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President & CEO

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The Honorable Scott Pruitt  
USEPA Headquarters  
1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.  
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Dear Administrator Pruitt:

On behalf of the Trout Unlimited's 300,000 members and supporters, I am writing to thank you for the good meeting we had with you and your staff last week. We may not always agree on every issue, but I appreciate the chance to have candid discussions with you and your staff.

I especially appreciate our discussion on Good Samaritan and abandoned mine clean up policies. We look forward to your exploration of administrative options for helping Good Samaritans, and we will be providing your staff with some background material that we hope will be useful.

As we discussed, Bristol Bay's fisheries are like none-on-earth, and I sincerely hope that you will listen to the voices and views of people from the region and state, and not permit large scale industrial mining in the region.

As an angler, I know you understand the value of small, seasonal streams as sources of cold, clean water and as important spawning and rearing habitats. I hope you are similarly open to hearing the views of millions of anglers across America, and ensure these headwater streams are protected by the Clean Water Act--as they were for the first 30 years of the law.

Thanks again for the meeting. We look forward to continuing our work with EPA to maintain and restore the Nation's waters and fisheries.

Best regards,

*I hope you take me  
up on my offer to  
fish around the Potomac!*

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protecting and restoring North America's coldwater  
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