State of California – Fish and Game Commission
PETITION TO THE CALIFORNIA FISH AND GAME COMMISSION FOR REGULATION CHANGE
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Tracking Number: (2026-20)

To request a change to regulations under the authority of the California Fish and Game Commission (Commission), you are required to submit this completed form to: California Fish and Game Commission, (physical address) 1416 Ninth Street, Suite 1320, Sacramento, CA 95814, (mailing address) P.O. Box 944209, Sacramento, CA 94244-2090 or via email to FGC@fgc.ca.gov. Note: This form is not intended for listing petitions for threatened or endangered species (see Section 670.1 of Title 14).

Incomplete forms will not be accepted. A petition is incomplete if it is not submitted on this form or fails to contain necessary information in each of the required categories listed on this form (Section I). A petition will be rejected if it does not pertain to issues under the Commission's authority. A petition may be denied if any petition requesting a functionally equivalent regulation change was considered within the previous 12 months and no information or data is being submitted beyond what was previously submitted. If you need help with this form, please contact Commission staff at (916) 653-4899 or FGC@fgc.ca.gov.

SECTION I: Required Information.

Please be succinct. Responses for Section I should not exceed five pages

1. **Person or organization requesting the change (Required)**
   Name of primary contact person: Dalton Stephenson; Gold Country Wildlife Control
   Address:
   Telephone number:
   Email address:

2. **Rulemaking Authority (Required) -** Reference to the statutory or constitutional authority of the Commission to take the action requested: Department of Fish and Wildlife Title 14, Section 465.5 ; Fish and Game code sections 200, 203, 219, 265, 3003.1, 4005 and 4009.52

3. **Overview (Required) -** Summarize the proposed changes to regulations: Exempt Licensed Wildlife Control Professionals from the 150 yard rule.

4. **Rationale (Required) -** Describe the problem and the reason for the proposed change: The 150 yard rule was inspired by hunting laws and intended for fur trappers. This regulation could prohibit home owners from protecting their own homes.

SECTION II: Optional Information

5. **Date of Petition: September 17, 2026**

6. **Category of Proposed Change**
   ☐ Sport Fishing
   ☐ Commercial Fishing
   ☐ Hunting
   X Other, please specify: Trapping

7. The proposal is to: (*To determine section number(s), see current year regulation booklet or https://govt.westlaw.com/calregs*)
☒ Amend Title 14 Section(s):465.5(F) 150 yard rule
☐ Add New Title 14 Section(s): Click here to enter text.
☐ Repeal Title 14 Section(s): Click here to enter text.

8. If the proposal is related to a previously submitted petition that was rejected, specify the tracking number of the previously submitted petition Click here to enter text.
Or ☒ Not applicable.

9. Effective date: If applicable, identify the desired effective date of the regulation.
If the proposed change requires immediate implementation, explain the nature of the emergency: Effective Immediately 9-17-26

10. Supporting documentation: Identify and attach to the petition any information supporting the proposal including data, reports and other documents: Click here to enter text.

11. Economic or Fiscal Impacts: Identify any known impacts of the proposed regulation change on revenues to the California Department of Fish and Wildlife, individuals, businesses, jobs, other state agencies, local agencies, schools, or housing: Click here to enter text.

12. Forms: If applicable, list any forms to be created, amended or repealed:

Click here to enter text.

SECTION 3: FGC Staff Only

Date received: **9/18/2026**

FGC staff action:
☑ Accept - complete
☐ Reject - incomplete
☐ Reject - outside scope of FGC authority

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Date petitioner was notified of receipt of petition and pending action: _____

Meeting date for FGC consideration: _____

FGC action:
☐ Denied by FGC
☐ Denied - same as petition _____
Tracking Number
☐ Granted for consideration of regulation change