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dear beth ,im writing this note to you to tell you first that im a avid gold dredger,and second that the people who want to stop the hobby that im very passionit about dont know the true facts of what we do. believe me if i felt that i was doing any environmental harm i would be the first one to say so.

study after study is ignored by the opposition . use gold dredgers are really caring folks . ive never hurt a fish pursuing my hobby. as a mater of fact ive been dredging for over thirty years now. and all of a sudden its wrong.or so they say. please stick to science of the mater because thats the truth. i used to be a big fishermen but when i got into gold dredging i gave up fishing. i love to watch them eating the bugs that get stirred up in the water.

we are a benefit to fish and aquatic life in the streams and rivers. if it wasnt for use the rivers would become harsher place for fish to live. we give them shelter from predators and food. its not the truth when you hear that we are harming any wild life but actually the complete opposite.

so im asking you to use the sience and be truthful about any judgments decisions that are made on are behalf that you may make.

thank you and sincerely jake wrucha.