



**San Diego County
Fish & Wildlife Advisory Commission**

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MINUTES

September 15, 2009

Meeting held at:
Agriculture, Weights and Measures
5555 Overland Avenue, Suite 3101
San Diego, California 902124

COMMISSIONERS ATTENDANCE	DISTRICT	
Jack Bransford, Vice-Chair	1	Present
	1	Vacant
Bruce Campbell, Secretary	2	Present
Florence Sloane	2	Present
Teresa Barth	3	Excused
	3	Vacant
D'erdra Smothers, Ph.D	4	Present
Jim Dodd	4	Present
Jim Conrad, Chair	5	Excused
Steve Turigliatto	5	Present

- A. A quorum of Commissioners being present, Vice-Chairman Bransford called the meeting to order at 5:38 p.m.
- B. Introductions
Colleen Carr, Department of Agriculture, Weights and Measures
Robert Atkins, Department of Agriculture, Weights and Measures
Stephen Conwell, National Wild Turkey Federation
Robert R. Smith, San Diego County Wildlife Federation
Ed Zieralski, San Diego Union-Tribune
Joe Nunez
- C. Approval of minutes of the meeting from August 13, 2009.
Changes: None.
Motion made to accept as written by Campbell; Seconded by Sloane. Motion carried

D. Public Comment on any subject matter within Commission jurisdiction, but not on the agenda. (No discussion or action may be taken by the Commission.)

No comments.

E. Chairman's Report (Conrad)

None given

Administrative Items--The Commission will discuss, and may take action on, administrative items related to the Commission.

Old Business:

1. Fisheries restoration issues (Campbell)

Retain this item for next agenda Yes No

2. Invitation to Dan Richards (Dodd)

CA F&G Commissioner Richards commented on the role of the State Commission *vis*: the Marine Life Protection Act: alternative proposals, impacts of competing proposal on potential closures, and wardens' inability to effectively patrol the vast areas proposed. He discussed duties of CDFG personnel; wildlife regulatory issues, esp. salmon, delta smelt; cultural differences and the need for new laws that reflect actual economic value of wildlife and game species; Commissioner Richards responded to questions regarding lead ammunition restrictions, noting that the science (per CDC) no longer supports the ban outside the condor areas; noted that the MLPA adoption meeting in December will be held in Southern California.

Retain this item for next agenda Yes No

4. Proposed County Draft Regulations on shooting Clubs and Ranges (Conrad).

Per Robert Atkins, no changes have been presented to the Board of Supervisors to date.

Retain this item for next agenda Yes No

5. Review of Commission Statement and Goals (Conrad)

Tabled until December.

Retain this item for next agenda Yes No

6. Review of Commission Mission and Goals Statements (Conrad)

Tabled until December 2009,

Retain this item for next agenda Yes No

New Business:

1. Southern California Steelhead Recovery Plan (Campbell)

Commissioner Campbell noted that the NOAA Southern California Steelhead Recovery Plan comment period has been extended until November 19, 2009. Commissioners to draft responses individually for their respective constituencies, since the Commission will not meet until December 2009.

Retain this item for next agenda Yes No

2. Edit Website to Include Priorities and Concerns (Barth)

Sloane moved that Barth and Conrad develop specific language for grant applications, and edit language on website to reflect concerns of Commissioners, especially regarding educational and funding goals, per the semiannual report. Seconded by Dodd. M-S-C.

Retain this item for next agenda Yes No

3. Legislative Agenda (Sloane)

Commissioner Sloane noted that AB 1423 is out of the legislature. AB 708 also out of the Legislature and sent to the Governor for signature, Sloane noted concern penalties prescribe in a questionable section of the bill have been amended to conform to existing penal code and excludes hunting and fishing. Sloane notes that all forfeiture revenues go to the State, and that fines must be used to reimburse actual District Attorney costs (up to 50%).

Atkins noted that FWAC recommended resolution for legislative actions was taken to the Board, but not supported due to conflicts with DPLU positions. Suggests a white paper for DAs recommending maximum penalties within state sentencing guidelines.

Retain this item for next agenda Yes No

G. Commissioner's Corner –

Commissioner Sloane no comment

Commissioner Smothers notes that we still have two vacancies on the Commission.

Commissioner Bransford encouraged all Commissioners to take relevant issues to constituents since we need a unified front to the regulators.

Commissioner Campbell reported that Bill Stroud has reopened Stroud Tackle on a limited basis. Bill stated he would be pleased to have his late wife, Eileen Stroud, memorialized with a plaque presentation before the Board of Supervisors.

Commissioner Dodd no comment

Commissioner Turigliatto – Reported meeting a biologist who testified before the USFS in favor of closures near golden eagle sites, and now admits to lying about hunters shooting an eagle.

Meeting adjourned 7:30 p.m.

Agenda Items for Next Meeting:

1. Steelhead Salmon Draft Recovery Plan (Campbell)
2. Edit website to include priorities and concerns (Barth)
3. Proposed County Draft Regulation on Shooting Clubs and Ranges (Conrad)
4. Memorial plaque for Eileen Stroud (Campbell)
5. Review of Commission Mission and Goals (Conrad)