

## STAFF SUMMARY FOR DECEMBER 7-8, 2016

**18B. OTHER ITEMS – LEGISLATIVE UPDATE****Today's Item**

Information ☒

Action ☒

Review and discuss legislation of interest, and provide staff direction:

- I. Federal Shark Fin Trade Elimination Act of 2016 (S. 3095, Booker);
- II. Other

**Summary of Previous/Future Actions**

- Brief legislative update Oct 19-20, 2016; Eureka
- **Today's update and possible action Dec 7-8, 2016; San Diego**

**Background**

This is an opportunity for FGC to provide direction to staff concerning any proposed legislation. At any meeting, FGC may direct staff to provide information to or share concerns with bill authors. FGC members also have the option to take positions on bills at the same meeting an update is provided.

- I. **Federal Shark Fin Trade Elimination Act of 2016:** At its Oct 2016 meeting, FGC directed staff to schedule this proposed Federal legislation, introduced by Senator Cory Booker (S. 3095) for discussion at today's Dec 7-8, 2016 meeting, and consider a motion to support the bill, consistent with State law enacted in California. The 114th Congress has established Dec 16 as the target for adjournment. Staff recommends postponing further direction on this matter until 2017 if and when similar legislation is reintroduced in a new congress and when a letter from FGC might provide a more relevant impact.

**II. Other:**

FGC staff generally prepares a list of legislative bills that may be of interest to FGC, which includes a brief synopsis and current bill status. The legislature adjourned on Nov 30. For this meeting, staff has focused on relevant bills signed into law by the Governor. Items highlighted in yellow indicate legislation of particular interest or that may impact FGC's resources and workload. Relevant legislation signed by the Governor:

- ✓ **SB 1473 (Committee on Natural Resources) Fish and Game Commission procedures** – Clarifies that APA procedures apply generally to any FGC regulation that governs the take or possession of any bird, mammal, fish, amphibian, or reptile, except as provided. The bill conforms certain FGC rulemaking procedures to the rulemaking procedures of the Administrative Procedure Act. The bill deletes obsolete and superfluous provisions, makes organizational changes, deletes obsolete cross references, and makes other conforming changes. Over 1,900 references in Title 14 will need to be changed through regulation change as a result of SB 1473.
- ✓ **SB 122 (Jackson) – CEQA: record of proceedings** – (1) Requires the lead agency, at the request of a project applicant and consent of the lead agency, to prepare a record of proceedings concurrently with the preparation of a negative declaration, mitigated negative declaration, EIR, or other environmental document for projects; (2) Requires a lead agency to submit to the State Clearinghouse those environmental documents in either a hard-copy or electronic form as prescribed by the office; and, (3) Requires the

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office to establish and maintain a database for the collection, storage, retrieval, and dissemination of environmental documents and notices prepared pursuant to CEQA and to make the database available online to the public.

- ✓ **SB 1235 (DeLeon) – Ammunition** – Amends the Safety for All Act of 2016 to instead allow ammunition to be sold only to a person whose information matches an entry in the Automated Firearms System and who is eligible to possess ammunition, to a person who has a current certificate of eligibility issued by the department, or to a person who purchases or transfers the ammunition in a single ammunition transaction, as specified.

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

*Consider issuing a public statement of support in favor of passage of the federal Shark Fin Trade Elimination Act of 2016 (S. 3095, Booker), consistent with California's law prohibiting shark fin trade.*

**Exhibits (N/A)****Motion/Direction**

Moved by \_\_\_\_\_ and seconded by \_\_\_\_\_ that the Commission directs staff to prepare a public statement of support in favor of *passage of the federal Shark Fin Trade Elimination Act of 2016 (S. 3095, Booker), consistent with California's law prohibiting shark fin trade.*