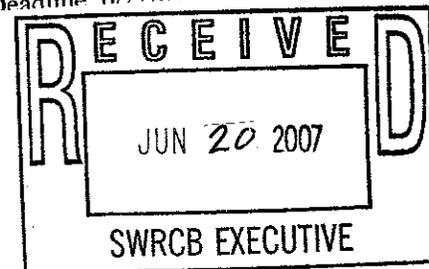


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While I am no longer a full time resident of CA a spend about 6 months in southwest including California and am a recreational gold miner. Please do not allow special interests to stop a recreational use of the great outdoors. I loved the outdoors as a child and now 74 years old still enjoy it though I can no longer go on long hikes nor camp on ground because of my health. I am appalled at the thought of my gradchildren not being able to enjoy our out doors like i did. I support the continued recreational mining and dredging in California (my residence for half my life). Though I now travel some and enjoy my retirement I am interested that my California resident Children and grandchildren be able to hunt, fish, prospect, hike, camp and enjoy the great outdoors available to them.
Thank you for allowing me to voice my OPINION. Be back in the fall. thank you again.

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Henry R. Dickhous
Home is where I park it. (BIG BOUNDER)