Memorandum

To: Ms. Tracy McReynolds

From : Department of Fish and Game-Chico Office Subject : Big Chico Creek 2012 Adult Escapement Estimate

Big Chico Creek was snorkel surveyed from Higgins Hole downstream to Ten Mile Gate on August 8th, 2012. The section from Ten Mile Gate to Salmon Hole was spot-checked at Brown's Hole and Salmon Hole by vehicle and on foot on August 9, 2012*. The survey was divided into three different sections (Figure 1). Department of Fish and Game employees Tommy Steele, Michael Parker, Kevin Moncrief and Lowren McAmis participated in this years' survey.

The 2012 spawning escapement for spring-run Chinook salmon is 0. The total number of salmon observed in each section and water temperature data are provided in the table below.

Creek Section	# of Salmon	Temperature Range
(1) Higgins Hole		
То	0	16-20°C
Henning's Hole		
(2) Henning's Hole		
То	0	17-20°C
Ten Mile Gate		
(3) Ten Mile Gate		
То	0	N/A
Salmon Hole*		

Any questions or concerns about the 2011 Big Chico Creek salmon escapement survey can be addressed to me at (530) 895-5110 or <u>cgarman@dfg.ca.gov</u>.

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