

April 30, 1955

FIELD NOTESBig Sulphur Creek
Sonoma County

A creel census was taken on this stream on the opening day of the trout season. The only two open areas, the Geyser's Resort area and the section downstream from the Hale Ranch property, were checked. The weather was unsettled; the water was turbid, and the flow was rather high for good fishing. In the area below the Hale Ranch, 20 cars and 14 anglers were checked. Among these anglers were 2 with 15 fish limits. In the Geyser's Resort area, 26 cars (probably not all belonging to anglers) and 9 anglers were checked. 3 of these anglers had limit catches of 15 fish. As in Warm Springs Creek, most of the successful anglers caught their trout on worms rather than salmon eggs. The overall picture shows a total of 23 anglers checked. These men fished for a total of 134 hours and caught 158 RT-SH up to 9" in length. Several adult steelhead were reported hooked but lost. The average catch was 6.87 fish per angler and 1.18 fish per angler hour. No rough fish were caught or reported by the anglers who were checked.

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