



EL DORADO COUNTY

Fish & Game Commission

Larry Nelson - At Large
Grady Garlough - At Large
Dennis Byrne - District I
Mike Denega - District II
Kurt Mikkola - District III
Pat Weddle - District IV
Victor Babbitt - District V

MINUTES

March 30, 2015, 7:00 P.M.
330 Fair Lane - Conference room A
Placerville CA

1. Call To Order & Roll Call – Chair AT 7:00pm
 - 1) Roll Call Weddle, Denega, Babbitt, Garlough, Nelson
 - 2) Shelly Blair –CDFW Environmental Scientist
Kathie Jermstad – USFS IFG Research
2. Adoption of Agenda and Minutes for 2/24/16 were approved
3. Public Comment - Public comment on non-agenda items -
Kathie Jermstad reported on her attendance at the Wildlife Conservation held in southern California on the Great Grey Owl research in California, specifically Yosemite, Lone Pine and Camino; Recent condor research, King & Sand Fires and chemical influence on Bumble Bees.
Kathie will be retiring from the USFS the end of April 2016.
4. Biologist Report and Warden Report
Mitch Lockhart, Fishery Biologist, DCFW; Mitch reviewed the highlights of 2015, including the loss of 155,000 Eagle Lake trout at the Nimbus Hatchery, and a power point presentation of fish raised and released in California and El Dorado County. SMUD will release fish in Crystal Basin lakes. A graph showed fish released in EDC over 20 years. Release has declined from sixty-eight thousand pounds to thirty-eight thousand pounds. This is due to budget reduction in the DFW. A very informative and well-presented report.

Shelly Blair, Biologist, DCFW; Turkey hunts will be held in Kanaka Valley (6). El Dorado Hills is still having conflicts with beaver. Pine Martins at Heavenly Valley Ski Resort are creating a problem.
5. BOS Communication –
 1. Greg Stanton, EDC Environmental Management Division; Lyme Kiln Controversy – the kiln was built and used 1930-1940's. Property is currently owned by Waste Mgmt. The water in the basin has a PH 8-12; the State NCWQCB has been monitoring the situation.
 2. Budget Proposal – The Fish & Game Commission budget report was submitted to the BOS, \$20,000. They are expected to make a decision in the middle of April. Pat Weddle spoke with his supervisor, and indication is the BOS will make adjustments on the proposal.
6. Finance Report – The Commission budget was summarized for time restraint.
7. Auburn SRA management Plan
The Plan is currently in the Comment Period.
8. Fishing Derbies – Committee
 - 1) Lumsden Pond – April 9th.
 - 2) Sawmill Pond – June 11th
9. Tahoe Area – Commissioner Babbitt: discussed upcoming fishing derby
10. EDC Fishing Access – Commissioner Mike Denega
A report with meeting of Commission, EDC Sheriff Dept. and DCFW Lt. S. Lafave will be provided at next commission meeting.
11. Central Sierra Association of Fish & Game Commissioners Update – Commissioner Nelson & Byrne
A meeting is scheduled for April 23, 2016 at the EDH Fire Dept.

12. Legislative Report – Commissioner Nelson
Due to time restraints none was provided.

18. Commissioner Reports – All
Due to time restraints none was provided.

19. Next meeting – April 27, 2016 7:00 PM 330 Fair Lane Bld. A, Placerville

20. Adjournment – 9:25 PM