A Brief History of the California Legislature’s Annual Fisheries Forum – Where It Has Been and Some of the Chores Ahead

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Dick Hallock’s 1987 report to the Advisory Committee Warned of the growing reliance on Sacramento River hatchery salmon
The Advisory Committee’s 1988 Report Advanced Major Salmon Conservation Legislation
Governor Deukmejian squelched the SWRCB’s nearly-historic Delta salmon protection plan
The Battle Creek Working Group's 1999 report proposed connecting Coleman Hatchery directly to the Sacramento River.
Sacramento River fall-run chinook salmon returns to the upper spawning grounds (Red Bluff Diversion Dam up to the end-of-the-line at Keswick Dam) have gone from mostly wild to mostly hatchery-origin fish which gang into Battle Creek and lure wild fish there (total of 450,000 salmon crowded into the creek in 2002)
I suggest that the Joint Legislative Fisheries Committee get some answers from the U.S Fish and Wildlife Service’s Director about the Delta and Coleman National Fish Hatchery.