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### MARINE RESOURCES COMMITTEE

Committee co-chairs: Commissioner Sklar and Commissioner Murray

**Meeting Agenda**  
**July 21, 2021; 9:00 a.m.**

#### Webinar and Teleconference

Pursuant to Executive Order N-08-21, the California Fish and Game Commission is conducting this committee meeting by webinar and teleconference. Commission members will participate remotely. The public may provide public comment during the public comment periods, and otherwise observe remotely consistent with the Bagley-Keene Open Meeting Act.

***To participate in the meeting, please join via Zoom or by telephone.***

***[Click here](https://nrm.dfg.ca.gov/FileHandler.ashx?DocumentID=193045&inline) or go to <https://nrm.dfg.ca.gov/FileHandler.ashx?DocumentID=193045&inline> for instructions on how to join the meeting.***

**Note:** See important meeting deadlines and procedures, including written public comment deadlines, starting on page 4. 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**

Receive public comment regarding topics that are not included on the 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. Marine aquaculture in California**

Receive and discuss overview of:

- (A) Requests related to existing state water bottom leases and new lease applications currently under review.
- (B) Initial steps toward defining public interest determination criteria for new aquaculture lease applications.

**4. Marine protected area network**

Receive Department update on planning, structure, and reporting for the first decadal review of California's marine protected area network in 2022. Discuss options for Commission and public receipt and review.

**5. Kelp and algae - Commercial harvest of bull kelp**

- (A) Receive an update on the coverage and distribution of north coast bull kelp canopy observed in 2020.
- (B) Receive Department overview of bull kelp working group outcomes and recommendations for commercial bull kelp harvest regulation changes. Consider a potential committee recommendation.
- (C) Consider potential committee recommendation for commercial bull kelp harvest regulations

**6. Pink shrimp fishery**

Receive Department update on and discuss a draft pink shrimp fishery management plan (FMP) and proposed implementing regulations. Consider a potential committee recommendation.

**7. Market squid fishery**

Receive and discuss Department plans to commence a review of market squid fishery management.

**8. Staff and agency updates requested by the Committee**

Receive updates from staff and other agencies.

*Note: The public will be given opportunity to provide comment, although the level of in-meeting discussion will be at the discretion of the Committee.*

- (A) California Ocean Protection Council
- (B) Department
  - I. Law Enforcement Division
    - a. MPA-related enforcement actions in 2020
  - II. Marine Region
    - a. Recreational red abalone FMP development
    - b. Use of hydraulic pump gear to take clam, sand crab, and shrimp
    - c. Experimental Fishing Permit Program Phase II
- (C) Commission staff
  - I. Coastal Fishing Communities Project

**9. Future agenda items**

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

Adjourn

## California Fish and Game Commission 2021 Meeting Schedule

**Note:** As meeting dates and locations can change, please visit [www.fgc.ca.gov](http://www.fgc.ca.gov) for the most current list of meeting dates and locations.

| Meeting Date         | Commission Meeting     | Committee Meeting                       |
|----------------------|------------------------|---|
| August 17, 2021      |                        | <b>Tribal</b><br>Webinar/teleconference |
| August 18-19, 2021   | Webinar/teleconference |   |
| September 16, 2021   |                        | <b>Wildlife Resources</b><br>Sacramento |
| October 13-14, 2021  | Sacramento             |   |
| November 9, 2021     |                        | <b>Marine Resources</b><br>Sacramento   |
| December 14, 2021    |                        | <b>Tribal</b><br>Sacramento             |
| December 15-16, 2021 | Sacramento             |   |

### Other Meetings of Interest

**Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies**

- September 12-15, 2021; Providence, RI

**Pacific Fishery Management Council**

- September 8-15, 2021; Spokane, WA
- November 15-22, 2021; Costa Mesa, CA

**Pacific Flyway Council**

- August 27, 2021; Bozeman, MT

**Western Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies**

- July 18-23, 2021; Santa Fe, NM

**Wildlife Conservation Board**

- August 26, 2021; videoconference or teleconference
- November 18, 2021; videoconference or teleconference

## IMPORTANT COMMITTEE MEETING PROCEDURES INFORMATION

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

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 preserving our outdoor heritage and conserving 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 Department's Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO) Office at (916) 653-9089 or [EEO@wildlife.ca.gov](mailto:EEO@wildlife.ca.gov). Accommodation requests for facility and/or meeting accessibility and requests for American Sign Language (ASL) Interpreters should be submitted at least two weeks prior to the event. Requests for Real-Time Captioners should be submitted at least four weeks prior to the event. These timeframes are to help ensure that the requested accommodation is met. If a request for an accommodation has been submitted but is no longer needed, please contact the EEO Office immediately.

### 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](mailto:fgc@fgc.ca.gov); **mail** to California Fish and Game Commission, P.O. Box 944209, Sacramento, CA 94244-2090; or **deliver** to California Fish and Game Commission, 1416 Ninth Street, Room 1320, Sacramento, CA 95814.

### COMMENT DEADLINES

The **Written Comment Deadline** for this meeting is **5:00 p.m. on Thursday, July 8, 2021**. 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 Friday, July 16, 2021**. Comments received by this deadline will be made available to Commissioners at 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.

## **REGULATION CHANGE PETITIONS**

As a general rule, requests for regulatory change must 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. You will be given instructions during the meeting for how to be recognized by the Committee co-chair(s) to speak.
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 speaking during public comment for items not on the agenda (Agenda Item 2), 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, 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](mailto: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.