



# **GAINES & ASSOCIATES**

## **“GAINES REPORT”**

### **CALIFORNIA FISH AND GAME COMMISSION UPDATE**

**OCTOBER 13, 2020**

This *Gaines & Associates “California Fish and Game Commission Update”* is intended to provide our clients with the status of items of concern currently in front of the California Fish and Game Commission – including what to expect at tomorrow’s meeting of the Commission, and a recap of what took place at the Commission’s August 2020 meeting.

*This Gaines Report must, however, begin with the news that Commissioner Russell Burns resigned from his seat on the California Fish and Game Commission, effective October 2<sup>nd</sup>. Appointed to the Commission by Governor Jerry Brown in May of 2016, Commissioner Burns proved to be able to balance critically important science with a willingness to listen to all concerns expressed on issues brought before the Commission. Further, as an avid hunter, Commissioner Burns had a clear understanding of the substantially beneficial role of hunters and hunting to all game and non-game wildlife species and their habitats. During his nearly 4½ years of public service, Burns proved to be great asset to the Commission and its ability to carry out its mandate of fairly and effectively defining and defending California’s natural resource policy. Commissioner Burns will be missed.*

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#### **CALIFORNIA FISH & GAME COMMISSION – October 2020 Meeting Agenda**

The October 14, 2020 meeting of the California Fish and Game Commission (Commission) will be held via webinar and teleconference format.

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All agenda items of interest and concern to clients of *Gaines & Associates* are highlighted below:

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**Wednesday, October 14, 2020 – 9:00 AM**

***Agenda Item 13 – Petitions for Regulatory Change***

***(A) Action on current petitions***

***II. Petition #2020-008: Suspend or Reduce Elk Hunting in the Northwestern Elk Hunt Area Due to Disease.***

Under this agenda item the Commission will consider requests submitted by members of the public to adopt, amend, or repeal a regulation – including Petition #2020-008, submitted by the [Environmental Protection Information Center \(EPIC\)](#) which calls for an “emergency” closure of elk hunting in the Northwestern (NW) Elk Hunt Zone this year due to the presence of treponeme-associated hoof disease, a.k.a. elk hoof disease.

Petition #2020-008 was submitted to the Commission by EPIC in June 2020 and first considered under agenda item 27 at the August 2020 Commission meeting. Although the petition requested the Commission take “emergency” action at their August meeting to immediately enact a closure to elk hunting in the NW Hunt Zone in 2020, the Commission determined that there was no need for an emergency closure and instead voted unanimously to send the petition to the September 17<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Wildlife Resources Committee (WRC) for further discussion and recommendation back to the full Commission.

As directed by the Commission at their August 2020 meeting, Petition #2020-008 was placed on September 2020 WRC meeting agenda and discussed in detail. Following comments from DFW, *Gaines & Associates* was pleased to testify on behalf of the *Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation (RMEF)* in strong opposition to the petition. In our testimony we noted that there are no known health threats to humans of elk hoof disease, and that hunting not only serves as a valuable tool for removing infected animals from the population, but also as a tool for assisting DFW with gathering the data they need to combat further spread of the disease.

Following our testimony and that of others – including a wide variety of animal-rights interests in support of the petition – the WRC voted to recommend to the full Commission that the petition be denied.

Under this agenda item, following discussion and public testimony, including additional testimony by *Gaines & Associates*, the WRC recommendation that the petition be denied should be quickly ratified by the Commission.

For greater background on EPIC Petition # 2020-008 for an emergency closure to elk hunting in the NW Hunt Zone, see “*Agenda Item 27 – Wildlife and Inland Fisheries Petitions for Regulation Change*” under the Commission “*August 2020 Meeting Recap*” towards the end of this *Gaines Report*.

To review the complete Commission staff summary for agenda item 13 – including Petition #2020-008 – click [FGC Staff Summary – Petitions for Regulation Change](#)

***Agenda Item 15 – Wildlife Resources Committee***

***(A) Previous Committee Meeting Report***

***(B) Committee Work Plan***

Because the Wildlife Resources Committee (WRC) serves as a subcommittee of the Commission, its topic areas, meeting agendas and Work Plan are subject to Commission approval.

Commission President Eric Sklar and Commissioner Russell Burns currently serve as Commission Co-Chairs of the WRC.

Commission staff Wildlife Advisor Ari Cornman will open this item by providing the Commission with a report on the September 17<sup>th</sup> meeting of the WRC. Mr. Cornman will note that the meeting was held via webinar and teleconference and covered the following topics:

- Updates and recommendations for periodic regulatory packages, including:
  - Mammal hunting
  - Waterfowl hunting
  - Central Valley sport fishing
  - Klamath River Basin sport fishing
  - Inland sport fishing

Mr. Cornman will then state that at the September 17<sup>th</sup> meeting, the following recommendations were approved by WRC and are being brought forward today for Commission consideration:

- 1) Support and issue a notice of proposed rulemaking for the proposed regulation changes for the mammal package as discussed, including:
  - a. Targeted reductions in antelope and deer tags; and
  - b. Partial refunds and restoration of preference points for unused elk and antelope tags in selected hunts
- 2) Support the proposed regulation changes for:
  - a. Waterfowl hunting
  - b. Central Valley Chinook sport fishing
  - c. Klamath River Basin sport fishing for the 2021/22 seasons
- 3) Deny petition #2020-008, as the effects of wildlife disease have already been incorporated into the harvest model through general mortality calculations.

To expand a bit, in regards to WRC recommendation 1(a) above, at the WRC meeting DFW Deputy Director for Fish and Wildlife Stafford Lehr stated that due to multi-year declining trends in one population of deer and one of antelope hence, DFW is recommending reduction in tags for those units.

Regarding WRC recommendation 1(b), at the request of the *Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation (RMEF)* with the assistance of *Gaines & Associates*, DFW is recommending a regulation change that would allow elk and antelope hunters whose seasons were cut short or eliminated due to wildfires and forest closures to receive a refund of their 2020 tag fees along with the restoration of their preference points used to acquire their tags. Eligible hunters would also receive an additional preference point for elk or pronghorn for the 2020 season.

The proposed regulation includes 14 elk hunts, and two pronghorn hunts whose tag holders would be eligible for a refund of tag fees and a restoration of their preference points after submitting their unused tag along with a signed statement that they were unable to hunt for the entire season or a significant portion of the season due to the statewide closure of national forests and other affected lands because of the September 2020 wildfires. Hunting license, application and processing fees would not be eligible for refunds.

The 14 elk hunts eligible for tag and point refunds would be:

- Marble Mountains Either-Sex Apprentice (Roosevelt), Sept. 9-20
- Northeastern California Archery Either Sex (Rocky Mountain), Sept. 2-13
- Marble Mountains Antlerless (Roosevelt), Sept. 9-20
- Marble Mountain Bull (Roosevelt), Sept. 9-20
- Northwestern California Antlerless (Roosevelt), Sept. 2-24
- Northwestern California Bull (Roosevelt), Sept. 2-24
- Siskiyou Antlerless (Roosevelt), Sept. 9-20
- Siskiyou Bull (Roosevelt), Sept. 9-20
- East Park Reservoir Antlerless (Tule), Sept. 5-Oct. 1
- East Park Reservoir Bull (Tule), Sept. 5-Oct. 1
- Lake Pillsbury Period 1 Antlerless (Tule), Sept.9-1
- Northeastern California Either-Sex Apprentice (Rocky Mountain), Sept. 16-27
- Northeastern California Bull (Rocky Mountain), Sept. 16-27
- Northwestern California Either-Sex (Roosevelt), Sept. 2-24

The two pronghorn hunts eligible for tag and point refunds would be:

- Zone 4 Lassen Period 2 General Buck, Sept. 5-13
- Zone 3 Likely Tables Period 2 General Buck, Sept. 5-13

The proposed regulation does not include a refund for deer tag holders, whose hunting seasons are typically longer and whose tags are less expensive. If returned prior to the season opening, premium deer tags may be returned to DFW with a request to have preference points reinstated and one preference point awarded for the current hunt year.

Regarding WRC recommendation 2 (a) dealing with waterfowl, Deputy Director Lehr indicated that although DFW had anticipated a waterfowl rulemaking package for 2021/21 would not be necessary, a small rulemaking would be necessary to adjust dates so that the number of hunt days will not exceed the federal framework. Modifications to the falconry-only days means that the change must be effected through a rulemaking process.

Regarding WRC recommendation 2 (b) dealing with Central Valley Sport Fishing, DFW Fisheries Branch Chief Kevin Shaffer said that DFW's proposal includes a typical wide range of bag and possession limits for the different zones. More information will be available in December and upon receiving the Pacific Fishery Management Council recommendations in April 2021. No significant changes are anticipated.

Regarding WRC recommendation 2 (c) dealing with Klamath River Basin Sport Fishing, Mr. Shaffer said that DFW is unsure what the fishery will look like this year. DFW's proposal will contain the typical range of bag and possession limits, as well as the size of two-year-old fish.

For full detail on WRC recommendation 3, denial of Petition #2020-008, see *“Agenda Item 13 – Petitions for Regulatory Change” (above), and “Agenda Item 27 – Wildlife and Inland Fisheries Petitions for Regulation Change” under the Commission “August 2020 Meeting Recap” towards the end of this Gaines Report.*

To review the complete Commission staff summary for agenda item 15, click [FGC Staff Summary – WRC](#)

## ***Agenda Item 16 – Simplification of Statewide Inland Fishing***

This item will serve as the final and possible adoption hearing on DFW’s recommendation to amend and simplify statewide inland sport fishing regulations. The goals of this sweeping DFW proposal are to increase regulatory consistency statewide, reduce complexity of inland sport fishing regulations, and remove regulations that are no longer biologically justifiable.

Major proposed changes include:

- Separate the regulations for inland trout (non-anadromous waters) from those for steelhead and salmon (anadromous waters) to help provide greater clarity for anglers
- Replace the district regulations with statewide regulations separated for trout; and
- Standardize and consolidate the “special fishing” regulations.

Regulations used to manage trout populations in California to be addressed under this proposal include:

- Seasons (specified dates for opening and closing)
- Bag and possession limits
- Size limits
- Gear and bait restrictions

Under this effort, DFW designed a framework for the simplification based on a “menu” concept, where one of several predefined season and bag limit combinations would be chosen for specific waterways. The menu framework on which these proposed regulations are based was endorsed by the Commission at their February 2019 meeting, following a WRC recommendation. The proposal was then further vetted at the January 2020 WRC meeting in Long Beach, the March 2020 WRC webinar/teleconference meeting. The DFW proposal was then discussed and approved for notice by the Commission at their June 2020 webinar/teleconference meeting and discussed further at their August 2020 webinar/teleconference meeting. Following additional discussion and public testimony at this meeting the Commission will consider possible adoption of the proposal.

To review the complete Commission staff summary for agenda item 16, click [FGC Staff Summary – Simplify Statewide Fishing](#)

### ***CALIFORNIA FISH & GAME COMMISSION – August 2020 Meeting Recap***

The August 2020 meeting of the California Fish and Game Commission was a two-day meeting held via webinar and teleconference on August 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup>.

Although the August 2020 webinar and teleconference meeting of the Commission was a two-day meeting, the first day was dedicated to marine fishery related issues. As such, this *Gaines Report* focuses only on day two, Thursday, August 20<sup>th</sup>. All agenda items of interest and concern to clients of *Gaines & Associates* are highlighted below.

To view the full agenda, click [FGC – August 2020 Mtg Agenda](#)

**Thursday, August 20, 2020 – 8:30 AM**

The August 20, 2020 meeting of the Commission was held via webinar and teleconference and gaveled open by Commission President Eric Sklar with all five Commissioners present.

***Agenda Item 21 – Department Informational Items***

***(B) Wildlife and Fisheries Division, and Ecosystem Conservation Division***

***I. Bacterial Outbreak at Fish Hatcheries***

DFW Deputy Director for Fish and Wildlife Stafford Lehr kicked off item (B) of this agenda item by first stating that colleagues at the Texas Department of Parks and Wildlife had suffered a severe tragedy on August 8<sup>th</sup> when a helicopter with three staff doing wildlife surveys went down. Our thoughts and prayers are with them and their families. Deputy Director Lehr noted that DFW had suffered a similar devastating tragedy in 2010.

Deputy Director Lehr then provided an update on a recent outbreak of *Lactococcus garvieae* that hit three southern California fish hatcheries in July. Lehr stated that DFW had spent a lot of money trying to use bacterial treatments to treat the disease without success. He said that, after those efforts were unsuccessful, DFW had to place their impacted facilities and one private hatchery under quarantine, make the tough decision to euthanize about 3.2 million fish and disinfect the facilities, and temporarily halt its fish stocking program in Southern California. He stated that DFW would do all possible to backfill high traffic fishing areas with other hatcheries, but that there could be some impact to anglers. Deputy Director Lehr stated that DFW believes the disease entered the hatchery via avian spread that there is no known cure at this time. He closed this portion of his report by noting that it will be about 18 months before those facilities are back online.

Deputy Director Lehr then stated that, due to COVID, many DFW staff were working from home and that several DFW offices and facilities were closed. As such, with deer and bear season now open, DFW is urging hunters to call facilities ahead of time to make an appointment to get their animals validated. Lehr stated that the locations and phone numbers of DFW facilities are listed on page 57 of the 2020 Big Game Hunting Digest. He then noted that DFW is not collecting bear teeth this year and are only validating the animal.

Deputy Director Lehr closed his comments by asking dove hunters to follow Department of Health guidelines when traveling to and partaking in the upcoming dove opener.

Following a Law Enforcement Division report from Chief David Bess, and a call for public testimony by Commission President Sklar (there was none), the agenda item was closed.

To review the complete Commission staff summary for agenda item 21 – including the DFW news release: “*Bacterial Outbreak Forces Euthanization of Fish at Three Southern California Hatcheries*”, dated July 20, 2020; and the DFW news release: “*Disease Outbreak Strikes California Deer Herds*”, dated August 3, 2020, click [FGC Staff Summary – DFW Report](#)

***Agenda Item 22 – Wildlife Resources Committee***

***(A) Committee Work Plan***

***(B) Next Committee Meeting***

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Commission staff Wildlife Advisor Ari Cornman opened by noting that this item was to provide for Commission an opportunity to consider approving the draft agenda items for the upcoming WRC meeting, scheduled for September 17<sup>th</sup> and held via webinar and teleconference format. Mr. Cornman then stated that the WRC last met on May 14<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Cornman then commented that the Work Plan for the WRC was provided to Commissioners in today's meeting binder under Exhibit A1.

Mr. Cornman noted that the draft agenda topics WRC is recommending be covered at the September 17<sup>th</sup> meeting of the WRC were:

- Initial vetting of possible changes to resident upland game bird hunting regulations
- Discussion of and potential recommendations for periodic rulemaking packages for:
  - Mammal hunting
  - Waterfowl hunting
  - Central Valley sport fishing
  - Klamath River Basin sport fishing
  - Inland sport fishing
- Project update on bullfrog and nonnative turtle stakeholder engagement process.

Mr. Cornman then stated that they were not certain that all of the rulemaking packages on the draft WRC agenda for September 17<sup>th</sup> would move forward, as the DFW regulatory staff currently has limited capacity due to some being reassigned to the state's COVID contact tracing efforts. Mr. Cornman noted that DFW would make their recommendations as to what rulemaking packages they believe should move forward for 2021 at the upcoming WRC meeting.

Mr. Cornman then stated that DFW would like to make some recommendations as to additional items that they would like the Commission to consider approving for addition to the September 17<sup>th</sup> meeting agenda, and handed the floor to DFW Deputy Director for Fish and Wildlife Stafford Lehr. DFW then recommended that the Commission consider approving adding the following items to the agenda for the upcoming WRC:

- General discussion of recent wildlife/human conflicts
- Wildlife and fish diseases – including elk hoof disease
- Restricted species

Following some brief comments from WRC Co-Chair Commissioner Burns, Commission President Sklar called for public comment but there was none.

The Commission then unanimously approved the recommended draft agenda for the September 17<sup>th</sup> meeting of the WRC, including the above noted three items added by the DFW at today's meeting.

To review the complete Commission staff summary for agenda item 22, click [FGC Staff Summary – WRC](#)

### ***Agenda Item 23 – Simplification of Statewide Inland Fishing***

This item served as the second or “discussion” hearing on DFW’s recommendation to amend and simplify statewide inland sport fishing regulations. This item was opened by Commission staff Wildlife Advisor Ari Cornman who stated that the goals of this sweeping DFW proposal are to increase regulatory consistency statewide, reduce complexity of inland sport fishing regulations, and remove regulations that are no longer biologically justifiable. Mr. Cornman then handed the floor off to DFW Environmental Program Manager Roger Bloom who led most the effort to pull together this far-reaching proposal.

Mr. Bloom stated that it had been a long road to arrive at where we are today on this large proposal, and that DFW – like the Commission – continues to receive comments on the package. Mr. Bloom noted that he wanted anglers and the general public to know that DFW is compiling their comments and regardless of the final outcome on this proposal DFW will continue to monitor the effects of the regulation changes on the fisheries and make future revisions as necessary. Mr. Bloom closed by stating that this was not the end, but rather the beginning of this process.

Following Mr. Bloom’s comments, Commission President Sklar called for public testimony. Following brief public testimony, the item was closed. Being that this was the “discussion” hearing, no action was required by the Commission.

For additional detail on this sweeping proposal, see “*Agenda Item 16 – Simplification of Statewide Inland Fishing*” under the Commission “*October 2020 Meeting Agenda*” above.

The Commission is scheduled to further consider and possibly adopt changes to statewide inland fishing regulations at their October 14<sup>th</sup> webinar/teleconference meeting.

To review the complete Commission staff summary for agenda item 23 – including proposed regulatory text changes, click [FGC Staff Summary – Simplify Statewide Fishing](#)

### ***Agenda Item 26 – Wildlife and Inland Fisheries Items of Interest from Previous Meetings***

This item provided for a discussion of human/wildlife conflicts resulting from coyotes living in California’s urban areas. The item was opened by Commission staff Wildlife Advisor Ari Cornman who stated that the problem of human/wildlife conflicts includes more than just coyotes and that a larger discussion of the topic will be held at the September 17<sup>th</sup> WRC meeting.

Mr. Cornman then stated that, at the January 2020 WRC meeting in Long Beach, several members of the public voiced concerns regarding the increasing frequency of human/wildlife conflicts resulting from coyotes living in California’s urban areas. In response, WRC recommended that the Commission host an open discussion with DFW and the public on the issue to try to find solutions that are amenable to everyone.

Mr. Cornman then introduced Scott Gardner, Chief of the DFW Wildlife Branch, who provided some background on DFW's efforts to date on the topic of human/wildlife conflicts, and noted that DFW recognizes the importance of this problem, has been very much engaged in this issue, and that DFW regional staff has been responsive to public appeals.

Following comments by Mr. Cornman and Mr. Gardner, the following two presentations on coyote biology and behavior were provided by academic scientists:

- 1) *"Non-lethal and Lethal Management of Carnivores: Effectiveness and Side-effects"*  
Adrian Treves, Ph.D., University of Wisconsin Carnivore Coexistence Lab,  
Project Coyote Science Advisory Board
- 2) *"Coyotes in Your Backyard: A Novel Challenge of Wildlife Conflict Management"*  
Dr. Eric Strauss, President's Professor of Biology, Executive Director, Loyola  
Marymount University Center for Urban Resilience CUREs

Following the presentations, Commission President Sklar took a straw poll of the Commissioners regarding whether they would like to schedule a public workshop to dive deeper into the issue and he received unanimous support. President Sklar then opened the item and the concept of a public workshop to public comment.

Following public comment, the Commission unanimously approved a motion to direct Commission staff to work with DFW in consultation with the Co-Chairs of the WRC to host a workshop on human/wildlife conflicts. Possible dates for the workshop were not discussed.

To review the complete Commission staff summary for agenda item 26, click [FGC Staff Summary – Urban Coyotes](#)

### ***Agenda Item 27 – Wildlife and Inland Fisheries Petitions for Regulation Change***

#### ***(A) Action on current petitions***

##### ***I. Petition #2020-008: Elk Hunting Suspension***

In early April 2020, DFW discovered the presence of a novel disease, treponeme-associated hoof disease, affecting the hooves of Roosevelt elk in Del Norte County. In response, animal-rights interests quickly jumped on the opportunity to petition the Commission for an immediate "emergency" closure of elk hunting in the Northwestern (NW) Elk Hunt Zone. Under this agenda item, a petition (Petition #2020-008) submitted to the Commission in June 2020 by the [Environmental Protection Information Center](#) (EPIC) for such an emergency closure was to be considered.

Under typical Commission procedure, the first step would usually be for the Commission to refer a petition of this nature to DFW for review and recommendation. However, in this case 2020 elk tag quotas have already been approved by the Commission and already allocated, via draw, by DFW. As such, in this case the Commission would have to take "emergency" action to immediately revise the already approved 2020 mammal regulations to close elk hunting for the upcoming season in the NW Elk Hunt Zone.

This item was opened by Commission staff Wildlife Advisor Ari Cornman who stated that – given that the topic of wildlife disease, including treponeme-associated hoof disease and its impact to elk, was added to the September 17<sup>th</sup> WRC meeting agenda for discussion – the staff recommendation was for the Commission to determine that an emergency situation doesn't exist

and that the petition be referred to WRC for review and recommendation back to the full Commission.

Mr. Tom Wheeler, Executive Director of EPIC and author of the petition, then provided a short presentation to the Commission on the concerns of EPIC and the rationale behind their petition – including the argument that the disease and its impact on elk in the NW Hunt Zone was not considered in the environmental analysis conducted by DFW prior to recommending the elk tag quotas for that zone approved by the Commission for 2020.

Following Mr. Wheeler’s presentation, and some brief discussion at the dais, DFW Deputy Director for Fish and Wildlife Stafford Lehr stated that disease and mortality by other factors were evaluated in both the supplemental environmental document and the DFW analysis that was presented to the Commission throughout the debate regarding this year’s hunting season. Lehr noted that mortality factors are over-estimated in the model and that the population growth in these herds is extremely high. As such, hunting on top of any natural mortality has been factored into the analyses and DFW believes that the population will remain viable. Lehr closed by stating that hunter participation will also play an active role in helping DFW surveil and determine the extent of the disease in the population.

Following Deputy Director Lehr’s comments, Commission President Sklar called for public testimony. *Gaines & Associates* was pleased to testify on behalf of the *Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation (RMEF)* and stated that RMEF was in support of the staff recommendation that emergency action not be taken by the Commission today to close the season, and that the topic be carried over to the WRC for further discussion at their September meeting. *Gaines & Associates* then pointed out that there are no known health threats to humans of elk hoof disease, and that hunting can not only serve as a valuable tool for removing infected animals from the population, but also as a much needed tool for getting DFW the data they need to get their arms around the disease. We closed our comments by stating that, if anything, DFW and the Commission should consider increasing hunter harvest in the NW Hunt Zone at this time, not reducing it.

Following completion of public testimony, and some comments by Commission President Sklar, the Commission voted unanimously to approve the staff recommendation to send Petition #2020-008 to the WRC for further discussion and recommendation back to the full Commission.

*Gaines & Associates* will also be “attending” the September 17<sup>th</sup> meeting of the WRC, to ensure that this petition for unnecessary closure of elk hunting in the NW Hunt Zone is rejected.

To review the complete Commission staff summary for agenda item 27 – including the petition for an “emergency” closure of elk hunting in the Northwestern Elk Hunt Zone – click [FGC Staff Summary – Petition for Elk Hunting Closure](#)

## ***PLAN AHEAD!!!***

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### ***CALIFORNIA FISH & GAME COMMISSION – December 2020 Meeting***

*The December 2020 meeting of the California Fish and Game Commission is scheduled for December 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> and will be held via webinar and teleconference.  
How individuals can “attend” this meeting is yet to be determined.*

### ***WILDLIFE RESOURCES COMMITTEE – January 12, 2021 Meeting***

*The January 12, 2021 meeting of the WRC will be held via webinar and teleconference.  
How individuals can “attend” this meeting is yet to be determined.*

### ***CALIFORNIA FISH & GAME COMMISSION – February 2021 Meeting***

*The February 2021 meeting of the California Fish and Game Commission is scheduled for February 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> and will be held via webinar and teleconference.  
How individuals can “attend” this meeting is yet to be determined.*

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