

FISH AND GAME ADVISORY COMMISSION

AGENDA

Tuesday, February 28, 2017

Special Meeting

Denny's Café

1255 De La Torre St. (off Airport Blvd and 101), Salinas, CA 93901

Dinner - 6:00 PM

Business Meeting – 7:00 PM

Chair: Al Espindola

Vice-Chair: Richard Medley

Treasurer: Richard Hughett

Secretary: Kim Guillian

7:00 PM – CALL TO ORDER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

Charles Nelson

John Sargenti

Robert Monares

Kim Guillian

Charlie Collins

Kevan Urquhart

Chris Cullen

Richard Hughett

John Akeman, Parks Staff

Richard Medley

Manuel Morales

Mark DeHart

Mike Hosfelt

Nick Brockman

Kevin Kreyenhagen

Al Espindola

Captain Don Kelly, DFW Staff

PUBLIC COMMENT

Public comments are limited to issues within the purview of the Fish and Game Commission and which do not pertain to matters on the agenda. Time limitations are at the discretion of the Chair.

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS, REQUESTS REFERRALS

This is a time set aside for the Commissioners to comment, request, or refer a matter that is on or not on the agenda. Special Recognition of Commissioners Collins, Hosfelt and Game Warden Captain Don Kelly

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- 1. Approve the December 13, 2016 Fish and Game Advisory Commission Minutes.**

(Note the regularly scheduled F&G Commission Meeting of February 14, 2017 was canceled).

SCHEDULED MATTERS

- 2. Receive a verbal report from California Department of Fish & Wildlife**
- 3. Receive Parks Fish and Game Propagation Fund FY2016-17 Financial Summary Report through January 31, 2017.**
- 4. Propagation Grant Fund Proposals**

Applicants will be allowed approximately 10 minutes to present their proposals and answer questions from Commissioners. Following the presentations, Commissioners to discuss and recommend funding awards (to be forwarded for final approval by the Board of Supervisors).

 - a) Lazy Arrow Outdoor Adventures
 - b) Rancho Cielo Youth Campus
 - c) Marine Life Studies
 - d) Ventana Wildlife Society
 - e) O'Neill Sea Odyssey
 - f) Gaines & Associates
 - g) Local Bounty (DBA Real Good Fish)

(Commission discussions and recommendations).

5. Election of Officers

ADJOURNMENT

Next Meeting:

Date: April 11, 2017
Time: 6:00 pm – Dinner, 7:00 pm – Business Meeting
Place: TBD

Enclosures:

- A. Draft Minutes
- B. Financials
- C. Propagation Grant Fund Proposals - spreadsheet

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Commissioners are reminded to call Susan Rosales-Nava or John Akeman at the Park Office at (831) 755-4895 and Al Espindola, at (831) 905-1588, prior to the Commission meeting to be excused.

MONTEREY COUNTY FISH & GAME COMMISSION
AGENDA
Tuesday, December 13, 2016

Department of Fish & Wildlife, North Coast District Office
20 Lower Ragsdale Dr., Suite 100
Monterey, CA 93940
3:00 PM

DRAFT
MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL, AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The meeting was called to order by Chair Al Espindola at 7:00 pm, followed by the salute to the flag, and roll call. There was a full quorum.

<u>Commissioners Present</u>	<u>Commissioners Absent</u>	<u>Staff</u>	<u>Guests</u>
Al Espindola, Chair Richard Medley, Vice Chair Kim Guillian, Secretary Charles Nelson John Sargenti Mark DeHart Bob Monares Mike Hosfelt Nick Brockman Kevan Urquhart Kevin Kreyenhagen Chris Cullen	Manuel Morales Rich Hughett Charlie Collins	John Akeman	John Robinson, CalTip Don Kelly, Captain

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Approve the Fish & Game Minutes of June 14, 2016 and August 9, 2016

ACTION: Commissioner Charles Nelson made a motion to approve the June 14, 2016 and August 9, 2016 meeting minutes. Vice Chair Richard Medley seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

2. Commissioner Comments, Requests, Referrals

Commissioner Urquhart stated there has been an emergency closure on abalone and suggested that a solution to help address this might be a cut-back on annual limit, not season, or close areas.

Commissioner Kreyenhagen brought up the suggestion of having plaques made for departing Commissioners Collins and Hosfelt, and Captain Kelly. Staff had looked into the idea however, Valley Trophies did not respond and had inadvertently overlooked the request. Their cost would be close to \$100 each place for a total of

\$300. Commissioner DeHart has the ability to make the plaques and offered to do so at a much cheaper cost and will work with staff on the details. There were no objections to the idea.

Commissioner Hosfelt said his goodbyes to the Commission and is moving to Arizona in another week. Commissioners all wished him well and thanked him for his years of service.

Commissioner Brockman said he and his fellow district commissioners were to meet with Supervisor Parker however she had a conflict and could not make the meeting. As a brief follow up on the South Co lakes item, Mr. Brockman noted that \$20 million has been allocated for initial studies on the Interlake Tunnel.

Commissioner DeHart provided samples of shirts for commissioners to purchase with the Commission logo. Commissioners will discuss this items at the next meeting and expressed interest in moving forward.

Mr. Akeman mentioned Supervisor Parker's office has been notified regarding vacancies in her district and has advertised for 2 more commissioners to fill the vacancies in her district newsletter; must be county resident but not necessarily within her district.

SCHEDULED ITEMS

3. Receive a verbal update on the California Department of Fish & Wildlife

Captain Kelly to retire on 30 December 2016. Brian Moore will step in to serve as voice of the department for approximately six months until position is filled. Captain Kelly provided his report and noted that large patrol boats are to be incorporated under marine enforcement district, no longer under his district. He stated that Santa Clara is shorthanded on wardens and SLO and Santa Cruz both have one vacancy, and San Benito has three.

4. Fish and Game Propagation Fund FY2016-17 Financial Summary Report

Commission Treasurer Hughett will meet with the new Parks Department Finance staff to go over the commission financials after the New Year. Mr. Akeman briefly went over the finances and answered questions.

5. Receive a verbal update from Guest Speaker

Mr. Robinson thanked the Commission and provided a final report on how their organization applied the funds from the Propagation Grant program. A letter from Chief David Best was also provided thanking the Commissioners for their continued support. Mr. Robinson shared a new phone app that's available for reporting violations that can be downloaded off the CalTip website. A video on their efforts

was presented and available on YouTube:
(<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AtmYhwm2vMo>).

6. Integration of Monterey County Parks Department into the Resource Management Agency

The Parks Department is officially integrated into the Resource Management Agency (RMA) as of today 12/13. The Commissioners have expressed an interest to hear directly from the new leadership and has invited them to a future meeting; since they had a conflict with tonight's meeting.

7. Laguna Seca Range

The Laguna Seca Range Association has moved their operations from Laguna Seca to the Soledad range. It is envisioned that a new vendor is expected to take over operation of the Laguna Seca Range, however nothing has been decided due to the negotiations with a new concessionaire to operate LSRA.

8. Settlement Funds and Proposed Research Grant

The settlement funds are set aside in the F&G Budget. The proposal is to establish a (grad student level) scholarship program for both a land based project and a marine related project. The subcommittee will resume their work after the first of the year.

9. Propagation Grant Fund Cycle

Applications will be made available on 15 December 2016, and due 20 January 2017. Budget should be worked out by then. Based on the financials that were recently provided, its currently anticipated that approximately \$25,000 will be available to distribute.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m. by Chair Al Espindola

NEXT MEETING

Next meeting to be rescheduled for a date to be determined, due to a conflict with Valentine's Day, which falls on the next regularly scheduled meeting.

Prepared by: Susan Rosales-Nava, Secretary

ATTACHMENT B
MONTEREY COUNTY FISH AND GAME PROPAGATION FUND
REVENUE HISTORY
FUND 006 BALANCE FOR MONTH ENDING JANUARY 31, 2017

(a)	ESTIMATED BEGINNING FUND BALANCE	75,343
	YEAR-TO-DATE FUND BALANCE ACTIVITY:	
	Expenditures	(514)
	Grant Awards Paid	-
	Total Expenditures	(514)
	Revenues	8,476
(b)	Increase(Decrease) in Fund Balance	7,963
(c)=(a)+(b)	ESTIMATED ENDING FUND BALANCE	83,305

REVENUE HISTORY:

	FINES COLLECTED	SETTLEMENT	EARNED INTEREST	GENERAL FUND CONTRIBUTION	TOTAL REVENUE
2016-17	7,982	-	494	-	8,476
2015-16	14,555	50,000	575	10,500	75,630
2014-15	11,897		200	10,786	22,883
2013-14	7,982		494	-	8,476
2012-13	12,795		62	10,786	23,643
2011-12	13,990		141	10,786	24,917
2010-11	9,450		74	15,000	24,524
2009-10	12,501		299	10,000	22,800
2008-09	10,186		(366)	20,786	30,606
2007-08	17,999		1,220	10,000	29,219
2006-07	23,192		1,148	15,000	39,340
2005-06	8,380		692	15,000	24,072
2004-05	8,106		264	-	8,370

**Monterey County Fish & Game Advisory Commission Grant Applications
FY16/17**

Applicant	Project Description	Funding Request
<p>Lazy Arrow Outdoor Adventures Mark Morrison 9330 Canatta Creek Rd. Santa Margarita, CA 93453 (805) 238-7324 lazyarrow@hotmail.com</p>	<p>26th Ray Azbill Jr. Pheasant Hunt Educational seminars and hunting opportunity for an average of 90 youth hunters annually. Youth participants are educated on: wildlife/fisheries management, wildlife enforcement, hunter ethics and safety, shooting skills, black powder firearms, dog training, game care, horse packing, archery, first aid, and trap shooting.</p> <p>19th Central Coast Women's Pheasant Hunting Clinic Educational experience aimed to promote knowledge of: gun safety, shooting skills, hunter ethics, and hunting techniques. Average number of participants not provided.</p> <p>Specific Grant Expenditures: Expenditures may include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pheasants/Clay Birds • Shotgun Shells • Facilities Maintenance • Chemical toilets • Food • T-shirts • Vehicle expenses 	<p>\$2,500</p>
<p>Commission Notes:</p>		<p>Approved or Denied</p> <p>Rec. Funding Amt:</p>

Rancho Cielo Youth Campus Susie Brusa 710 Old Stage Rd. Salinas, CA 93912 (831)444-3502 or (831)444-3533	Lower Fish Pond Installment of a solar aeration pump in the lower pond/lake. This pond is used primarily for recreational activities, including fishing. Summer algal growth results in poor water quality, fish die-offs, and noxious odors that will be alleviated through aeration of the water. Use of solar reduces additional infrastructure costs. Specific Grant Expenditures: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Requested funds would cover a portion of the total expense of this project 	\$10,000
Commission Notes:		Approved or Denied Rec. Funding Amt:
Marine Life Studies Peggy Stap PO 884, Monterey, CA 93942 (831) 901-3833 peggy@marinelifestudies.org peggyweststap@me.com	Waterproof Marine Mammal Ocean Users' Guide and WET Equipment Waterproof marine mammal guides are used to increase public understanding of marine mammals and conservation. These guides are distributed to all Sanctuary users including SCUBA divers, kayakers, nature watch cruise boat operators, lifeguards, sport fishing boats, state parks/beaches, and sailing businesses. It is also distributed to teachers and students in Monterey County, participants of the Marine Life Studies educational program, and Monterey County Boys & Girls Clubs. Specific Grant Expenditures: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Printing 10,000 updated waterproof guides • GoPro underwater video camera (~\$390 of requested funds) 	\$2,800

Commission Notes:	Approved or Denied Rec. Funding Amt:
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Ventana Wildlife Society Kelly Sorenson 19045 Portola Dr., Ste. F1 Salinas, CA 93908 (831) 800-7420 kellysorenson@ventanaw s.org	Free Non-lead Ammunition Program In an effort to reduce levels of persistent environmental lead, free boxes of non-lead ammunition are given to those who apply by lottery system. Since 2012, over 1,500 unique individuals have received free ammunition, of which 675 were from Monterey County. Specific Grant Expenditures: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 150 boxes Rimfire ammunition • At least 100 boxes Centerfire ammunition 	\$5,000
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Commission Notes:	Approved or Denied Rec. Funding Amt:
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O'Neill Sea Odyssey Dan Haifley 2222 E. Cliff Dr., Ste. 222 Santa Cruz, CA 95060 (831) 465-9390 dhaifley@oneillseaodysse y.org	Transportation of Monterey County Stewards At-sea educational opportunity for 4 th -6 th grade students. Schools in Monterey, Salinas, Castroville, Pajaro, Marina and beyond participate in this educational opportunity, which is inclusive of low and middle income students. Attendance is free, but students “pay” by conducting a community service project. Program curriculum fulfills learning objectives and includes education on the marine habitat, it’s inhabitants, and the importance of stewardship of the sea and watersheds.	\$2,500
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	Specific Grant Expenditures: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Transportation for 5 Monterey County school classes – 150 students <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ These funds go specifically to schools where transportation cost is the primary limitation to program participation 	
Commission Notes:		Approved or Denied Rec. Funding Amt:

Gaines & Associates Bill Gaines PO 1481, Shingle Springs, CA 95682 (916) 337-9031 billgaines1@sbcglobal.net	Wildlife Conservation and Hunting in the Golden State – Maintaining the Tradition Project aimed to expand outreach and education to the hunting and conservation community in Monterey County regarding political threats to hunting, and to make clear to policymakers the contributions by the hunting community that benefit both game and non-game species and habitats. Specific Grant Expenditures: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sponsorship of the 2017 Annual California Legislature Outdoor Sporting Caucus Trap Shoot • Funds used to cover the costs at the Cordova Shooting Center (Range) for approx. 150 participants 	\$1,000
Commission Notes:		Approved or Denied Rec. Funding Amt:

<p>Local Bounty (DBA Real Good Fish) Mark “Alan” Lovewell 7532 Sandholdt Rd., Ste. 5B Moss Landing, CA 95039 (831) 345-5153 alovewell@realgoodfish.com</p>	<p>Bay-2-Tray: Fishermen in the Classroom Collaborative educational effort between local fishermen, Real Good Fish, Monterey Bay National Marine Sanctuary (MBNMS), and area schools/universities. Bay2Tray provides public school lunches with local fish that have no existing market – often otherwise discarded as bycatch. MBNMS sends professional fishermen to local classrooms to educate students on the local fishing culture and what it means to be a commercial fisherman. Program curriculum fulfills grade-appropriate learning objectives. These two previously cancelled programs would be merged and reinvigorated if funded.</p> <p>Specific Grant Expenditures:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Personnel: MBNMS Staff educators (250 hours) • Fishermen Stipends (\$88.50 per presentation) • Transportation reimbursement to fishermen • Projector and presentation materials • Indirect Costs (Not specified) 	<p>\$12,161</p>
<p>Commission Notes:</p>	<p>Approved or Denied</p> <p>Rec. Funding Amt:</p>	

MONTEREY COUNTY FISH AND GAME COMMISSION
February 14, 2017

..Title

Receive an update on the 2016/17 Propagation Grant Fund Cycle

..Report

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the Fish and Game Commission:

- a) Consider proposals received in the 2016-17 Propagation Grant Fund Program and consider recommendations for funding awards to the Board of Supervisors.

SUMMARY/DISCUSSION:

On January 20, 2017, The Commission received seven (7) applications for the 2016-17 Propagation Grant Fund Program totaling \$35,961.

- The applications have been reviewed by the Fish & Game Advisory Commission's grant sub-committee to confirm if they are complete and contain all of the required information. Applicants requiring additional information or material have been notified.
- At the February 28, 2017 meeting the Commission will consider and recomend funding requests.
- Once the Commission considers and determines funding requests, a recommendation will be forwarded to the County Board of Supervisors for their consideration (date TBD) and final approval.

The list of proposals and funding requests received are as follows:

<u>Applicant</u>	<u>Funding Request</u>
a) Lazy Arrow Outdoor Adventures	\$2,500
b) Rancho Cielo Youth Campus	\$10,000
c) Marine Life Studies	\$2,800
d) Ventana Wildlife Society	\$5,000
e) O'Neill Sea Odyssey	\$2,500
f) Gaines & Associates	\$1,000
g) Local Bounty (DBA Real Good Fish)	\$12,161

If awarded grant funds, the applicant will be required to register as a Vendor with the County of Monterey.

If awarded grant funds the applicant shall submit a final report on how the grant money benefited the citizens of Monterey County and how the project and/or program benefit our fish and wildlife

resources. Successful applicants are also *encouraged* to attend a future 2017 Fish and Game Advisory Commission Meeting to provide a presentation based on their final report.

The amount of available Propagation Grant Funds will be determined prior to the February meeting, and made available to the full commission.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

None.

FINANCING:

This action has no impact on the General Fund. Grant awards will be based on the amount available in the Fish and Game Propagation Fund.

Prepared by: John Akeman, Park Planning Manager

Reviewed by: John Guertin, Acting Deputy Director of Land Use & Community Development

Approved by: Carl P. Holm, AICP, RMA Director

MONTEREY COUNTY FISH AND GAME COMMISSION
February 28, 2017

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- a) Receive Parks Fish and Game Propagation Fund FY 2016-17 Financial Summary Report through January 31, 2017.

..Report

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the Fish and Game Commission:

- a) Receive Parks Fish and Game Propagation Fund FY 2016-17 Financial Summary Report through January 31, 2017.

SUMMARY/DISCUSSION:

Parks Fish and Game Propagation Fund FY 2016-17 financial update through January 31, 2017 reflects actual revenue from Other Court Fines of \$7,982. Overall revenue from Other Court Fines is slightly lower in the current year than what was recognized for the same period of time in FY 2014-15 of \$8,307 and FY 2015-16 of \$8,034. At this time there have been expenditures posted of \$514 comprised of mail processing services of \$3.82 and postage of \$9.80, as well as the annual purchase of Warden Stamps.

Staff is working with the County Administrative Office (CAO) to transfer \$13,313 as the General Fund Contribution that was not included in the Fish and Game FY 2016-17 Approved Budget, but was committed to by the County and for which the CAO did set aside.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

None.

FINANCING:

This action has no impact on the General Fund or the Fish and Game Propagation Fund.

Prepared by: Shawne Ellerbee, Deputy Director of Administrative Services of RMA

Approved by: Carl P. Holm, AICP, RMA Director

Attachments:

Attachment A – FY 2016-17 Parks Fish and Game Propagation Fund Financial Summary

Attachment B – Fish and Game Propagation Fund Revenue History