

STAFF SUMMARY FOR APRIL 18-19, 2018

8. TRIBAL COMMITTEE**Today's Item**Information Action

Discuss and provide direction regarding: (A) agenda topics for the Jun 19, 2018 Tribal Committee (TC) meeting in Sacramento, updated TC work plan, and new topic for TC review; and (B) consider adoption of co-management vision statement..

Summary of Previous/Future Actions

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| • Most recent TC meeting | Feb 6, 2018; Sacramento |
| • Today approve TC agenda items | Apr 18-19, 2018; Ventura |
| • Next TC meeting | Jun 19, 2018; Sacramento |

Background

TC works under FGC direction to set and accomplish its current work plan (Exhibit 1). At its Feb 7-8, 2018 meeting, FGC received a verbal summary of the Feb 6 TC meeting, and approved adding three topics to the TC work plan (Exhibit 1)

(A) New Workplan and Agenda Topics: Current topics already referred to TC are shown in Exhibit 1. Given that TC is now established in Fish and Game Code, a new proposed agenda topic is a TC operational framework that includes developing operational practices and adding TC to the FGC meeting procedures.

Potential Jun 19, 2018 Agenda Items

The agenda topics proposed for the Jun 19, 2018 TC meeting are identified in the Feb column of Exhibit 1 and include a number of substantive items:

1. Welcome and introductions
2. Christina Snyder – Governor's Office Tribal Liaison
3. Staff updates, and other FGC committee updates
 - a. Marine advisor for MRC
 - b. Wildlife advisor for WRC
4. DFW updates
5. TC framework
 - a. Operational practices
 - b. Meeting procedures
6. Review FGC 2018 rulemaking calendar
7. New agenda topics and work plan review

(B) Co-management Vision Statement: Since Feb 2017, TC has been working with tribal entities to develop a shared vision of co-management that reflects the mutual understanding among FGC, DFW and tribal entities on the broader goals of co-management.

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The draft vision statement was developed during the Feb 6 meeting and reads:

The vision of the tribes, Commission and Department of Fish and Wildlife is to engage in a collaborative effort between sovereigns to achieve mutually agreed upon and compatible management objectives to ensure the health and sustainable use of fish and wildlife.

The vision statement is designed to facilitate increased cooperation among the Commission, DFW and tribes, as well as to memorialize the spirit of cooperation in working together on fish and wildlife issues.

TC Recommendations: Based on the Feb 2018 meeting discussions, TC recommends for FGC consideration:

1. Discuss and consider the draft co-management vision statement, as presented.
2. Discuss and consider the draft agenda topics for Jun 19, TC meeting.

Significant Public Comments (N/A)**Recommendation**

FGC staff: Approve draft agenda topics for Jun 19, 2018 TC meeting, addition of new topic related to TC operations, and TC co-management vision statement.

Exhibits

1. [TC work plan, revised Apr 2018](#)

Motion/Direction

Moved by _____ and seconded by _____ that the Commission approves the agenda topics for the June 19, 2018 Tribal Committee meeting, approves the new topic for TC review, and approves the vision statement on co-management.

**California Fish and Game Commission
Tribal Committee (TC) Work Plan**

Revised April 2018

Topic	Type	Goals	2018		
			Feb 7	Jun 19	Oct 16
			Sacramento	Sacramento	Fresno
Special Projects					
Co-management	TC workgroup	Development of a vision statement and definition	X/R		
Regulatory/Legislative					
Kelp and algae harvest management	DFW project	Recommendation and guidance			
Emerging Management Issues					
FGC climate policy	FGC policy	Development of a policy for FGC. Looking for recommendations and guidance as we move forward.			
Fishing communities	MRC project	Recommendation and guidance	X		
Management Plans					
Marine Life Management Act (MLMA) Master Plan for Fisheries	Management framework document - part of MRC crosswalk	Updates on DFW process to amend the MLMA Master Plan for Fisheries, and identify areas of interest to tribes			
Elk	DFW				
Informational/Special topics					
Cross-pollination with MRC and WRC	Ongoing FGC committee coordination	Identification of tribal concerns and common themes that overlap between WRC and MRC	X	X	X
Annual tribal planning meeting pursuant to Commission's tribal consultation policy	Annual tribal coordination and consultation	1) Identify process to inform tribes of anticipated regulatory and policy topics to be considered each year; 2) Identify tribal priorities from within topics; 3) Develop collaborative interests; and 4) Contribute to planning logistics for annual meeting	X		
OPC update on tribal participation in the statewide marine protected areas leadership team	OPC project		X		
OPC update on Safeguarding California and Sea Level Rise	OPC project		X		
Request for a presentation and update on the implementation of Prop 64	DFW/LED				
FGC staff to provide a regulatory calendar overview and where tribal interests could provide feedback	FGC		X	X	
New Topics					
Develop operating principals for TC	FGC			X	
Add TC to meeting procedures	FGC			X	

*FGC = California Fish and Game Commission MRC = FGC's Marine Resources Committee WRC = FGC's Wildlife Resources Committee
DFW = California Department of Fish and Wildlife LED = DFW's Law Enforcement Division OPC = California Ocean Protection Council*

KEY X Discussion Scheduled **R** Recommendation developed and moved to FGC