

Wildlife Meet to Declare Stand on Proposed Dams

The legislative committee of the Idaho Wildlife federation Saturday voted unanimously to present to the organization's full delegate assembly today a resolution opposing construction of the Bruce Eddy and Penny Cliffs dams on the Clearwater river, and Mountain Sheep on the Snake river.

But the committee asked its resolution-drafters not to close the door on other dams in the middle Snake area and agreed to a suggestion of Dr. W. R. Jacobs of Lewiston urging the Army Engineers to give continued study to dams in the area.

The federation opened its annual meeting at the Owyhee hotel Saturday morning and will bring it to an end this afternoon with adoption of resolutions and election of officers.

The legislative committee was only one of 18 committees which met Saturday afternoon to recommend resolutions to be considered by the full assembly today.

The proposed construction of the two dams on the Clearwater river was responsible for the "hottest" controversy engend-

ered at the convention and most discussion centered around it.

Suggest Further Study

Jacobs told the legislative committee that "we must recognize that building of dams is inevitable. If we don't recognize that fact, we are butting our heads against a stone wall and we have become obstructionists. We should go along in opposition to these two dams, but we should not close the door. We should ask that further study be made of dam sites and request investigations of dams which will give us the most benefits with the least harm to wildlife resources."

Committee Chairman R. E. Adamson of Carey called for a show of hands to determine if the committee wanted a resolution drafted "along those lines," and the vote was unanimous.

Named to draft the resolution were Bruce Bowler, Boise; Frank Evans and Frank Cullen, Coeur d'Alene; Monk Shellman, Bonners Ferry and George P. Scholer, Twin Falls.

In preliminary remarks leading to the showing of hands, Cullen said "we are just begin-