



November 20, 2014

Mike Sutton, President  
California Fish and Game Commission  
1419 Ninth Street, Room 1320  
Sacramento, CA 95814

Re: Comments on Agenda Items #2, #5, #6, #14, #15, #32

Dear President Sutton,

APECS is writing to express our position on the below agenda items. As always, we appreciate the opportunity to work with you and your fellow Commissioners on these important wildlife issues. Please see below for our comments.

**Items of Interest:**

➤ **Agenda Item #2**

APECS supports deer tag reporting. We also support and appreciate the department's thoughtful implementation plan though we continue to have serious concerns with AB 711, its effects on hunters, conservation programs, and if suitable and readily available alternative ammunition will be manufactured by 2019. We look forward to working with the Commission and the DFW to maintain predator management for public safety, agricultural interests, and wildlife conservation programs.

➤ **Agenda Item #5**

We'd like to see this issue moved into the department's overall predator management plan that is currently being developed.

➤ **Agenda Item #6**

APECS does not believe a listing is the best course of action, and hopes the commission will encourage and direct the interested stakeholder groups to continue working together to find solutions and avoid the need for a future listing.

➤ **Agenda Item #14**

Our preferred preference would be to use the established property boundaries of the closed areas as specified in the legislation, and to require that the trappers use GPS.

➤ **Agenda Item #15**

Noted in #2.

➤ **Agenda Item #32**

APECS appreciates the Commission's desire to clarify the possession limit regulations as it relates to processed game for consumption. We also believe that the Commission should not limit the discussion to game mammals and birds. Rather, the discussion should include all lawfully taken fish, mammals, and birds.

Best Afield,

Rick Bulloch

Cc Members of the California Fish and Game Commission  
Sonke Mastrup, Executive Director

“The nation behaves well if it treats the natural resources as assets which it must turn over to the next generation increased, and not impaired, in value”  
–**Theodore Roosevelt**