

Staff Summary for October 13-16, 2026

25C. Administrative Items – Future Meetings and New Business**Today's Item**Information ☐Action ☒

Review logistics and approve draft agenda items for the next regularly scheduled Commission meeting (December 15-16), consider any changes to previously approved meeting dates or locations, or introduce any new business for inclusion on a future meeting agenda.

Summary of Previous/Future Actions (N/A)**Background**

The next regular Commission meeting is scheduled for December 15-16, 2026 (Tuesday-Wednesday) in Sacramento, followed by February 10-11, 2027 (Wednesday-Thursday). Zoom and phone options continue to be offered for the public to participate remotely. Commission and committee meetings are scheduled for the Sacramento area through June 2027.

Potential agenda items for this meeting are provided in Exhibit 1 for consideration and potential Commission approval.

After more than 13 years on the Commission, December will be Commissioner Hostler-Carmesin's final Commission meeting as she steps down to focus on completing important projects for Trinidad Rancheria before she retires.

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

Commission staff: Approve agenda items for the December 2026 meeting as presented in Exhibit 1 and amended during this meeting.

Exhibits

1. [Potential agenda items for the December 15-16, 2026 Commission meeting](#)

Motion

Moved by _____ and seconded by _____ that the Commission approves the draft agenda items for the December 15-16, 2026 Commission meeting, as amended during this meeting.

California Fish and Game Commission
Potential Agenda Items for the December 2026 Commission Meeting
October 2, 2026

The next regular Commission business meeting is scheduled for December 15-16, 2026 in Sacramento, with Zoom and phone options for public participation. This document identifies potential agenda items for the meeting, including items to be received from staff and the California Department of Fish and Wildlife (Department).

Tuesday, December 15: Marine-Related and Administrative Items

1. General public comment for items not on the agenda
2. Commission executive director report and Department reports (director and Law Enforcement Division)
3. Discussion hearing: White seabass recreational fishing regulations
4. Marine aquaculture: Potentially act upon the request from Tomales Bay Oyster Company, LLC to renew State Water Bottom Lease M-430-05 for aquaculture purposes
5. Marine aquaculture: Potentially act upon the request from Starbird Mariculture Inc. to renew State Water Bottom Lease M-430-06 for aquaculture purposes
6. Experimental fishing permit (EFP): Consider an EFP application (Tracking ID # 2026-01) titled "Bycatch in Coonstripe Fishery" to allow retention of East Pacific red octopus (*Octopus rubescens*) bycatch caught while targeting coonstripe shrimp in the commercial coonstripe shrimp trap fishery
7. Marine petitions for regulation change¹
8. Marine non-regulatory requests from previous meetings^{1 above}
9. Receive the Department's White Seabass Fishery Management Plan 2024-2025 Annual Review Report
10. Commission committee reports (Tribal Committee, Marine Resources Committee) and Department report (Marine Region)
11. Receive Department update from Pacific Fisheries Management Council on recreational take of ocean salmon and Pacific halibut
12. Executive (closed) session

Wednesday, December 16: Wildlife- and Inland Fisheries-Related and Administrative Items

13. Notice hearing: Waterfowl hunting (annual)
14. Notice hearing: Deer hunting
15. Notice hearing: Black bear hunting
16. Notice hearing: Bighorn sheep hunting

¹ Staff is authorized to remove this agenda item if there are no actionable, referred, or new items, in which case any new regulation change petitions or non-regulatory requests delivered at the meeting will be received under the general public comment agenda items on Tuesday or Wednesday.

17. Notice hearing: Elk hunting
18. Discussion hearing: Department lands
19. Adoption hearing: Mammal trapping consistency with statute
20. Adoption hearing: Use of native rattlesnakes
21. Receive a presentation from the Department on the five-year status review for Napa bluegrass (*Poa napensis*)
22. Determine whether listing Central Valley Spring-run Chinook salmon (*Oncorhynchus tshawytscha*) as endangered under CESA may be warranted
23. Consent: University of California San Diego restricted species permit application to possess transgenic mosquito larvae
24. Wildlife and inland fisheries petitions for regulation change¹
25. Wildlife and inland fisheries non-regulatory requests from previous meetings¹
26. Commission committee report (Wildlife Resources Committee) and Department reports (Wildlife and Fisheries Division, and Ecosystem Conservation Division)
27. Administrative items
 - a. Legislative report
 - b. Rulemaking timetable updates
 - c. Future meetings – approve next meeting agenda and new business
28. General public comment for items not on the agenda