



Humboldt County Fish & Game Advisory Commission AGENDA March 21, 2023

The Commission meets the THIRD Tuesday each month at 6:30pm. One hour meetings unless there is a speaker; half hour added. 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. We are meeting at the Elks Club, 445 Herrick Ave, Eureka. **IN PERSON PARTICIPATION ONLY.**

- 1) Call to Order: Jim Clark, John Clark, Loren Furber, Phil Grunert, Yadao B. Inong, Matt Nannizzi, Kenny Priest, Ted Romo, Brad Smith, Jeff Stackhouse, Harry Vaughn, Todd Wagner, Mike Zamboni and Bruce Cann
- 2) INTRODUCTION OF NEW COMMISSIONER(S) (If applicable)
- 3) SPEAKER: None
- 4) 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.
- 5) OLD BUSINESS/APPROVE MINUTES –
- 6) MODIFICATIONS TO AGENDA: Change the order of or drop an item.
- 7) CORRESPONDENCE – Scanned and emailed to commissioners as received. Copies will be made for the public if requested.
- 8) **CURRENT ISSUES/HOT TOPICS** – Meetings will go back to in person starting in MARCH. All commissioners need to fill out 700 form and return to Tracy Damico.
 - a) **Waterfowl Hunting** – Spring Aleutian season upcoming. The Department recommended changes to Section 502 are:
 - i) Increase the duck season length to 103 days in subsection 502(d)(2)(B) for the Southern San Joaquin Valley Zone, in subsection 502(d)(3)(B) for the Southern California Zone, and in subsection 502(d)(5)(B) for the Balance of State Zone.
 - ii) Increase the goose season length to 103 days in subsection 502(d)(2)(B) for the Southern San Joaquin Valley Zone and in subsection 502(d)(3)(B) for the Southern California Zone.
 - iii) Combine the Youth and Veterans and Active Military Personnel waterfowl hunting days in subsections 502(e)(1)(B) and 502(f)(1)(B) for the Northeastern California, Southern San Joaquin Valley, Southern California and Balance of State zones.
 - iv) Allow up to two days of falconry-only season in subsection 502(g)(1)(B) for the Northeastern California, Southern San Joaquin Valley, Southern California and Balance of State zones.
 - (1) Commissioner Phil Grunert
 - (2) Commissioner Jeffery Stackhouse will report
 - b) **Salmon Habitat Restoration** -Any Commissioner-FRGP Pre-proposal submission deadline was February 9 th.
 - c) **Pacific Fishery Management Council (PFMC) –Commissioner Mike Zamboni on various fishery issues.**
 - d) **Fishing – Commissioner Kenny Priest-** The Native Fish Society submitted a petition to have the Oregon Coast (OC) and the Southern Oregon Northern California Coast (SONCC) chinook listed as threatened or endangered under the ESA. NMFS found that a 90-day assessment was warranted and has requested information from the public.
 - e) **Humboldt County Fishing accommodations: Commissioner Brad Smith, Commissioner Ted Romo**
 - f) **Elk’s Club Meeting Room – Commissioner Brad Smith**

PURPOSE OF THE COMMISSION: The Commission is established to serve in an advisory capacity to the Board of Supervisors in all matters concerning fish and wildlife within the County of Humboldt. (Ordinance 682, Section 3, 7/8/69; Ordinance 2050, Section 3, 9/13/94)

- g) Fish Health – Commissioner Yadao Inong**
 - h) Hunting and Fishing Access –Commissioner Mike Zamboni**
 - i) Hunting Regulations: Commissioner Mike Zaboni.** The proposed regulatory changes will:
 - i) Siskiyou Roosevelt Elk Hunt Zone. Set public tag quota for the Siskiyou Hunt Zone to 20 bull tags and 30 antlerless tags. Shift the bull season from September to October.
 - ii) Northwestern Roosevelt Elk Hunt Zone. Set public tag quota for the Northwestern Hunt Zone to 25 bull tags, 15 antlerless tags, and 3 either-sex tags.
 - j) Area River Updates: Any Commissioner-**Steelhead fishing has been slow across the north coast.
 - k) Elk River Restoration – Commissioner Brad Smith**
 - l) On land Fish Farming proposal: Commissioner Ted Romo**
 - m) Lake Earl: Commissioner Ted Romo**
 - n) Offshore Wind Development. Commissioner Jeffrey Stackhouse**
 - o) Experimental Fishing Permit – Any Commissioner**
 - p) Oak Maanagement – Commissioner Harry Vaughn**
- 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.
- 10) 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.
- 11) LEGISLATIVE UPDATE – Any commissioner or guest can bring legislative updates to the attention of the Commission
- 12) ANNOUNCEMENTS – Upcoming meetings, gatherings, new issues to consider having to do with fishing and hunting in Humboldt County or elsewhere.
- 13) NEXT MEETING’S AGENDA April 18, 2023

ITEMS REMOVED or ON HOLD

☐ Grants: None of the grants submitted during this cycle were approved by the commission. Funds will be allotted to next solicitation. Secretary will report on this topic. On hold until next grant cycle next solicitation. **Secretary** will report on this topic. On hold until next grant cycle

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