

COMMITTEE STAFF SUMMARY FOR SEPTEMBER 21, 2016

3A. 2017-2018 MAMMAL HUNTING REGULATIONS**Today's Item**Information Direction

Discuss and approve recommendations for 2017-2018 mammal hunting regulations.

Summary of Previous/Future Actions

- Previous WRC discussion May18, 2016; WRC, West Sacramento
- **Today's discussion and recommendations Sep 21, 2016; WRC, Woodland**
- Notice hearing for 2017-2018 regulations Dec 7-8, 2016; San Diego

Background

This item is to provide the public and DFW an opportunity to identify and discuss potential items to include in the upcoming rulemaking for mammal hunting regulations for the 2017-2018 season. Regulatory petitions received by FGC and referred to WRC or DFW for further consideration related to this agenda item are shown in Exhibit 1.

Today, DFW staff will summarize any proposed regulation changes for 2017-2018 beyond the anticipated changes to season and bag limits, including any updates or recommendations on items previously referred to DFW.

This meeting is the last opportunity for WRC to make recommendations to FGC regarding potential changes to consider in the rulemaking, before the notice meeting in December.

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

Consider recommendations provided by DFW during the meeting, particularly those related to any petitions granted for this rulemaking or items previously referred to DFW by the Commission, and any public comments prior to developing a recommendation.

Exhibits

1. [Table of FGC Requests for Regulatory Action related to mammal hunting, dated Sep 9, 2016.](#)

Committee Direction/Recommendation

WRC recommends that FGC authorize staff to work with DFW to prepare a rulemaking package for 2017-2018 mammal hunting regulations consistent with what has been presented and discussed today.

**CALIFORNIA FISH AND GAME COMMISSION
REQUESTS FOR REGULATORY ACTION
Revised 09-09-2016**

FGC - California Fish and Game Commission **DFW** - California Department of Fish and Wildlife **WRC** - Wildlife Resources Committee **MRC** - Marine Resources Committee

Grant: FGC is *willing to consider* the petition through a process **Deny:** FGC is *not willing to consider* the petition **Refer:** FGC *needs more information* before deciding whether to grant or deny the petition



Green cells: Referrals to DFW for more information

Lavender cells: Accepted and moved to a rulemaking



Blue cells: Referrals to FGC staff or committee for more information



Yellow cells: Current action items

Tracking No.	Date Received	Response Due (10 work days)	Response letter to Petitioner	Accept or Reject	Name of Petitioner	Subject of Request	Code or Title 14 Section Number	Short Description	FGC Decision
2015-013	12/10/2015	12/24/15	12/31/2015	A	Matthew Berkoben	D16 Deer Tags and Transiting San Felipe Wildlife Area	551, T14	Allow a legal D16 deer tag holder to transit the San Felipe Wildlife Area to pursue game on Vulcan Mountain on the BLM lands that can be legally hunted with a D16 tag.	Refer on 4/14/2016 to DFW for evaluation and recommendation.
2015-016	12/18/2015	1/4/2016	12/18/2015	A	Preston Taylor	Antlerless Deer Tag	Chapter 3, T14	Proposed options for antlerless deer tags - Archery only either sex deer tag or archery only antlerless deer tag. Addition of a traditional archery deer season (longbows & recurve bows only).	Grant on 4/14/2016 to mammal hunting rulemaking for 2017-18 season.
2016-004	3/10/2016	3/24/2016	4/5/2016	A	Cheryl Kunert (Modoc County Fish, Game and Recreation Commission)	Black bear hunting in Modoc county	662(b)	Permit take of black bear in the balance of Modoc County, season to run concurrently with general deer season in Modoc County without increasing quota for black bear harvest.	Grant on 6/23/2016; refer to mammal hunting rulemaking for 2017-18 season.