

2017/2018 GRANT CYCLE APPLICATION

**MENDOCINO COUNTY
FISH & GAME ADVISORY COMMISSION**

For

SACRAMENTO PIKE MINNOW ABATEMENT PROGRAM

Submitted by

**UKIAH ROD & GUN CLUB
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Mendocino County Fish & Game Project Proposal Summary Sheet

1. Contractor:..... Ukiah Rod & Gun Club
2. Type of Contractor:..... Nonprofit Corporation
3. Taxpayer/Organizational ID/EID Number:..... 68-0450319/1990846
4. Street Mailing Address:..... P. O. Box 1309
5. City, State, and Zip Code:..... Ukiah, CA 95482
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9. Website Address (es):..... http://ukiahrodandgunclub.com
10. Project Title: Sacramento Pike Minnow Abatement Program
11. Fish and Game Code Section 13103 Category:..... (h.) Predator Control
12. Amount Requested (\$):..... \$5,000.00
13. Objective:..... Reduce the population of the Sacramento Pike Minnow in the Russian River, known predators of Salmonids
14. Specie(s) Benefitted:..... Mendocino County Salmon and Steelhead
15. Work Schedule:..... Jan.-Dec., when permitted by California Fish and Wildlife
16. Site Location (Include reference to nearest city, town, and prominent landmark):
..... Russian River and Lake Mendocino. Pay Station at Forks Ranch Market
17. Site Location - GPS Coordinates:..... None
18. **We would also like to be considered for funding** from the Ft. Bragg-based Salmon Restoration Association <http://www.salmonrestoration.com/> (for salmon habitat enhancement/restoration, salmon conservation, or salmon education projects) X YES ___ NO
19. Stream:..... Russian River
20. Tributary to:..... Pacific Ocean
21. Major Drainage System:..... Russian River

BACKGROUND

The Ukiah Rod & Gun Club is a California non-profit corporation dedicated to the conservation, propagation and protection of wildlife, livestock and fisheries in Mendocino County and the State of California.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The Ukiah Rod & Gun Club proposes to continue its expanded Sacramento Pike Minnow Abatement Program which it supported by F&G Section 13103 (h).

The Ukiah Rod & Gun Club is presently conducting a Sacramento Pike Minnow Abatement Program. It has found many wild yearling Steelhead Trout in the stomach of larger pike minnow. These yearlings Steelhead are our wild two-year-olds. They are the result of our programs in which we planted large adult Steelhead in the headwaters of the tributaries to the Russian River to spawn. These yearlings Steelhead move down creeks to the Russian River, where large numbers are being eaten by the Pike Minnow. If these predators are captured, we believe the young salmon, which are presently being eaten, will survive.

Since the Ukiah Rod & Gun Club started this program, two anadromous fish, the Chinook Salmon, and the Steelhead, have been listed as "threatened" under the Endangered Species Act.

The Coho Salmon has been listed as "endangered" at both the Federal level and at the State level. The Sacramento Pike Minnow are known to eat young Chinook as well as the Steelhead. Because of the success of our program other counties such as Sonoma and Lake, and organizations in the Eel River watershed, are now initiating similar programs. It is environmentally safe and does not affect any other species.

To encourage people to catch the pike minnow we are offering a drawing worth at least \$3.00 or \$5.00 each for every fish caught over 10 inches in length. We teach and encourage the youth of Mendocino County to learn proper sportsmanship through educational programs and use this program as a means to continue their education.

This program has been in existence for eighteen (22) years. We originally felt it would take at least five years for this program to be effective. Since the inception of our program, the California Department of Fish and Wildlife has initiated new regulations in the Russian River which greatly inhibits the ability to catch these pike minnow. Some of these new regulations decrease the fishing season and eliminate the use of bait. This has made it difficult for youth to participate because they cannot fish during their summer vacation. The program is a success, but needs to continue if we are going to stay ahead of the predation problem.

This program now extends to Lake Mendocino and into the East Fork of the Russian River in Potter Valley. Because of the extension of the program additional funds are needed. Also, we have not applied for any funding since 2010. Since that time the Club has been supporting the program by membership and donations. It is extremely important to continue this program if we are going to see any successful recovery of the listed species. The Ukiah Rod & Gun Club is asking for \$5000 in funding for this program.

ESTIMATED BUDGET

Amount Requested..... \$5000.00

Approximately \$4500 will be given directly to the lottery participants. The balance will be used for advertisement and public outreach for educational purposes. There will be no paid staff. A small fee may be paid to the inspection/pay stations for their administration and record keeping.

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Accrual Basis

Ukiah Rod & Gun Club
Account QuickReport
February 1, 2013 through September 18, 2017

Type	Date	Num	Name	Memo	Split	Amount
Retained Earnings						
Closing Entry	1/31/2014					1,599.00
Closing Entry	1/31/2015					1,669.00
Closing Entry	1/31/2016					1,769.00
Closing Entry	1/31/2017					1,767.00
Total Retained Earnings						6,804.00
Program Expenses						
Squawfish						
Check	2/1/2017	2919	Forks Ranch Market	Dec 2016 & J...	Savings Bank ...	150.00
Check	4/17/2017	2937	Forks Ranch Market	Dec 2016 & J...	Savings Bank ...	100.00
Check	7/26/2017	2953	Forks Ranch Market	May June Jul...	Savings Bank ...	150.00
Check	7/26/2017	2953	Forks Ranch Market	bounty reimb...	Savings Bank ...	712.00
Total Squawfish						1,112.00
Total Program Expenses						1,112.00
TOTAL						7,916.00

