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MARINE RESOURCES COMMITTEE

Committee Co-Chairs: Commissioner Sklar and Commissioner Murray

REVISED* Meeting Agenda November 16, 2023; 9:00 a.m.

California Department of Fish and Wildlife 3883 Ruffin Road San Diego, CA 92123

and

Webinar and Teleconference

To participate in the meeting remotely, you may join the webinar directly at https://wildlife-ca-gov.zoom.us/j/89925546764. For complete instructions on how to join via Zoom or telephone, click here or visit fgc.ca.gov/meetings/2023.

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. Evaluation of bycatch in the California halibut set gill net fishery in support of the fishery management review

Receive and discuss potential management measures proposed by the Department to address bycatch concerns and information gaps in the California halibut set gill net fishery, provide direction on next steps, and potentially develop committee recommendation.

^{*} This agenda is revised to amend item 5C.

3. Red abalone recovery plan (north coast)

Receive Department update on process to support development of a recovery plan for red abalone on the north coast.

4. Kelp

(A) Tracking restoration and recovery

Receive Department update on and discuss collaborative kelp restoration efforts and recovery tracking.

(B) Developing a kelp restoration and management plan

Receive Department update on developing a plan for giant and bull kelp.

5. Staff and agency updates

Receive updates from staff and other agencies on topics requested by the Committee.

Note: In an effort to streamline meetings, the Committee will primarily receive updates in writing. However, public discussion may be permitted at the discretion of the Committee and when time permits.

(A) California Ocean Protection Council

(B) **Department**

- I. Law Enforcement Division
 - a. 2022 marine protected areas enforcement report
- II. Marine Region
 - Market squid fishery management and fishery management plan review

(C) **Commission staff**

- I. State water bottom leases for aquaculture purposes: Next steps in considering applications for new leases
- II. Marine protected areas regulation change petition process following decadal management review
- III. Commission policies review: Naming Installations Policy

6. General public comment for items not 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].

7. 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 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
December 12, 2023		Tribal Handlery Hotel San Diego 950 Hotel Circle North San Diego, CA 92108
December 13-14, 2023	Handlery Hotel San Diego 950 Hotel Circle North San Diego, CA 92108	
January 18, 2024		Wildlife Resources Southern California
February 14-15, 2024	Natural Resources Headquarters Building Auditorium 715 P Street, 2nd Floor Sacramento, CA 95814	
March 14, 2024		Marine Resources San Clemente area
April 16, 2024		Tribal San Jose
April 17-18, 2024	San Jose	
May 15, 2024	Teleconference	
May 16, 2024		Wildlife Resources Yreka
June 19-20, 2024	Mammoth Lakes	
July 18, 2024		Marine Resources Santa Rosa area
August 13, 2024		Tribal Fortuna
August 14-15, 2024	Fortuna	
September 12, 2024		Wildlife Resources San Jose
October 9-10, 2024	Sacramento	
November 7, 2024		Marine Resources Sacramento
December 10, 2024		Tribal San Diego area
December 11-12, 2024	San Diego area	

Other Meetings of Interest

Pacific Fishery Management Council

- March 5-11, 2024 Fresno, CA
- April 5-11, 2024 Seattle, CA
- June 6-13, 2024 San Diego, CA
- September 18-24, 2024 Spokane, WA
- November 13-19, 2024 Costa Mesa, CA

Pacific Flyway Council

- March 26, 2024 Grand Rapids, MI
- August 2024 Date and location TBD

Western Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies

• June 3-7, 2024 – Stevenson, Washington

Wildlife Conservation Board (dates not yet approved)

- February 16, 2024 Sacramento, CA
- May 23, 2024 Sacramento, CA
- August 22, 2024 Sacramento, CA
- November 21, 2024 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 **November 3, 2023**. 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 **November 13, 2023**. 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:

- 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 *Written Comment Deadline* and approved by the Commission executive director before the meeting.

- 1. Electronic presentations must be provided by email to 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.