



Humboldt County Fish & Game Advisory Commission AGENDA

The Commission meets the THIRD Tuesday each month from 6:30pm through 8:30pm. Agenda items and supporting info should be mailed to HCF&GAC; PO Box 922; Ferndale, CA 95536; Phone: 707.786.4902 email: nkaytis4@gmail.com up to two weeks following previous meeting. MEETINGS ARE HELD AT THE ELK'S CLUB; 445 HERRICK AVENUE, EUREKA, CALIFORNIA

March 17, 2020

1. Call to Order. Introduction of guests. Introduce new member appointed by District 3 Supervisor Mike Wilson: Rhiannon Lewis-Stephenson.
2. SPEAKERS:
 - a. Professor Kaitlin Reed, HSU - environmental effects of marijuana cultivation along the river.
 - b. Greta Wengert - effects of toxics at trespass grow sites.
3. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD: Members of the public may address the Commission on any item of interest that is not on the current agenda. Pursuant to the Brown Act (Govt. Code Section 54950 et seq.) action or Commission discussion cannot be taken on open time matters, other than to receive the comments, and if deemed necessary, to refer the subject matter to the appropriate agency or department, for follow-up and/or to schedule the matter on a subsequent Commission Agenda.
4. Approve minutes – February 18, 2020. No motion necessary.
5. MODIFICATIONS: Change the order of, or drop an item.
6. CORRESPONDENCE – Scanned and emailed to commissioners as received. Passed around the table during the meeting. Copies will be made for the public if requested.
7. OLD BUSINESS – Reports
 - a. Area River Updates: Potter Valley / Eel River water / Klamath River / Trinity River / Mad River – Commissioner Denver Nelson updates on area rivers including fish, water quality, dams, etc.
 - b. Humboldt Bay National Wildlife Refuge – Update by Commissioner Phil Grunert regarding the Refuge including handicap access, alterations being made by the refuge, successful hunts on the Refuge, etc.
 - c. Oak and Meadow Management – Update by Commissioner Harry Vaughn on Oak and Meadow Management.
 - a. Oak Woodland Project, spotted owl calling season, neo-tropical bird nesting seasonal restrictions, logging regulations and restoration regulations (See item 9a, New Business).
 - d. Salmon Habitat Restoration – Harry Vaughn reports on salmon sightings off the South Fork of the Eel River.
 - e. Pacific Fishery Management Council (PFMC) proposals – Update by Commissioner Mike Zamboni on various fishery issues.
 - f. Marine Life Protection Areas (MLPA) monitoring – Update by Mike Zamboni regarding new information or proposed laws.
 - g. Crab Fishing – Commissioner Mike Zamboni discusses the crabbing industry.
 - h. Wolves introduced into Western California – Commissioner Mike Zamboni will report.
 - i. Elk Herd: Commissioner Mike Zamboni reports on updates to monitoring the herd(s)
 - j. Mountain Lions – Commissioner Mike Zamboni will report on the impact of mountain lions on livestock and game.
 - k. Hunting Access – Commissioner Zamboni will continue to follow and report on this issue.
 - l. Cannabis – Commissioner Hollie Hall will report on any updates to the environmental impact of Cannabis to fish and wildlife habitat.

- m. Update on the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act – Commissioner Hollie Hall.
- n. On land Fish Farming proposal: Commissioner Ted Romo will report on updates.
- o. Offshore Wind Energy – Commissioner Ted Romo – pending
- p. Pesticides – Commissioner Stackhouse will report on pesticide use in general in California.
- q. Pike Minnow spearing – Commissioner Brad Smith will have ongoing reports on this issue.
- r. Fish Health – Commissioner Yadao Inong will report on Coho and fish health in general.
- s. New no-Shooting Ordinance – Commissioner Brad Smith will report on this issue.

8. ACTION ITEMS

The Chair will (1) announce each item, (2) open for discussion by Commission, (3) Open for 3 min. each public discussion, (4) bring item back to the commission for discussion.

- a. North Coast Special Management Area goose season – Jeffery Stackhouse will discuss this item and possibly present a draft letter for the BoS to review, adapt as needed and send in support for any proposed changes.

9. NEW BUSINESS

The Chair will (1) announce each item, (2) open for discussion by Commission, (3) Open for 3 min. ea. public discussion, (4) bring item back to the commission for discussion.

- a. Owl Survey protocols for local pot farmers, neo-tropical bird nesting seasonal restrictions, logging regulations and restoration regulations – Commissioner Hollie Hall.
- b. Large Canada Geese hunt curtailed to opening of duck season to December 15 – Phil Grunert

10. LEGISLATIVE UPDATE. Any commissioner or guest can bring legislative updates to the attention of the Commission.

11. ANNOUNCEMENTS. Upcoming meetings, gatherings, new issues to consider having to do with fishing and hunting in Humboldt County or elsewhere.

12. NEXT MEETING'S AGENDA April 21, 2020.

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