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# BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONS CODE

## SECTION 6700-6706.3

### 6700

This chapter constitutes the chapter on professional engineers. It may be cited as the Professional Engineers Act.

### 6701

"Professional engineer," within the meaning and intent of this act, refers to a person engaged in the professional practice of rendering service or creative work requiring education, training and experience in engineering sciences and the application of special knowledge of the mathematical, physical and engineering sciences in such professional or creative work as consultation, investigation, evaluation, planning or design of public or private utilities, structures, machines, processes, circuits, buildings, equipment or projects, and supervision of construction for the purpose of securing compliance with specifications and design for any such work.

### 6702

"Civil engineer" as used in this chapter means a professional engineer in the branch of civil engineering and refers to one who practices or offers to practice civil engineering in any of its phases.

### 6702.1

"Electrical engineer" as used in this chapter means a professional engineer in the branch of electrical engineering and refers to one who practices or offers to practice electrical engineering in any of its phases.

### 6702.2

"Mechanical engineer" as used in this chapter means a professional engineer in the branch of mechanical engineering and refers to one who practices or offers to practice mechanical engineering in any of its phases.

### 6703

The phrase "responsible charge of work" means the independent control and direction, by the use of initiative, skill, and independent judgment, of the investigation or design of professional engineering work or the direct engineering control of such projects. The phrase does not refer to the concept of financial liability.

### 6703.1

"Supervision of the construction of engineering structures" means the periodic observation of materials and completed work to determine general compliance with plans, specifications, and design and planning concepts. However, "supervision of the construction of engineering structures" does not include responsibility for the superintendence of construction processes, site conditions, operations, equipment, personnel, or the maintenance of a safe place to work or any safety in, on, or about the site. For purposes of this subdivision, "periodic observation" means visits by an engineer, or his or her agent, to the site of a work of improvement.

### 6704

In order to safeguard life, health, property, and public welfare, no person shall practice civil, electrical, or mechanical engineering unless appropriately registered or specifically exempted from registration under this chapter, and only persons registered under this chapter shall be entitled to take and use the titles "consulting engineer," "professional engineer," or "registered engineer," or any combination of those titles, and according to registration with the board the engineering branch titles specified in Section 6732, or the authority titles specified in Sections 6736 and 6736.1, or "engineer-in-training." The provisions of this act pertaining to registration of professional engineers other than civil engineers, do not apply to employees in the communication industry; nor to the employees of contractors while engaged in work on communication equipment; however, those employees may not use any of the titles listed in Section 6732 unless registered. The provisions of this section shall not prevent the use of the title "consulting engineer" by a person who has qualified for and maintained exemption for using that title under the provisions of Section 6732.1, or by a person licensed as a photogrammetric surveyor.

### 6704.1

(a) The Department of Consumer Affairs, in conjunction with the board, and the Joint Committee on Boards, Commissions, and Consumer Protection shall review the engineering branch titles specified in Section 6732 to determine whether certain title acts should be eliminated from this chapter, retained, or converted to practice acts similar to civil, electrical, and mechanical engineering, and whether supplemental engineering work should be permitted for all branches of engineering. The department shall contract with an independent consulting firm to perform this comprehensive analysis of title act registration.

- (b) The independent consultant shall perform, but not be limited to, the following:
- (1) meet with representatives of each of the engineering branches and other professional groups;
  - (2) examine the type of services and work provided by engineers in all branches of engineering and interrelated professions within the marketplace, to determine the interrelationship that exists between the various branches of engineers and other interrelated professions;
  - (3) review and analyze educational requirements of engineers;
  - (4) identify the degree to which supplemental or "overlapping" work between engineering branches and interrelated professions occurs;
  - (5) review alternative methods of regulation of engineers in other states and what impact the regulations would have if adopted in California;
  - (6) identify the manner in which local and state agencies utilize regulations and statutes to regulate engineering work; and
  - (7) recommend changes to existing laws regulating engineers after considering how these changes may affect the health, safety, and welfare of the public.
- (c) The board shall reimburse the department for costs associated with this comprehensive analysis. The department shall report its findings and recommendations to the Legislature by September 1, 2002.

#### **6705**

A subordinate is any person who assists a registered professional engineer in the practice of professional engineering without assuming responsible charge of work.

#### **6706**

- (a) An engineer who voluntarily, without compensation or expectation of compensation, provides structural inspection services at the scene of a declared national, state, or local emergency at the request of a public official, public safety officer, or city or county building inspector acting in an official capacity shall not be liable in negligence for any personal injury, wrongful death, or property damage caused by the engineer's good faith but negligent inspection of a structure used for human habitation or owned by a public entity for structural integrity or nonstructural elements affecting life and safety. The immunity provided by this section shall apply only for an inspection that occurs within 30 days of the declared emergency. Nothing in this section shall provide immunity for gross negligence or willful misconduct.
- (b) As used in this section:
- (1) "Engineer" means a person registered under this chapter as a professional engineer, including any of the branches thereof.
  - (2) "Public safety officer" has the meaning given in Section 3301 of the Government Code.
  - (3) "Public official" means a state or local elected officer.

#### **6706.3**

Any reference in any law or regulation to a registered engineer, or to a registered civil, electrical, or mechanical engineer, is deemed to refer to a licensed engineer, or to a licensed civil, electrical, or mechanical engineer, as the case may be.

### **SECTION 7800-7807.1**

#### **7800**

This chapter of the Business and Professions Code constitutes the chapter on geologists and geophysicists. It may be cited as the Geologist and Geophysicist Act.

#### **7801**

"Board," as used in this chapter, means the Board for Geologists and Geophysicists. Any reference in any law or regulation to the State Board of Registration for Geologists and Geophysicists shall be deemed to refer to the Board for Geologists and Geophysicists.

#### **7802**

"Geology," as used in this chapter, refers to that science which treats of the earth in general; investigation of the earth's crust and the rocks and other materials which compose it; and the applied science of utilizing knowledge of the earth and its constituent rocks, minerals, liquids, gases and other materials for the benefit of mankind.

#### **7802.1**

"Geophysics," as used in this chapter, refers to that science which involves study of the physical earth by means of measuring its natural and induced fields of force, including, but not limited to, electric, gravity, and magnetic, and its

responses to natural and induced energy and the interpreting of these measurements and the relating of them to the physics of the earth.

### **7803**

"Geologist," as used in this chapter, refers to a person engaged in the practice of geology.

### **7803.1**

"Geophysicist," as used in this chapter, refers to a person engaged in the practice of geophysics.

### **7804**

Only a person registered as a geologist under the provisions of this chapter shall be entitled to take and use the title "professional geologist." Only a person registered as a geologist and certified under the provisions of this chapter shall be entitled to take and use the title of a registered certified specialty geologist.

### **7804.1**

Only a person registered as a geophysicist under the provisions of this chapter shall be entitled to take and use the title "professional geophysicist." Only a person registered as a geophysicist and certified under the provisions of this chapter shall be entitled to take and use the title of a registered certified specialty geophysicist.

### **7805**

The term "responsible charge of work" means the independent control and direction by the use of initiative, skill and independent judgment of geological or geophysical work or the supervision of such work.

### **7806**

A subordinate is any person who assists a professional geologist or professional geophysicist in the practice of geology or geophysics without assuming the responsible charge of work.

### **7807**

A qualified geologist is a person who possesses all the qualifications specified in Section 7841 for registration except that he is not registered.

### **7807.1**

A qualified geophysicist is a person who possesses all the qualifications specified in Section 7841.1 for registration except that he is not registered.

## **FISH AND GAME CODE**

### **SECTION 1200-1206**

#### **1200**

The department is authorized to enter into agreements with counties, nonprofit groups, private persons, individually or in combination, for the management and operation of rearing facilities for salmon and steelhead. All such agreements shall be in accordance with the policies of the commission and the criteria of the department which govern the operation under such agreements.

The purpose for operating such facilities shall be to provide additional fishing resources and to augment natural runs.

#### **1201**

An applicant who wishes to enter into an agreement to operate a rearing facility shall demonstrate, to the satisfaction of the department prior to executing such agreement, such applicant's financial ability to properly operate the rearing facility. The department shall develop and specify the means for an applicant to make such a demonstration.

#### **1202**

All fish handled or released under authority of this article are the property of the state and may be taken only after their release into the wild and under the authority of a sport or commercial fishing license.

#### **1203**

The release of fish reared in facilities pursuant to this article shall be made in accordance with the policy of the commission.

**1204**

The department shall fund the agreements provided for in Section 1200 only on a matching basis with the persons or entities who enter into such agreements. Funds appropriated for the purposes of this article shall not be used to purchase equipment or for construction.

The department shall be reimbursed from funds appropriated for the purposes of this article for administrative costs, legal costs, and supervisorial costs relating to the execution and supervision of such agreements by the department.

**1205**

The department shall, subject to the limitations of appropriate egg sources and funding, make available fish of appropriate size and species to persons or entities who enter into agreements pursuant to this article.

**1206**

Salmon and steelhead raised pursuant to this article shall be released in streams, rivers, or waters north of Point Conception and upon release shall have unimpeded access to the sea.

**SECTION 1501.5****1501.5**

- (a) The department may enter into contracts for fish and wildlife habitat preservation, restoration, and enhancement with public and private entities whenever the department finds that the contracts will assist in meeting the department's duty to preserve, protect, and restore fish and wildlife.
- (b) The department may grant funds for fish and wildlife habitat preservation, restoration, and enhancement to public agencies, Indian tribes, and nonprofit entities whenever the department finds that the grants will assist it in meeting its duty to preserve, protect, and restore fish and wildlife.
- (c) Contracts authorized under this section are contracts for services and are governed by Article 4 (commencing with Section 10335) of Chapter 2 of Part 2 of Division 2 of the Public Contract Code. No work under this section is public work or a public improvement, and is not subject to Chapter 1 (commencing with Section 1720) of Part 7 of Division 2 of the Labor Code.
- (d) This section does not apply to contracts for any of the following:
  - (1) Construction of office, storage, garage, or maintenance buildings.
  - (2) Drilling wells and installation of pumping equipment.
  - (3) Construction of permanent hatchery facilities, including raceways, water systems, and bird enclosures.
  - (4) Construction of permanent surfaced roadways and bridges.
  - (5) Any project requiring engineered design or certification by a registered engineer.
  - (6) Any contract, except contracts with public agencies, nonprofit organizations, or Indian tribes that exceed fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) in cost, excluding the cost for gravel, for fish and wildlife habitat preservation, restoration, and enhancement for any one of the following:
    - (A) Fish screens, weirs, and ladders.
    - (B) Drainage or other watershed improvements.
    - (C) Gravel and rock removal or placement.
    - (D) Irrigation and water distribution systems.
    - (E) Earthwork and grading.
    - (F) Fencing.
    - (G) Planting trees or other habitat vegetation.
    - (H) Construction of temporary storage buildings.

**SECTION 1600-1609****1600**

The Legislature finds and declares that the protection and conservation of the fish and wildlife resources of this state are of utmost public interest. Fish and wildlife are the property of the people and provide a major contribution to the economy of the state, as well as providing a significant part of the people's food supply; therefore their conservation is a proper responsibility of the state. This chapter is enacted to provide conservation for these resources.

**1601**

The following definitions apply to this chapter:

- (a) "Agreement" means a lake or streambed alteration agreement.
- (b) "Day" means calendar day.
- (c) "Emergency" has the same definition as in Section 21060.3 of the Public Resources Code.
- (d) "Entity" means any person, state or local governmental agency, or public utility that is subject to this chapter.

**1602**

- (a) An entity may not substantially divert or obstruct the natural flow of, or substantially change or use any material from the bed, channel, or bank of, any river, stream, or lake, or deposit or dispose of debris, waste, or other material containing crumbled, flaked, or ground pavement where it may pass into any river, stream, or lake, unless all of the following occur:
- (1) The department receives written notification regarding the activity in the manner prescribed by the department. The notification shall include, but is not limited to, all of the following:
    - (A) A detailed description of the project's location and a map.
    - (B) The name, if any, of the river, stream, or lake affected.
    - (C) A detailed project description, including, but not limited to, construction plans and drawings, if applicable.
    - (D) A copy of any document prepared pursuant to Division 13 (commencing with Section 21000) of the Public Resources Code.
    - (E) A copy of any other applicable local, state, or federal permit or agreement already issued.
    - (F) Any other information required by the department.
  - (2) The department determines the notification is complete in accordance with Chapter 4.5 (commencing with Section 65920) of Division 1 of Title 7 of the Government Code, irrespective of whether the activity constitutes a development project for the purposes of that chapter.
  - (3) The entity pays the applicable fees, pursuant to Section 1609.
  - (4) One of the following occurs:
    - (A) (i) The department informs the entity, in writing, that the activity will not substantially adversely affect an existing fish or wildlife resource, and that the entity may commence the activity without an agreement, if the entity conducts the activity as described in the notification, including any measures in the notification that are intended to protect fish and wildlife resources.
    - (ii) Each region of the department shall log the notifications of activities where no agreement is required. The log shall list the date the notification was received by the department, a brief description of the proposed activity, and the location of the activity. Each item shall remain on the log for one year. Upon written request by any person, a regional office shall send the log to that person monthly for one year. A request made pursuant to this clause may be renewed annually.
    - (B) The department determines that the activity may substantially adversely affect an existing fish or wildlife resource and issues a final agreement to the entity that includes reasonable measures necessary to protect the resource, and the entity conducts the activity in accordance with the agreement.
    - (C) A panel of arbitrators issues a final agreement to the entity in accordance with subdivision (b) of Section 1603, and the entity conducts the activity in accordance with the agreement.
    - (D) The department does not issue a draft agreement to the entity within 60 days from the date notification is complete, and the entity conducts the activity as described in the notification, including any measures in the notification that are intended to protect fish and wildlife resources.
- (b) (1) If an activity involves the routine maintenance and operation of water supply, drainage, flood control, or waste treatment and disposal facilities, notice to and agreement with the department shall not be required after the initial notification and agreement, unless the department determines either of the following:
  - (A) The work described in the agreement has substantially changed.
  - (B) Conditions affecting fish and wildlife resources have substantially changed, and those resources are adversely affected by the activity conducted under the agreement.
- (2) This subdivision applies only if notice to, and agreement with, the department was attained prior to January 1, 1977, and the department has been provided a copy of the agreement or other proof of the existence of the agreement that satisfies the department, if requested.
- (c) It is unlawful for any person to violate this chapter.

**1603**

- (a) After the notification is complete, the department shall determine whether the activity may substantially adversely affect an existing fish and wildlife resource. If the department determines that the activity may have that effect, the department shall provide a draft agreement to the entity within 60 days after the notification is complete. The draft agreement shall describe the fish and wildlife resources that the department has determined the activity may substantially adversely affect and include measures to protect those resources. The department's description of the affected resources shall be specific and detailed, and the department shall make available, upon request, the information upon which its determination of substantial adverse effect is based. Within 30 days of the date of receipt of the draft agreement, the entity shall notify the department whether the measures to protect fish and wildlife resources in that draft agreement are acceptable. If the department's measures are not acceptable, the entity shall so notify the department in writing and specify the measures that are not acceptable. Upon written request, the department shall meet with the entity within 14 days of the date the department

receives the request for the purpose of resolving any disagreement regarding those measures. If the entity fails to respond, in writing, within 90 days of receiving the draft agreement, the department may withdraw that agreement, and require the entity to resubmit a notification to the department before commencing the activity.

- (b) If mutual agreement is not reached at any meeting held pursuant to subdivision (a), the entity may request, in writing, the appointment of a panel of arbitrators to resolve the disagreement. A panel of arbitrators shall be appointed within 14 days of receipt of the written request. The panel of arbitrators shall be comprised of three persons, as follows: one representative selected by the department; one representative selected by the affected entity; and a third person mutually agreed upon by the department and the entity, who shall serve as the panel chair. If the department and the entity cannot agree on the third person within that 14-day period, the third person shall be appointed in the manner provided by Section 1281.6 of the Code of Civil Procedure. The third person shall have scientific expertise relevant to the fish and wildlife resources that may be substantially adversely affected by the activity proposed by the entity and to the measures proposed by the department to protect those resources. The authority of the panel of arbitrators is limited to resolving disagreements regarding the measures specified in subdivision (a), and subdivisions (b) and (g) of Section 1605, and, in the case of an extension, whether or not the agreement needs to be modified to protect fish and wildlife resources. Any decision by the panel of arbitrators shall be issued within 14 days from the date the panel was established, shall be binding on the department and the affected entity, shall be based on the best scientific information reasonably available at the time of the arbitration, and, except for a decision to extend an agreement without modification, shall be made in the form of a final agreement. The final agreement issued by the panel shall also include, without modification, all measures that were not subject to arbitration. Each party shall pay the expenses of their selected representative and pay one-half the expenses of the third person.

#### **1604**

Any party affected by a decision made by an arbitration panel pursuant to this chapter may petition a court of competent jurisdiction for confirmation, correction, or vacation of the decision in accordance with Chapter 4 (commencing with Section 1285) of Title 9 of Part 3 of the Code of Civil Procedure.

#### **1605**

- (a) (1) Except as otherwise provided in this section, the term of an agreement shall not exceed five years.  
(2) Notwithstanding paragraph (1), after the agreement expires, the entity shall remain responsible for implementing any mitigation or other measures specified in the agreement to protect fish and wildlife resources.
- (b) Any entity may request one extension of a previously-approved agreement, if the entity requests the extension prior to the expiration of its original term. The department shall grant the extension unless it determines that the agreement requires modification because the measures contained in the agreement no longer protect the fish and wildlife resources that the activity may substantially adversely affect. In the event the department makes that determination, the department shall propose measures intended to protect those resources.
- (c) If the entity disagrees with the department's determination that the agreement requires modification to protect fish and wildlife resources or with the measures proposed by the department, the disagreement shall be resolved pursuant to the procedures described in subdivision (b) of Section 1603.
- (d) The department may not extend an agreement for more than five years.
- (e) (1) An original agreement shall remain in effect until the department grants the extension request, or new measures are imposed to protect fish and wildlife resources by agreement or through the arbitration process.  
(2) Notwithstanding paragraph (1), an original agreement may not remain in effect for more than one year after its expiration date.
- (f) If the entity fails to submit a request to extend an agreement prior to its expiration, the entity shall submit a new notification before commencing or continuing the activity covered by the agreement.
- (g) Notwithstanding paragraph (1) of subdivision (a), the department may issue an agreement, that otherwise meets the requirements of this chapter, for a term longer than five years if the following conditions are satisfied:  
(1) The information the entity provides to the department in its notification meets the requirements of paragraph (1) of subdivision (a) of Section 1602.  
(2) The entity agrees to provide a status report to the department every four years. The status report shall be delivered to the department no later than 90 days prior to the end of each four-year period, and shall include all of the following information:  
(A) A copy of the original agreement.  
(B) The status of the activity covered by the agreement.  
(C) An evaluation of the success or failure of the measures in the agreement to protect the fish and wildlife resources that the activity may substantially adversely affect.  
(D) A discussion of any factors that could increase the predicted adverse impacts on fish and wildlife resources, and a description of the resources that may be adversely affected.

- (3) The department shall review the four-year status report, and conduct an onsite inspection to confirm that the entity is in compliance with the agreement and that the measures in the agreement continue to protect the fish and wildlife resources. If the department determines that the measures in the agreement no longer protect the fish and wildlife resources that are being substantially adversely affected by the activity, the department, in consultation with the entity, and within 45 days of receipt of the report, shall impose one or more new measures to protect the fish and wildlife resources affected by the activity. If requested to do so by the entity, the department shall make available the information upon which it determined the agreement no longer protects the affected fish and wildlife resources. If the entity disagrees with one or more of the new measures, within seven days of receiving the new measures, it shall notify the department, in writing, of the disagreement. The entity and the department shall consult regarding the disagreement. The consultation shall be completed within seven days after the department receives the entity's notice of disagreement. If the department and entity fail to reach agreement, the entity may request, in writing, the appointment of a panel of arbitrators to resolve the disagreement. The panel of arbitrators shall be appointed within 14 days of the completed consultation. The panel of arbitrators shall issue a decision within 14 days of the date it is established. All other provisions of subdivision (b) of Section 1603 regarding the panel shall apply to any arbitration panel established in accordance with this subdivision. If the entity fails to provide timely status reports as required by this subdivision, the department may suspend or revoke the agreement.
- (4) The agreement shall authorize department employees to conduct onsite inspections relevant to the agreement, upon reasonable notice. Nothing in this section limits the authority of department employees to inspect private or public sites.
- (5) Except as provided in paragraph (3), subparagraph (D) of paragraph (4) of subdivision (a) of Section 1602 and the time periods to process agreements specified in this chapter do not apply to agreements issued pursuant to this section.
- (h) Each region of the department shall log the notifications of activities for which a long-term agreement is being considered pursuant to subdivision (g). The log shall list the date the notification was received by the department, a brief description of the proposed activity, and the location of the activity. Each item shall remain on the log for one year. Upon written request by any person, a regional office shall send the log to that person monthly for one year. A request made pursuant to this paragraph may be renewed annually.

**1606**

The department shall not condition the issuance of an agreement on the receipt of another local, state, or federal permit.

**1607**

Any time period prescribed in this chapter may be extended by mutual agreement.

**1608**

The department shall provide any entity that submits a notification pursuant to Section 1602 with all of the following information:

- (a) The time period for review of the notification.
- (b) An explanation of the entity's right to object to any measures proposed by the department.
- (c) The time period within which objections may be made in writing to the department.
- (d) The time period within which the department is required to respond, in writing, to the entity's objections.
- (e) An explanation of the right of the entity to arbitrate any measures in a draft agreement.
- (f) The procedures and statutory timelines for arbitration, including, but not limited to, information about the payment requirements for arbitrator fees.
- (g) The current schedule of fees to obtain an agreement.

**1609**

- (a) The director may establish a graduated schedule of fees to be charged to any entity subject to this chapter. The fees charged shall be established in an amount necessary to pay the total costs incurred by the department in administering and enforcing this chapter, including, but not limited to, preparing and submitting agreements and conducting inspections. The department may adjust the fees pursuant to Section 713. Fees received pursuant to this section shall be deposited in the Fish and Game Preservation Fund.
- (b) (1) The fee schedule established pursuant to subdivision (a) may not impose a fee that exceeds five thousand dollars (\$5,000) for any agreement.
- (2) The fee limitation described in paragraph (1) does not apply to any agreement issued pursuant to subdivision (g) of Section 1605.



**SECTION 2081**  
**2081**

The department may authorize acts that are otherwise prohibited pursuant to Section 2080, as follows:

- (a) Through permits or memorandums of understanding, the department may authorize individuals, public agencies, universities, zoological gardens, and scientific or educational institutions, to import, export, take, or possess any endangered species, threatened species, or candidate species for scientific, educational, or management purposes.
- (b) The department may authorize, by permit, the take of endangered species, threatened species, and candidate species if all of the following conditions are met:
  - (1) The take is incidental to an otherwise lawful activity.
  - (2) The impacts of the authorized take shall be minimized and fully mitigated. The measures required to meet this obligation shall be roughly proportional in extent to the impact of the authorized taking on the species. Where various measures are available to meet this obligation, the measures required shall maintain the applicant's objectives to the greatest extent possible. All required measures shall be capable of successful implementation. For purposes of this section only, impacts of taking include all impacts on the species that result from any act that would cause the proposed taking.
  - (3) The permit is consistent with any regulations adopted pursuant to Sections 2112 and 2114.
  - (4) The applicant shall ensure adequate funding to implement the measures required by paragraph (2), and for monitoring compliance with, and effectiveness of, those measures.
- (c) No permit may be issued pursuant to subdivision (b) if issuance of the permit would jeopardize the continued existence of the species. The department shall make this determination based on the best scientific and other information that is reasonably available, and shall include consideration of the species' capability to survive and reproduce, and any adverse impacts of the taking on those abilities in light of (1) known population trends; (2) known threats to the species; and (3) reasonably foreseeable impacts on the species from other related projects and activities.
- (d) The department shall adopt regulations to aid in the implementation of subdivision (b) and the requirements of Division 13 (commencing with Section 21000) of the Public Resources Code, with respect to authorization of take. The department may seek certification pursuant to Section 21080.5 of the Public Resources Code to implement subdivision (b).

**SECTION 5981**  
**5981**

The department shall examine all conduits; and order the owner of a conduit to install, and it is the duty of such an owner to install, a screen on the conduit when, in the opinion of the department, a screen is necessary to prevent fish from passing into the conduit. Except as provided in Sections 5987, 5988 and 5989, one-half of the expense of constructing or installing a screen shall be paid by the owner of a conduit and one-half by the department.

**SECTION 6021**  
**6021**

The department shall examine new or existing conduits, and may install, maintain, repair, and replace fish screens, bypasses, or other devices to prevent the passage of fish through a conduit, when in the opinion of the department such a screen or device is practical and necessary. The owner of a conduit shall grant to the department the right of access to the conduit for the installation and maintenance of the screen, and shall provide the department with an easement for a site for the installation of the screen or device deemed suitable by the department. The owner shall also supply sufficient water for a bypass to carry fish stopped by the screen or device back to the channel from which they were diverted, and an easement for the bypass channel, but such easement shall not require the acquisition or leasing of additional lands by the owner. No water for a bypass shall be required if the channel from which the water is diverted is dry or incapable of supporting fish life below the point of diversion.

**SECTION 6027**  
**6027**

This article does not prevent the department from removing or permitting an owner to remove a screen or close a bypass during any part of the year when the department finds that such action will not endanger fish life.

**SECTION 6100**  
**6100**

Notwithstanding any provision of Article 3 (commencing with Section 5980) and Article 4 (commencing with Section 6020), on or after the effective date of this article, any new diversion of water from any stream having populations of salmon and steelhead which is determined by the department to be deleterious to salmon and steelhead shall be screened by the owner. The construction, operation, or maintenance costs of any screen required pursuant to this article shall be borne by the owner of the diversion.

The department within 30 days of receipt of a notice of such diversion, or within the time determined by mutual written agreement, shall submit to the owner its proposals as to measures necessary to protect the salmon and steelhead. The department shall notify the owner that it shall make onsite investigation and shall make any other investigation before it shall propose any measure necessary to protect fishlife. The department, or any agency of the state, shall provide the owner of the diversion any available information which is required by such owner in order to comply with the provisions of this article. The diversion shall not commence until the department has determined that measures necessary to protect fishlife have been incorporated into the plans and construction of such diversion.

## LABOR CODE

### SECTION 1720.4

#### 1720.4

- (a) This chapter shall not apply to any of the following work:
- (1) Any work performed by a volunteer. For purposes of this section, "volunteer" means an individual who performs work for civic, charitable, or humanitarian reasons for a public agency or corporation qualified under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code as a tax-exempt organization, without promise, expectation, or receipt of any compensation for work performed.
    - (A) An individual shall be considered a volunteer only when his or her services are offered freely and without pressure and coercion, direct or implied, from an employer.
    - (B) An individual may receive reasonable meals, lodging, transportation, and incidental expenses or nominal non-monetary awards without losing volunteer status if, in the entire context of the situation, those benefits and payments are not a substitute form of compensation for work performed.
    - (C) An individual shall not be considered a volunteer if the person is otherwise employed for compensation at any time (i) in the construction, alteration, demolition, installation, repair, or maintenance work on the same project, or (ii) by a contractor, other than a corporation qualified under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code as a tax-exempt organization, that is receiving payment to perform construction, alteration, demolition, installation, repair, or maintenance work on the same project.
  - (2) Any work performed by a volunteer coordinator. For purposes of this section, "volunteer coordinator" means an individual paid by a corporation qualified under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code as a tax-exempt organization, to oversee or supervise volunteers. An individual may be considered a volunteer coordinator even if the individual performs some nonsupervisory work on a project alongside the volunteers, so long as the individual's primary responsibility on the project is to oversee or supervise the volunteers rather than to perform nonsupervisory work.
  - (3) Any work performed by members of the California Conservation Corps or of Community Conservation Corps certified by the California Conservation Corps pursuant to Section 14507.5 of the Public Resources Code.
- (b) This section shall apply retroactively to otherwise covered work concluded on or after January 1, 2002, to the extent permitted by law.
- (c) On or before January 1, 2011, the director shall submit a written report to the Legislature that does both of the following:
- (1) Describes the number and the nature of complaints received and investigations conducted involving the use of volunteers on public works projects subject to this chapter, that are projects as described in Section 21190 of the Public Resources Code.
  - (2) Provides an estimate of each of the following as they relate to public works projects that involve the acquisition, presentation, or restoration of natural areas, including parks or ecological reserves, or other public works projects that have one or more of the purposes, as described in Section 21190 of the Public Resources Code:
    - (A) The number of hours per year that volunteers work on public works projects.
    - (B) The cost per year of public works projects, that are projects as described in Section 21190 of the Public Resources Code, and the percentage of work performed by volunteers.
    - (C) The types of work done by volunteers on public works projects, that are projects as described in Section 21190 of the Public Resources Code.
- (d) The sum of one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) is hereby appropriated from the Environmental License Plate Fund for the purposes of funding the report required pursuant to subdivision (c).
- (e) This section shall remain in effect only until January 1, 2012, and as of that date is repealed, unless a later enacted statute, which is enacted before January 1, 2012, deletes or extends that date.

# PUBLIC RESOURCES CODE

## SECTION 6217- 6217.2

This code section describes various funding sources used for funding anadromous salmonid habitat restoration activities. The following shows these sources and the amounts made available in the prior 2005/2006 fiscal year:

- Salmon and Steelhead Trout Restoration Account (Proposition 40)  
Approximately \$7.0 million from this account was made available for grants in fiscal year 2005/2006.
- Coastal Watershed Salmon Habitat Sub-account (Proposition 13)  
Through the re-appropriation of unspent 2000/01 funds, approximately \$167,000 from this account was made available for grants in fiscal year 2004/2005.
- Federal Funding (Pacific Coastal Salmon Recovery Fund – PCSRF)  
Approximately \$13.4 million from this account was made available for grants in fiscal year 2004/2005.

## 6217

(a) With the exception of revenue derived from state school lands and from sources described in Sections 6217.6, 6301.5, 6301.6, 6855, and Sections 8551 to 8558, inclusive, and Section 6404 (insofar as the proceeds are from property that has been distributed or escheated to the state in connection with unclaimed estates of deceased persons), the commission shall deposit all revenue, money, and remittances received by the commission under this division, and under Chapter 138 of the Statutes of 1964, First Extraordinary Session, in the General Fund. Out of those funds deposited in the General Fund, sufficient moneys shall be made available each fiscal year for the following purposes:

- (1) Payment of refunds, authorized by the commission, out of appropriations made for that purpose.
- (2) Payment of expenditures of the commission as provided in the annual Budget Act.
- (3) Payments to cities and counties of the amounts specified in Section 6817 for the purposes specified in that section, out of appropriations made for that purpose.
- (4) Payments to cities and counties of the amounts agreed to pursuant to Section 6875, out of appropriations made for that purpose.

(b) This section shall become operative on July 1, 2006.

## 6217.1

(a) This section and the process described in this section governs the expenditure of any funds received by the State of California from the federal government for the purposes of salmon and steelhead trout conservation and restoration, the expenditure of funds authorized for the Coastal Watershed Salmon Habitat Program pursuant to Article 7 (commencing with Section 79104.200) of Chapter 6 of Division 26 of the Water Code, and the expenditure of funds appropriated to the Department of Fish and Game for salmon and steelhead trout conservation and restoration from the California Clean Water, Clean Air, Safe Neighborhood Parks, and Coastal Protection Fund pursuant to Article 5 (commencing with Section 5096.650) of Chapter 1.696 of Division 5 of the Public Resources Code.

(b) For purposes of this section, "project" means an activity that improves fish habitat in coastal waters utilized by salmon and anadromous trout species.

(c) (1) The Department of Fish and Game shall grant funds from the Salmon and Steelhead Trout Restoration Account in the Resources Trust Fund, as follows:

(A) At least 87.5 percent of the funds shall be allocated as project grants through the existing grant program operated by the fisheries management program of the Department of Fish and Game.

(B) Not more than 12.5 percent of the funds may also be used for project contract administration activities and biological support staff.

(2) (A) A project shall require the consent of a willing landowner, and emphasize the development of coordinated watershed improvement activities.

(B) Projects that restore habitat for salmon and anadromous trout species that are eligible for protection as listed or candidate species under state or federal endangered species acts shall be given top funding priority.

(C) Projects shall be cost-effective and treat causes and not symptoms of fish habitat degradation. Projects may implement instream, riparian, water quality, water quantity, and watershed prescriptions and shall be designed to restore the structure and function of fish habitat.

(3) Any grant funds allocated to a project that exceed the actual cost of completing the project shall be returned to the Salmon and Steelhead Trout Restoration Account.

- (d) (1) A citizen's advisory committee shall be appointed by the Director of Fish and Game to give advice on the grant program.
- (2) The advisory committee shall consist of seven representatives recommended by the California Advisory Committee on Salmon and Steelhead Trout, one representative from the agriculture industry, one representative from the timber industry, one representative of public water agency interests, one academic or research scientist with expertise in anadromous fisheries restoration, and three county supervisors from coastal counties in which anadromous trout exist. The county supervisor members shall be recommended by the California State Association of Counties.
- (3) The advisory committee shall provide oversight of, and recommend priorities for, grant funding under this section. In making funding decisions, the Department of Fish and Game shall consider the project selection priorities established by the advisory committee.
- (4) Members of any advisory committee established for these purposes shall be reimbursed for travel and incidental expenses related to the performance of their duties under this section. Reimbursement for the advisory committee created pursuant to this section shall be made from the funds designated in subparagraph(B) of paragraph (1) of subdivision (c). Reimbursement for other Department of Fish and Game salmon and steelhead trout advisory committees shall be funded by appropriate sources.
- (5) If a member of the advisory committee, or a member of his or her immediate family, is employed by a grant applicant, the employer of a grant applicant, or a consultant or independent contractor employed by a grant applicant, the advisory committee member shall make that disclosure to the other members of the committee, and shall not participate in reviewing or making recommendations on the grant application of that applicant.
- (e) Except as provided in subdivision (f), the money in the Salmon and Steelhead Trout Restoration Account shall be allocated as follows:
  - (1) Not less than 65 percent of the money shall be used for salmon habitat protection and restoration projects. Of that amount, at least 75 percent shall be used for watershed (upslope) and riparian area protection and restoration activities. These activities may include, but are not limited to, grants to acquire and install fish screens to protect juvenile and adult salmon and steelhead trout from entrapment in water diversions, and grants to remove substandard culverts, stream crossings, and bridges that constitute barriers to spawning of salmon and steelhead trout and passage of fish. These funds may also be used for the acquisition, from willing sellers, of conservation easements for riparian buffer strips along coastal rivers and streams to protect salmon and steelhead trout habitat or for projects that protect and improve water quality and quantity.
  - (2) Up to 35 percent of the money shall be allocated for any of the uses listed in this paragraph.
    - (A) Watershed evaluation, assessment, and planning necessary to develop a site-specific and clearly prioritized plan to implement watershed improvements.
    - (B) Multiyear grants for watershed planning and project monitoring and evaluations.
    - (C) Watershed organization support and assistance.
    - (D) Project maintenance and monitoring after the project implementations are complete.
    - (E) Public school watershed and fishery conservation education projects.
    - (F) Private sector technical training and education project grants, including teaching private landowners about practical means of improving land and water management practices that, if implemented, will contribute to the protection and restoration of salmon stream habitat; scholarship funding for workshops and conferences that teach restoration techniques; operation of nonprofit restoration technical schools; and production of restoration training and education workshops and conferences.
    - (G) Fish and wildlife habitat improvements, as defined by Section 4793, and authorized under the California Forestry Incentive Program (CFIP).
    - (H) The salmon restoration project of the California Conservation Corps.
    - (I) The state's share of the federal Watershed Stewards Program.
    - (J) Monitoring projects that utilize protocols approved by the Department of Fish and Game and the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) to provide baseline or trend data, or both, for anadromous fish populations or the physical and biological factors known to be limiting recovery.
    - (K) Artificial propagation programs designed to restore depleted stocks of salmonids that comply with the directives of the joint Department of Fish and Game and NMFS Hatchery Operations Review Committee.
- (f) The advisory committee, in any fiscal year, may make a recommendation to the Department of Fish and Game to allocate money from the Salmon and Steelhead Trout Restoration Account for the purposes stated in subdivision (e), but in different percentage requirements than the 65/35 split stated in paragraphs (1) and (2) of that subdivision. Following that recommendation, the Director of Fish and Game may suspend the percentage requirements stated in paragraphs (1) and (2) of subdivision (e) for that fiscal year only.

## 6217.2

Moneys in the Marine Life and Marine Reserve Management Account created in the Resources Trust Fund pursuant to paragraph (2) of subdivision (c) of Section 6217, shall be expended by the Department of Fish and Game for the following purposes:

- (a) To develop and implement fishery management plans.
- (b) To fund research on marine life and marine fisheries.
- (c) To fund peer reviews of research plans and fishery management plans.
- (d) To fund the evaluation, coordination, and management of marine reserves and other marine managed areas.

## 6217.2

Notwithstanding Section 16304.1 of the Government Code, a disbursement in liquidation of an encumbrance for a project funded pursuant to the Coastal Watershed Salmon Habitat Program, as identified in Section 6217.1, may be made before or during the four years following the last day an appropriation is available for encumbrance.

# WATER CODE

1707. (a) (1) Any person entitled to the use of water, whether based upon an appropriative, riparian, or other right, may petition the board pursuant to this chapter, Chapter 6.6 (commencing with Section 1435) or Chapter 10.5 (commencing with Section 1725) for a change for purposes of preserving or enhancing wetlands habitat, fish and wildlife resources, or recreation in, or on, the water.

(2) The petition may be submitted for any of the purposes described in paragraph (1) and may, but is not required to, be submitted in combination with a petition to make any other change authorized pursuant to this part. The petition shall specify the time, location, and scope of the requested change, and other relevant information relating thereto.

(b) The board may approve the petition filed pursuant to subdivision (a), subject to any terms and conditions which, in the board's judgment, will best develop, conserve, and utilize, in the public interest, the water proposed to be used as part of the change, whether or not the proposed use involves a diversion of water, if the board determines that the proposed change meets all of the following requirements:

- (1) Will not increase the amount of water the person is entitled to use.
- (2) Will not unreasonably affect any legal user of water.
- (3) Otherwise meets the requirements of this division.

(c) (1) Upon the request of the petitioner, the board may specify, as part of its approval of the petition, that the water that is subject to the approval pursuant to this section shall be in addition to water that is required, if any, to be used for instream purposes to satisfy any applicable federal, state, or local regulatory requirements governing water quantity, water quality, instream flows, fish and wildlife, wetlands, recreation, and other instream beneficial uses. If the request is approved by the board, state and local agencies, as well as the courts, shall not credit the water subject to that petition towards compliance with any of the regulatory requirements described in this subdivision. A federal agency shall comply with the requirement imposed by this paragraph to the extent required by federal law, or to the extent that it chooses to comply.

(2) For the purposes of this subdivision, "requirements" includes requirements or obligations that have not been formally established or allocated at the time of the petition, and obligations under any agreement entered into to meet those requirements. Neither any petition filed pursuant to this section nor any documents or statements made in connection therewith shall be construed or used as an admission, evidence, or indication of any obligation to meet any of the requirements described in this subdivision.

(d) Except as provided in subdivision (c), water that is subject to a petition granted pursuant to this section shall be used to meet, in whole or in part, any requirement described in subdivision (c) if any of these requirements exist. The water shall be credited to the petitioner, or to any other person or entity designated by the petitioner, whenever that person or entity has, or may have, obligations to meet one or more of the requirements described in subdivision (c). The water shall be credited towards compliance with any requirements described in subdivision (c), by state and local agencies, as well as the courts. A federal agency shall comply with the requirement imposed by this subdivision to the extent required by federal law, or to the extent that it chooses to comply.