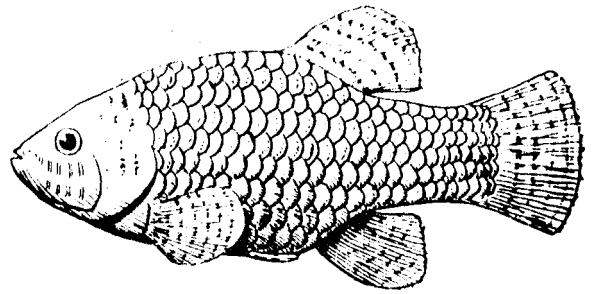


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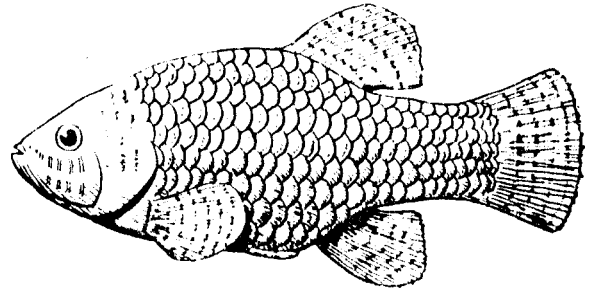
RELATIVE TO THE LISTING OF MEDA FULGIDA AS A THREATENED SPECIES

- WHEREAS the spinedace (Meda fulgida) has been extirpated from more than 85 percent of its range in the Gila River basin because of dams, water diversions, habitat degradation, and competition from exotic species, and
- WHEREAS the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation's Central Arizona Project is considering additional water diversions and dams within the remaining habitat of the species, and
- WHEREAS the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service has identified Meda fulgida as a Category 1 species in the 1982 Notice of Review of Vertebrate Species, indicating that there currently exists sufficient information to proceed with a listing as threatened or endangered, now therefore be it
- RESOLVED that the Desert Fishes Council, an organization numbering in excess of 400 persons and comprising an international representation of federal, state, and university scientists and resource specialists, members of conservation organizations, and individual citizens concerned with long-term environmental values, assembled at the Council's Sixteenth Annual Symposium on November 15 to 17, 1984 at the University of San Luis Potosí, S.L.P., Mexico, does hereby express its profound and heartfelt concern over the well-being of Meda fulgida and urges the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service to proceed immediately with the listing of Meda fulgida as a threatened species under the provisions of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended, and be it further
- RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be forwarded to the Director of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in Washington, D.C., and to the Regional Director of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in Albuquerque, New Mexico.

PASSED WITHOUT DISSENTING VOTE

Edwin P. Pister
Executive Secretary

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March 11, 1985

Robert A. Jantzen, Director
U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
Department of the Interior
Washington, D.C. 20240

Dear Mr. Jantzen:

During the 1984 symposium of the Desert Fishes Council, we passed the attached resolution calling for the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service to list the spinedace, *Meda fulgida*, as a threatened species. Please accept this letter and the attached resolution as a petition to list the spinedace as a threatened or endangered species. The Council looks forward to hearing of your progress in this matter.

Sincerely,

E. P. Pister
Executive Secretary

cc: Regional Director, Region 2
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