

STAFF SUMMARY FOR JUNE 21-22, 2017

3. CASCADES FROG (CONSENT)**Today's Item****Information** ☐**Action** ☒

Approve DFW request for an extension of 30 days to evaluate the petition to list Cascades frog as a threatened or endangered species under the California Endangered Species Act (CESA).

Summary of Previous/Future Actions

- Received petition Mar 1, 2017
- FGC transmitted petition to DFW Mar 6, 2017
- Published notice of receipt of petition Mar 31, 2017
- Public receipt of petition Apr 26-27, 2017; Van Nuys
- **Today act on DFW request for 30-day extension Jun 21-22, 2017; Smith River**

Background

A petition to list Cascades frog as a threatened or endangered species under CESA was submitted by Center for Biological Diversity on Mar 1, 2017. On Mar 6, 2017, FGC transmitted the petition to DFW for review. A notice of receipt of petition was published in the California Regulatory Notice Register on Mar 31, 2017.

California Fish and Game Code Section 2073.5 requires that DFW evaluate the petition and submit to FGC a written evaluation with a recommendation; under this section DFW may request an extension of up to 30 days to complete the evaluation. DFW has requested a 30-day extension (Exhibit 1). The requested extension would change the due date for DFW's evaluation from 90 days, due on Jun 4, 2017 to 120 days, due on Jul 4, 2017.

Significant Public Comments

This meeting is not intended for FGC discussion as the law requires the public to have 30 days to review the petition and public release of the evaluation report; however, under Bagley-Keene, FGC must allow public comment on this item if requested.

Recommendation

FGC staff: Approve DFW's request for an extension of 30 days under a motion to adopt the consent calendar.

Exhibits

1. [DFW memo, received Jun 8, 2017](#)

Motion/Direction

Moved by _____ and seconded by _____ that the Commission adopts the consent calendar, items 3-7.

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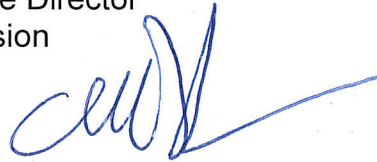
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Memorandum

Date: June 6, 2017

To: Valerie Termini, Executive Director
Fish and Game Commission

From: Charlton H. Bonham
Director



Subject: **Request for 30-day extension, Cascades Frog (*Rana cascadae*)**

The Department of Fish and Wildlife (Department) requests a 30-day extension of time pursuant to Fish and Game Code section 2073.5 to allow the Department additional time to analyze and evaluate the petition to list Cascades Frog (*Rana cascadae*) under the California Endangered Species Act and to complete our evaluation report. This extension would change the due date for the Department's evaluation from 90 days, due on Monday, June 5, 2017, to 120 days, due on Wednesday, July 5, 2017.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Mr. T.O. Smith, Wildlife Branch Chief, at Timothy.Smith@Wildlife.ca.gov or 916-445-3555.

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