



Regional Parks

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Director

**SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY
FISH AND GAME COMMISSION MEETING
777 E. Rialto Avenue
San Bernardino, CA 92415
Minutes
Tuesday, May 17, 2022**

Commission Members

Present:

Commissioner James Blocker First District
Commissioner Paul R. Franklin Third District
Chairman Todd M. Richard Third District
Vice Chairman Gregg Fresonke Fourth District
Commissioner Roy Cox Fifth District

Commission Members

Absent:

Commissioner David Halbrook First District
Commissioner Robert Olin Second District

Staff Present:

Beahta Davis Director, Regional Parks
Mary Sheehan Office Assistant III, Regional Parks
Karen Stevenson Recreation Coordinator, Regional Parks

Guests Present:

Warden Jeff Villepique California Department of Fish & Wildlife
Warden Luis Garcia California Department of Fish & Wildlife
Walter Douglas California Department of Fish & Wildlife
Chanelle Davis California Department of Fish & Wildlife

Call to Order:

Chairman Richard called the meeting to order at 1:35 P.M.

Pledge of Allegiance:

Commissioner Franklin led the Pledge of Allegiance

Introductions:

Introductions were conducted around the room.

**Approval of Minutes from
March 22, 2022:**

Motion: Commissioner Blocker
Second: Commissioner Franklin
Abstained: Commissioner Cox
Minutes approved

During the meeting, an error was discovered in the Unfinished Business section on the minutes regarding the date of the Wildlife Festival. The date shall be corrected on the March 22, 2022, minutes to read, "June 18, 2022".

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Motion:	Commissioner Franklin
Second:	Commissioner Richard
Abstained:	None
Motion Carried	

Staff Reports:

Mrs. Davis distributed the financial report to the commission. There will be expenditures coming out for the Fish and Wildlife Festival on June 18, 2022.

Mrs. Davis thanked Luis for attending Fishing with Supervisor Joe Baca, Jr. at Glen Helen Regional Park. There were over 150 youth participants and their families in attendance. This event provided many of these participants with their first fishing experience. Multiple County departments participated in this event. They provided activities, information, and giveaways for the participants and their families. Bass Pro Shop presented each youth participant with a fishing pole.

Mrs. Davis explained that the mileage reimbursement policy typically only applies to the Commission meetings. She will confirm County Counsel.

Catfish stocking is starting Thursday, May 19th.

Other Reports:

None

California Department of Fish and Wildlife:

Jeff Villepique, California Fish and Wildlife, gave a report on the habitat and fishery conditions. Joshua Tree has been considered for the endangered species list for the past two years. They are currently waiting to see if Joshua Trees will be officially added to the endangered species list.

Patrol efforts were explained. A discussion occurred regarding issues with citations and the court.

The bear population is expanding into the San Jacinto Mountains, and they are receiving inquiries regarding bear hunting for this area. There's a large amount of compliance concerns regarding fishing regulations and turkey tracks were located in the Morongo Basin.

Fish and Wildlife Warden Luis Garcia discussed the Fishing with Supervisor Joe Baca, Jr. event.

Chanelle Davis, California Fish and Wildlife, discussed Camp Katie and hunting season. This year there will be a junior hunt, family hunt, and the reinstatement of the woman's hunt.

California Department of Fish and Wildlife gave a report regarding the current monitoring system for the desert bighorn sheep population. There are currently 400 active collars on the sheep in Mojave. It was stated that the bighorn sheep have bounced back from the respiratory disease that was killing them in 2018-2019. The California Department of Fish and Wildlife requested a grant from the Commission to assist in the monitoring of bighorn sheep. The Commission stated the County has policies they have to abide

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by, and they cannot vote on the request. Commissioner Franklin suggested they partner with a non-profit 501c3 organization.

Unfinished Business:

Future Federal Duck Stamp Events was not discussed during this meeting.

The Wildlife Festival will be held on June 18, 2022. The details of the festival were discussed regarding pricing of tables, demonstrations, volunteers, and vendors. Commissioner Franklin stated he was going to speak with Search and Rescue regarding volunteering for the event.

New Business

(Action Items)

None

Correspondence:

None

Open

Comment/Discussion:

Commissioner Franklin stated work is being conducted by Jenk's Lake with the hopes that water will start flowing again in the lake within the next couple of weeks.

Adjournment:

Meeting adjourned 3:32 p.m.

Motion:

Commissioner Franklin

Second:

Commissioner Blocker

Abstained:

None

Motion Carried

Next Meeting:

The next Fish and Game Commission Meeting is scheduled for July 19, 2022, at 1:30 P.M. Heather Placencia will update the Commission on the location of the July meeting, due to the relocation of Regional Park's administration offices.