

STAFF SUMMARY FOR JUNE 10-11, 2015

4. MARINE RESOURCES COMMITTEE**Today's Item**Information Action

Review tasks referred to the Marine Resources Committee (MRC) for discussion and evaluation, review potential agenda topics for July 8, 2015 MRC meeting in Trinidad, and consider potential new topics for MRC review.

Summary of Previous/Future Actions

- Most recent MRC meeting Mar 4, 2015; Marina
- **Today's approval of July draft MRC topics Jun 10-11, 2015; Mammoth Lakes**
- Next MRC meeting Jul 8, 2015; Trinidad

Background

FGC directs committee work. This agenda item is to review topics submitted to MRC for evaluation, identify new topics to refer to MRC, and provide guidance as to the content of the next MRC agenda. Topics already referred to MRC include:

- Abalone Fishery Management Plan (FMP) development
- Fisheries bycatch workgroup
- Pier and jetty fishing review in southern California
- Herring FMP planning updates
- California's fishing communities

Two additional topics previously identified are now ready to schedule for MRC review, based on DFW readiness:

- Update *MLMA Master Plan for Fisheries*
- Update *MLPA Master Plan for Marine Protected Areas (MPAs)*

Draft agenda topics for the July 8, 2015 MRC meeting are shown in the MRC work plan in Exhibit 1, as well as proposed additions for FGC consideration today.

Significant Public Comments

1. Natural Resources Defense Council (NRDC), an MPA implementation partner, has requested to be added to the July MRC agenda, to share results of a new NRDC report titled, *Enforcement Technology Options for California MPAs* (Exhibit 2).

Recommendation

1. Staff recommends adding the following topics to the draft MRC work plan (Exhibit 1):
 - *MLMA Master Plan for Fisheries* update
 - *MLPA Master Plan for MPAs* update
 - NRDC report on MPA enforcement technology options

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2. Staff also recommends that draft discussion topics for the July 2015 MRC meeting include:
 - Abalone FMP development update
 - Fisheries bycatch workgroup update
 - Pier and jetty fishing review update
 - California's fishing communities discussion
 - Three additional topics identified under staff recommendation 1

Exhibits

1. MRC 3-year work plan and draft agenda topics for July 8, 2015 MRC meeting
2. Email request from Karen Garrison, NRDC, requesting to be added to the MRC agenda, received May 28, 2015

Motion/Direction

Moved by _____ and seconded by _____ that the Commission approves the July 2015 MRC draft meeting topics and the updated MRC work plan with additions recommended by staff.

Draft Marine Resources Committee (MRC) 3-Year Work Plan

(Revised 5/29/2015)

Topic	2015			2016			2017		
	MAR (Marina)	JUL (Trinidad)	NOV (So. CA)	MAR	JUL	NOV	MAR	JUL	NOV
Lobster FMP	R								
Abalone FMP [and ARMP update]	X	X	X	X	X / R				
Fisheries Bycatch Workgroup		X	X						
Pier and Jetty Fishing Review		X	X						
Herring FMP Development Updates	X								
Special Closures in Central Coast (stakeholder proposal review)	X / R								
Experimental Squid Permits – review of regulations	X								
California's Fishing Communities	X	X							
Annual Sport Fish Regulations	X			X			X		
Update to MLMA Master Plan for Fisheries		(X)							
Update to MLPA Master Plan for MPAs		(X)							
NRDC report on Enforcement Technology Options for CA MPAs		(X)							

Notes: = Topics previously referred to MRC

= Possible new topics to recommend for referral to MRC

X = Discussion scheduled

R = MRC recommendation to be developed

From: [Karen Garrison](#)
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Hi Susan, how are you? I'm writing to ask to get technology options for MPA enforcement, and specifically electronic records management systems, on the MRC agenda for Aug 5.

By the end of June, NRDC plans to release a report that evaluates various technology options, and concludes that electronic RMS should be a top priority for DFW. Of course, it already is! We'd like to briefly sum up our findings, then make a couple of suggestions for next steps.

I talked to Mike Sutton, and he suggested I contact you and ask to have this put on the agenda. Let me know if there's any problem with that or anything else I need to do. I'll send the report and a cover let to commissioners in early July.

Let me know if you need more info. [REDACTED]

best, karen

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Karen Garrison
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