

Staff Summary for August 12-13, 2026

20A. Wildlife Resources Committee (WRC)**Today's Item**Information ☐Action ☒

Discuss referred topics and consider revisions to topics and timing. Consider approving agenda topics for the next committee meeting to be held September 10, 2026.

Summary of Previous/Future Actions

- Previous committee meeting May 14, 2026; WRC
- **Today, consider approving any changes to September meeting agenda topics August 12-13, 2026**
- Next committee meeting September 10, 2026; WRC

Background

WRC works under Commission direction to set and accomplish its work plan.

Committee Work Plan

Topics that have been referred by the Commission to WRC are displayed within a work plan for scheduling and tracking (Exhibit 1). The WRC work plan was approved by the Commission at its June 2026 meeting, including proposed topics for the September 2026 WRC meeting; no changes are proposed from what was approved in June.

Potential New Topics

There are no recommendations for new topics.

Next Committee Meeting

The next committee meeting is scheduled for September 10, 2026 in Sacramento, with webinar and phone options for the public. In addition to standing agenda items (Department updates and future agenda items), four topics are currently scheduled:

- *Annual Rulemakings*. Discussion and potential recommendations for (1) waterfowl hunting, (2) Central Valley sport fishing, and (3) Klamath River Basin sport fishing.
- *Periodic Rulemakings*. Discussion and potential recommendations for (1) upland (resident) game birds, (2) big game hunting (deer, elk, pronghorn antelope, black bear, Nelson bighorn sheep).
- *Inland Sport Fishing*. Discussion of Department recommendations for changes to inland sport fishing regulations.
- *Private Lands Management (PLM) Program*. Discussion and potential recommendation for Department-recommended regulatory amendments related to the PLM Program.

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

Commission staff: Approve any changes to agenda topics for the September WRC meeting.

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Exhibits

1. [Work plan](#), approved June 18, 2026

Motion [only if there are changes to the September agenda topics]

Moved by _____ and seconded by _____ that the Commission approves the changes to topics for the September 10, 2026 Wildlife Resources Committee meeting, as discussed today.

California Fish and Game Commission
Wildlife Resources Committee (WRC) Work Plan
Scheduled Topics and Timeline for Items Referred to WRC
Updated May 5, 2026

Note: Proposed changes to topics/timing are shown in blue underscore or strike-out font.

Topics	Category	Jan 2026	May 2026	Sep 2026
Periodic and Annual Regulations				
Upland (Resident) Game Bird Hunting	Regulatory		X	X/R
Big Game Hunting (deer, elk, pronghorn antelope, black bear, Nelson bighorn sheep)	Regulatory		X	X/R
Waterfowl Hunting	Annual Regulatory		X	X/R
Central Valley Sport Fishing	Annual Regulatory		X	X/R
Klamath River Basin Sport Fishing	Annual Regulatory		X	X/R
Sport Fishing	Regulatory	X/R		X
Department Lands	Regulatory	X	X/R	
Regulations & Legislative Mandates				
Mammal Trapping	Regulatory	X	X/R	
Private Lands Management Program			X	X/R
Restricted Species	Regulatory			
Take of Coyotes	Referral for Review			

KEY: X = Vetting/Discussion X/R = Discussion/Potential Recommendation to Commission