

COMMITTEE STAFF SUMMARY FOR SEPTEMBER 21, 2016

3B. 2017-2018 WATERFOWL HUNTING REGULATIONS**Today's Item**Information Direction

Discuss and approve recommendations for 2017-2018 waterfowl hunting regulations (Section 502).

Summary of Previous/Future Actions

- Previous WRC discussion May 18, 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 waterfowl hunting regulations for next year.

Today, DFW staff will summarize any proposed regulation changes for 2017-2018 beyond the anticipated changes to season and bag limits.

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 (N/A)**Committee Direction/Recommendation**

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