The California Recreational Fishing Industry and The Salmon Collapse

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The Central Valley Salmon Collapse is one of the Largest Man-Made Economic Fishery Disasters in The Country

Exhibit 1

The Recreational Fishing and Boating Industries of California

Recreational Fishing Industry

Fishermen	*4.2 million*
Annual Equipment Purchases	*$2.7 billion*
Full Economic Impact	*$4.8 billion*
Wages and Salaries	*$1.6 Billion*
Jobs	*41,000*

California is 4th in purchases in the 50 states
Source - American Sportfishing Association

The Boating and Marine Industry

Boat Registrations 2006	*893,000*
Boats Used for Fishing 70%	*625,000*
Boat & Marine Sales 2006	*$1.2 billion*
Full Economic Impact	*$16.5 billion*
Boat Builders in Calif.	*83*
Boat Builder Jobs	*8,000*
Marinas in Calif.	*624*
Jobs related to Marine Ind.	*300,000*

California has the 2nd highest number of registered boats in the nation.
Source National Marine Mfg. Association

Exhibit 2

The California Recreational Salmon Industry

		Potential Failures
Estimated Fishing Participants	*500,000*	*500,000*
Salmon Equipment Manufacturers	*11*	*3*
Salmon Wholesale Resellers	*7*	*2*
Salmon Equipment Retailers	*904*	*50 to 100*
Commercial Charter Boats	*85*	*40 to 50*
Guides & Small Charters (est)	*150*	*100*
Coastal Salmon Marinas	*74*	*Unknown*

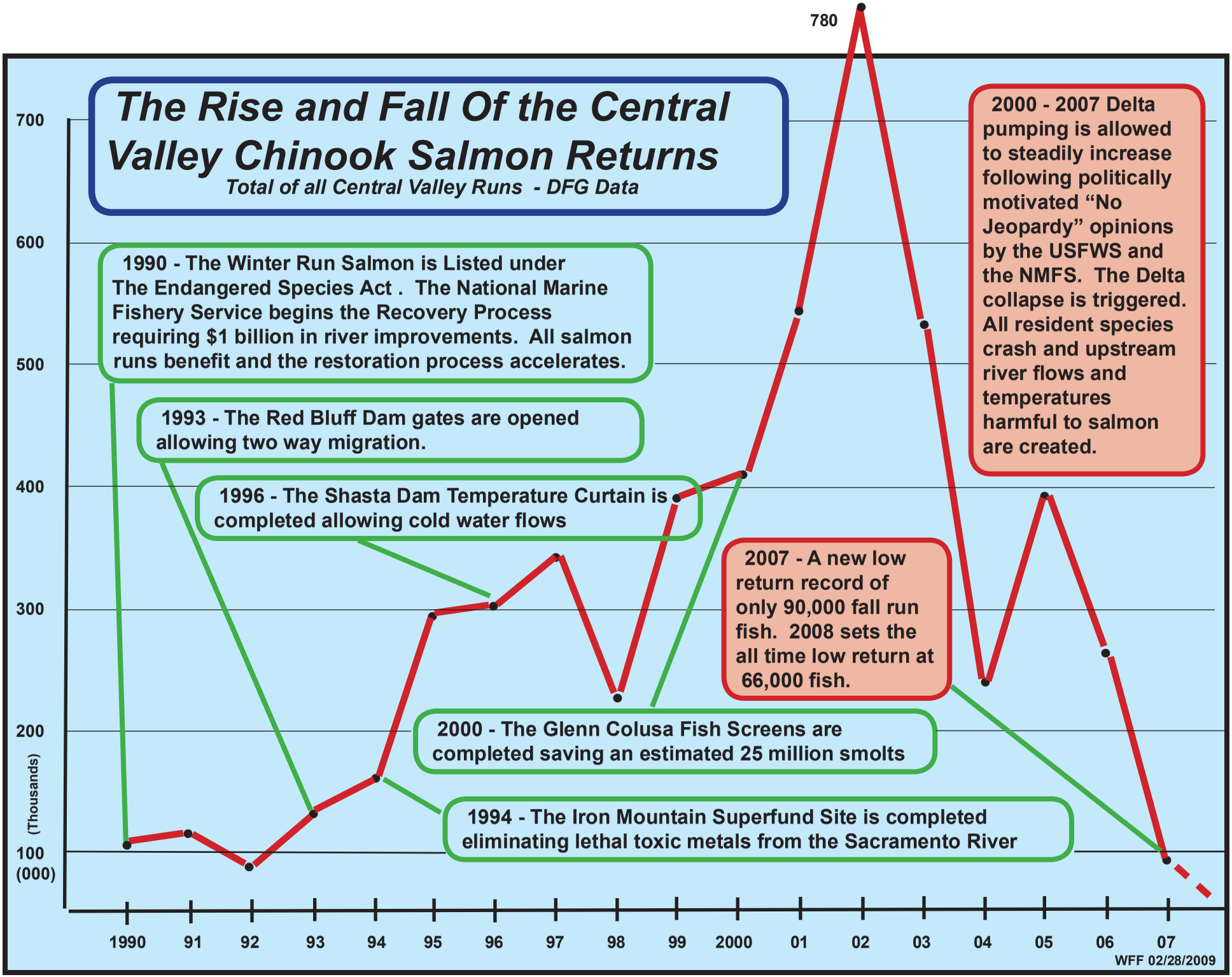
Cost of lost salmon business in 2008	*$262 million **
Lost jobs in 2008	*2,555 **
Estimated multiple year loss	*$1 billion*

** Source Calif DFG*

Exhibit 3

Boat Dealerships Which Have Failed in 2008 and 2009

Antioch	*Delta Sport Boats*
Antioch	*Olympic Boat Centers*
Fairfield	*Cope and McPheters*
Fairfield	*Hammer Ski and Marine*
Livermore	*Olympic Boat centers*
Livermore	*Cope and McPheters*
Modesto	*Boats Unlimited*
Petaluma	*Hammer Ski and Marine*
Redding	*North River Boats*
Redding	*Calif. Custom Marine*
Reno	*Cope and McPheters*
Rocklin	*Cope and McPheters*
Sacramento	*Connection Motor Sports*
Sacramento	*Marine Max*
Sacramento	*Barry Paulsen's Marine*
Sacramento	*North River Boats*
Santa Clara	*Cope And McPheters*
San Jose	*Marine Max*
San Jose	*Olympic Boat Centers*
Santa Rosa	*Marine Max*
Santa Rosa	*Olympic Boat Centers*
S. San Francisco	*Olympic Boat Centers*
Stockton	*Bayshore Marine*
Suisun City	*Adams Marine*


The Rise and Fall Of the Central Valley Chinook Salmon Returns
Total of all Central Valley Runs - DFG Data
780
700
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1990 - The Winter Run Salmon is Listed under The Endangered Species Act . The National Marine Fishery Service begins the Recovery Process requiring $1 billion in river improvements. All salmon runs benefit and the restoration process accelerates.
1993 - The Red Bluff Dam gates are opened allowing two way migration.
1996 - The Shasta Dam Temperature Curtain is completed allowing cold water flows
2000 - 2007 Delta pumping is allowed to steadily increase following politically motivated "No Jeopardy" opinions by the USFWS and the NMFS. The Delta collapse is triggered. All resident species crash and upstream river flows and temperatures harmful to salmon are created.
2007 - A new low return record of only 90,000 fall run fish. 2008 sets the all time low return at 66,000 fish.
2000 - The Glenn Colusa Fish Screens are completed saving an estimated 25 million smolts
1994 - The Iron Mountain Superfund Site is completed eliminating lethal toxic metals from the Sacramento River
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The Crescent City California Boat Harbor before and after the closure of the salmon season

1978 Salmon season open - Over 500 recreational boats are moored

Salmon season closed - only 60 floats are installed for the summer recreational traffic