



3. Concerned about nonlead ammunition availability – 11 comments
4. Fully implement the regulations by 2017 – 8 comments
5. Concerned about the long term economic effects of the ban - 8 comments
6. Implement regulations sooner than 2019 – 7 comments
7. Do not implement the ban and find a better alternative – 7 comments
8. Provide an exemption for antique guns - 1 comment

On behalf of the Commission, the Department of Fish and Wildlife (Department) used the best available information (scientific literature, ammunition industry reports/assessments, economic data compiled by the Department and U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service) and has determined that the proposed project facilitates the phase-in of nonlead ammunition in the manner that is consistent with Fish and Game Code section 3004.5's mandate to implement the statutory mandate to require the use of nonlead projectiles and ammunition no later than July 1, 2019 and, in whole or in part, earlier if practicable, and consistent with the Governor's direction to achieve the least disruptive phase-in. The proposed regulatory changes balance the statutory requirements and deadlines with the complex nature of ammunition production, retail availability, and consumer demand.