

STAFF SUMMARY FOR DECEMBER 11-12, 2019

13. TRIBAL COMMITTEE (TC)**Today's Item**Information Action

Discuss and consider approving draft agenda topics for the next TC meeting. Consider approving new topics for TC to address at a future meeting.

Summary of Previous/Future Actions

- Most recent TC meeting Oct 8, 2019; TC, Valley Center
- **Today consider approving TC agenda topics** **Dec 11-12, 2019; Sacramento**
- Next TC meeting Jan 17, 2020; TC, Los Angeles Area

Background**(A) TC Work Plan and Timeline**

FGC directs the work of TC. The updated work plan in Exhibit 1 includes topics and timelines for items referred by FGC to TC. Draft agenda topics proposed for the Jan 2020 TC meeting—in addition to the standing staff, committee and state agency updates— include eight topics for FGC review and consideration today:

1. Discuss and potentially recommend a definition of co-management
2. Discuss and potentially recommend topics for annual tribal planning meeting
3. Discuss simplifying statewide inland fishing regulations
4. Presentation regarding current levels of commercial kelp and seaweed harvest
5. Discuss and potentially make a recommendation regarding proposed commercial kelp and algae harvest management regulations
6. Receive and discuss a presentation from DFW on pinniped predation studies
7. Update on FGC's Coastal Fishing Communities Project
8. Receive and discuss updates from DFW on various species' management plans

(B) New TC Topics

No new topics are proposed by staff at this time.

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

FGC staff: Approve draft agenda topics for the Jan 17, 2020 TC meeting, as discussed today.

Exhibits

1. [TC work plan](#), updated November 2019

Motion/Direction

Moved by _____ and seconded by _____ that the Commission approves the draft agenda topics for the Oct 2019 Tribal Committee meeting as discussed today.

California Fish and Game Commission Tribal Committee
Work Plan: Topics and Timeline for Items Referred to TC from FGC
Updated November 2019

Topic	Type / Lead	Goal(s)	2019	2020	'20
			Oct 9	Jan 17	Aug 18
			San Diego	Los Angeles	Fortuna Area
Special Projects					
Co-management	TC Project	Develop a definition for co-management	X	X/R	
Regulatory/Legislative					
Kelp and algae harvest management regulations	DFW Project and Regulation Change	Updates; then recommendation and guidance	X	X/R	
Simplification of statewide inland fishing regulations	DFW Project and Regulation Change	Updates; then recommendation and guidance	X	X	
Operating principles/practices and add TC to FGC meeting procedures	Regulation Change	Amend Section 665, Title 14, California Code of Regulations	X/R		
DFW-managed lands	DFW Project and Regulation Change	Amend Section 550, 550.5, and 551, Title 14, California Code of Regulations	X/R		
Developing Management Issues					
FGC climate policy	FGC Policy	During development of a policy for FGC, make recommendations and provide guidance			
Coastal fishing Communities Project	MRC Project	Updates and guidance	X	X	
Management Plans					
Sheep, deer, antelope, trout, abalone, kelp/seaweed	DFW	Updates and guidance (timing as appropriate for each plan)	X	X	X
Informational Topics					
Poseidon, a web-based data collection and analysis tool	The Nature Conservancy	Learn more about a new tool under development to aid in data collection and analysis for harvested species	X		
Status of abalone in California	DFW	Update			
Commercial seaweed and kelp harvest	DFW	Understand current levels of commercial kelp and seaweed harvest (how much, which species, where, etc.)		X	
Kelp recovery efforts	DFW	Update (as requested)			
Studies of pinnipeds and California's fisheries	DFW	Understand what studies have been conducted on pinnipeds, how they affect California's fisheries, and options for addressing impacts		X	
Cross-pollination with MRC and WRC	FGC Committee Coordination	Identify tribal concerns and common themes with WRC and MRC	X	X	X
Annual tribal planning meeting for coordination and consultation, pursuant to Commission's tribal consultation policy	FGC Policy	(1) Share anticipated regulatory and policy topics to be considered this year, (2) identify tribal priorities from within topics, (3) develop collaborative interests, (4) contribute to planning logistics for annual meeting, and (5) review progress on topics discussed at annual meeting.	X	X	X
Marine Protected Areas Statewide Leadership Team	OPC Project	Update on tribal participation in the Marine Protected Areas Statewide Leadership Team and implementation of the leadership team work plan	X	X	X
Proposition 64 (cannabis)	DFW/LED	Update on implementation (as requested)			
Wildfire impacts and state response	DFW	Update (as requested)			
FGC regulatory calendar	FGC	Update	X	X	X

X = Discussion scheduled X/R = Discussion with recommendation developed and moved to FGC

FGC = California Fish and Game Commission TC = FGC's Tribal Committee

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