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VENTURA RIVER THREATENED ONCE AGAIN

One of the last remaining steelhead streams in Southern California could be destroyed if a proposed conjunctive use agreement between the Casitas Municipal Water District and the City of San Buenaventura is ratified.

But the loss of the steelhead is only the beginning. An EIR prepared by the District and the City identifies 9 other species of fish, 49 species of mammals, 121 species of birds, 28 species of reptiles, and 44 species of plants which are associated with the Ventura River. The degradation or loss of these species will mean that present and future generations will be deprived of the recreational, educational, and scientific opportunities these irreplaceable resources provide. The agreement could also deprive thirty private and public water divers of water which has historically been available for agricultural and industrial uses.



The first of two PUBLIC HEARINGS on the Draft EIR for the agreement will be held Wednesday, February 14th, beginning at 7:30 p.m. in the Casitas Municipal Water District's Offices: 1055 Ventura Avenue, Oak View, California 93022 (805) 649-2251.

Your attendance, whether you present testimony or simply observe the proceedings, could make a difference in the future of the Ventura River.

FRIENDS OF THE VENTURA RIVER, Charles D. Price, President