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NOTICE OF RECEIPT OF RECOMMENDATION AND CONSIDERATION OF EXPERIMENTAL FISHING PERMIT APPLICATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, pursuant to the provisions of Section 1022 of the Fish and Game Code (FGC) and Section 91, Title 14 of the California Code of Regulations (CCR), on July 1, 2022 the California Fish and Game Commission (Commission) received the California Department of Fish and Wildlife's (Department) recommendation regarding the Experimental Fishing Permit (EFP) application from Nathan J. Perez to test the commercial use of deep-set buoy gear (both standard and linked) and night-set buoy gear (both standard and linked) to target swordfish and other highly migratory species within state waters around the Channel Islands and in limited areas off the mainland. Consistent with subsections 91(e)(2) and (91)(f), Title 14 CCR the Commission has scheduled the EFP application for consideration at its August 17-18, 2022 meeting in Fortuna, California.

The Department recommends that the Commission approve the EFP application with special conditions, as specified on form DFW 1103. The proposed special conditions are necessary for research purposes and the conservation and management of marine resources and the environment, pursuant to subsection 91(i), Title 14, CCR.

The EFP application, Department recommendation (DFW 1103), and other information in the records before the Commission are posted on the Commission's website at https://fgc.ca.gov/EFP.

Written comments on the EFP application and/or Department recommendation must be received by August 12, 2022 at 12:00 PM and may be emailed to fcg@fgc.ca.gov or mailed to California Fish and Game Commission, Attn: EFP, P.O. Box 944209, Sacramento, California, 94244-2090. Oral comments will be accepted at the Commission's August 17-18, 2022. meeting.

July 15, 2022

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