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MARINE RESOURCES COMMITTEE

Committee co-chairs: Commissioner Sklar and Commissioner Murray

Meeting Agenda

November 9, 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=195276&inline) or go to <https://nrm.dfg.ca.gov/FileHandler.ashx?DocumentID=195276&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. Recreational take of clam and other invertebrates

Receive Department update on review of hydraulic pump gear ban adopted through emergency regulation and consider a potential committee recommendation for the regular rulemaking scheduled for December.

4. Marine protected area network

Receive Department update on planning for the first decadal management review of California’s marine protected area network. Discuss and consider a committee recommendation on a process for Commission and public receipt and review of the Department’s report.

5. California halibut fishery management review

Receive Department update review of California halibut fishery management. Consider potential committee recommendation on timing of review.

- (A) Feedback received at stakeholder engagement webinars
- (B) Department priorities for management attention
- (C) Process for evaluating new and old California halibut trawl grounds as mandated in statute

6. California Coastal Fishing Communities Project

Receive Commission staff update on progress developing a potential policy—including feedback from regional stakeholder roundtables—and completing draft analyses of staff recommendations.

7. Staff and agency updates requested by the Committee

Receive written updates from staff and other agencies.

Note: To enhance meeting efficiency in the webinar/teleconference format, the Committee intends to receive updates primarily in writing. The public will be given an 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
 - II. Marine Region
 - a. Kelp restoration and recovery efforts, including initial outcomes of urchin removal projects and status of sunflower star (*Pycnopodia*)
 - b. Red abalone fishery management plan development
 - c. Market squid management review
 - d. Aquaculture – Current and future lease planning
- (C) Commission staff

8. 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 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 |
|----------------------|------------------------------|--|
| December 14, 2021 | | Tribal Teleconference |
| December 15-16, 2021 | Teleconference | |
| January 13, 2022 | | Wildlife Resources Sacramento |
| February 16-17, 2022 | Sacramento | |
| March 24, 2022 | | Marine Resources Sacramento |
| April 19, 2022 | | Tribal Monterey/Santa Cruz area |
| April 20-21, 2022 | Monterey/Santa Cruz area | |
| May 19, 2022 | Teleconference | |
| May 19, 2022 | | Wildlife Resources Redding |
| June 15-16, 2022 | Los Angeles/Orange County | |
| July 14, 2022 | | Marine Resources San Diego area |
| August 16, 2022 | | Tribal Fortuna |
| August 17-18, 2022 | Fortuna | |
| September 15, 2022 | | Wildlife Resources Los Angeles/Inland Empire area |
| October 12-13, 2022 | Truckee | |
| November 17, 2022 | | Marine Resources Monterey area |
| December 13, 2022 | | Tribal San Diego area |
| December 14-15, 2022 | San Diego area | |

Other Meetings of Interest

Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies

- September 18-21, 2022, Fort Worth, TX

Pacific Fishery Management Council

- November 15-22, 2021, Costa Mesa, CA
- March 8-14, 2022, San Jose, CA
- April 6-13, 2022, San Jose, CA
- June 7-14, 2022, Vancouver, WA
- September 7-14, 2022, Boise, ID
- November 2-8, 2022, Orange County, CA

Pacific Flyway Council

- March 15, 2022, Spokane, WA
- August 2022 – Dates and location TBD

Western Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies

- January 6-10, 2022, Tucson, AZ
- July 10-15, 2022, Oklahoma City, OK

Wildlife Conservation Board

- November 18, 2021, Webinar
- 2022 – Dates and locations TBD

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. 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; **mail** to California Fish and Game Commission, P.O. Box 944209, Sacramento, CA 94244-2090; or **deliver** to California Fish and Game Commission, 715 P Street, 16th Floor, Sacramento, CA 95814.

COMMENT DEADLINES

The **Written Comment Deadline** for this meeting is **5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, October 27, 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 Thursday, November 4, 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 or delivered to the Commission on a USB flash drive by the deadline.
2. All electronic formats must be Windows PC compatible.