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Comments: These comments are submitted by Keep Sespe Wild Committee, a volunteer watershed conservation

organization based in Ojai, CA.

We have been active in watershed issues for Sespe Creek, and from time to time for Piru Creek, for about 35 years.

We support the designations described for the 3-mile and the 4.25 creek segments of the lower Piru, as described. We also support the creation of a robust Comprehensive River Management Plan for the two designated creek segments.

Geology is clearly an Outstandingly Remarkable Value (ORV) on the lower Piru.

We maintain that Fisheries should be listed as an ORV for the entirety of the 7.25 mile segments. The water in both segments is the same, the native trout have no way of telling if they are in one segment or the other, and their activities in both segments are the same. The vegetation is similar, the creekbed where they build their redds is the same, the available food is the same, and the water temperatures are similar.

Thank you for this opportunity to comment,

Alasdair Coyne,

Conservation Director,

Keep Sespe Wild,

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