



GAINES & ASSOCIATES

“SPECIAL REPORT”

CALIFORNIA FISH AND GAME COMMISSION UPDATE

OCTOBER 9, 2017

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 this week’s meeting in Atascadero, and a recap of what took place on agenda items of concern at the Commission’s August 2017 meeting in Sacramento.

Gaines & Associates recognizes that our Special Reports may be lengthy and may often provide more information than many believe necessary. However, this reporting is done for the sole benefit of our clients who have varying conservation and wildlife interests. The information provided is to ensure that all our clients get sufficient detail on the issues/agenda items of greatest importance to them.

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CALIFORNIA FISH & GAME COMMISSION – October 2017 Meeting Agenda

The October 2017 meeting of the California Fish and Game Commission is scheduled for October 11th and 12th at the:

**SpringHill Suites by Marriott
900 El Camino Real
Atascadero, CA 93422**

In accordance with the Commission’s 2017 two-day meeting format, wildlife and sport fish related issues will be considered on “Day One”, and all marine fishery related items considered on “Day Two”. As such, at this meeting, wildlife and sport fish items are slated for the Wednesday, October 11th meeting agenda, with all marine related items scheduled for consideration on the Thursday, October 12th meeting agenda. Agenda items of interest and concern to clients of *Gaines & Associates* are highlighted below.

Gaines & Associates will attend the October 11th meeting of the Commission in Atascadero on behalf of our clients, and provide testimony on items of concern. For more information on any of the issues below, or more detail on our efforts to protect and promote our client's interests, please contact us at info@gainesandassociates.net

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October 11, 2017 – 8:30 AM

Agenda Item 4 – Wildlife Resources Committee

(A) September 2017 Meeting Summary

I. Receive and Adopt Recommendations

(B) Work Plan Development

I. Update on Work Plan and Draft Timeline

II. Discuss and Approve New Topics

Because the Wildlife Resources Committee (WRC) serves as a subcommittee of the Commission, its topic areas and Work Plan are subject to Commission discussion and approval. Commissioners Anthony Williams and Russell Burns Co-Chair the WRC.

Ms. Erin Chappell, Commission wildlife advisor and staff lead for the WRC, will open this item by providing the Commission with a summary of the topics covered at the WRC's September 13th meeting in Riverside. These topics were:

- *Annual Regulations for:*
 - 1) *Upland Game Bird Hunting*
 - 2) *Mammal Hunting*
 - 3) *Waterfowl Hunting*
 - 4) *Central Valley Chinook Salmon Sport Fishing*
 - 5) *Klamath River Sport Fishing*
- *Falconry Regulations*
- *Wild Pig Management*
- *Predator Policy Workgroup*
- *Delta Fisheries Forum*

Ms. Chappell will then bring forward for Commission consideration and possible approval the following recommendations agreed to by the WRC at the September 13th meeting:

- 1) *Authorize publication of a notice of intent to amend regulations for:*
 - a) *Mammal Hunting for 2018*
 - b) *Waterfowl Hunting for 2018/19*
 - c) *Central Valley Chinook Salmon Sport Fishing for 2018/19*
 - d) *Klamath River Sport Fishing for 2018/19*
- 2) *Forward the "Option 2" proposal on wild pig management to Assembly Member Bigelow for consideration (See FGC Staff Summary, Exhibit 2).*
- 3) *Adopt the Delta Fisheries Forum recommendations as presented in the staff report (See FGC Staff Summary, Exhibit 3).*

- 4) *Approve adding Predator Policy Workgroup and changing the “Russian River Sport Fishing” agenda topic to “Coastal Streams Low-Flow Regulations” for January 2018 (See FGC Staff Summary, Exhibit 4).*

(Note that the Upland Game Bird regulatory package for 2018 will be discussed further at the WRC’s January 11th, 2018 meeting in Santa Rosa, with the WRC’s recommendation brought forward to the full Commission for their consideration at their February 2018 meeting in Sacramento.)

Ms. Chappell will then update the Commission on the status of the WRC work plan and timeline.

Due to the WRC’s heavy current workload, Ms. Chappell is not expected to recommend any additional new topics be added to the WRC effort at this time.

For full detail on all the discussion of interest at the September 13th meeting of the WRC, view the “*Gaines & Associates – Fish and Game Commission Wildlife Resources Committee Meeting Summary*”, by clicking [G&A WRC September Mtg Summary](#)

To review the Commission staff summary for agenda item 4 – including the full Commission staff summary of September 13th meeting, all of the above noted Exhibits, the staff proposal on Wild Pig Management Options, and the staff report on the Delta Fisheries Forum – click [FGC Staff Summary – WRC](#)

The next meeting of the WRC will be held on January 11th, 2018 in Santa Rosa. For the location of this meeting and other future Commission related meetings, see “*PLAN AHEAD!!!*” at the end of this *Special Report*.

Agenda Item 6 – Discuss Proposed Changes to Sport Fishing Regulations

This agenda item will serve as the second, or “discussion” hearing on the Department of Fish and Wildlife’s (DFW) recommended changes for the 2018 inland sport fishing regulations. Expect DFW to provide a brief overview of the below changes they are recommending for 2018. The changes include, but are not limited to:

- 1) *Rock Creek (Shasta County) Closure to Protect Shasta Crayfish: DFW is proposing to close Rock Creek to all fishing all year from Rock Creek spring downstream to Baum Lake to protect the endangered Shasta crayfish and its habitat;*
- 2) *Clarification on no take of salmon in the Sacramento and McCloud Rivers and tributaries above Shasta Lake: As part of a Fish Passage Pilot Project, federal agencies will be introducing an experimental release of Chinook Salmon into the Sacramento and McCloud drainages starting in 2018 and continuing indefinitely. DFW is recommending that these rivers and their tributaries above Shasta Lake be closed to salmon fishing to reduce salmon loss and increase the success of the Fish Passage Pilot Project;*
- 3) *American River (Nimbus Basin) Fishing Closure: DFW is recommending year-round closure of the American River (in Sacramento County) from Nimbus Dam to the U.S. Geological Survey gauging station cable crossing about 300 yards downstream from the Nimbus Hatchery fish weir to protect Chinook Salmon and*

Central Valley steelhead trout which utilize this section for both in-river spawning and rearing;

- 4) *Artificial Lure and Bait Definition Changes: DFW is recommending a regulation change to clarify that no scents or flavors shall be used on lures on waters where only artificial lures with barbless hooks may be used;*
- 5) *Allow Bow and Arrow Fishing for Catfish: DFW is recommending amending regulations to allow bowfishing for bullheads and catfish in the Sacramento-San Joaquin River Delta, Big Bear Lake in San Bernardino County, and Lake Isabella in Kern County. This amendment is per the request of the California Bowmen Hunters/State Archery Association with the assistance of Gaines & Associates;*
- 6) *Restrict Leader Length to Less Than Six Feet to Reduce Potential Foul-Hooking (Snagging) of Salmon and Steelhead: To reduce foul-hooking of salmon and steelhead in anadromous waters, DFW is recommending that it illegal to use any configuration of fishing tackle in anadromous waters unless the distance between the terminal hook or terminal lure and any weight attached to the line or leader, whether fixed or sliding, is less than six feet. The term “weight” is defined to include any product used to submerge the line or leader – including non-buoyant artificial flies or artificial lures – but does not include integrated or sinking fly fishing lines, lead core lines used while trolling from a boat, dropper weights used while trolling from a boat, or clipped weights used with downrigger systems;*
- 7) *Revision of Mendocino, Sonoma and Marin Counties’ Low Flow Closure Time Period to Align with the Adult Steelhead Season: DFW is recommending to re-define the season of the Special Low Flow Conditions in these waters to coincide with the end of the adult steelhead fishing season on March 31st. The current end date of April 30th extends the length of the low flow season past the adult steelhead fishing season on most coastal streams (except Russian River) which provides an unnecessary protection and potentially confuses anglers. The Russian River is the exception because it is open year-round due to other sport fisheries such as American shad and smallmouth bass.*

Gaines & Associates and the California Bowmen Hunters/State Archery Association have worked closely with DFW over the past many months to secure the inclusion of the additional bowfishing opportunity for bullheads and catfish in the Sacramento-San Joaquin River Delta, Big Bear Lake, and Lake Isabella in their Department’s 2018 sport fishing regulatory package.

Further discussion, additional public testimony and final Commission consideration of adoption of the regulatory package for 2018 inland sport fishing regulations will take place at the Commission’s December 2017 meeting in San Diego.

To review the full Commission staff summary for agenda item 6 regarding the 2018 inland sport fishing regulations – including full detail on all of the proposed regulation changes being recommended by DFW, click [FGC Staff Summary – 2018 Sport Fish](#)

Agenda Item 7 – Discuss Proposed Changes to Regulations for the Use of GPS-Equipped Dog Collars and Treeing Switches for Dogs Used to Pursue/Take Mammals or for Dog Training

With the Commission already authorizing publication of the notice of intent to amend regulations to allow for the use of global positioning system (GPS) collars on dogs pursuing mammals at their April 2017 meeting in Van Nuys, this agenda item will serve as the second, or “discussion” hearing on this topic.

To provide some background, at their April 2016 meeting, the Commission approved the use of GPS collars for dogs aiding a hunter in the pursuit of mammals. Shortly after the hearing, the *Public Interest Coalition* filed a petition in Superior Court in Sacramento County seeking a Writ of Mandate invalidating the Commission’s action, based on the argument that the Commission failed to comply with the procedural requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). To address this concern, the Commission determined that re-opening the topic for further rulemaking was the best approach to resolve the litigation, as it would allow the Commission and DFW the opportunity to prepare the necessary environmental documentation.

To initiate this process, the Commission placed publication of notice to consider restoring the ban on their October 2016 meeting agenda. In accordance with Commission procedure, the item was again placed on their December 2016 meeting agenda for additional discussion, with the adoption of the ban taking place at their April 2017 meeting under agenda item 13(A). However, in adopting the ban at their April 2017 meeting, the Commission carefully stipulated that the effective date of the ban would be delayed for 12 months to allow time for the Department to prepare the prerequisite environmental analysis necessary before the Commission can consider possible reinstatement of the approval of the use of GPS collars. Moments later, under agenda item 13(B), the Commission authorized publication of notice of re-legalizing their use – starting the Commission three meeting process for reapproving their use.

In close partnership, representatives from the *California Houndsmen for Conservation* and *Gaines & Associates* have attended all the numerous Commission meetings and conference calls where this item has been on the agenda, and have provided detailed testimony which both acknowledged the unfortunate need for the Commission to go through this difficult process, and strongly supported the continued legal use of GPS collars on dogs used for the pursuit of mammals. *Gaines & Associates* will again be pleased to assist the *California Houndsmen for Conservation* with providing testimony in support of GPS under this agenda item.

Note that during this follow-up review of this issue, GPS collars have remained legal, pursuant to the Commission authorizing their use at the April 2016 meeting. In addition, due to the Commission approving a 12 month delay in the effective date of the ban at their April 2017 meeting, there should be no time when the use of the collars will be illegal. *Gaines & Associates* and *California Houndsmen for Conservation* will continue to keep users current on the status of the regulations throughout this process.

Further discussion, additional public testimony and possible final Commission adoption of the regulations which allow for the use for the use of GPS on dogs used to pursue/take mammals will take place at the Commission’s December 2017 meeting in San Diego.

To review the Commission staff summary on Agenda Item 13 regarding GPS collars, click [FGC Staff Summary - GPS](#)

CALIFORNIA FISH & GAME COMMISSION – August 2017 Meeting Recap

The August 2017 meeting of the California Fish and Game Commission was held in Sacramento on Wednesday, August 16th. Typically, under the Commission’s 2017 two-day meeting format, wildlife and sport fish related issues are considered on “Day One”, and all marine fishery related items considered on “Day Two”. However, due to the relatively light agenda, the August 2017 meeting was a one-day meeting, with the Commission considering all wildlife, sport fish and marine related items on their August 16th meeting agenda. All notable activity associated with agenda items of concern to clients of *Gaines & Associates* is highlighted below.

To view the full agenda, click [FGC - August 2017 Mtg Agenda](#)

The Commission’s August 16th, 2017 meeting was gaveled open by Commission President Eric Sklar with four Commissioners present. In addition to President Sklar, Commissioners Anthony Williams, Peter Silva and Russell Burns were present. Commission Vice-President Jacque Hostler-Carmesin was absent.

August 16th, 2017 – 8:00 AM

Agenda Item 6 – Wildlife Resources Committee

(A) Work Plan Development

I. Update on Work Plan and Draft Timeline

II. Discuss and Approve New Topics

Because the Wildlife Resources Committee (WRC) serves as a subcommittee of the Commission, its topic areas and Work Plan are subject to Commission discussion and approval. Commissioners Anthony Williams and Russell Burns Co-Chair the WRC.

Ms. Erin Chappell, Commission wildlife advisor and staff lead for the WRC, opened this agenda item by noting that today’s discussion was to review the tasks assigned to the WRC; the potential items to be placed on agenda at the WRC’s September 13th meeting in Riverside; and to consider any new topics that may be brought forward for WRC consideration. Ms. Chappell continued by noting that the WRC has a “hefty” list of nine topics it is proposing to be on agenda for discussion at their upcoming September meeting. Ms. Chappell stated that these items included five proposals for annual rulemaking:

- 1) *Upland Game Bird*
- 2) *Mammal Hunting*
- 3) *Waterfowl Hunting*
- 4) *Central Valley Chinook Salmon Sport Fishing*
- 5) *Klamath River Sport Fishing*

Ms. Chappell then commented that the WRC’s proposed September 2017 meeting agenda also includes:

- 6) *Consideration of possible additional changes to falconry regulations*
- 7) *Discussion and a possible recommendation of a wild pig management proposal*
- 8) *Update on the Delta Fisheries Forum and possible action on next steps*

- 9) *Presentation of the Predator Policy Workgroup’s final report, and possible recommendations.*

Following Ms. Chappell’s brief presentation, WRC Co-Chair Commissioner Williams thanked Ms. Chappell for her hard work in leading WRC review of the topic areas currently assigned to the Committee, and thanked the stakeholders represented on the Predator Policy Workgroup for their efforts.

Following Commissioner Williams comments, the Commission approved the WRC’s September agenda, as proposed by Ms. Chappell.

Due to the WRC’s tremendous current workload, no additional new topics were added to the WRC effort.

To review the Commission staff summary for agenda item 6 regarding the WRC, click [FGC Staff Summary - WRC](#)

Agenda Item 7 – Authorize Publication of Notice of Intent to Amend Sport Fishing Regulations

This agenda item served as the initial “notice” hearing on DFW’s recommended changes to the 2018 inland sport fishing regulations. Ms. Chappell opened this topic by quickly noting that the regulatory package being brought forward for consideration of possible notice today had already been vetted and approved by the WRC at the May 2017 meeting.

Following Ms. Chappell’s brief comments, DFW Fisheries Branch Chief Kevin Shaffer provided a presentation on the numerous regulatory changes DFW was recommending for 2018 inland sport fishing. As also noted above under the October 11th Commission meeting agenda above, these items included:

- 1) *Rock Creek (Shasta County) Closure to Protect Shasta Crayfish: DFW is proposing to close Rock Creek to all fishing all year from Rock Creek spring downstream to Baum Lake to protect the endangered Shasta crayfish and its habitat;*
- 2) *Clarification on no take of salmon in the Sacramento and McCloud Rivers and tributaries above Shasta Lake: As part of a Fish Passage Pilot Project, federal agencies will be introducing an experimental release of Chinook Salmon into the Sacramento and McCloud drainages starting in 2018 and continuing indefinitely. DFW is recommending that these rivers and their tributaries above Shasta Lake be closed to salmon fishing to reduce salmon loss and increase the success of the Fish Passage Pilot Project;*
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As noted above under the October 11th Commission agenda, *Gaines & Associates* and the *California Bowmen Hunters/State Archery Association* have worked closely with DFW over the past many months to secure the inclusion of the additional bowfishing opportunity for bullheads and catfish in the Sacramento-San Joaquin River Delta, Big Bear Lake, and Lake Isabella in their Department’s 2018 sport fishing regulatory package.

Following Mr. Shaffer’s presentation, *Gaines & Associates* and the *California Bowmen Hunters/State Archery Association* were pleased to provide testimony thanking the Department for working closely with us to develop the proposal to allow bow fishing for bullheads and catfish in the Sacramento-San Joaquin River Delta, Big Bear Lake and Lake Isabella, and to offer our strong support of the recommendation.

Following our testimony, the Commission voted unanimously to authorize the publication of notice of intent to amend the sport fishing regulations, as presented by the Department.

Further discussion and testimony on DFW’s proposed regulatory package for 2018 inland sport fishing regulations will take place at the Commission’s October 2017 meeting in Atascadero, with

final adoption of 2018 inland sport fishing regulations slated to take place at the Commission's December 2017 meeting in San Diego.

To review the full Commission staff summary for agenda item 7 regarding the 2018 inland sport fishing regulations, click [FGC Staff Summary – 2018 Sport Fish](#)

Agenda Item 9 – Commission Recognition of Newly-Inducted Members of California Waterfowler's Hall of Fame

Each year, the Commission annually recognizes new inductees into the California Waterfowler's Hall of Fame with resolutions signed by the Commissioners. The 2017 class included the following five inductees:

- 1) *Tupper Ansel Blake*
- 2) *Robert "Bob" Cline*
- 3) *Tony A. Marnell II*
- 4) *Larry Merlo*
- 5) *Ed Smith*

As a member of the California Hall of Fame Nominating Committee, Bill Gaines of *Gaines & Associates* was pleased to nominate Robert Cline for this well-deserved honor. *Gaines & Associates* was honored to have Mr. Cline and some family members join us at this meeting, and to have Mr. Cline brought before the Commission and personally thanked for his life-long efforts to restore and enhance California's waterfowl and wetland habitats. Following Mr. Cline being personally recognized by the Commission, *Gaines & Associates* offered testimony detailing just some of the many contributions to our waterfowl and wetlands made by Mr. Cline and the other four 2017 inductees into the California Waterfowler's Hall of Fame.

To view the Commission staff summary on Agenda Item 9 honoring the 2017 inductees into the California Waterfowler's Hall of Fame, including links to the Commission resolutions for each inductee, click [FGC Staff Summary – CA Hall of Fame](#)

Agenda Item 17 – Adopt Proposed Regulations for a Process to Automatically Conform State Recreational Fishing Regulations to Federal Regulations

California's annual State regulations for salmon and Pacific halibut must conform with federal regulations. As such, each year, the Commission must wait for the federal regulations to be adopted, then scramble to formally promulgate State recreational fishing regulations that simply conform with the recently adopted federal regulations. This agenda item served as the third, or final "adoption" hearing on a new regulation which will allow the Commission to avoid this annual scramble by providing for our annual State recreational fishing regulations to automatically conform with the federal regulations.

This item was kicked off by Commission staff marine advisor, Susan Ashcraft, who noted that the proposed changes only apply to salmon and Pacific halibut at this time, but that there are plans to develop a similar process for federally managed ground fish and rock fish in the future. Ms. Ashcraft stated that the purpose of this regulatory change is to provide for annual state regulations to automatically conform with federal regulations, while also allowing the Commission to go through the traditional rulemaking process, should it want to consider other regulations within the federal regulations.

Following Ms. Ashcraft's comments and brief public testimony, the Commission unanimously voted to adopt the regulations which will now automatically conform state recreational fishing regulations to federal regulations, as proposed by the Department.

Specifically, as adopted, this new regulation will require, no later than 10 days after federal regulations are published in the Federal Register, that:

- 1) *The Commission submit amended State regulations to the Office of Administrative Law for publication in the California Code of Regulations and file them with the Secretary of State;*
- 2) *DFW issue a news release announcing the Federal Register in which the federal regulations are published and the effective date of the conformed State regulations;*
- 3) *The Commission mail or email the news release to interested parties;*
- 4) *To the extent practicable, DFW provide information on any changes to the State regulations via public contact, electronic notification, and online and printed publications;*
- 5) *An update on the conformed State regulations be included on the agenda of the next regularly-scheduled Commission meeting.*

To review the full Commission staff summary for agenda item 17, click [FGC Staff Summary – Fisheries Auto Conform](#)

Agenda Item 26 – Marine Petitions for Regulation Change from Previous Meetings

(B) Action on Pending Regulation Petitions Referred to Staff and the Department for Review

II. Petition #2016-020 to Disallow Bow and Arrow and Harpoon Gear for Recreational Take of Sharks and Rays

This agenda item was opened by Commission staff marine advisor, Susan Ashcraft. After covering other petitions received by the Commission, she noted that Petition #2016-020 requested that bow and arrow and harpoon be prohibited as a gear type for the recreational take of sharks and rays. Ms. Ashcraft stated that, at the Commission's request, the Department had evaluated the petition and is recommending that Petition #2016-020 be denied. Ms. Ashcraft stated that the Department's full rationale for recommending denial of the petition is provided in the Commission's meeting binder, and that Commission staff supports the Department's position.

Petition #2016-020 argued that bow fishing for sharks should be illegal because bow and arrow fishing for sharks "is a form of hunting, not fishing, and baiting is considered unethical and illegal in the realm of hunting". Further, among other things, the petition argued that bow and arrow fishing is not sporting; that sharks are slow growing with low reproduction; and that bowhunting targets the largest sharks, killing off the mature breeding population.

DFW's rationale for recommending denial of the petition includes their position that sharks are actively managed and appropriately protected under current fishing regulations; bow fishing is considered both sporting and fair; bow and arrow fishing – while not allowing for catch and release – is highly selective and has little or no bycatch; and that recreational bowfishing for sharks occurs at very low rates.

Over the past few months, the *California Bowmen Hunters/State Archery Association* has worked closely with *Gaines & Associates* to secure a Department recommendation that the Commission deny Petition #2016-020. Following Ms. Ashcraft's opening comments, *California Bowmen Hunters/State Archery Association* and *Gaines & Associates* were pleased to provide testimony in strong opposition to the proposal at this meeting.

Following public testimony, the Commission voted unanimously to deny Petition #2016-020.

To view a copy of *California Bowmen Hunters/State Archery Association*'s opposition letter, click [CBHSAA Bowfish Shark](#)

To review the full Commission staff summary for agenda item 26, including Petition #2016-020 and the DFW letter of response, click [FGC Staff Summary – Petition 2016-020](#)

PLAN AHEAD!!!

BELOW ARE THE DATES/LOCATIONS OF UPCOMING COMMISSION MEETINGS!

CALIFORNIA FISH & GAME COMMISSION – December 2017 Meeting

The December 2017 meeting of the California Fish and Game Commission is scheduled for December 6th and 7th at the following location:

***Handlery Hotel
950 Hotel Circle North
San Diego, CA 92108***

WILDLIFE RESOURCES COMMITTEE – January 11th, 2018 Meeting

***Justice A. Rattigan State Building
50 D Street
Conf. Rm 410 (4th Floor)
Santa Rosa, CA 95404***

CALIFORNIA FISH & GAME COMMISSION – February 2018 Meeting

The February 2018 meeting of the California Fish and Game Commission is scheduled for February 7th and 8th at the following location:

***Resources Building
Auditorium, First Floor
1416 Ninth Street
Sacramento, CA 95814***

To submit your own comments to the Commission or the WRC on any of the above issues of concern, you may email them at fgc@fgc.ca.gov Be sure to include the subject of the regulations in the e-mail subject line. Comments can also be mailed to the Commission's Sacramento office at:

*California Fish and Game Commission
P.O. Box 944209
Sacramento, CA 94244-2090*

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