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### Tribal Committee

Committee Chair: Commissioner Hostler-Carmesin

#### Meeting Agenda

**December 12, 2023; 1:30 p.m.**

#### In Person

**Handlery Hotel San Diego**  
**950 Hotel Circle North**  
**San Diego, CA 92108**

and

#### Webinar and Phone

***To participate in the meeting remotely, you may join the webinar directly at <https://wildlife-ca-gov.zoom.us/j/83095051825>. For complete instructions on how to join via Zoom or phone, [click here](#) or visit [fgc.ca.gov/meetings/2023](http://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. 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 begin discussions about 2024 meeting planning.

**3. Co-management roundtable**

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 prioritized list of recommendations and the process for considering petitions to modify the network of marine protected areas. Develop any further recommendations from the Committee 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 the Committee to the Commission.
6. **Tribal subsistence harvest definition workgroup**  
Discuss how to potentially 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
  - (B) California Ocean Protection Council
  - (C) California Department of Fish and Wildlife
    - I. Department Tribal Liaison
    - II. Law Enforcement Division
    - III. Wildlife and Fisheries Division
      - a. White sturgeon recreational fishery
    - IV. Marine Region
      - a. Kelp restoration and management
  - (D) Commission staff
    - I. Wildlife Resources Committee
    - II. Marine Resources Committee
    - III. Justice, equity, diversity and inclusion plan
    - IV. Commission policies review
    - V. Commission rulemakings, petitions and other pending actions
8. **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].
9. **Future agenda items**
  - (A) Review work plan agenda topics, priorities, and timeline
  - (B) Potential new topics for Commission consideration

Adjourn

## California Fish and Game Commission Meeting Schedule

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

Meeting Date	Commission Meeting	Committee Meeting
January 18		<b>Wildlife Resources</b> California Department of Fish and Wildlife Inland Deserts Region Field Office 3602 Inland Empire Blvd, Room C220 Ontario, CA 91764
February 14-15	California Natural Resources Headquarters Building Room 2-221A,B & C 715 P Street, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor Sacramento, CA 95814	
March 14		<b>Marine Resources</b> San Clemente area
April 16		<b>Tribal</b> San Jose
April 17-18	San Jose	
May 15	Teleconference In-person location	
May 16		<b>Wildlife Resources</b> Yreka
June 19-20	Mammoth Lakes	
July 18		<b>Marine Resources</b> Santa Rosa area
August 13		<b>Tribal</b> River Lodge Conference Center 1800 Riverwalk Drive Fortuna, CA 95540
August 14-15	River Lodge Conference Center 1800 Riverwalk Drive Fortuna, CA 95540	
September 12		<b>Wildlife Resources</b> San Jose area

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October 9-10	California Natural Resources Headquarters Building Auditorium 715 P Street, 1st Floor Sacramento, CA 95814	
November 7		<b>Marine Resources</b> California Natural Resources Headquarters Building Rooms 2-302 A,B and 2-301 715 P Street, 2ndFloor Sacramento, CA 95814
December 10		<b>Tribal</b> San Diego area
December 11-12	San Diego area	

## **Other Meetings of Interest**

### **Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies**

- September 22-25, 2024 – Madison, WI

### **Pacific Fishery Management Council**

- March 5-11, 2024 – Fresno, CA
- April 5-11, 2024 – Seattle, WA
- 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**

- February 15, 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](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, 715 P Street, 16<sup>th</sup> 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 Thursday, November 30, 2023**. Written comments received at the Commission office by this deadline will be made available to the chair prior to the meeting.

The **Supplemental Comment Deadline** for this meeting is **noon on Thursday, December 7, 2023**. Comments received by this deadline will be made available to the chair at the meeting.

After these deadlines, written comments may be delivered in person to the meeting; please bring **six** 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.*

**Materials provided to the Committee will be 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*. 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 contribute to the dialogue. 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 chair 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 contributions 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 repetition.
- If speaking during general public comment for items not on the agenda (Agenda Item 8), the subject matter you present should not be related to any item on the current agenda (contributions to agenda item discussions will take place at the time the Committee chair discusses that item). General 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@fgc.ca.gov](mailto:fgc@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.