

STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATIONS FOR TOM STOKELY

I have been a salmon and water policy analyst with the Pacific Coast Federation of Fishermen's Associations since 2016. I graduated from the University of California at Santa Cruz in 1979 with a Bachelor of Arts in Biology and Environmental Studies, with honors in Biology. I am a co-director of Save California Salmon. I am also a director of the California Water Impact Network and served as a water policy analyst and media contact with the California Water Impact Network from 2008 until 2016. I retired as Principal Planner with the Natural Resources Division of Trinity County in 2008 after 23 years of staff service. I worked for Trinity County for 20 years as a natural resources planner in various capacities, but worked on Trinity River and Central Valley Project and salmon and steelhead issues for Trinity County for most of my time there. This included approximately ten years on the NEPA/CEQA Project Team that prepared the environmental document for approval of the Trinity River Record of Decision (PCFFA-98) as the CEQA representative for Trinity County.

On behalf of Trinity County, I participated in the hearings that resulted in State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) Water Quality Order 89-18 (PCFFA-23) and was an expert witness for the hearings leading up to Water Right Order 90-05 (SWRCB-24) regarding temperature management of the Sacramento and Trinity Rivers. On behalf of Trinity County, I served as an expert witness before the SWRCB for the hearings on Decision 1641. I served as an expert witness for the California Water Impact Network before the SWRCB regarding the 2009 petition by the Bureau of Reclamation and Department of Water Resources for a change in the Place of Use. I have made presentations to the North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board six times regarding the Trinity River. I have also made four presentations before the Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board regarding selenium issues.

In my various capacities, I have participated in the review and preparation of numerous planning and NEPA/CEQA documents regarding land use, water use and water quality. These include but are not limited to the BDCP/WaterFix, Grasslands Bypass Project/selenium/drainage, the San Joaquin River Restoration Program, the Two Gates Project, ARRA Emergency Wells, Lower Klamath River Plan, Trinity River Restoration Program Restoration Mainstem Rehabilitation Projects and Gravel Placement projects, Trinity River Bridges Project, US Forest Service Timber Harvest Plans, Open Range/Closed Range, CalFire Timber Harvest Plans, Triennial Basin Plan Review, Water Quality Control Plan Amendments, water rights, floodplain management, floodplain mapping, weed management, and other projects.

I was a member of the California Advisory Committee on Salmon and Steelhead Trout from 1990-2018, and I am a past chairman and past vice-chairman of that committee. I recently served as chairman and vice-chairman of the federal advisory committee for the Trinity River Restoration Program—the Trinity Adaptive Management Working Group (TAMWG). I have served as a TAMWG member representing commercial fishing interests since 2012 and was appointed by two different Interior Secretaries. I am a former member of the California Department of Water Resources AB 303 Groundwater Advisory Committee. I am a 2001

recipient of California Trout's Roderick Haig-Brown award and the Salmonid Restoration Federation's 2009 Lifetime Achievement Award. I received Resolution of Appreciation R-1-2008-0116 from the North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board for my work restoring the Trinity River. I am also the recipient of the California Assembly Member's Resolution 878 dated March 17, 2004.

I wrote my first grant to improve fish passage on a tributary of Hayfork Creek in 1983 through the former South Fork Trinity Watershed Improvement Association.

I live and work in Mount Shasta, Siskiyou County, California, but prior to November 2008 I was a Trinity County resident for 27 years.