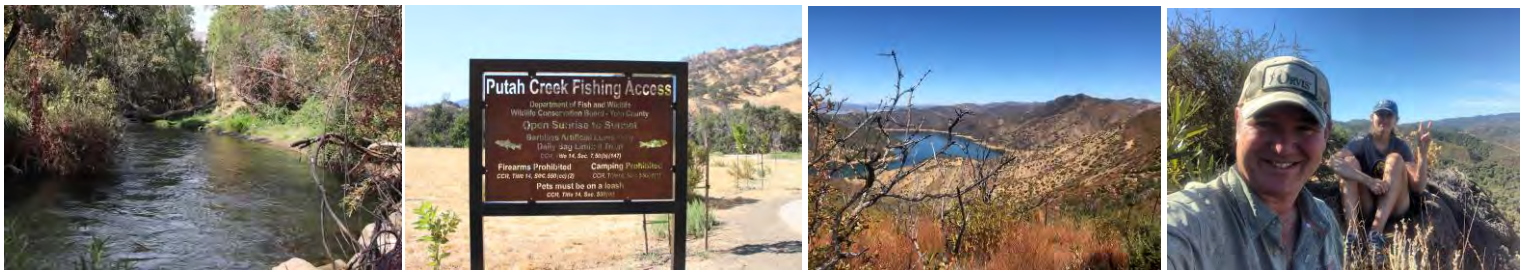


THE PREZ SEZ

By Tom Robinson

“Fishing is much more than fish. It is the great occasion when we may return to the fine simplicity of our forefathers.” – Herbert Hoover

Less than twenty miles west of Davis lies the Putah Creek Interdam Reach (IDR) an incredible wild space and fishery in our own backyard. In 2014 the Heritage and Wild Trout Program of the California Department of Fish and Wildlife designated the IDR as Wild Trout water meaning that it is illegal to fish with bait and barbed hooks and to take fish. The commission also name Putah Creek a “Trophy Trout Water”, meaning its fish often exceed 18 inches long and are numerous enough to be catchable by anglers on a regular basis. I’ve been hearing more and more Club members fish the IDR with great success. Putah Creek Trout and The Putah Creek Council are fantastic stewards of the fishery and there is still a lot of work to be done to ensure the future of the Creek for generations to enjoy. There is no reason why Fly Fishers of Davis should not be calling Putah Creek its home water. It is such a beautiful area. The Putah Creek Cleanup and the Down The Hatch Film Festival are just a start of what FFD can do on behalf of the Creek. I would love for our Club to take a more active role in its stewardship through funding conversation projects, volunteering, and leadership.



September 26th starts the kickoff of another FFD Fly Fishing 101 Series of classes taught by Dana Hooper. The classes are free to FFD Members and run Wednesday nights from 7-9 pm. Classes are located 2 miles west of core campus near the University Airport at the Horticulture Research Station. Look in the newsletter for the dates and class topics. You don’t have to attend all the classes, so if you want to learn more about entomology or reading water, I highly recommend attending those classes. Just let Dana know that you plan on coming so that he can make enough handouts for everyone.

Hope to see everyone Tuesday night!

MEETING SCHEDULE

The meeting schedule has been tentatively set for the next few months. Tristan Leong is the program chair - let him know if you like the program speakers or if you have ideas for one.

Fly Fishers of Davis 2018 Meeting Schedule			
MONTH	SPEAKER	DATE	TOPIC
September	Mike Pease	September 25, 2018	Fly Fishing Journey- Feather River Options
October	Micael Malekos	October 30, 2018	Fly Fishing the Burney Area & Casting Rise

*Except where noted, all meetings will take place at Harper Jr. High School

FFD 101 & 201 Classes

By Dana Hooper

Class Dates for Fall 2018

Class Times are 7 pm – 9 pm

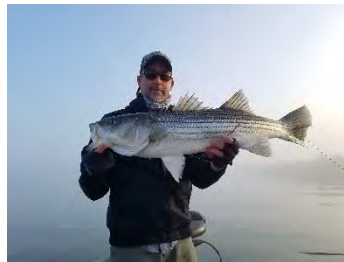
UCD Horticulture Room

If you can't Identify these Bugs then maybe you need to sign up for these classes.



Day 1	Wed. Sept 26	Equipment and Supplies
Day 2	Wed. Oct 3	Bugs -VS- Flies
Day 3	Wed. Oct 17	Rigging and Techniques A
Day 4	Wed. Oct 24	Reading Water and Locating Fish
Day 5	Wed. Oct 31	Indicator Techniques and Review

If you would like to learn how to catch fish like these.



201 Topics

Day 1	Wed. Nov 7	Delta Striper Techniques
Day 2	Wed. Nov 14	Streamer Techniques for Trout

Please Sign up at the next meeting or email Dana Hooper at TroutHookup1@gmail.com or 916-343-9732

CONSERVATION REPORT

By Lowell Ashbaugh

Conservation Mailing List Want to keep up on conservation issues in between newsletters? Join the FFD Conservation email list at <http://www2.dcn.org/mailman/listinfo/ffd-conservation>.

Senator Bill Dodd will be visiting our club this month. I've asked him to speak for a few minutes on conservation and fisheries issues he's been facing, including AB2975 (see below) and the delta tunnels. If you have questions for him, he would be happy to address them.

Wild and Scenic Rivers in California are protected by a recently signed bill, AB 2975. This bill was one of those we advocated for during California Rivers Day at the state capital a few months ago.

Seven hundred and fifty miles of California Rivers are now included in a state Wild and Scenic Rivers system that were previously protected only under federal law. If the president removes a river from the federal system, or weakens the protection it provides, these rivers will still be protected under the state system.

AB 2975 is California's latest response to anti-environmental efforts of the Trump administration and Republican majority in Congress to delist national monuments and weaken protections for federal lands. Conservationists fear similar threats to already federally protected rivers and other wild places in California. The House of Representatives, for example, has voted three times to eliminate federal protection for a portion of Merced Wild River to allow for an expanded reservoir.

The state safety net applies to segments of some of California's most popular white water rivers on the west slope of the Sierra Nevada, including the Tuolumne, Merced, Kings, and Kern. You can see a map of California's Wild and Scenic Rivers [here](#).

A cost-benefit analysis of CA WaterFix, the Twin Tunnels, was released last week by the Department of Water Resources. It was conducted by Dr. David Sunding of the Brattle Group. Dr. Jeffrey Michael of the Center for Business and Policy Research at UOP posted the following initial reaction to the study.

He focused on four errors in Dr. Sunding's analysis:

1. "It assumes a massive new subsidy for agricultural users cost share from urban water users. The agricultural subsidy is contained within a "wheeling rate" that it assumes that Metropolitan Water District (MWD) would charge the Central Valley Project (CVP) for using the tunnels' conveyance capacity.
2. "The positive benefit-cost ratio depends on a dubious new benefit: the value of sea-level rise protection benefits. The report estimates the present value of

these sea-level rise benefits at a whopping \$5.7 billion, a value that exceeds the study's estimated total net benefit of the WaterFix. That means the benefit-cost ratio is negative for all user categories if this dubious new benefit is removed. This estimated benefit has never been included in any previous study of WaterFix, and thus it is a new benefit category created for this report when the old methodology fell short of giving a positive benefit-cost ratio.

3. "The report, press release and webpage falsely claim that this benefit-cost analysis is consistent with DWR's Economic Analysis Guidebook. The Economic Analysis Guidebook clearly states that "Although economic analyses can be evaluated from many different perspectives (individuals, communities, etc.), DWR conducts these analyses from a statewide perspective." The report is clear, even in its title, that it is an analysis from the perspective of water agencies that participate in WaterFix. It does not consider statewide impacts—which include costs to other water users or the environment - both of which are very large for this project.
4. "The single-tunnel scenario is clearly better for MWD and urban water users if one compares this study to a February 2018 analysis of single-tunnel by the same consulting firm. While that single-tunnel report had many of the same problems as this one, it did not need to include a highly questionable estimate of over \$5 billion in sea-level rise benefits to get a positive benefit-cost ratio. Comparing these reports shows that financing the 2nd tunnel by MWD adds enormous costs for their ratepayers for little/no additional benefit."

The California Delta Conveyance Water Authority

submitted a Letter of Interest to the EPA for WaterFix financing through its Water Infrastructure, Finance, and Innovation Act loan program. The CDFA is seeking \$9.5 billion, nearly half the estimated project cost of \$19.8 billion.

In response, Representative John Garamendi sent a letter to the EPA describing some flaws in the request. The Congressman's letter asserts that the Letter of Intent (LOI) overestimates the amount of jobs the tunnels project would create, does not address the lack of federal participation in the project, and misrepresents the status of essential permits and environmental reviews for the

project. Congressman Garamendi concludes his letter noting that the Delta tunnels project has already “bilked” the public, as evidenced by state and federal audits published last fall.

The LOI claims 100,000 jobs would be created by the project, but does not provide any support for it. The Final Environmental Impact Report/Statement for the project describes a peak of 6,425 jobs in its twelfth year.

The LOI also describes the organizational structure of WaterFix as consisting of DWR and certain State Water Project contractors. It also claims the SWP and CVP are expected to continue coordination of operations under terms of the 1986 Coordinated Operations Agreement for the life of WaterFix. But just about a month ago, the Department of Reclamation submitted a Notice of Negotiations to renegotiate those terms. It’s uncertain how the renegotiated terms would affect operations of the SWP and CVP.

Finally, the LOI provides no detail regarding the necessary permits for the project, which have not been issued. There are already 23 state and federal lawsuits against WaterFix, and more are likely to come. But the LOI claims any settlement agreements for this litigation would not have any impact to construction, operations, or operational viability. This is plainly ludicrous.

One more thing – Congressman Garamendi points out the project has already resulted in costs to the public. Despite legal requirements that all costs are to be paid by the water beneficiaries of the project, over \$84 million of the initial \$271 million used for planning came from federal funds, i.e. the taxpayers. The LOI did not disclose this.

The Congressman’s letter concludes that the WaterFix is not deserving of limited WIFIA funds and that there are better and more deserving projects.

The Bureau of Reclamation released the Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Report/Environmental Impact Statement for the California WaterFix. The document outlines several changes proposed by the California Department of Water Resources, the state lead agency for the California WaterFix, which require additional analysis under the National Environmental Policy Act.

The proposed modifications in the environmental document have not changed any conclusions on the impacts to resource areas from those included in the Final Environmental Impact Report/Environmental Impact Statement for the California WaterFix (such as fish and aquatic resources, terrestrial biological resources, agricultural resources or cultural resources).

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The draft supplemental environmental document is available at

<https://www.californiawaterfix.com/resources/draft-supplemental-environmental-impact-report-environmental-impact-statement/> .

Public comments are accepted through November 5.



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FFD OUTREACH: Putah Creek Cleanup Day

Summary by Tom Robinson photos by Volunteers

Saturday, September 15th, was the International Coastal Creek Cleanup Day. It is one of the world's largest annual preservation and protection events and volunteer efforts for our ocean, beaches, creeks, and waterways. Locally the Fly Fishers of Davis annually co-sponsor the cleanup of the five fishing accesses to the Inter-dam Reach of the Putah Creek. This year we had 50 volunteers participate, including the Golden Valley 4-H Club providing 17 youth volunteers, led by group leader and Club Member Ian Hawes. The group cleaned up ~ 5 miles of creek and removed over 850 pounds of garbage, including 3 televisions, 2 desk chairs, a broken picnic table, 2 car wheels with assembly, 6 tires, 300 yards of old irrigation tubing, and a gas barbecue grill. It is disturbing what we picked up out there considering we just cleaned up the creek 12 months ago. The group effort was amazing and it was wonderful to have an energetic youth group participate this year.. Afterwards we all collected and had lunch which was provided by Fly Fishers of Davis. Thank you to everyone that helped preserve our local waterway way, fishery, and wild spaces.



The group meets early to get directions of the day's event



Dan Brugger divides the group up to cleanup the 5 miles of creek



Thank you to the Golden Valley 4-H Club for helping this year



Putah Creek is making a come back as a flourishing fishery.



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It was great to see local youth get involved



Thanks to Fred Bryner for the use of his trailer to haul the trash



I honestly didn't think we find this much garbage after last year's haul



Thanks to Dana Hooper for loaning his trailer. We filled both trailers up



Ian Hawes and some of the Golden Valley 4-H Club cleanup crew



Thanks for helping preserve our local fishery



Lunch time! Thank you FFD



Son Chong helps server the lunch



We had a great group of volunteers this year!





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2018-2019

<u>Trip 2018</u>	<u>Fish</u>		<u>Dates</u>	<u>Fishmeister</u>	<u>Contact</u>	<u>Comments</u>
Lower Sac Float	Trout	Guide	October 10 - 13th	Dana Hooper	916-343-9732	\$194.00 / day (check only) + tip
Striper Fest 2018	Stripers	Boat	October 20	Dana Hooper	916-343-9732	Boater pair with non boater
McCloud River	Trout		November	Gene Gnatt	707-451-3262	Camping
Trinity Stealhead Trip	Trout	Guide	December 15	Dan Kathan	415-713-8952	\$194.00 / day (check only) + tip
Pyramid Lake	Trout		TBD	John Imsdahl	775-622-3076	
Luk Lake	Trouth/Bass		TBD	Dana Hooper	916-343-9732	\$125/day (check only) + Rentals
<u>Trip 2019</u>	<u>Fish</u>		<u>Dates</u>	<u>Fishmeister</u>	<u>Contact</u>	<u>Comments</u>
Trinity River Trip	Trout	Guide	January	Dan Kathan	415-713-8952	\$194.00 / day (check only) + tip
Baum Lake	Trout		TBD	Dana Hooper	916-343-9732	
Lower Sac Float	Trout	Guide	April	Dana Hooper	916-343-9732	\$194.00 / day (check only) + tip
Pyramid Lake	Trout		April	John Imsdahl	775-622-3076	
Putah Creek	Trout		April	Steve Karr		sk60@putahcreektrout.org
Delta Bass N Fly Tournament	Black Bass	Boat	April	Dana Hooper	916-343-9732	Boater pair with non boater
Hat Creek	Trout		May 18 - 20	Dana Hooper	916-343-9732	Fly 101 Camping
Sac River Shad	Shad	Boat	May	Cary Boyden	530-753-3826	Boater paired with non boater
Payne Ranch	Smallies		TBD	John Reynolds	530-753-2682	Day trip
Lake Davis / Frenchman Lake	Trout	Boat	June 6 - 10	Cary Boyden	530-753-3826	Camping
Fuller Lake	Trout		June / July	Lowell Ashbaugh	530-758-6722	Day trip
Lewiston Lake	Trout		July 12 - 15	Cary Boyden	530-753-3826	Camping
Old Fogeys Trip	Trout		TBD	Bob Brodberg	530-756-9071	Backpacking
Frenchman Lake	Trout		TBD	John Imsdahl	775-622-3076	Camping

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FFD is an affiliate club of the Federation of Fly Fishers (FFF), an international nonprofit organization, and its Northern California Council (NCCFFF) affiliate.

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For more information, contact: Lyn Hooper at membership@flyfishersofdavis.org – **Membership Chair**

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