

# **FISH AND GAME ADVISORY COMMISSION AGENDA**

**Tuesday, April 10, 2018**

Denny's Café  
1255 De La Torre St. (off Airport Blvd and 101),  
Salinas, CA 93901  
(831) 424-9551  
Dinner - 6:00 PM, Business Meeting - 7:00 PM

**Chair: Kevan Urquhart    Vice-Chair: Mark DeHart    Treasurer: Richard Hughett**  
**Secretary: Kim Guillian**

## **7:00 PM - CALL TO ORDER, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE, ROLL CALL**

Charles Nelson	Manuel Morales
John Sargenti	Al Espindola
Robert Monares	Joe Burnett
Kim Guillian	Craig Evans
Rich Medley	Nick Brockman
Chris Cullen	Kevin Kreyenhagen
Richard Hughett	Mark DeHart
Kevan Urquhart	
John Akeman, Parks 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.

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- 1. Approve the Draft Minutes of February 13, 2018 Fish and Game Commission Meeting. (Attached)**

## **7:00 PM – SCHEDULED MATTERS**

- 2. Receive a verbal report from the California Department of Fish & Wildlife  
CA Department of F&W Report**
- 3. Receive current Financial Report (Attached)**

4. **Reef Check Propagation Grant follow-up presentation (Attached)**
5. **Fish and Game Commission By-laws review (Attached)**
6. **Settlement Funds for F&G supported research projects or programs (Attached)**
7. **Receive a verbal Discussion for a possible partnership with the MBYOD event**
8. **Receive a verbal Update on the Propagation Grant fine-money issue**
9. **Written Communication and Correspondence - None**
10. **Agenda Items for Next Meeting**

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Next Meeting:

Date: June 12, 2018  
Time: 6:00 pm – Dinner, 7:00 pm – Business Meeting  
Location: TBD

The Recommended Action indicates the staff recommendation at the time the agenda was prepared. That recommendation does not limit the Fish and Game Advisory Commission's alternative actions on any matter before it.

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*Commissioners are reminded to call Susan Rosales-Nava or John Akeman at the Park Office at (831) 755-4895 and Kevan Urquhart, at 831-277-7375, prior to the Commission meeting to be excused.*



**PUBLIC COMMENT**

ACTION: There was no comment from members of the public.

**COMMISSIONER COMMENTS, REQUESTS, REFERRALS**

- Commissioner Hughett reminded commissioners about the Monterey Bay National Marine Sanctuary recreation fishing online newsletter and encouraged commissioners to read it over, and provide suggestions/input if they are willing.
- Commissioner Brockman suggested, in the future, we limit or grant funding to Monterey County organizations/personnel only or cap funding at \$1,500.
- Commissioner Kreyenhagen expressed his disappointment in the lack of funding provided by the Santa Cruz F&G Commission and suggested we reach out to encourage them to support those applicants with projects in their county.
- Commissioner DeHart stated he participated in a recent local hunter's education course with 20–25 children in attendance.
- Commissioner Hughett announced he would be travelling to Loreto, Mexico for a fishing trip and other commissioners are welcome to sign up if interested.
- Commissioner Sargenti asked what the appropriate course of action is when local ranchers come to him as a commissioner with complaints. Commissioner Urquhart clarified that bringing the issue to the commission meetings is appropriate since the issue can be discussed with DFW personnel who are our local fish and wildlife representatives for the county.

**SCHEDULED MATTERS**

**1. Receive a verbal report from the California Department of Fish & Wildlife**

Lt. Schindler is trying to look into the issue concerning missing/lacking fine monies but the person responsible within their department is currently out on medical leave. Commissioner Kreyenhagen asked if any fines would be imposed on those responsible for the diesel fuel within the harbor. Commissioner Urquhart responded that those fines are implemented by the Sanctuary. The Office of Spill Prevention and Response responded to the spill, not DFW, and therefore, any fines resulting from a violation would not come to the commission.

**2. 2017–2018 Fish and Game Propagation Grand Fund Applicant Presentations**

**a) Marine Life Studies**

Submitted and presented by Peggy Stap, Marine Life Studies is seeking funding for the purchase of equipment for their Whale Entanglement Team program. Unfortunately, someone was killed during a disentanglement in 2017, causing NOAA to temporarily shut down entanglement programs while safety measures were reevaluated. NOAA released new safety standards and additional equipment is needed by Marine Life Studies to satisfy the new NOAA safety requirements. Funding request: \$2,949.

**MOTION:** Commissioner Medley made a motion to fund the full requested amount of \$2,949, Commissioner Burnett seconded the motion, Commissioner Kreyenhagen voted nay. Motion passed 12-1 to fund \$2,949.

**AYES:** Kevan Urquhart, Kim Guillian, Craig Evans, Joe Burnett, Mark DeHart, Richard Medley, Chris Cullen, Nick Brockman, Manuel Morales, Rich Hughett, John Sargenti, and Robert Monares.

**NOES:** Kevin Kreyenhagen

**ABSENT:** Al Espindola, Charles Nelson

**ABSTAIN:** None

**b) Lazy Arrow Outdoor Adventures**

Submitted by Mark Morrison in support form the CA Department of Fish and Wildlife Wardens Hank Hodel and Matt Gil who presented presented the proposal on behalf of the annual Lazy Arrow Outdoor Adventures. The event was started by longtime warden Ray Azbill as an outdoor educational event aimed at teaching local youth from Monterey and San Luis Obispo counties the aspects of hunting. The event is similar to the hunter education course where participants are educated, trained, and participate hands on in an actual (pheasant) hunt. The event now includes a youth and women's hunt. One third of the women participating in the women's hunt were from Monterey County. The Jr. hunt hosted a total of 72 participants over two days. A game bird club license fee of \$400 in addition to other expenses are necessary to hold the event. Funding request: \$2,500.

**MOTION:** Commissioner Monares made a motion to fund the full requested amount of \$2,500, Commissioner Kreyenhagen seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved. Motion passed 13-0 to fund \$2,500.

**AYES:** Kevan Urquhart, Mark DeHart, Kim Guillian, Richard Medley, Craig Evans, Kevin Kreyenhagen, Joe Burnett, Manual Morales, Rich Hughett, Nick Brockman, John Sargenti, Chris Cullen, and Robert Monares.

**NOES:** None

**ABSENT:** Al Espindola, Charles Nelson

**ABSTAIN:** None

**c) Ventana Wildlife Society (VWS)**

Submitted by Kelly Sorenson, presented by Mike Stake, VWS coordinates a program that aims to work cooperatively with Monterey County hunters to reduce the amount of lead from spent ammo in the local environment. VWS is not opposed to hunting, as condors rely on carcasses, but is hoping to encourage the

use of non-lead ammo. An online raffle allows hunters to apply for one box of non-lead ammo approved for use within the identified condor range. In 2017, 1500 boxes of ammunition were distributed; 773 boxes to Monterey County residents in total since 2012. Funding will go towards purchase of ammo from cooperating suppliers. Funding request: \$5,000.

**MOTION:** Commissioner Evans made a motion to fund the full requested amount of \$5,000, Commissioner Sargenti seconded the motion, Commissioner Burnett abstained due to his work with VWS, Commissioners Brockman and Morales voted nay with all remaining commissioners voting aye. Motion passed 10-2, w/1 abstention, to fund \$5,000.

**AYES:** Kevan Urquhart, Mark DeHart, Kim Guillian, Richard Medley, Craig Evans, Kevin Kreyenhagen, Rich Hughett, John Sargenti, Chris Cullen, and Robert Monares.

**NOES:** Nick Brockman, Manuel Morales

**ABSENT:** Al Espindola, Charles Nelson

**ABSTAIN:** Joe Burnett

**d) O'Neill Sea Odyssey (OSO)**

Submitted and presented by Dan Haifley, OSO is a living classroom on a 65-ft catamaran within the Monterey Bay National Marine Sanctuary founded in 1996. Students from 4–6<sup>th</sup> grades engage in hands-on learning about the marine habitat. The free of charge program teaches math and science skill using ocean concepts, and encourages environmental stewardship of marine wildlife and habitats. In 2016–2017, the Commission granted funds that were used to provide transportation for 4 classes from King City. If awarded, this year's funding request will be applied toward bus transportation of 4 Monterey County classrooms. Funding request: \$2,500.

**MOTION:** Commissioner DeHart made a motion to fund the full requested amount of \$2,500, Commissioner Burnett seconded the motion and it was approved unanimously. Motion passed 13-0 to fund \$2,500.

**AYES:** Kevan Urquhart, Mark DeHart, Kim Guillian, Richard Medley, Craig Evans, Kevin Kreyenhagen, Joe Burnett, Rich Hughett, John Sargenti, Chris Cullen, Nick Brockman, Manuel Morales and Robert Monares.

**NOES:** None

**ABSENT:** Al Espindola, Charles Nelson

**ABSTAIN:** None

**e) Real Good Fish**

Submitted and presented by Alan Lovewell, the Bay-2-Tray program is a collaborative education effort between local fishermen, Real Good Fish, Monterey Bay National Marine Sanctuary (MBNMS), and area schools/universities. Bay-2-Tray provides public school lunches with local fish that have no existing market—the Pacific grenadier is a bycatch species that is often discarded. MBNMS sends professional fishermen to local classrooms to educate students on the local fishing culture and what it means to be a commercial fisherman; the catch (Pacific Grenadier) is sold to the district for student lunches. Program curriculum fulfills grade-appropriate learning objectives. The program has been ongoing for 4 years and is finding success as fish tacos outsell pizza in the Monterey Bay Peninsula School District. They are looking to expand their program beyond Monterey. Funding request: \$10,334.45.

**MOTION:** Commissioner Kreyenhagen made a motion to fund an amount of \$5,000, Commissioner Guillian seconded the motion, and Commissioners Medley and DeHart voted nay. Motion passed 11-2 to fund \$5,000.

**AYES:** Kevan Urquhart, Kim Guillian, Craig Evans, Kevin Kreyenhagen, Rich Hughett, John Sargenti, Joe Burnett, Chris Cullen, Nick Brockman, Manuel Morales and Robert Monares.

**NOES:** Mark DeHart, Richard Medley

**ABSENT:** Al Espindola, Charles Nelson

**ABSTAIN:** None

**f) Save Our Shores**

Submitted by Katherine O’Dea, presented by Tucker Hirsch, Save Our Shores is an educational program that incorporates alternative marine science presentations with student beach cleanups. The program introduces students to both fresh and marine aquatic ecosystems and highlights human’s interactions and interdependence in our region. They would like to modernize their program by purchasing new computers and software for classroom use and tablets for data collection in the field as well as conserving paper by having students and volunteers digitally sign waivers. Funding will go towards laptops, software, tablets, and associated accessories. Funding request: \$12,500.

**MOTION:** Commissioner Sargenti made a motion to fund an amount of \$5,000, Commissioner Brockman seconded the motion, and it was approved unanimously. Motion passed 13-0 to fund \$5,000.

**AYES:** Kevan Urquhart, Mark DeHart, Kim Guillian, Richard Medley, Craig Evans, Kevin Kreyenhagen, Rich Hughett, John Sargenti, Joe

Burnett, Chris Cullen, Nick Brockman, Manuel Morales and Robert Monares.

**NOES:** None

**ABSENT:** Al Espindola, Charles Nelson

**ABSTAIN:** None

**g) Reef Check Foundation**

Submitted by Jan Freiwald, Reef Check is an international organization that looks at the health of coral reefs using trained volunteer divers/local fishermen/ecotourist operators. In 2006, a program was developed for California to look at kelp forests. One-quarter to one-third of CA sites are in Monterey County. Transects are mostly done once per year, some twice. Collected data is recorded in the Global Reef Tracker ([www.data.reefcheck.us](http://www.data.reefcheck.us)) where it is available to marine managers to make better decisions based on scientific data. The program is funded by state and private donations. It does identify invasive species, mostly in Southern California. It also is tracking sea-star die off, which is leading to an explosion of urchins as the sea-star is their natural predator. The program is also able to respond to localized events such as spills to track the effects of pollution on the environment. Reef Check was unable to send a representative to present on their behalf. Funding request: \$3,500.

**MOTION:** Commissioner Kreyenhagen made a motion to table until April any grant funding until a representative could come and present on their request, Commissioner Sargenti seconded the motion to table, and it was passed unanimously. Motion passed 13-0 to table any funding until a presentation is given.

**AYES:** Kevan Urquhart, Kim Guillian, Craig Evans, Kevin Kreyenhagen, Rich Hughtett, John Sargenti, Joe Burnett, Mark DeHart, Richard Medley, Chris Cullen, Nick Brockman, Manuel Morales and Robert Monares.

**NOES:** None

**ABSENT:** Al Espindola, Charles Nelson

**ABSTAIN:** None

**h) Rancho Cielo**

Submitted and presented by Roy Melendez, Rancho Cielo is a 100-acre educational facility that opened in 2004 and offers 2 fishing ponds, a community garden, a new hop garden and their renown culinary academy. A solar aeration system has been purchased for the lower pond, and now funding is requested for a system to be installed at the upper pond. The previous pump burned out due to constant use, corrosion, and being undersized. Without a sufficient aeration system, algal blooms are problematic and lowering the quality of water for fish as well as decreasing the potential for recreational activities. Funding will be applied



towards the total cost to install a solar aeration system at the lower pond. Funding request: \$10,000.

**MOTION:** Commissioner Kreyenhagen made a motion to fund an amount of \$7,000, Commissioner Morales seconded the motion, and it was passed unanimously. Motion passed 13-0 to fund \$7,000.

**AYES:** Kevan Urquhart, Kim Guillian, Craig Evans, Kevin Kreyenhagen, Rich Hughett, John Sargenti, Joe Burnett, Mark DeHart, Richard Medley, Chris Cullen, Nick Brockman, Manuel Morales and Robert Monares.

**NOES:** None

**ABSENT:** Al Espindola, Charles Nelson

**ABSTAIN:** None

**i) Monterey Bay Salmon and Trout Project STEP program**

Submitted by Ben Harris, presented by Meg Seibert, the program aims to improve salmon fishing in Monterey Bay by rearing Chinook salmon (Salmon enhancement program). This program coordinates with STEP in raising awareness in K-12 grades of salmonid biology and in protecting and improving salmonid habitat. Currently, 50% of the students participating are from Monterey County. Funding would be applied towards the purchase of supplies and materials necessary to conduct teacher training and equipment for field trips. Funding requested: \$4,000.

**MOTION:** Commissioner Sargenti made a motion to fund an amount of \$2,000, Commissioner Morales seconded the motion, and Commissioners Hughett and Monares voted nay. Motion passed 11-2 to fund \$2,000.

**AYES:** Kevan Urquhart, Kim Guillian, Craig Evans, Kevin Kreyenhagen, John Sargenti, Joe Burnett, Mark DeHart, Richard Medley, Chris Cullen, Nick Brockman, Manuel Morales.

**NOES:** Rich Hughett and Robert Monares

**ABSENT:** Al Espindola, Charles Nelson

**ABSTAIN:** None

**j) Seaside High School**

Submitted by Katie Gialketsis and presented by students from Seaside High School's Ocean Defenders Club. The club promotes ocean conservation through education. The club is currently trying to install additional water stations to refill reusable bottles as opposed to single use bottles. Maintenance of the stations would be done by the School's janitorial staff. Stations would be available to the public during extracurricular activities such as sporting events. Funding would go

towards the purchase and installation of two additional water stations. Funding requested: \$3,000.

**MOTION:** Commissioner Burnett made a motion to fund the full requested amount of \$3,000, Commissioner DeHart seconded the motion, and Commissioners Kreyenhagen, Brockman, Morales, and Sargenti voted nay. Motion passed 9-4 to fund \$3,000.

**AYES:** Kevan Urquhart, Kim Guillian, Craig Evans, Rich Hughett, Joe Burnett, Mark DeHart, Richard Medley, Chris Cullen, and Robert Monares.

**NOES:** Kevin Kreyenhagen, John Sargenti, Nick Brockman, and Manuel Morales

**ABSENT:** Al Espindola, Charles Nelson

**ABSTAIN:** None

**k) Monterey Bay Youth Outdoor Day**

Submitted and presented by Elyse DeStout, in its 8<sup>th</sup> season, the MBYOD Board of Directors is requesting funds to go directly towards the cost of renting the Santa Cruz County Fairgrounds to hold this youth oriented event. The event is held at Santa Cruz County Fairgrounds because of the significantly lower costs of renting the facility. The event focuses on education of our local environment and helps to open opportunities for participants to be mindful of the wildlife and their habitats, as well as learn about conservation and safety with the hope that these lessons evolve over a lifetime. The event is planned, managed and staffed by MBYOD BOD and sponsors with educational and interactive exhibits and participatory activities to experience and enjoy. There are also many donated items that are raffled off. The event now spans two days to accommodate schools. Funding request: \$4,500.

**MOTION:** Commissioner Medley made a motion to fund the full requested amount of \$4,500, Commissioner Hughett seconded the motion, and Commissioners Brockman and Morales voted nay. Motion passed 11-2 to fund \$4,500.

**AYES:** Kevan Urquhart, Kim Guillian, Craig Evans, Rich Hughett, Joe Burnett, Mark DeHart, Richard Medley, Chris Cullen, Kevin Kreyenhagen, John Sargenti, and Robert Monares.

**NOES:** Nick Brockman, Manuel Morales

**ABSENT:** Al Espindola, Charles Nelson

**ABSTAIN:** None

**1) Gaines and Associates**

Submitted and presented by Bill Gaines, the funds requested for this project will be used to expand Gaines and Associates education and outreach efforts, meet with legislators and others involved in decision making that has an effect on our Fish and Wildlife resources. Funds to also be used for developing and maintaining an informative event for legislatures, who participate in a hunter's education course and with other involved groups at a CA Legislature Outdoor Sorting Caucus Trap Shoot in 2018. Trap shoot in its 14<sup>th</sup> year and to be held in June.  
Funding request: \$1000.

**MOTION:** Commissioner Monares made a motion to fund an amount of \$2,500, Commissioner Kreyenhagen seconded the motion, Commissioner Urquhart abstained, and Commissioner Hughett voted nay. Motion passed 11-1, w/1 abstention to fund \$2,500.

**AYES:** Kim Guillian, Craig Evans, Joe Burnett, Mark DeHart, Richard Medley, Chris Cullen, Nick Brockman, Manuel Morales, Kevin Kreyenhagen, John Sargenti, and Robert Monares.

**NOES:** Rich Hughett

**ABSENT:** Al Espindola, Charles Nelson

**ABSTAIN:** Kevan Urquhart

**3. Financial Report/Research Grant Program Update**

Commissioner Hughett provided a report on the commission's current financial state; we currently have \$17,500 for grant allocations right now, with an additional \$10,500 coming in May or June. Current grant presentation requests amount to \$61,783.45. The \$50,000 from the Research Grant Program is available for propagation grant allocation as well. An outline from the subcommittee working on the Research Grant Program was provided to each commissioner detailing proposed use of the funds: the intent of the proposal is to allow prospective researchers to approach the commission to request funding. Commissioner Hughett asked that each commissioner provide five topics of interest where they would like research pursued in the county.

**MOTION:** Commissioner Kreyenhagen motioned to allocate \$25,000 of the Research Grant Program funds towards propagation grant funding, then revised to allocate \$20,000, Commissioner Medley seconded the motion, Commissioners Morales and Brockman voted nay. Motion passed 11-2 to allocate \$20,000 from the \$50,000 towards propagation grant funds.

**AYES:** Kevan Urquhart, Mark DeHart, Kim Guillian, Richard Medley, Craig Evans, Kevin Kreyenhagen, Joe Burnett, Rich Hughett, John Sargenti, Chris Cullen, and Robert Monares.

**NOES:** Nick Brockman, Manual Morales

**ABSENT:** Al Espindola, Charles Nelson

**ABSTAIN:** None

**4. Fish and Game Commission By-Laws**

Because of time constraints, discussion on commission by-laws was not conducted.

**5. Election of Officers for FY 2018–2019: Chair, Vice-Chair, Treasurer, and Secretary**

**MOTION:** Commissioner Kreyenhagen made a motion for current officer's to remain in their positions, Commissioner Medley seconded the motion, and Commissioner Urquhart voted nay. Motion passed 12-1 for officer's to remain in their current positions.

**AYES:** Rich Hughett, Kim Guillian, Craig Evans, Joe Burnett, Mark DeHart, Richard Medley, Chris Cullen, Nick Brockman, Manuel Morales, Kevin Kreyenhagen, John Sargenti, and Robert Monares.

**NOES:** Kevan Urquhart

**ABSENT:** Al Espindola, Charles Nelson

**ABSTAIN:** None

**6. Agenda Items for Next Meeting**

- Reef Check Presentation
- Elyse DeStout-MBYOD: discuss with her how we can help with event
- Website update
- Research grant funding ideas
- Develop new strategy in attempt to recover missing fine monies.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned by Chair Urquhart at 9:24 PM.

**NEXT MEETING**

Next meeting to be held 10 April 2018, 6:00 PM dinner, 7:00 PM business meeting, at TBD.

## MONTEREY COUNTY FISH AND GAME COMMISSION

<b>MEETING: 4/10/2018</b>	<b>AGENDA NO.: 3</b>
<b>TITLE:</b> a) Receive Parks Fish and Game Propagation Fund FY 2017-18 Financial Summary Report through February 28, 2018.	
<b>DEPARTMENT:</b> RMA - PARKS	

### **RECOMMENDATION:**

It is recommended that the Fish and Game Commission:

- a) Receive Parks Fish and Game Propagation Fund FY 2017-18 Financial Summary Report through February 28, 2018.

### **SUMMARY/DISCUSSION:**

Parks Fish and Game Propagation Fund FY 2017-18 financial update through February 28, 2018, reflects actual revenue from Other Court Fines of \$4,642. Year to date Interest Revenue is \$417 for a total of \$5,059. Overall revenue from Other Court Fines is lower in the current year than what was recognized for the same period in FY 2016-17 of \$8,883. The County's Administrative staff continues to work with the Courts regarding the new accounting system, and trying to identify if there are still outstanding fines due to Fish and Game. As of February 28, 2018, a total of \$196 in expenditures have posted.

### **OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:**

None.

### **FINANCING:**

There is no impact to the County's General Fund because of receiving this report. The estimated

uncommitted beginning fund balance for FY 2017-18 is \$17,083 and does not consider the \$50,000 designated for education programs.

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

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

Attachments:

Attachment A -FY 2017-18 Parks Fish and Game Propagation Fund Financial Summary

Attachment B -Fish and Game Propagation Fund Revenue History

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**ATTACHMENT A**  
**PARK DEPARTMENT 3000 - UNIT 8155 FISH AND GAME PROPAGATION FUND FINANCIAL SUMMARY**  
**Accounting Detail through Accounting Period 8, February 28, 2018**

BUDGET UNIT DESCRIPTION	ACCOUNT LINE ITEM	BOS APPROVED BUDGET	FY18 ACTUALS		BUDGET BALANCE
			CURRENT MONTH EXP	TOTALS YEAR-TO-DATE	
EXPENDITURES:					
SERVICE AND SUPPLIES					
FOOD	6241	200	-	15	185
SUBSCRIPTIONS	6401	700	-	-	700
MAIL HANDLING CHARGES	6406	-	3	3	(3)
MINOR COMPUTER HARDWARE	6407	25	-	-	25
POSTAGE	6411	150	23	23	127
OUTSIDE PRINTING	6412	600	-	-	600
DEPT.CHARGES-GRAPHICS	6413	-	-	-	-
LEGAL NOTICE	6801	250	150	150	100
OTHER SPECIAL ITEMS	6835	500	-	-	500
CONFERENCE/LODGING/MEALS/TRAVEL	6861	-	-	-	-
TAXES AND ASSESSMENTS	7121	-	-	4	(4)
COST PLAN CHARGES	7301	-	-	-	-
SERV & SUPP SUBTOTAL		2,425	177	196	2,229

GRANT FUNDING:	GRANT BUDGET	ACTUALS			
		PENDING DISTRIBUTION	CURRENT DISTRIBUTIONS		
			MONTH EXP.	YEAR-TO-DATE	
DISBURSED/PENDING:					
	6614	29,700	-	-	29,700
GRANT SUBTOTAL	29,700	-	-	-	29,700
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	32,125		177	196	31,929

<b>FY2016-17 Beginning Unassigned Fund Balance</b>	<b>75,342</b>
Plus FY 2016-17 Revenues	27,952
Less FY 2016-17 Expenditures	(36,211)
<b>Estimated FY 2017-18 Beginning Fund Balance</b>	<b>\$ 67,083</b>
Less Funds Associated with Settlement	\$(50,000)
<b>FY2017-18 Funds Available for Grant Projects</b>	<b>\$ 17,083</b>

REVENUE:	FINES	ACTUALS			TOTAL
		SETTLEMENTS	INTEREST	GEN FUND	
JULY	-	-	-	-	-
AUGUST	545	-	-	-	545
SEPTEMBER	731	-	-	-	731
OCTOBER	1,340	-	-	-	1,340
NOVEMBER	539	-	-	-	539
DECEMBER	378	-	229	-	607
JANUARY	665	-	187	-	852
FEBRUARY	445	-	-	-	445
MARCH	-	-	-	-	-
APRIL	-	-	-	-	-
MAY	-	-	-	-	-
JUNE	-	-	-	-	-
<b>TOTAL REVENUE</b>	<b>4,642</b>	-	<b>417</b>	-	<b>5,059</b>
<b>FY 2017-18 Revenue Budget</b>	<b>13,683</b>	-	<b>581</b>	<b>10,500</b>	<b>24,764</b>

**ATTACHMENT B**  
**MONTEREY COUNTY FISH AND GAME PROPAGATION FUND**  
**REVENUE HISTORY**  
**FUND 006 BALANCE FOR MONTH ENDING February 28, 2018**

(a)	<b>ESTIMATED BEGINNING FUND BALANCE</b>	<b>\$ 67,083</b>
	<i>Less Committed FB for Programs</i>	(50,000)
	<b>YEAR-TO-DATE FUND BALANCE ACTIVITY:</b>	
	Expenditures	(196)
	Grant Awards Paid	-
	Total Expenditures	(196)
	Revenues	5,059
(b)	Increase(Decrease) in Fund Balance	4,863
(c)=(a)+(b)	<b>ESTIMATED UNCOMMITTED ENDING FUND BALANCE</b>	<b>\$ 21,946</b>

**REVENUE HISTORY:**

	<b>FINES COLLECTED</b>	<b>SETTLEMENT</b>	<b>EARNED INTEREST</b>	<b>GENERAL FUND CONTRIBUTION</b>	<b>TOTAL REVENUE</b>
<b>2017-18</b>	4,642	-	417	-	<b>5,059</b>
<b>2016-17</b>	13,690	-	959	13,303	<b>27,952</b>
<b>2015-16</b>	14,555	50,000	575	10,500	<b>75,630</b>
<b>2014-15</b>	11,897		200	10,786	<b>22,883</b>
<b>2013-14</b>	21,832		130	10,786	<b>32,748</b>
<b>2012-13</b>	12,795		62	10,786	<b>23,643</b>
<b>2011-12</b>	13,990		141	10,786	<b>24,917</b>
<b>2010-11</b>	9,450		74	15,000	<b>24,524</b>
<b>2009-10</b>	12,501		299	10,000	<b>22,800</b>
<b>2008-09</b>	10,186		(366)	20,786	<b>30,606</b>
<b>2007-08</b>	17,999		1,220	10,000	<b>29,219</b>
<b>2006-07</b>	23,192		1,148	15,000	<b>39,340</b>
<b>2005-06</b>	8,380		692	15,000	<b>24,072</b>
<b>2004-05</b>	8,106		264	-	<b>8,370</b>



## MONTEREY COUNTY FISH AND GAME COMMISSION

<b>MEETING: 4/10/2018</b>		<b>AGENDA NO.: 4</b>
<b>TITLE:</b>	a) Approve funding of the Reef Check Foundation's application for a grant in the amount of \$3,500 under the 2017/18 Propagation Grant Fund Cycle to be used for the education, training, and activities to survey and collect data on off-shore rocky reefs.	
<b>DEPARTMENT:</b>	RMA - PARKS	

### **RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends that the Fish and Game Commission:

- a) Approve funding of the Reef Check Foundation's application for a grant in the amount of \$3,500 under the 2017/18 Propagation Grant Fund Cycle to be used for the education, training, and activities to survey and collect data on off-shore rocky reefs.

### **SUMMARY**

Prior to the submittal deadline, staff received an application from the Reef Check Foundation requesting funds in the amount of \$3,500 from the Fish & Game Advisory Commission's 2017/18 Propagation Grant Fund program. The Commission considered applications at the February meeting where 12 grant requests were received and 11 awarded totaling \$58,283.45. Representatives of Reef Check Foundation were not able to make the February meeting to present their project and the Commission continued this one application to the April meeting when a representative could come and present on their request.

### **DISCUSSION:**

The Reef Check Foundation is an international organization that looks at the health of coral reefs using trained volunteer divers/local fishermen/ecotourist operators. In 2006, a program was developed for California to look at kelp forests. One-quarter to one-third of CA sites are in Monterey County. Transects are mostly done once per year, some twice. Collected data is recorded in the Global Reef Tracker ([www.data.reefcheck.us](http://www.data.reefcheck.us)) where it is available to marine managers to make better decisions based on scientific data. The program is also able to respond to localized events such as spills to track the effects of pollution on the environment.

If awarded, the funds would be used to educate the public and involved jurisdictions on the value of coral reefs and rocky reef ecosystems and the crisis they face, create a network of volunteer teams, trained and led by scientists, to regularly monitor and report on reef health using a standard method, facilitate collaborative use of reef health information by community groups, governments, universities, and businesses to design and implement ecologically sound and economically sustainable solutions, and stimulate local action to protect remaining pristine reefs and rehabilitate damaged reefs worldwide

Representatives from Reef Check Foundation have confirmed their attendance for the April 10, 2018 F&G Game Commission meeting. Staff recommends that the Commission consider and determine the funding request. Staff will forward the Commission's recommendation(s) to the County Board of Supervisors for their consideration (date TBD) and final approval.

### **OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:**

None.

**FINANCING:**

Funds from the Propagation Grant Fund program and a portion of the settlement funds would be used to fund the grant requests.

Prepared by: John Akeman, ASLA, Park Planning Manager

Approved by: John Dugan, AICP, RMA Deputy Director

Attachments:

Reef Check Foundation - 2017/18 Propagation Grant Fund Project Summary

## Monterey County Fish & Game Advisory Commission

### 2017/18 Propagation Grant Fund Program Summary

<b>Reef Check Foundation</b> Jan Freiwald 115 McAlister Way Santa Cruz, CA 95060 (831) 345-8167 jfreiwald@reefcheck.org	<b>Reef Check California</b> Funds would be used for the education, training, and activities to survey and collect data on off-shore rocky reefs. More specific, funds would be used to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Educate the public and involved jurisdictions on the value of coral reefs and rocky reef ecosystems and the crisis they face</li><li>• Create a global network of volunteer teams, trained and led by scientists, to regularly monitor and report on reef health using a standard method</li><li>• Facilitate collaborative use of reef health information by community groups, governments, universities, and businesses to design and implement ecologically sound and economically sustainable solutions</li><li>• Stimulate local action to protect remaining pristine reefs and rehabilitate damaged reefs worldwide</li></ul> <b>Specific Grant Expenditures:</b> Equipment Purchase: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Total of \$3,500 requested is towards the total cost of \$17,049 for a four-day boat charter to survey sites along the Big Sur coast. The remaining charter cost will be funded by state grants, crowdsourcing and private contributions of volunteers. Staff time and travel etc. will be covered through Reef Check's MPA monitoring funding from the Ocean Protection Council.</li></ul>	\$3,500
<b>Commission Notes:</b>		<b>Approved or Denied</b>  <b>Rec. Funding Amt:</b>

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<b>MEETING: 4/10/2018</b>	<b>AGENDA NO.: 5</b>
<b>TITLE:</b> To consider updates to the Fish and Game Advisory Commission By-Laws <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>a) Accept this update on the review and revision of the current Commission By-Laws;</li><li>b) Consider additional input received from the full Commission, and</li><li>c) Forward to County staff for review, input and Board of Supervisor's consideration and approval.</li></ul>	
<b>DEPARTMENT:</b> RMA - PARKS	

### **RECOMMENDATION:**

It is recommended that the Fish and Game Commission:

- a) Accept this update on the review and revision of the current Commission By-Laws;
- b) Consider additional input received from the full Commission, and
- c) Forward to County staff for review, input and Board of Supervisor's consideration and approval.

### **SUMMARY**

The *Monterey County Fish and Game Commission* was formed by the Board of Supervisors on April 28, 1981. Resolution #81-239 established the By-laws, which haven't been updated and need to include commission's role regarding the Propagation Grant Fund program. At the October 2017 meeting, the Commission expressed a desire to update the bylaws.

### **DISCUSSION:**

At the February 13<sup>th</sup> Fish & Game Advisory Commission meeting the commission deferred discussion on the update of the Bylaws to the April 10<sup>th</sup> meeting. A working group consisting of Commissioner's Hughtett, Monares, Guillian, Burnett and Urquhart was established to undertake the work and report back to the commission. This group will present recommended draft bylaws to obtain the full Commission's feedback on the proposed revisions and/or additions. Commissioners will be asked to review and provide any additional revisions, additions, and edits to be included and considered in the final version. Once the Commission has completed their revisions, the By-laws will be forwarded to County staff for review, input and approval. The final action will required scheduling before the Board of Supervisors for their consideration and approval.

### **OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:**

None.

### **FINANCING:**

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

Prepared by: John Akeman, Park Planning Manager

Approved by: John Dugan, AICP, RMA Deputy Director

Attachments:

Draft F&G Commission By-laws 2018 Red Lined version

Draft F&G Commission By-laws 2018 Clean version

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# MONTEREY COUNTY FISH AND GAME COMMISSION

## Mission Statement

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## SECTION 1. CREATION OF COMMISSION

Be it resolved that:

There ~~is~~ hereby created the Monterey County Fish and Game Advisory Commission. The Commission operates under the authority of the Monterey County Board of Supervisors and serves in an advisory capacity.

## SECTION 2. MEMBERSHIP

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PASSED AND ADOPTED this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2018, by the following vote, to-wit:



AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

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AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

## MONTEREY COUNTY FISH AND GAME COMMISSION

<b>MEETING: 4/10/2018</b>		<b>AGENDA NO.: 6</b>
<b>TITLE:</b>	a) Receive a Report on the Settlement Funds and Proposed Research Grant Projects.	
<b>DEPARTMENT:</b>	RMA - PARKS	

### **RECOMMENDATION:**

It is recommended that the Fish and Game Commission:

- a) Receive a Report on the Settlement Funds and Proposed Research Grant Projects.

### **SUMMARY/DISCUSSION:**

In December of 2015 a settlement was reached on behalf of the Monterey County District Attorney's office involving a poaching case that occurred on Fort Hunter Liggett. The DA's office worked with the Department of Fish & Wildlife Game Wardens and the individuals involved to reach an agreed settlement amount of \$50,000. The funds are to be administered by the Monterey County Fish and Game Advisory Commission; there are no obligations or stipulations regarding use of the funds and no other entities are entitled to a share.

The Commission decided to set up a working group to consider ways to use the settlement funds, with the goal of supporting relevant research in the areas fish and wildlife resource education, protection and enhancement. The members of the working group are Commissioners Hughett, Guillian, Evans, Medley and Monares. The working group proposed a scholarship program (acknowledging F&G Commissioners who had passed on) to be an appropriate use of the settlement funds. After researching the anticipated work related to administering a scholarship program it was determined that there were not the required resources available to administer the scholarship program and the commission expressed an interest in other possibilities for use of the funds.

At the February 13, 2018 Fish & Game Commission meeting, Commissioner Hughett passed out a memo regarding the use of the settlement funds and proposed research projects that might be funded (see attached). It was also decided to use \$20,000 of the \$50,000 settlement to help offset the lack of fine monies in this year's Propagation Grant Fund program. For the remaining \$30,000, Commissioners were asked to provide a list of 5 of their most important projects that the full Commission should consider, and bring the list to the April 2018 meeting for further discussion.

### **OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:**

It is anticipated that CAO, County Counsel, Auditors, and RMA Department will possibly be involved.

### **FINANCING:**

This action has no impact on the General Fund; \$20,000 will be allocated to the Propagation Grant Fund program, leaving \$30,000 in settlement funds.

Prepared by: John Akeman, Park Planning Manager

Approved by: John Dugan, AICP, RMA Deputy Director

Attachments:

Memo on the Use of Settlement Funds and Proposed Research Grant Program

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**February 13, 2018**

**To: the Monterey County Fish and Game Commission**

**Re: Use of the Settlement Funds and Proposed Research Grant program**

Report from the committee that includes: Commissioners Evans, Guillian, Hughett, Medley and Monares.

The above listed commissioners have discussed a proposed research grant program with the intent to use the \$50,000.00 settlement funds that the commission received last year and instead of a grant program, they are recommending that the funds be used in the following manner:

We've agreed that instead of spending the time and money that it would take to develop and operate a separate research grant program, it would be easier, cheaper (no cost) and more effective to use our current grant program and application to make the funds available to prospective researchers. We will continue to function as a committee to the commission and seek out research teams or individuals to gather information for possible projects to be sponsored by the commission. To start this process we will be asking all of our fifteen commissioners to submit a list of the five most important projects they believe we should undertake for the enhancement of our county's wildlife, fish and game.

This concludes our report.

Respectfully submitted by



Rich Hughett