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MARINE RESOURCES COMMITTEE

Committee co-chairs: Commissioner Silva and Commissioner Murray

2nd Revised* Meeting Agenda
March 17, 2020; 9:00 a.m.

Participate in Person:

Justice Joseph A. Rattigan Building
Conference Room 410, 4th Floor
50 D Street, Santa Rosa 95404

OR

Participate via Webinar:

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The webinar (**desktop** and **web-based** version of WebEx) is for viewing presentations and listening to the meeting only; to actively participate in the meeting conversations verbally, you must *also* call into the meeting using the Teleconference phone number below.

Participate via Teleconference:

Call (877) 402-9753 or (636) 651-3141; access code 832 4310

This meeting will be audio-recorded and made available to the public upon request.

***This agenda has been revised to remove the San Diego in-person meeting location. Participation by committee co-chairs and Commission staff will primarily be via webinar and teleconference; select staff will be at the Santa Rosa meeting location to support public participation.**

Note: Please see important meeting procedures and information at the end of the agenda. Unless otherwise indicated, the California Department of Fish and Wildlife is identified as Department. All agenda items are informational and/or discussion only. The Committee develops recommendations to the Commission but does not have authority to make policy or regulatory decisions on behalf of the Commission.

Call to order

1. Approve agenda and order of items

2. General public comment for items not on agenda

The Committee may not discuss or take action on any matter raised during this item, except to consider whether to recommend that the matter be added to the agenda of a future meeting [Sections 11125, 11125.7(a), Government Code].

3. Staff and agency updates

Receive updates from staff and other agencies on items of note since the last Committee meeting.

(A) Ocean Protection Council

(B) Department

I. Marine Region

a. Information on change in cowcod stock status in California (a discussion is planned for the July 2020 committee meeting)

II. Law Enforcement Division

III. Other

(C) Commission staff

4. Recreational red abalone fishery management plan

Discuss the recreational red abalone administrative team report and potential committee recommendation.

5. Whale and turtle protections in the recreational Dungeness crab fishery

Discuss and consider possible recommendation on Department-proposed management measures for the recreational Dungeness crab fishery.

6. Regulations governing commercial harvest of wild kelp and algae

Discuss the Department-proposed rulemaking concerning commercial harvest of wild kelp and algae and consider potential committee recommendation.

7. Marine aquaculture in California

Receive update on marine aquaculture and discuss near-term priorities and potential committee recommendation.

(A) Receive Department informational report on marine aquaculture in California, discuss status of the programmatic environmental impact report, and consider proposed next steps.

(B) Discuss possible recommendation for a temporary hiatus in considering new applications for state water bottom leases for the purpose of aquaculture (excepting previously received applications currently under consideration).

8. Experimental Fishing Permit Program phase II

Receive Department update on outreach and discuss efforts to develop an experimental fishing permit program.

9. Recreational swordfish

Receive Department overview of emerging issues in the recreational swordfish fishery and discuss potential regulation changes.

10. Marine Life Management Act master plan implementation

Receive Department update on next implementation efforts for the 2018 master plan for fisheries, including options for initiating a California halibut fishery management plan development process.

11. Future agenda items

- (A) Review work plan agenda topics and timeline
- (B) Potential new agenda topics for Commission consideration

Adjourn

California Fish and Game Commission 2020 Meeting Schedule

Note: As meeting dates and locations can change, please visit www.fgc.ca.gov for the most current list of meeting dates and locations.

Meeting Date	Commission Meeting	Committee Meeting
March 18		
April 15 - 16	Natural Resources Building Auditorium 1416 Ninth Street, 1 st Floor Sacramento, CA 95814	
May 14	Teleconference Arcata, Santa Rosa, Sacramento and San Diego	
May 14		Wildlife Resources Justice Joseph A. Rattigan Building Conference Room 410 50 D Street, 4 th Floor Santa Rosa, CA 95404
June 24 - 25	Holiday Inn Orange County Airport 2726 S. Grand Avenue Santa Ana, CA 92705	
July 21		Marine Resources San Clemente area
August 18		Tribal River Lodge Conference Center 1800 Riverwalk Drive Fortuna, CA 95540
August 19 - 20	River Lodge Conference Center 1800 Riverwalk Drive Fortuna, CA 95540	
September 17		Wildlife Resources Natural Resources Building Redwood Room 1416 Ninth Street, 14 th Floor Sacramento, CA 95814
October 14 - 15	Elihu M Harris Building Auditorium 1515 Clay Street Oakland, CA 94612	
November 9		Tribal Monterey area
November 10		Marine Resources Monterey area
December 9 - 10	San Diego area	

OTHER 2020 MEETINGS OF INTEREST

California Fish and Game Commission Annual Tribal Planning Meeting

- March 18, Santa Rosa, CA

Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies

- September 13-16, Sacramento, CA

Pacific Fishery Management Council

- April 3-10, Vancouver, WA
- June 11-18, San Diego, CA
- September 10-17, Spokane, WA
- November 13-20, Garden Grove, CA

Pacific Flyway Council

- August 28 (location TBD)

Western Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies

- July 9-14, Park City, UT

Wildlife Conservation Board

- May 20, Sacramento, CA
- August 26, Sacramento, CA
- November 18, Sacramento, CA

IMPORTANT COMMITTEE MEETING PROCEDURES INFORMATION

Welcome to a meeting of the California Fish and Game Commission's Marine Resources Committee. The Committee is chaired by up to two Commissioners; these assignments are made by the Commission.

The goal of the Committee is to allow greater time to investigate issues before the Commission than would otherwise be possible. Committee meetings are less formal in nature and provide for additional access to the Commission. The Committee follows the noticing requirements of the Bagley-Keene Open Meeting Act. It is important to note that the Committee chairs cannot take action independent of the full Commission; instead, the chairs make recommendations to the full Commission at regularly scheduled meetings.

The Commission's goal is the preservation of our heritage and conservation of our natural resources through informed decision-making; Committee meetings are vital in developing recommendations to help the Commission achieve that goal. In that spirit, we provide the following information to be as effective and efficient toward that end. Welcome, and please let us know if you have any questions.

PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

Persons with disabilities needing reasonable accommodation to participate in public meetings or other Commission activities are invited to contact the Reasonable Accommodation Coordinator at (916) 651-1214. Requests for facility and/or meeting accessibility should be received at least 10 working days prior to the meeting to ensure the request can be accommodated.

SUBMITTING WRITTEN MATERIALS

The public is encouraged to attend Committee meetings and engage in the discussion about items on the agenda; the public is also welcome to comment on agenda items in writing. You may submit your written comments by one of the following methods (only one is necessary): **Email** to fgc@fgc.ca.gov; **mail** to California Fish and Game Commission, P.O. Box 944209, Sacramento, CA 94244-2090; **deliver** to California Fish and Game Commission, 1416 Ninth Street, Suite 1320, Sacramento, CA 95814; or **hand-deliver to a Committee meeting**.

COMMENT DEADLINES

The **Written Comment Deadline** for this meeting is **5:00 p.m. on March 4, 2020**. Written comments received at the Commission office by this deadline will be made available to Commissioners prior to the meeting.

The **Supplemental Comment Deadline** for this meeting is **noon on March 12, 2020** received by this deadline will be made available to Commissioners at the meeting.

After these deadlines, written comments may be delivered in person to the meeting – Please bring **five (5)** copies of written comments to the meeting.

The Committee will not consider comments regarding proposed changes to regulations that have been noticed by the Commission. If you wish to provide comment on a noticed item, please provide your comments during Commission business meetings, via email, or deliver to the Commission office.

Note: Materials provided to the Committee may be made available to the general public.

PETITIONS FOR REGULATION CHANGE

As a general rule, requests for regulatory change need to be redirected to the full Commission and submitted on the required petition form, FGC 1, *Petition to the California Fish and Game Commission for Regulation Change* (Section 662, Title 14, California Code of Regulations). However, at the Committee's discretion, the Committee may request that staff follow up on items of potential interest to the Committee and possible recommendation to the Commission.

SPEAKING AT THE MEETING

Committee meetings operate informally and provide opportunity for everyone to comment on agenda items. If you wish to speak on an agenda item, please follow these guidelines:

1. Raise your hand and wait to be recognized by the Committee co-chair(s).
2. Once recognized, please begin by giving your name and affiliation (if any) and the number of people you represent.
3. Time is limited; please keep your comments concise so that everyone has an opportunity to speak.
4. If there are several speakers with the same concerns, please try to appoint a spokesperson and avoid repetitive comments.
5. If you would like to present handouts or written materials to the Committee, please provide five copies to the designated staff member just prior to speaking.
6. If speaking during general public comment, the subject matter you present should not be related to any item on the current agenda (public comment on agenda items will be taken at the time the Committee members discuss that item). As a general rule, general public comment is an opportunity to bring matters to the attention of the Committee, but you may also do so via email or standard mail. At the discretion of the Committee, staff may be requested to follow up on the subject you raise.

VISUAL PRESENTATIONS/MATERIALS

All electronic presentations must be submitted by the **Supplemental Comment Deadline** and approved by the Commission executive director before the meeting.

1. Electronic presentations must be provided by email to fgc@fgc.ca.gov or delivered to the Commission on a USB flash drive by the deadline.
2. All electronic formats must be Windows PC compatible.
3. It is recommended that a print copy of any electronic presentation be submitted in case of technical difficulties.
4. A data projector, laptop and presentation mouse will be available for use at the meeting.

LASER POINTERS may only be used by a speaker during a presentation.