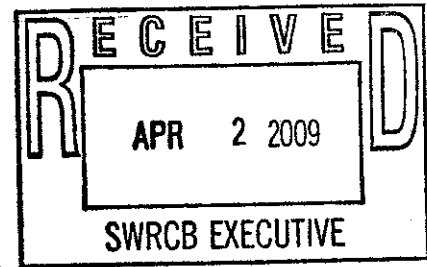


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The Alexander Valley reach of the Russian River main stem should be exempted from frost protection curtailment for the following reasons.

- 1 Alexander Valley as well as all of Sonoma Co. were excluded from recently held workshops hosted by NOAA Fisheries in Mendocino County
- 2 Alexander Valley geology and aquifer are completely different than Upper R.R. in Mendocino Co. where a fish stranding occurred. In addition, government estimates place the Alexander Valley aquifer in excess of 500,000 acre feet of water. Pumping from this huge aquifer greatly reduces any effect on the river. Most wells in Alexander Valley are located from several hundred feet to several thousand feet from the river. WE DO NOT PUMP DIRECTLY FROM THE RIVER!
- 3 There has never been a report of fish stranding or noticeable flow reduction in the main stem in Alexander Valley following a frost event.
- 4 We are in the process of installing water level recorders in the river in order to provide scientific data.
- 5 Thank you for your consideration.

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