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I belong to both the Gold Prospectors Association of America and the New 49ers. I could attach all the legal cites in <http://www.goldgold.com/legal/waterqualityreport.htm> as support but I won't. Through personal experience, I'm certain no degradation of the streams, water, or fish habitat occurs when suction dredging. Recreational miners disturb nothing compared to natural, annual flooding and erosion. We are a responsible lot and intend to stay that way and want to continue to enjoy our hobby. Please add my comments to your study/report. Thank you and I am sincerely, Richard Medlock