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Fish and Game Commission



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This meeting was postponed and will be rescheduled.

Tribal Committee

Committee Co-Chairs: Commissioner Hostler-Carmesin and Commissioner Anderson

Meeting Agenda

April 16, 2024; 1:30 p.m.

San Jose Scottish Rite Center

2455 Masonic Drive

San Jose, CA 95125

and

Webinar and Phone

To participate in the meeting remotely, you may join the webinar directly at <https://wildlife-ca-gov.zoom.us/j/81602064680>. For complete instructions on how to join via Zoom or telephone, [click here](#) or visit fgc.ca.gov/meetings/2024.

- Notes:**
- (1) See important meeting deadlines and procedures, including written public comment deadlines, starting on page 5.
 - (2) Unless otherwise indicated, the California Department of Fish and Wildlife is identified as Department.
 - (3) 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. 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.

3. **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 about 2024 meeting planning.
4. **Commission policies review**
Receive update on planning and coordination for review of Commission policies, with five policies currently under review (code of conduct, fish planting in youth camps, youth fishing programs, research, and naming installations).
5. **Tribal subsistence definition and related management mechanisms**
Receive and discuss outcomes from the December 2023 Tribal Committee and Commission meetings discussions about how the tribal subsistence definition workgroup will advance its efforts in the near future.
6. **Marine protected area (MPA) regulation change petition evaluation process**
Discuss the approach to reviewing and evaluating petitions for MPA regulation changes following the decadal management review of the MPA network and management program, as proposed by the Department and recommended by the Commission Marine Resources Committee.
7. **Staff and agency updates**
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) **Department**
 - I. *Department Tribal Liaison*
 - a. Western Joshua Tree Conservation Act implementation
 - II. *Law Enforcement Division*
 - a. 2023 MPA enforcement statistics
 - III. *Wildlife and Fisheries Division*
 - IV. *Marine Region*
 - a. Red abalone recovery plan
 - b. Commercial harvest of sea palm
 - (D) **Staff**
 - I. Wildlife Resources Committee
 - II. Marine Resources Committee
 - III. Justice, equity, diversity and inclusion plan
 - IV. Commission rulemakings, petitions and other pending actions
8. **Future agenda items**
 - (A) **Review work plan agenda topics and timeline**
 - (B) **Potential new agenda topics for Commission consideration**
9. **General public comment for items not on the agenda**

Receive public comment regarding topics within the Commission's authority that are not included on the agenda. Note: The Commission may not discuss or take action on any matter raised during this item, except to decide whether to place the matter on the agenda of a future meeting (sections 11125 and 11125.7(a), Government Code).

Adjourn

California Fish and Game Commission Meeting Schedule

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

Meeting Date	Commission Meeting	Committee Meeting
April 16, 2024		Tribal San Jose Scottish Rite Center 2455 Masonic Drive San Jose, CA 95125
April 17-18, 2024	San Jose Scottish Rite Center 2455 Masonic Drive San Jose, CA 95125	
May 15, 2024	Teleconference Trinidad, Fairfield, Sacramento, Santa Cruz and La Jolla (see website for facility details)	
May 16, 2024		Wildlife Resources Yreka
June 19-20, 2024	Mammoth Lakes	
July 18, 2024		Marine Resources Santa Rosa area
August 13, 2024		Tribal River Lodge Conference Center 1800 Riverwalk Drive Fortuna, CA 95540
August 14-15, 2024	River Lodge Conference Center 1800 Riverwalk Drive Fortuna, CA 95540	
September 12, 2024		Wildlife Resources San Jose
October 9-10, 2024	California Natural Resources Headquarters Building Auditorium 715 P Street, 1st Floor Sacramento, CA 95814	
November 7, 2024		Marine Resources California Natural Resources Headquarters Building 715 P Street, 2nd Floor Sacramento, CA 95814
December 10, 2024		Tribal San Diego area
December 11-12, 2024	San Diego area	

Other Meetings of Interest

Meetings listed in this section are organizations for which the Commission: (1) is a member or (2) takes action based upon regulations developed by that organization.

Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies

- September 22-25, 2024 – Madison, WI

Pacific Fishery Management Council

- June 6-13, 2024 – San Diego, CA
- September 18-24, 2024 – Spokane, WA
- November 13-19, 2024 – Costa Mesa, CA
- March 5-11, 2025 – Vancouver, WA
- April 9-15, 2025 – San Jose, CA

Pacific Flyway Council

- August 30, 2024 – Jackson, WY

Western Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies

- June 3-7, 2024 – Stevenson, WA

Wildlife Conservation Board

- 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 Tribal 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 Tribal 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 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 Civil Rights Office (CRO) [formerly the Equal Employment Opportunity Office] at (916) 653-9089 or CRO@wildlife.ca.gov. Accommodation requests for facility and/or meeting accessibility and requests for American Sign Language 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. The 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 CRO Office immediately.

Stay Informed

To receive meeting agendas about those subjects of interest to you, visit the Commission's website, www.fgc.ca.gov, to sign up on our electronic mailing lists.

Submitting Written Comments

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 four 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; **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 April 4, 2024**. 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 April 12, 2024**.

Comments received by this deadline will be made available to commissioners 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 and give them to the designated staff member just prior to speaking.

*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.

Petitions for Regulation Change

As a general rule, requests for regulation changes must be directed to the 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 engage in the dialogue on agenda items. If you wish to speak about an 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 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 repetitive dialogue.
- If speaking during general public comment for items not on the agenda, the subject matter you present should not be related to any item on the current agenda (discussion of agenda items will take place at the time the committee members consider that item). As a general rule, general public comment is an opportunity to bring matters to the attention of the committee, but you may also do so via email, standard mail, or delivery to the Commission office. 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@fgc.ca.gov. If you cannot send your presentation via email due to size, please contact Commission staff to arrange another method.
2. All electronic formats must be Windows PC compatible.