Humboldt County Fish & Game Advisory Commission  AGENDA  April 18, 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. The meeting will be held at the Elk’s Club

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; ( )Nancy Kaytis-Slocum, Secretary

2) SPEAKERS: Alicia Hamann and Karen Underwood. Alicia is the Executive Director for the Friends of the Eel River and Karen is representing the Great Redwood Trail. They will be speaking and presenting information regarding the Fisher Road access to the Van Duzen River.

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) OLD BUSINESS
5) MODIFICATIONS TO AGENDA: Change the order of or drop an item.
6) CORRESPONDENCE – Scanned and emailed to commissioners as received. Copies will be made for the public if requested.

7) CURRENT ISSUES/HOT TOPICS –
   a) Grants – Secretary Nancy Kaytis-Slocum. Karen Clower (Assistant County Administrative Officer/Chief Operating Officer; ADA Coordinator; Management & Budget Team) checked further into our budget, and found we now have $9000 to spend. Decide whether to have a Grant Process for 2023-24.
      1) A copy of our Grant Process is attached.
   b) Waterfowl Hunting – Commissioner Phil Grunert and Jeffery Stackhouse will report
   c) Salmon Habitat Restoration - Any Commissioner
   d) Pacific Fishery Management Council (PFMC) –Commissioner Mike Zamboni on various fishery issues. Statewide Chinook salmon closure for sport and commercial anglers
   e) Humboldt County Fishing accommodations: Commissioner Brad Smith, Commissioner Ted Romo
   f) Fish Health – Commissioner Yadao Inong
   g) Hunting and Fishing Access –Commissioner Mike Zamboni
      1) Fisher Road Access - Commissioner Bruce Cann. See ACTION items for letter to be approved (or not).
      2) Inventory of River Access – Commissioner Bruce Cann.
   h) Fishing and Hunting Regulation Changes – Commissioner Mike Zamboni
      1) SONCC Chinook Listing: the window to submit something was one day after our March 21 meeting (60 days, not 90) and that just didn’t leave us enough to get something drafted, reviewed and submitted. If the feds find that the petition to list was valid, we will have another opportunity to submit a letter. Commissioner Matt Nannizzi.
      2) Potential closures to Sacramento, Klamath, Smith, and Eel rivers for Chinook fishing in 2023 – Commissioner Kenny Priest
   i) Area River Updates: Any Commissioner

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)
j) Offshore Wind Development. Commissioner Jeffrey Stackhouse
k) Oak Management – Commissioner Harry Vaughn

8) 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.

9) 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) Fisher Road Access: Suggested MOTION: Approve letter to the Board of Supervisors regarding retaining access to the River from Fisher Road.
   b) Grant Funding. Suggested MOTION: Inform the Board of Supervisors that we will start the Grant Process with $9000 available for funding.

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.


13) ITEMS REMOVED or ON HOLD
   a) APPROVE MINUTES –
   b) Elk River Restoration – Commissioner Brad Smith
   c) Lake Earl: Commissioner Ted Romo
   d) On land Fish Farming proposal: Commissioner Ted Romo
   e) Fishing – Commissioner Kenny Priest-

INTRODUCTION OF NEW COMMISSIONER(S) (If applicable)