

STAFF SUMMARY FOR JUNE 10-11, 2015

18. WILDLIFE RESOURCES COMMITTEE**Today's Item****Information** ☒**Action** ☒

Discuss results and recommendations from the May 6, 2015, MRC meeting.

Summary of Previous/Future Actions

- WRC meeting Jan 14, 2014; West Sacramento
- Recommendations accepted at FGC meeting Feb 11-12, 2015; Sacramento

The three accepted recommendations were:

1. Authorized staff to work with DFW to prepare rulemakings for upland game and waterfowl hunting, and wildlife rehabilitation regulations consistent with DFW recommendations.
 2. Encouraged DFW to work with user groups to identify options that extend beyond the vehicle pass concept to capture all non-consumptive users accessing DFW lands, and return with revised options for consideration at the May WRC meeting.
 3. Requested that DFW bring to the May WRC meeting recommendations about the three predator policy structural matters. The predator policy workgroup was asked to explore the issues and possible solutions.
- Discuss and approve agenda topics Apr 8-9, 2015; Santa Rosa
 - WRC meeting (Agenda – Exhibit 1) May 6, 2015; Los Angeles
 - Discuss and approve recommendations Jun 11, 2015; Mammoth Lakes

Background

FGC directs committee work. This agenda item is to receive results from the May WRC meeting, and discuss and consider any recommendations. Items that were referred to WRC for evaluation included:

- Predator management policy review
- DFW lands visitor pass
- Feral pig management
- Possession of game for processing into food (3080(e), FGC)

Documents in preparation for the meeting were posted on the FGC webpage: <http://www.fgc.ca.gov/meetings/2015/May/050615wrcdocs.aspx>

In addition, FGC staff identified the growing public participation and group dynamics of the predator policy workgroup as preventing meaningful progress.

Significant Public Comments (N/A)**Recommendation**

WRC Recommendations:

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- 1) FGC authorize staff to work with DFW to prepare rulemakings for sport fishing as proposed by DFW and for the DFW lands pass program that requires a vehicle or visitor pass where cost effective and practical.
- 2) FGC appoint (by special meeting) representatives to a tiered workgroup to facilitate addressing predator policy review and development. The tiered workgroup would consist of a drafting group (6 representatives of the key stakeholders) and a review group (no more than 10-20 to provide feedback to the drafting group). The final tier would be WRC itself that would make final recommendations to FGC. The tiered workgroup would be asked to bring a report to WRC by Dec 2015. WRC asked that staff prepare a nomination request, to be posted on FGC's website and distributed through our list server. In addition, WRC requested that DFW return to the Sep 2015 meeting to provide an update on the scientific issues.

While not recommendations, WRC also provided guidance to staff:

- WRC directed staff to work with DFW, the state legislature, and stakeholders to facilitate an acceptable and pragmatic solution to the wild pig issues presented and discussed during the May 2015 meeting.
- WRC requested DFW staff to report back at a future meeting with recommendations about how the results of DFW study may affect fishing regulations.

Exhibits

1. WRC May meeting agenda

Motion/Direction

Moved by _____ and seconded by _____ that the Commission approves _____ recommendations of the WRC.

Commissioners

Jack Baylis, President
Los Angeles

Jim Kellogg, Vice President
Discovery Bay

Richard Rogers, Member
Santa Barbara

Michael Sutton, Member
Monterey

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WILDLIFE RESOURCES COMMITTEE

Committee Co-Chairs: Commissioner Baylis and Commissioner Kellogg

Meeting Agenda

May 6, 2015, 10:00 a.m.

California Department of Transportation (CalTrans)

Conference Room 01.037

100 South Main Street, Los Angeles

NOTE: *Items may be heard in any order pursuant to the discretion of the presiding commissioner. See important information about Committee deadlines and procedures at the end of the agenda; the prime comment deadline is 5:00 pm on April 23, 2015.*

1. Public forum

Any member of the public may address the Commission regarding the implementation of its policies or any other matter within the jurisdiction of the Commission. The issue to be discussed should not be related to any item on the current agenda. As a general rule, action cannot be taken on issues not listed on the agenda; at the discretion of the Commission, staff may be requested to follow up on such items. Submitting written comments is encouraged to ensure that all comments will be included in the record before the Commission. Please be prepared to summarize your comments in the time allocated by the presiding commissioner.

2. Discuss and approve recommendations for 2015 scheduled rulemakings

- a. Sport fishing regulations (Sections 1.45, et al.)
- b. Department lands visitor pass (Sections 550, 550.5, 551, 630, and 703)

3. Identify and discuss initial recommendations for 2016 scheduled rulemakings

- a. Klamath River sport fishing
- b. Mammal hunting

4. Update on and discussion of predator management policy and regulations

5. New business

- a. Discussion of wild pig problems and commission policy
- b. California Department of Fish and Wildlife update regarding snagging
- c. Creating a dialogue with both consumptive and non-consumptive users

**FISH AND GAME COMMISSION
2015 MEETING SCHEDULE**
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MEETING DATE	COMMISSION MEETING	COMMITTEE MEETING
June 9		Tribal Committee Mountainside Conference Center 1 Minaret Road Mammoth Lakes, CA 93456
June 10-11	Mountainside Conference Center 1 Minaret Road Mammoth Lakes, CA 93456	
July 8		Marine Resources Trinidad Town Hall 409 Trinity Street Trinidad, CA 95570
August 4-5	River Lodge Conference Center 1800 Riverwalk Drive Fortuna, CA 95540	
September 9		Wildlife Resources Department of Industrial Relations 2550 Mariposa Mall, Room 1036 Fresno, CA 93721
October 6		Tribal Committee Embassy Suites – LAX North 9801 Airport Boulevard Los Angeles, CA 90045
October 7-8	Embassy Suites – LAX North 9801 Airport Boulevard Los Angeles, CA 90045	
November 4		Marine Resources Southern California
December 9-10	Town and Country Resort & Convention Center 500 Hotel Circle North San Diego, CA 92108	

OTHER MEETINGS OF INTEREST

Wildlife Conservation Board

- May 21, Sacramento, CA
- September 3, Sacramento, CA
- November 19, Sacramento, CA

Pacific Fishery Management Council

- June 12-17, Spokane, WA
- September 11-16, Sacramento, CA
- November 14-19, Garden Grove, CA

Pacific Flyway Council

- July 24, Reno, NV

Western Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies

- July 16-22, Reno, NV

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Written comments received at the Commission office by **5:00 p.m. on April 23, 2015**, will be made available to the Committee prior to the meeting. Written comments received **between April 23 and 12 noon on May 1, 2015**, will be made available to the Committee at the meeting. **After 12 noon on May 1**, five copies of written comments must be delivered at the meeting, otherwise they will not be made available to the Committee until after the meeting.

The Committee **will not** consider comments regarding proposed changes to regulations that have been noticed. If you wish to provide comment on an otherwise noticed item, please provide your comments during Commission meetings, via email, or deliver to the Commission office.

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SPEAKING AT THE MEETING

Committee meetings operate informally and provide opportunity for everyone to comment on agenda items. If you wish to speak on an agenda item, please follow these guidelines:

1. Raise your hand and wait to be recognized by the Committee co-chair(s).
2. Once recognized, please begin by giving your name and affiliation (if any) and the number of people you represent.
3. Time is limited; please keep your comments concise so that everyone has an opportunity to speak.
4. If there are several speakers with the same concerns, please try to appoint a spokesperson and avoid repetitive comments.
5. If you would like to present handouts or written materials to the Committee, please provide five copies to the designated staff member just prior to speaking.
6. If speaking during public forum, the subject matter you present should not be related to any item on the current agenda (public comment on agenda items will be taken at the time the Committee members discuss that item). As a general rule, public forum is an opportunity to bring matters to the attention of the Committee, but you may also do so via email, and standard mail. At the discretion of the Committee, staff may be requested to follow up on the subject you raise.

WHEN WILL MY AGENDA ITEM BE HEARD?

The Committee begins each session at the time listed on the agenda and generally considers each agenda item in the sequence listed, except in extraordinary circumstances.

VISUAL PRESENTATIONS/MATERIALS

All PowerPoint presentations must be submitted by May 1 at 12 noon and approved by the Commission executive director before the meeting.

1. All electronic formats must be Windows PC compatible.
2. Files created on a Mac are not supported.
3. It is recommended that a print copy of any electronic presentation be submitted in case of technical difficulties.
4. A data projector, laptop and presentation mouse will be available.

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