

Attachment A – Public Comments and Responses  
Nonlead Ammunition Coupon Program

Number	Name	Comment(s)	Response
1	<p>Pamela Flick Defenders of Wildlife</p> <p>Mike Lynes Audubon California</p> <p>Courtney Fern State Director – Humane Society</p> <p>Joint letter dated 6/7/2016</p>	<p>a. Supports the addition of Section 250.2 to establish a nonlead ammunition coupon program.</p> <p>b. Advises the Commission to expand the program to cover those who may take wildlife without a hunting license.</p>	<p>a. Thank you. The Fish and Game Commission and the Department appreciate your support.</p> <p>b. The primary goal of this program is to defray increased ammunition costs to licensed hunters due to the mandated change in ammunition. Given there will be a limited pool to fund this program (Pittman-Robertson funds are projected to decline in the upcoming years and it is unclear how much match any potential grantee may be able to provide), it has been decided to focus the initial effort on licensed hunters of the species groups identified in the original implementing regulations in Section 250.1.</p>
2	<p>Donald J. Armentrout, Chairman Lassen County Fish and Game Commission</p>	<p>a. Supports the addition of Section 250.2 to establish a nonlead ammunition coupon program.</p> <p>b. Suggest the program be expanded to two boxes of ammunition for rifle or shotgun. One box to be used for practice/sight in their rifle/shotgun and one box to hunt.</p>	<p>a. See Response 1a.</p> <p>b. See Response 1b. Your comment is helpful for expanding the program, if possible at a later date.</p>
3	<p>April Wakeman The Sportfishing</p>	<p>a. The nonlead coupon program is great public relations.</p>	<p>a. See Response 1a.</p>

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	Conservancy	<p>b. Suggests the coupons be distributed to people as they pass the Hunter Safety Course, and other coupons could be used for kids in outdoor programs</p>	<p>b. See Response 1b.</p>
4	Dennis Fox Public Testimony 6/23/2106	<p>a. Do not provide coupons for steel bullets as they are cheap and cause fires.</p> <p>b. No suitable substitutes exist for primitive weapons.</p>	<p>a. The risk of fire caused by nonlead ammunition was addressed in the Final Environmental Document for the phasing in of the nonlead ammunition requirement. Research showed that there was a slight risk of fire under experimental conditions which are not likely to ever be repeated under field conditions. The coupon program is for nonlead ammunition; the choice of the product used will be up to the individual hunter who is selected in the drawing.</p> <p>b. True – this subject has been extensively debated throughout the process of adopting the nonlead ammunition regulations. Very little suitable ammunition exists for primitive weapons but it is hoped the ammunition manufacturing industry will develop suitable products in the future.</p>
5	Mike Stake Ventana Wildlife Society Public Testimony 6/23/2016	<p>a. Supports state-wide nonlead coupon program.</p> <p>b. Recommends, based on their experience, that the ammunition should be</p>	<p>a. See Response 1a.</p> <p>b. The proposed regulatory text allows flexibility as to whether a coupon or a box of nonlead ammunition is provided to successful drawing applicants.</p>

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