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This meeting was postponed and will be rescheduled.

Tribal Committee

Committee Chair: Commissioner Hostler-Carmesin

Meeting Agenda August 21, 2023; 1:30 PM

In Person

River Lodge Conference Center 1800 Riverwalk Drive Fortuna, CA 95540

and

Webinar

To participate in the meeting, you may join via Zoom or by telephone. <u>Click here</u> or go to <u>https://nrm.dfg.ca.gov/FileHandler.ashx?DocumentID=213343&inline</u> for instructions on how to join the meeting.

Notes: 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. Annual tribal planning meeting

Discuss updates on priorities identified at the July 20, 2022 tribal planning meeting, held annually pursuant to the Commission's Tribal Consultation Policy, and continue discussions on 2023 meeting planning.

3. Co-management roundtable discussion

Discuss tribal co-management initiatives and projects planned or underway in collaboration with public agencies and California tribes. Tribal representatives are invited to share their co-management interests and experiences.

4. Marine protected areas decadal management review

Receive and discuss the Department's proposed prioritized list of recommendations and the Marine Resources Committee's recommendation to the Commission regarding the prioritized list. Develop any further recommendations from the Tribal Committee (TC) to the Commission.

5. Coastal Fishing Communities Policy

Consider the policy on coastal fishing communities presented to the Commission and develop any further recommendations from TC to the Commission.

6. Tribal subsistence harvest definition workgroup

Discuss efforts to move the tribal subsistence workgroup forward.

7. Staff and agency updates requested by the Committee

Receive updates from staff and other agencies, including current topics on the work plan for which the Committee has requested an update.

- (A) California Natural Resources Agency
 - I. 30x30 Initiative
 - II. Tribal nature-based solutions
- (B) California Ocean Protection Council (OPC)
 - I. OPC tribal engagement
- (C) California Department of Fish and Wildlife
 - I. Department Tribal Liaison
 - II. Law Enforcement Division
 - III. Wildlife and Fisheries Division
 - a. Discuss white sturgeon fishery
 - IV. Marine Region
- (D) Commission staff
 - I. Wildlife Resources Committee
 - II. Marine Resources Committee
 - III. Tribal subsistence harvest definition workgroup
 - IV. Justice, equity, diversity and inclusion plan
 - V. Commission rulemakings, petitions and other pending actions

8. Future agenda items

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

9. General public comment for items not on the agenda

Receive public comment regarding topics not included in this agenda. Note: 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].

Adjourn

California Fish and Game Commission 2023 Meeting Schedule

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

Meeting Date	Commission Meeting	Committee Meeting
August 22-23	River Lodge Conference Center 1800 Riverwalk Drive Fortuna, CA 95540	
September 21 (proposed to move to the 19th)		Wildlife Resources Chico area (proposed to move to the San Jose Scottish Rite Center at 2455 Masonic Drive)
October 11-12	San Jose Scottish Rite Center 2455 Masonic Drive San Jose, CA 95125	
November 16		Marine Resources San Diego area
December 12		Tribal San Diego area
December 13-14	San Diego area	

Other Meetings of Interest

Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies

• September 23-27, 2023 – Calgary, Alberta (Canada)

Pacific Fishery Management Council

- September 7-14, 2023 Spokane, WA
- October 31 November 8, 2023 Garden Grove, CA
- March 5-11, 2024 Fresno, CA
- April 5-11, 2024 Seattle, WA
- June 6-13, 2024 San Diego, CA

Pacific Flyway Council

August 25, 2023 – Winter Park, Colorado

Western Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies

• June 2-7, 2024 - Stevenson, WA

Wildlife Conservation Board

- August 24, 2023 Sacramento, CA
- November 16, 2023 Sacramento, CA

Important Committee Meeting Procedures Information

Welcome to a meeting of the California Fish and Game Commission's Wildlife 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; or **hand-deliver** to a Committee meeting.

Comment Deadlines

The *Written Comment Deadline* for this meeting is **5:00 p.m.** on Wednesday, August **9, 2023**. Written comments received at the Commission office by this deadline will be made available to co-chairs prior to the meeting.

The **Supplemental Comment Deadline** for this meeting is **noon on Friday, August 18, 2023**. Comments received by this deadline will be made available to co-chairs 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.

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:

- You will be given instructions during the meeting for how to be recognized by the Committee co-chair(s) to speak.
- Once recognized, please begin by giving your name and affiliation (if any) and the number of people you represent.
- Time is limited; please keep your comments concise so that everyone has an opportunity to speak.
- If there are several speakers with the same concerns, please try to appoint a spokesperson and avoid repetitive comments.
- 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.

- Electronic presentations must be provided by email to fgc.ca.gov or delivered to the Commission on a USB flash drive by the deadline.
- All electronic formats must be Windows PC compatible.
- If participating in person, it is recommended that a print copy of any electronic presentation be submitted in case of technical difficulties.