

## STAFF SUMMARY FOR FEBRUARY 10-11, 2016

**30. WILDLIFE RESOURCES COMMITTEE****Today's Item**Information Action 

Appoint members to the review group of the Predator Policy Workgroup.

**Summary of Previous/Future Actions**

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| • Most recent WRC meeting - canceled         | Jan 20, 2016; Sacramento           |
| • <b>Today's discussion and appointments</b> | <b>Feb 10-11, 2016; Sacramento</b> |
| • Predator Policy Workgroup                  | Feb 24, 2106; Sacramento           |
| • Next WRC meeting                           | May 18, 2016; West Sacramento      |

**Background**

FGC directs committee work. The Oct 2015 FGC meeting was focused on resolving the structure and function of the Predator Policy Workgroup (PPWG) and deciding on recommendations from the Sep 2015 WRC meeting. FGC accepted the WRC recommendations and directed staff to prepare for appointments to the PPWG at the Dec 2015 FGC meeting. FGC appointed ten members to the writing group at the Dec 2015 FGC meeting and deferred appointments to the review group to the Feb 2016 FGC meeting (Exhibit 1). The adopted PPWG proposal calls for 12-15 members of a review group.

The PPWG will meet on February 24, 2016 at the Stanley Mosk Library and Courts Building, 914 Capitol Mall, Room 500, Sacramento, CA at 10:00 am.

The Jan 20, 2016 WRC meeting was canceled in light of the departure of both WRC co-chairs and the executive director. FGC may assign a new WRC chair at this meeting (under Agenda Item 5).

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

Appoint no more than 15 individuals to the review group.

**Exhibits**

1. [List of applicants to the Predator Policy Workgroup, as of Jan 27, 2016](#)
2. [WRC Draft Work Plan updated for Feb 2016 FGC meeting](#)

**Motion/Direction**

Moved by \_\_\_\_\_ and seconded by \_\_\_\_\_ that the Commission appoints [insert names] to the review group of the Predator Policy Workgroup.

California Fish and Game Commission  
**Predator Policy Workgroup Nominees**  
01/27/2016

Name	Affiliation	Title	Group	Complete	Ability and willingness to work with others of diverse opinions and views and show a commitment and ability to represent key stakeholders.	Drafters: must demonstrate writing skills and ability to evaluate policy and regulations.	Reviewers: must demonstrate ability to evaluate policy and regulations. Experience working collaboratively
<b>Appointed to Writing Group - FGC, December 2015</b>							
Bill Gaines	Gaines & Associates, Government Relations		Drafting	NP	NP	NP	NP
Erica Sanko	California Wool Growers Association	Exec. Director	Drafting	Y	Y	Y	Y
Jean Su	Center for Biological Diversity	Staff Attorney	Drafting	Y	Y	Y	NP
Jennifer Fearing	Humane Society of the United States	Representative	Drafting	Y	Y	Y	Y
Josh Brones	Sportsman's Alliance/Al Taucher Conservation Coalition		Drafting	Y	Y	Y	Y
Mark Hennelly	California Waterfowl	Vice President, Legislative Affairs and Public Policy	Drafting	N	NP	Y	NP
Noelle Cremers	California Farm Bureau Federation	Director, Natural Resources and Commodities	Drafting	Y	Y	Y	Y
Rick Hopkins	Project Coyote Science Advisory Board		Drafting	Y	NP	Y	Y
Rebecca Dmytryk	Humane Wildlife Control Association	President	Drafting (either)	Y	NP	Y	NP
Tony Linegar	Sonoma County Department of Agriculture	Commissioner	Not Stated	Y	Y	NP	Y
<b>Applicants under consideration for the Review Group - FGC, February 2016</b>							
Grandville Crow	Predator hunting groups		Either	N	NP	NP	NP
Jim Conrad	San Diego County Fish and Wildlife Advisory Committee	President	Either	Y	Y	Y	Y
Kimberly Richard	Wildlife advocate		Either	Y	Y	NP	NP
Kirk Wilbur	California Cattlemen's Association	Director, Government Affairs	Either	Y	Y	Y	Y
Ronald Stephens	Predator hunting groups		Either	Y	NP	NP	NP
Sally Barron	Ag and hunters		Either	Y	Y	NP	Y
Thomas Boo	Friends of the Inyo	Board of Directors	Either	Y	Y	Y	Y
Bill Saksa	Predator Callers of Orange County	Board Member	Not Stated	N	NP	NP	NP
Chuck Morse	Mendocino County Agricultural Commission	Commissioner	Not Stated	Y	Y	NP	Y
Dale T. Steele	Expert on predator issues (Retired DFW employee)		Not Stated	Y	Y	Y	Y
Ed Worley	National Rifle Association	Legislative Liaison	Not Stated	N	NP	NP	NP
George Osborn	California Association for Recreational Fishing	Representative	Not Stated	Y	Y	Y	Y
James Ferris	Hunter		Not stated	N	Y	NP	NP
Les Wright	Fresno County Agricultural Commission	Commissioner	Not Stated	Y	Y	Y	Y
Patrick Fitzmorris	California Deer Association	Senior Field Director	Not Stated	Y	Y	Y	Y
Randy Morrison	Mule Deer Foundation	California Regional Director	Not stated	Y	Y	NP	NP
Tom Pederson	California Rifle and Pistol Association	Legislative Director	Not stated	N	NP	NP	NP
Damon Nagami	Natural Resources Defense Council	Senior Attorney	Review	Y	Y	Y	Y
Dennis Orthmeyer	APHIS Wildlife Services	State Director	Review	N	NP	NP	NP
Keli Hendricks	Project Coyote	Predator Friendly Ranching Coordinator	Review	Y	Y	NP	NP
Robert R. Smith	San Diego County Wildlife Federation	President	Review	Y	Y	Y	Y
Sharon Ponsford	California Council for Wildlife Rehabilitators	Board Member	Review	N	NP	Y	NP
Steven Childs	California State Varmint Callers Association	Member	Review	Y	Y	NP	NP
Tom O'Key	Project Bobcat	Founder	Review	Y	NP	NP	NP

KEY

X Discussion scheduled

R Recommendation developed and moved to FGC

**Wildlife Resources Committee (WRC) 2016-17 Draft Work Plan: Scheduled topics and timeline for items referred to WRC**

(Updated for Feb 10-11, 2016 FGC meeting)

Topic	Type of Topic	2016			2017		
		JAN Cancelled	MAY (Sacto)	SEP (Sacto)	JAN (Sacto)	MAY (Sacto)	SEP (Sacto)
<b>Annual Game Regulations</b>							
Upland Game Birds	Annual	X / R		X	X / R		
Sport Fish	Annual	X	X / R		X	X / R	
Mammals	Annual		X	X / R		X	X / R
Waterfowl	Annual		X	X / R		X	X / R
Central Valley Salmon	Annual		X	X / R		X	X / R
Klamath River Sport Fish	Annual		X	X / R		X	X / R
<b>Regulations &amp; Legislative Mandates</b>							
Possession of game for processing into food (Sec. 3080(e), Fish and Game Code)	Referral for review	X	X	X / R			
<b>Emerging Management Issues</b>							
Lead Ban Implementation	DFW project		X	X	X	X	X
Feral Pig Management	Potential WRC special project		X	X	X	X	X
<b>Special Projects</b>							
Predator Policy Workgroup	WRC workgroup		X	X	X	X	X