

Staff Summary for February 11-12, 2026

13A. Tribal Committee (TC)

Today's Item	Information <input type="checkbox"/>	Action <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Discuss referred topics and consider revisions to topics and timing. Consider approving draft agenda topics for the next committee meeting, to be held on April 14, 2026.		

Summary of Previous/Future Actions

• Previous TC meeting	December 9, 2025; TC
• Today, consider approving	February 11-12, 2026
• Next TC meeting	April 14, 2026; TC

Background

TC works under Commission direction to set and accomplish its work plan. Today, the Commission will receive a report on the previous TC meeting, provide direction for any referred topics and revisions to TC work plan topics and timing, and consider approving the next TC meeting agenda topics.

Committee Work Plan

Topics referred by the Commission to TC are displayed within a work plan to assist with scheduling and tracking (Exhibit 1). The updated work plan includes approved changes made by the Commission in December. Staff does not have any new topics for the TC work plan.

Next Committee Meeting

The next committee meeting is scheduled for April 14, 2026 in Sacramento, with public remote participation options via webinar and phone. Standing meeting agenda items include committee cross-pollination, staff and other agency updates, Commission rulemakings, general public comment and work plan review.

The TC work plan identifies four discussion topics for the next TC meeting: the Commission *Tribal Consultation Policy*, a co-management roundtable, the tribal subsistence definition workgroup, and the Commission justice, equity, diversity and inclusion plan. Staff has not identified any new topics for the April 2026 meeting.

Significant Public Comments (N/A)**Recommendation (N/A)****Exhibits**

1. [TC work plan](#), updated January 29, 2026

Motion

Moved by _____ and seconded by _____ that the Commission approves the Tribal Committee

California Fish and Game Commission Tribal Committee (TC) Work Plan

Updated January 29, 2026

Note: Proposed changes to topics/timing are shown in blue, bold underline or ~~strike-out~~ font

Topic / Goal	Type / Lead	Dec 2025	Apr 2026	Jun 2026
CFGC justice, equity, diversity and inclusion plan	CFGC Project	X	X	X
Commission Tribal Consultation Policy	CFGC Policy	X	X	X
Tribal subsistence definition and related management mechanisms	TC Project	X	X	X
Co-management roundtable discussion	TC Project	X	X	X
Marine protected area (MPA) petition evaluations	CFGC	X	X	
San Andreas Shellfish Company state water bottom lease application for aquaculture purposes	CFGC			
Coastal Fishing Communities Policy implementation	MRC Project			
Annual tribal planning meeting	CFGC Project	X	X	
California Natural Resources Agency (CNRA)	CNRA			
California Ocean Protection Council (OPC)	OPC	X	X	X
CDFW – Possible items include:	CDFW			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Marine protected area petitions - Species management plans - Drought/wildfire impacts and state response - Climate adaptation, mitigation, science - Statewide kelp and abalone recovery efforts - Proposition 64 (cannabis) implementation 		X	X	X
Cross-pollination with MRC and WRC: Identify tribal concerns and common themes with MRC and WRC	CFGC Committees	X	X	X
Coastal Fishing Communities Project updates	MRC Project			
CFGC regulatory and non-regulatory updates	CFGC staff	X	X	X

Key: X = Discussion scheduled X/R = Recommendation developed and moved to CFGC

CFGC = California Fish and Game Commission

MRC = CFGC Marine Resources Committee

WRC = CFGC Wildlife Resources Committee

CDFW = California Department of Fish and Wildlife