

COUNTY OF SANTA CRUZ

FISH AND WILDLIFE ADVISORY COMMISSION

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AGENDA

December 1, 2016 7:00 PM Fifth Floor Conference Room, Room 510

- 1. CALL TO ORDER
- 2. ROLL CALL
- 3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
- 4. PUBLIC COMMENTS
- 5. PRESENTATIONS:
 - A. Rikki Dunsmore California Marine Sanctuary Foundation (5 minutes)

6. BUSINESS MATTERS

- A. Discuss and make recommendations for Public Grants Program (45 minutes)
- B. Discuss FWAC Report to the Board (10 minutes)
- C. 2017 Meeting Schedule
- D. Coho Recovery Update Chris Berry (10 minutes)
- 7. PRESENTATIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS BY COMMMISSIONERS (15 minutes)
- 8. STAFF REPORTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS
 - A. County of Santa Cruz Fish Passage Program Update (20 minutes)

9. CORRESPONDENCE

- A. Exploring New Horizons grant report
- B. Fish and Game Commission Notices
 - A. Notice of Findings for Townsend's big-eared bat
 - B. Notice of Findings regarding Livermore tarplant
 - C. Notice to comment on Falconry document
 - D. Amended Initial Statement of Reasons for Regulatory Action
 - E. Final Consideration regarding flat-tailed horned lizard
 - F. Notice of Proposed Regulatory Action regarding use of dogs in pursuit of mammals

10. ADJOURNMENT

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Fish and Game Advisory Commission

MINUTES

Santa Cruz County Governmental Center Fifth Floor Santa Cruz, California

November 3, 2016

- 1. CALL TO ORDER. The meeting was called to order at 7:05 PM
- 2. ROLL CALL.

Present: Commissioners Berry, Robin, Johnson, Baron, Frediani, Noyes, Shikuma, Freeman Excused: Maridon Absent: Grant

- 3. PUBLIC COMMENTS. None
- 4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES. Commissioner Johnson made a motion to approve the September 1, 2016 minutes; Commissioner Robin seconded the motion. All aye, the motion passed.
- 5. PRESENTATIONS:
 - A. A Proclamation was presented to Captain Don Kelly, thanking him and honoring him for his many years of service with the California Department of Fish and Game/Wildlife and for protecting the natural resources of Santa Cruz County.
 - B. The Commission heard presentations from the following people/organizations:
 - i) Dan Haifley, O'Neill Sea Odyssey
 - ii) John Robinson, CalTIP
 - iii) Alev Bilginsoy, Coastal Watershed Council and Felicia Van Stolk, Museum of Natural History.
 - iv) Masha Bluestein, California State Parks
 - v) Kristen Kittleson, County of Santa Cruz
 - vi) Dougald Scott, Salmonid Restoration Federation
 - vii) Chris Coburn, Resource Conservation District of Santa Cruz County
- 6. PRESENTATIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS BY COMMISSIONERS. Commissioner Berry reported that juvenile coho salmon were observed in Laguna Creek for the second year in a row (2015 and 2016). Commissioner Frediani opened a discussion on mountain lion predation on pets and livestock. There's interest on the Commission to provide more information to livestock

owners about how to prevent predation by mountain lions. Commissioner Frediani requested this topic for an agenda in 2017.

- 7. BUSINESS MATTERS
 - A. <u>Update on Fish and Game Propagation Fund.</u> The Fund will be receiving a settlement of about \$5,000.
 - B. <u>Update on Cannabis Cultivation Ordinance.</u> The Board of Supervisors approved a new draft ordinance on October 18, 2016. The draft ordinance incorporated several recommendations from the commission. Other recommendations are expected to be incorporated into the policies and procedures of the licensing program. The Planning Department is in the process of hiring a consultant team to prepare the Environmental Impact Report as part of the CEQA review on the ordinance. The County hired Daniel Peterson as the new Cannabis Licensing Official. There will be an open house on Nov. 15 to meet him.
 - C. <u>Update on Garbage in the Pajaro.</u> The County has adopted a new ordinance regarding illegal dumping. The Commission on the Environment has considered the issue of garbage in the Pajaro and plans to follow the issue.
 - D. <u>NOAA Fisheries released final Multi-Species Recovery Plan.</u> Central California Coast Steelhead are included in this multi-species recovery plan.
- 8. STAFF REPORTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS.
 - A. Stream habitat and juvenile salmonid monitoring has been completed for the San Lorenzo, Soquel, Aptos and Corralitos watersheds.
- 9. CORRESPONDENCE
- 10. ADJOURNMENT 8:55 PM.

NOTE: The next meeting is scheduled for December 1, 2016. Submitted by K. Kittleson; Water Resources/Fish and Wildlife/2016 FWAC Meetings

Fish and Wildlife Advisory Commission 2017 Meeting Schedule

Regular Meetings

March 2, 2017

May 4, 2017

June 1, 2017

September 7, 2017

November 2, 2017 – Public grants special meeting

December 7, 2017

Possible dates for additional meetings:

February 2, 2017

April 6, 2017

August 3, 2017

October 5, 2017



Inspiring, empowering, and transforming children's lives through outdoor education.

July 21, 2016

Santa Cruz Fish and Game Commission 701 Ocean Street, Suite 312 Santa Cruz, CA 95060



Dear Donna:

Enclosed is our Annual Report for the Fiscal Year 2014-2015. Inside you will find exciting details regarding 35 years of providing engaging hands-on learning for students, including how a landmark study we conducted led to our successful Meaningful Outdoor Science Stewardship (MOSS) program. While we continue to grow and thrive as an organization much of our heart is the same.

Your continuing support for Exploring New Horizons is gratefully appreciated. Without you, many hundreds of students in the San Francisco Bay Area would not get to see the majestic height of a redwood tree or experience the vastness of the ocean. Experiencing nature for the first time, these under-resourced, low-income students in turn perform measurably better in school. We love our partnership with you!

Exploring New Horizons' mission is to support young people to be responsible stewards and engaged citizens through exploration of the natural world. Since 1979, Exploring New Horizons has provided residential outdoor school opportunities to over 100,000 from the greater San Francisco Bay Area. Exploring New Horizons helps prepare kids to address the environmental challenges of the 21st century by nurturing intelligent, active young citizens who will not only excel academically but also work together to create a healthy environment and sustainable society.

We will be in touch about finding a time to visit one of our campuses. Thank you for a successful year!

Warm regards,

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