**Legal Title**  
The Salmon and Steelhead Trout Restoration Account

**Legal Citation/Authority**  
Chapter 293, Statutes of 1997  
Public Resources Code section 6217.1

**Purpose**  
The Salmon and Steelhead Trout Restoration Account was created to fund the recovery of coho salmon, other species of salmon, and anadromous trout through grant programs operated by the fisheries management program of the Department of Fish and Game. At least 87.5 percent of the fund shall be allocated as project grants through the existing grant program operated by the fisheries management program of the Department of Fish and Game. Up to 12.5 percent of the fund may also be used for project contract administration activities and biological support staff.

**Administering Agency/Organization Code**  
Department of Fish and Game/Org 3600

**Major Revenue Source**  
For fiscal year 1997-98, the Controller shall transfer $3,000,000 from the Resources Trust Fund to the Salmon and Steelhead Restoration Account. Commencing July 1, 1998, the Controller shall annually transfer $8,000,000. However, less than $8,000,000 can be transferred if the Controller determines that the Resources Trust Fund will receive less than that amount during the fiscal year.

**Disposition of Fund (upon abolishment)**  
Pursuant to Government Code 16346, in the absence of language that identifies a successor fund, any balance remaining in this fund upon abolishment, shall be transferred to the General Fund.

**Appropriation Authority**  
Public Resources Code Section 6217.1 and Chapter 8 (Division 3) of the Fish and Game Code provide that the funds for this account shall be appropriated in the annual Budget Act.

**State Appropriations Limit**  
**Always Excluded** - This is a major revenue source is transferred from another fund which has already been counted in an included fund, the Resources Trust Fund, and should not be double counted.

**Comments/Historical Information**