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## Fish and Game Commission



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### **WILDLIFE RESOURCES COMMITTEE PREDATOR POLICY WORKGROUP**

Members: Josh Brones, Noelle Cremers, Rebecca Dmytryk, Jennifer Fearing, Bill Gaines, Mark Hennelly, Rick Hopkins, Tony Linegar, Erica Sanko, and Jean Su

**Meeting Agenda**  
**March 20, 2017, 10:00 a.m.**

**California Department of Fish and Wildlife**  
**Conference Room 1206**  
**1416 Ninth Street, 12<sup>th</sup> Floor**  
**Sacramento, CA 95814**

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**NOTE: See important meeting procedures and information at the end of the agenda. Unless otherwise indicated, the California Department of Fish and Wildlife is identified as Department.** All agenda items are informational and/or discussion only. The Workgroup develops recommendations to the Wildlife Resources Committee. The Workgroup does not have authority to make policy or regulatory decisions on behalf of the Commission.

Call to order/roll call to establish quorum

1. Public forum for items not on the agenda  
The Committee may not discuss or take action on any matter raised during this item, except to consider whether to recommend that the matter be added to the agenda of a future meeting.  
[Sections 11125, 11125.7(a), Government Code]
2. Discuss and revise draft predator policy
3. Discuss and possibly develop a recommendation on FGC Petition No. 2015-008 concerning recreational take of American badgers and gray fox
4. Identify and prioritize predator-related regulations to propose for revision
5. Next Steps
  - (A) Review work plan tasks and timeline
  - (B) Potential new agenda topics
  - (C) Select dates for future meetings

Adjournment

**CALIFORNIA FISH AND GAME COMMISSION  
2017 MEETING SCHEDULE**

**Note: As meeting dates and locations can change, please visit [www.fgc.ca.gov](http://www.fgc.ca.gov) for the most current list of meeting dates and locations.**

<b>MEETING DATE</b>	<b>COMMISSION MEETING</b>	<b>COMMITTEE MEETING</b>	<b>OTHER MEETINGS</b>
March 23		<b>Marine Resources</b> Holiday Inn Express 35 Via Pico Plaza San Clemente, CA 92672	
April 13	Teleconference — Arcata, Napa, Sacramento, Los Alamitos and San Diego		
April 26-27	Airtel Plaza Hotel 7277 Valjean Avenue Van Nuys, CA 91406		
May 24		<b>Wildlife Resources</b> Resources Building Auditorium, First Floor 1416 Ninth Street Sacramento, CA 95814	
June 20		<b>Tribal</b> Crescent City	
June 21-22	Crescent City		
July 20		<b>Marine Resources</b> Petaluma	
August 16-17	Resources Building Auditorium, First Floor 1416 Ninth Street Sacramento, CA 95814		
September 13		<b>Wildlife Resources</b> California Tower 3737 Main Street Highgrove Room 200 Riverside, CA 92501	
October 10		<b>Tribal</b> SpringHill Suites by Marriott 900 El Camino Real Atascadero, CA 93422	
October 11-12	SpringHill Suites by Marriott 900 El Camino Real Atascadero, CA 93422		
November 9		<b>Marine Resources</b> Marina	
December 6-7	Handlery Hotel 950 Hotel Circle North San Diego, CA 92108		

## **OTHER MEETINGS OF INTEREST**

### **Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies**

- September 11-14, Philadelphia, PA

### **Pacific Fishery Management Council**

- April 6-12, Sacramento, CA
- June 7-14, Spokane, WA
- September 11-18, Boise, ID
- November 13-20, Costa Mesa, CA

### **Pacific Flyway Council**

- September, TBD

### **Western Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies**

- July 6-11, Vail, CO

### **Wildlife Conservation Board**

- May 25, Sacramento
- August 24, Sacramento
- November 30, Sacramento

## **IMPORTANT COMMITTEE MEETING PROCEDURES INFORMATION**

Welcome to a meeting of the California Fish and Game Commission's Wildlife Resources Committee (WRC) Predator Policy Workgroup (Workgroup). The Workgroup is comprised of ten members appointed by the Commission.

The goal of the Workgroup is to allow greater time to investigate predator policy issues in more detail than would otherwise be possible before the WRC. Like the WRC, Workgroup meetings are less formal in nature. As an advisory body of members appointed by the Commission, the Workgroup follows the noticing requirements of the Bagley-Keene Open Meeting Act.

The Commission's goal is the preservation of our heritage and conservation of our natural resources through informed decision making; Committee meetings are vital in developing recommendations to help the Commission achieve that goal. In that spirit, we provide the following information to be as effective and efficient toward that end. Welcome, and please let us know if you have any questions.

### **PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES**

Persons with disabilities needing reasonable accommodation to participate in public meetings or other Commission activities are invited to contact the Reasonable Accommodation Coordinator at (916) 651-1214. Requests for facility and/or meeting accessibility should be received at least 10 working days prior to the meeting to ensure the request can be accommodated.

### **SUBMITTING WRITTEN MATERIALS**

The public is encouraged to attend Workgroup meetings and engage in the discussion about items on the agenda; the public is also welcome to comment on agenda items in writing. You may submit your written comments by one of the following methods (only one is necessary): **Email** to [fgc@fgc.ca.gov](mailto:fgc@fgc.ca.gov); **deliver** to California Fish and Game Commission, 1416 Ninth Street, Room 1320, Sacramento, CA 95814; or **hand-deliver to a Workgroup meeting**.

### **COMMENT DEADLINES**

The **Written Comment Deadline** for this meeting is **5:00 p.m. on March 9, 2017**. Written comments received at the Commission office by this deadline will be made available to Workgroup prior to the meeting.

The **Late Comment Deadline** for this meeting is **12:00 p.m. on March 15 2017**. Comments received by this deadline will be marked "late" and made available to Workgroup at the meeting.

After these deadlines, written comments may be delivered in person to the meeting – please bring fourteen (14) copies of written comments to the meeting.

The Workgroup **will not** consider comments regarding proposed changes to regulations that have been noticed by the Commission. If you wish to provide comment on a noticed item, please provide your comments during Commission business meetings, via email, or deliver to the Commission office.

Materials provided to the Workgroup may be made available to the general public.

## **SPEAKING AT THE MEETING**

Workgroup meetings operate informally and provide opportunity for everyone to comment on agenda items. If you wish to speak on an agenda item, please follow these guidelines:

1. Raise your hand and wait to be recognized by the Workgroup facilitator.
2. Once recognized, please begin by giving your name and affiliation (if any) and the number of people you represent.
3. Time is limited; please keep your comments concise so that everyone has an opportunity to speak.
4. If there are several speakers with the same concerns, please try to appoint a spokesperson and avoid repetitive comments.
5. If you would like to present handouts or written materials to the Workgroup, please provide fourteen copies to the designated staff member just prior to speaking.
6. If speaking during public forum, the subject matter you present should not be related to any item on the current agenda (public comment on agenda items will be taken at the time the Workgroup members discuss that item). As a general rule, public forum is an opportunity to bring matters to the attention of the Workgroup, but you may also do so via email or standard mail. At the discretion of the Workgroup, staff may be requested to follow up on the subject you raise.