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Minutes, Meeting of March 7, 1986

Pursuant to the call of the President, the Commission met in the Auditorium, Room 102, Office Building 9, 744 P Street, Sacramento, California, on March 7, 1986. The meeting was called to order at 9:15 a.m. by President Kahn.

Persons present:

FISH AND GAME COMMISSION

Brian J. Kahn	President
Abel C. Galletti	Vice President
Albert C. Taucher	Member
Robert A. Bryant	Member

COMMISSION STAFF

Harold C. Cribbs	Executive Secretary
Robert R. Treanor	Assistant Executive Secretary

ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE

Denis Smaage	Deputy Attorney General
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DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME

Jack C. Parnell	Director
Robert Fletcher	Deputy Director
Pete Bontadelli	Special Assistant to the Director
Eldridge Hunt	Chief, Wildlife Management Branch
DeWayne Johnston	Chief, Wildlife Protection Branch
Mel Odemar	Assistant Chief, Inland Fisheries Division
Terry Mansfield	Wildlife Management Supervisor
Bill Grenfell	Wildlife Management Supervisor
Robert V. Prosser	Warden

The following persons were also present and heard:

Michael K. Hall	Sportsman
Elwood Davis	Alpine County Fish and Game Committee
Paul O'Kane	Pacifica Sportsmen
Walt Bolster	Sportsman
John Hammons	President, Unified Sportsmen
Gerald Upholt	California Wildlife Federation
Vic Bergstrom	Sportsman
Bob Miller	Siskiyou County Sportsmen Association
Bud Hemman	Central Valley Sportsmen
Richard Peters	Siskiyou Houndsmen & Sportsmen

Ronald Parker	Siskiyou County Sportsmen Association
Mark Palmer	Sierra Club
Patricia Birmingham	Concerned Citizen
Lynne Kary	Placer County Resident
Bill Pringle	Sportsman
Ed Hague	Associated Sportsmen
Tim Elliott	Western Sierra Sportsmen
Bryant Bischof	Western Sierra Sportsmen
Grover Roberts	California Farm Bureau
Andy Caffrey	Rainbow Green Foundation
Connie Ross	Earth First!
Jeff Hoffman	Earth First!
David Ward	Student, Mira Loma High School
Slim Goodall	Placer County Sportsmen
Matthew Bailey	Sierra Club
Dennis Cavallo	Placer County Fish and Game Commission
Bud Ganoll	Concerned Citizen
Lynn Worthey	Concerned Citizen
Bruce Webb	Animal Protection Institute
Mary Mesmer	Sierra Club
Debbie Viess	Ohlone Audubon Society
Richard Spotts	Defenders of Wildlife
Bill Yeates	Mountain Lion Coalition
Tex Jennings	Western Sierra Sportsmen
Judy Johnson	Concerned Citizen
Mike Michael	Western Sierra Sportsmen
Bud Holmes	Sportsman
Vivian Vaught	Sierra Club
Sandra Lawson	Sierra Club
Nancy Frew	Concerned Citizen
John Wilson	Placer County Agricultural Commission
Shirley Finster	Animal Concern Groups
Dr. Denny Constantine	Department of Health Services
Lew Davis	Department of Food and Agriculture
Robert Smith	Attorney
Thelma Overholt	Concerned Citizen
David Miller	Milk Acres
Linda Morris	Concerned Citizen
Linda Moore	Concerned Citizen
Jeanette Armstrong	Ferret Association, Phoenix, AZ
Ilson New	Attorney
Bill Maloney	President, United Anglers
L. R. Blevins	Sportfisherman
Thomas Richardson	Richardson's Sporting Goods
Robin Burgstahler	San Francisco Recreation and Park Department
James Cooney	San Francisco Recreation and Park Department
Casey T. Kajiyama	Commercial Lobster Fisherman
Pete Vossler	Private Lands Management Area Licensee

President Kahn introduced members of the Commission, its staff, Director Parnell, Deputy Director Fletcher and Denis Smaage of the Attorney General's office.

President Kahn stated that two of the Commissioner's were delayed in arriving from Los Angeles and that they would be in attendance at the meeting shortly. He then introduced Ms. Terry Schuller. He stated that she was the winner of the Photograph of the Year Award for the Commission's 1985 Photography Award Program. He explained that Ms. Schuller was the first woman to win this honor. He noted that she was a registered nurse from Oxnard and had been interested in wildlife photography for the past 13 years. President Kahn then presented Ms. Schuller with a plaque that included a print of her award-winning photograph of a garabaldi.

The Executive Secretary stated that commissioners Kahn and Galletti would be acting as a subcommittee until commissioners Taucher and Bryant arrived from the airport. He stated that with the subcommittee's concurrence, they would hear items that would not take any action by the Commission. He noted that the meeting tapes would be provided to those Commissioners not present in order to inform them of the comments made on the items that they missed.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. READING AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF JANUARY 3, 1986 MEETING.

The Executive Secretary stated that inasmuch as the minutes of the January 3, 1986 meeting had been distributed to members of the Commission and its staff knew of no errors or omissions therein, it was suggested that the minutes be approved in their present form.

It was then:

MOVED BY MR. GALLETTI, SECONDED BY MR. BRYANT, THAT
INASMUCH AS THE MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 3, 1986 MEETING
HAVE BEEN DISTRIBUTED TO MEMBERS OF THE COMMISSION AND
THERE ARE NO KNOWN ERRORS OR OMISSIONS THEREIN, READING
BE DISPENSED WITH AND THEY BE APPROVED AS DISTRIBUTED.

PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

2. RECEIPT OF DEPARTMENT INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

The Executive Secretary noted that this item was scheduled to afford the Director an opportunity to present the Commission with informational items which may be of interest to it. Director Parnell stated that in order to save time, his staff had prepared a written report on informational items he felt would be of interest to the Commission, including recent storm damage, budget hearings, bighorn sheep move and legislation.

3. RECEIPT OF RECOMMENDATIONS FOR CHANGES IN THE 1986-87 MAMMAL HUNTING AND TRAPPING REGULATIONS.

The Executive Secretary stated that the Commission had before it a copy of the Department's recommended changes in the 1986-87 mammal hunting and trapping regulations. He noted that this item was being considered under the provisions of Section 211 of the Fish and Game Code for the purpose of receiving recommendations from the Commission's officers, the Department, other public agencies as well as organized groups and private citizens as to

what regulations changes should be made relating to mammals. Mr. Cribbs noted that under the provisions of sections 450-460 of the Fish and Game Code, special deer hunts (antlerless and either sex) will be considered at the same time and in the same manner as other changes in the deer hunting regulations. He noted that the Commission was not required to hold hearings on these special deer hunt proposals but, under the provisions of the statutes, the counties which have veto power may hold, on their own, a public hearing regarding special antlerless hunts in their counties and by resolution object to or recommend modification of the Department's proposals. He pointed out that such hearings must be held no later than March 1.

Mr. Cribbs then pointed out that during the receipt of recommendations, the Commission may receive testimony supporting any of the recommendations. He noted that the Commission ordinarily extended this courtesy, if requested, however it was preferred that persons wait until the second meeting (April 7, 1986 in San Diego) for presentation of arguments in support or in opposition to the proposed regulations. Mr. Cribbs stated that after all recommendations were received, they would be compiled by the Commission staff with written recommendations and would be mailed to Commissioners prior to the April 7 meeting. He noted that after considering all recommendations at the April 7 meeting, the Commission would announce its tentative approvals of those regulations it intended to adopt at its April 25 meeting in Long Beach. Mr. Cribbs stated that all correspondence received by the Commission office, which was postmarked no later than March 7, 1986 would be included in the compilation of recommendations for changes in the 1986-87 mammal hunting and trapping regulations. He pointed out that the Commissioners had before them copies of the Department's pre-publication of notice statements as well as the proposed regulations and changes and that these statements were available to the public from the Commission office.

President Kahn stated that he would like the Department to provide maps showing the different zones and the proposed season dates. He requested that the Department have those maps available for the Commission at the two April meetings. Mr. Hunt stated the Department would prepare those maps and have them available for the April 7 meeting. He noted that the Department had provided its proposed regulation changes and would be prepared for in depth discussion of those proposals at the Commission's April 7 meeting. President Kahn asked about the elk study on the north coast. Mr. Hunt stated that the Department had been working with Humboldt State University and landowners in Humboldt County. He noted that the decision had been made that further study was needed with the anticipation of providing for a special elk hunt next year.

Part 2. Game and Furbearers
 CHAPTER 1. GENERAL PROVISIONS AND DEFINITIONS

- (1) 250. General Prohibition Against Taking Resident Game Birds, Game Mammals and Furbearing Mammals. (No Change.)
- (2) 250.5 Shooting Time. (No Change.)
- (3) 251. Prohibition on Pursuing or Shooting Birds and Mammals from Motor-driven Air or Land Vehicles, Motorboats, Airboats, Sailboats or Snowmobiles. (No Change.)
- (4) 251.2 Permits to Pursue, Drive, Herd, or Take Birds and Mammals. (No Change.)
- (5) 251.5 Game Birds, Game Mammals, Furbearers and Nongame Animals, Possession of. (No Change.)
- (6) 251.6 Tagging of Live Domesticated Big Game Mammals. (No Change.)
- (7) 251.8 Transportation of Game Birds and Game Mammals Off Indian Reservations. (No Change.)
- (8) 252. Bag and Possession Limit Defined. (No Change.)
- (9) 255. Code Definitions Reaffirmed. (No Change.)
- (10) 257. Resident Small Game Defined. (No Change.)
- (11) 257.5 Prohibition Against Taking Resident Game Bird and Mammals by the Aid of Bait. (No Change.)
- (12) 258. Season Defined. (No Change.)
- (13) 260. Prohibition Against Taking Other Than Migratory Game Birds and Quail in Picacho State Recreation Area. (No Change.)
- (14) 260.1 Prohibition Against Hunting Other Than During September-January on Providence Mountains State Recreation Area. (No Change.)
- (15) 260.2 Hunting Restrictions on Lake Oroville State Recreation Area. (No Change.)
- (16) 260.3 Prohibition Against Taking Other Than Migratory Game Birds on San Luis Reservoir State Recreation Area. (No Change.)
- (17) 260.4 Prohibition Against Taking Other Than Waterfowl and Resident Small Game on Perris Reservoir State Recreation Area. (No Change.)

- (18) 260.5 Prohibition Against Taking Other Than Waterfowl, Coots and Gallinules, and Common Snipe Within Harry A. Merlo State Recreation Area. (No Change.)
- (19) 262. Prohibition Against Hunting on Portions of Frank's Tract State Recreation Area. (No Change.)
- (20) 263. Prohibition Against Night Hunting. (No Change.)
- (21) 264. Use of Lights While Hunting - Specific Areas. (No Change.)
- (22) 264.5 Use of Lights While Hunting - Remainder of State. (No Change.)
- (23) 265. Use of Dogs in Pursuit and/or Hunting of Mammals.
 (a) Use of Dogs Prohibited. The use of dogs for pursuit and/or hunting of mammals is prohibited as follows:
- (24) (1) From the first Saturday in April through the day preceding the opening of general deer season in the following areas:
 (A) Central California: (No Change.)
 (B) Northern California: (No Change.)
 (C) Southern Sierra: (No Change.)
 (D) Southern California: (No Change.)
 (E) (No Change.)
- (25) (2) During the extra archery seasons for deer and/or bear.
 (b) The use of dogs for pursuit and/or hunting of mammals is permitted as follows:
 (1) (No Change.)
 (2) (No Change.)
- (26) (3) During the general deer season no more than one dog per hunter may be used in the area where the general deer season is open except during the general bear season when there is no limit on the number of dogs used, and in the following part of Imperial County: Beginning at the junction of Highway 111 and the Imperial-Riverside county line south to Beal Road; east on Beal Road to East Highland Canal; south on East Highland Canal to Interstate 8; southeast on Interstate 8 to Highway 98; west on Highway 98 to West Side Main Canal; north on West Side Main Canal to Forrester Road (County Highway S30); north on Forrester Road (County Highway S30) to Highway 86; northwest on Highway 86 to the Imperial-Riverside County line; and east along the Imperial-Riverside county line to the point of beginning. (This section supersedes Section 4756 of the Fish and Game Code relating to the use of dogs to pursue bear while the general deer season is open.)
- (27) (4) Up to three dogs per hunter may be used for the purpose of taking wild pigs, except that:
 (A) no more than one dog per hunter may be used in an area where the general deer season is open;
 (B) there is no limit on the number of dogs that may be used during the general bear season; and
 (C) (No Change.)
- (28) (5) Furbearers and nongame mammals as specified in Section 472(a) may be taken with the aid of dogs during the appropriate open season except for closures and restrictions described in Section 265(a)† and (b).
 (c) Dog Training: (No Change.)
- (29) (1) Seasons:

- (A) (No Change.)
- (B) Gray fox may be pursued with the aid of dogs from March 1 through the day preceding the opening of the gray fox season, except for closures and restrictions described in Section 265(a) and (b).
- (C) Raccoon may be pursued with the aid of dogs from April 1 through the day preceding the opening of the raccoon season, except for closures and restrictions described in Section 265(a) and (b).
- (D) Bobcat may be pursued with the aid of dogs from the day following the close of bobcat season through the day preceding the opening of the bobcat season, except for closures and restrictions described in Section 265(a) and (b).
- (2) Conditions:
 - (A) (No Change.)
- (30) (B) No firearm, archery gear, crossbow or other weapon capable of killing or capturing any animal may be possessed by any person while using dogs under the authority of a permit to pursue mountain lions or by any person training or practicing dogs during the seasons described in subsection (c)(1)(A) of this section.
 - (C) (No Change.)
- (31) Authority: Sections 200, 202, 203, 206, 207, 213, 215, 217, 219, 3800, and 4150 ~~and 4854~~, Fish and Game Code.
Reference: Sections 200-203.1, 206, 207, 211-213, 215, 217, 220, 4150, and 4756 ~~and 4850-4854~~, Fish and Game Code.

CHAPTER 2. RESIDENT SMALL GAME

- (32) 307. Tree Squirrels. (No Change.)
- (33) 308. Brush, Cottontail and Pigmy Rabbits and Varying Hare (Snowshoe). (No Change.)
- (34) 309. Jack Rabbits, Black-tailed and White-tailed. (No Change.)
- (35) 310. Shooting Hours on Resident Small Game Mammals. (No Change.)
- (36) 311. Methods Authorized for Taking Resident Small Game and Migratory Game Birds. (No Change.)
- (37) 311.6 Prohibition of Rifles and Pistols in Picacho and Providence Mountains State Recreation Areas. (No Change.)
- (38) 311.7 Use of Rifles and Pistols in Los Angeles County. (No Change.)
- (39) 312. Sporting Hunting License: Non-transferable Tags as Permits. (No Change.)

CHAPTER 3. BIG GAME

- (40) 350. Big Game Defined.
"Big game" means the following: deer (genus *Odocoileus*), elk (genus *Cervus*), pronghorn antelope (genus *Antilocarpa*), wild pig (feral pigs, European wild pigs and their hybrids (genus *Sus*)), and black bear (genus *Ursus*) and mountain lion (genus *Felis*).
- (41) 350.5. Specially Protected Mammal Defined.
~~"Specially protected mammal" means the following: mountain lion (genus *Felis*).~~
- (42) 351. Forked Horn Buck, Three Point Buck, Antlerless and Either Sex Deer Defined. (No Change.)
- (43) 352. Shooting Hours on Big Game. (No Change.)
- (44) 353. Methods Authorized for Taking Big Game. (No Change.)
- (45) 354. Archery Equipment Regulations. (No Change.)
- (46) 360. Deer.
(a) A, B and D Zone Hunts.
(1) Zone A. (No Change.)
- (47) (2) Zone B-1.
(A) Area: In the County of Del Norte and those portions of Glenn, Humboldt, Lake, Mendocino, Siskiyou and Trinity counties within a line: Beginning at the California-Oregon state line and the Pacific Ocean; east along the state line to the point where Cook-Green Pass Road (Forest Service Road 48N20) intersects the California-Oregon state line; south on the Cook-Green Pass Road to Highway 96 near Seiad Valley; west and south along Highway 96 to Highway 299 at Willow Creek; southeast along Highway 299 to the South Fork of the Trinity River; southeast along the South Fork of the Trinity River to the boundary of the Yolla Bolly-Middle Eel Wilderness Area; southwest along the boundary of the Yolla Bolly-Middle Eel Wilderness Area ~~to the North Fork of the Middle Fork of the Eel River; south along the North Fork of the Middle Fork of the Eel River to the Middle Fork of the Eel River at Fern Point; south along the Middle Fork of the Eel River to the Black Butte River; to the~~ Four Corners Rock-Washington Rock Trail; south and east on the Four Corners Rock-Washington Rock Trail to the boundary of the Yolla Bolly-Middle Eel Wilderness Area; east and south on the Yolla Bolly-Middle Eel Wilderness boundary to Summit Trail; south on Summit Trail to the Pacific Crest Road (U.S. Forest Service Road 24N02); south on the Pacific Crest Road to Government Flat; south on the Mendocino Pass Road to the intersection of Forest Highway 7, west on Forest Highway 7 to the Middle Fork of the Eel River near Eel River Work Center; southwest on the Middle Fork of the Eel River to the Black Butte River; southeast along the Black Butte River to the Glenn-Mendocino county line; south along the Glenn-Mendocino and Lake-Mendocino county lines to the northern boundary of State Game Refuge 2-A; east and south along the northern and eastern boundaries of State Game Refuge 2-A to the Glenn-Lake county line near Sheetiron Mountain; south along the Glenn-Lake and Colusa-Lake county lines to Forest Service Road 18N01;

west on Forest Service Road 18N01 to the Rice Fork of the Eel River; northwest along the Rice Fork of the Eel River and the shore of Lake Pillsbury to the Main Eel River at Scott Dam; west and north along the Main Eel River to the Hearst-Willits Road; southwest on the Hearst-Willits Road to Commercial Avenue; west on Commercial Avenue to Highway 101; north on Highway 101 to its intersection with the South Fork of the Eel River; north and west along the South Fork of the Eel River to the main Eel River; west and north along the main Eel River to mouth of the Eel River and north along the Pacific coastline to the point of beginning.

(B) Season: (No Change.)

(C) Bag and Possession Limit: (No Change.)

(D) Number of Permits: (No Change.)

(3) Zone B-2. (No Change.)

(4) Zone B-3.

(48) (A) Area: In those portions of Colusa, Glenn, Lake, Mendocino, Shasta and Tehama and Trinity counties within a line beginning at the intersection of Highway 299 and Interstate 5 in Redding; and Black Butte Reservoir Road; south on Interstate 5 to the Glenn-Colusa county line; west along the Glenn-Colusa county line to the Elk Creek-Stonyford Road (County Road 306); south on the Elk Creek-Stonyford Road to the Letts Valley-Fouts Spring Road; west on the Letts Valley-Fouts Spring Road through Fouts Spring to Forest Service Road 18N01; west on Forest Service Road 18N01 to the Colusa-Lake county line; north along the Colusa-Lake and Glenn-Lake county lines to the eastern boundary of State Game Refuge 2-A, near Sheetiron Mountain; north and west along the eastern and northern boundaries of State Game Refuge 2-A to the Lake-Mendocino county line; north on the Lake-Mendocino and Glenn-Mendocino county lines to the Black Butte River; northwest along the Black Butte River to the Middle Fork of the Eel River; east and north along the Middle Fork of the Eel River to ~~the North Fork of the Middle Fork of the Eel River at Fern Point; north along the North Fork of the Middle Fork of the Eel River to the boundary of the Yolla-Bolly Middle Eel Wilderness Area; north along the boundary of the Yolla-Bolly Middle Eel Wilderness Area to the Tehama Trinity county line; north on the Tehama Trinity county line to Forest Service Arterial Road 41 at Stuart Gap; north on Forest Service Arterial Road 41 to Highway 36; west on Highway 36 (200 yards) to the Browns Creek Harrison Gulch Road; north on the Browns Creek Harrison Gulch Road to the Shasta-Trinity county line; northeast along the Shasta-Trinity county line to Mud Springs where the Bully Choop Mountain Road joins the Shasta-Trinity county line; north on the Bully Choop Mountain Road to Highway 299 at Buckhorn Summit and the Shasta-Trinity county line; east on Highway 299 to Interstate 5 in Redding. Forest Highway 7 near the Eel River work Center; east on Forest Highway 7 to the Low Gap-Government Flat Road; north on the Low Gap-Government Flat Road to the Round Valley-Paskenta Road at Government Flat; east on the Round Valley-Paskenta Road to the Black Butte Lake-Newville Road; south and east on the Black Butte Lake-Newville Road to Interstate 5 at the point of beginning.~~

(B) Season: (No Change.)

(C) Bag and Possession Limit: No change.

(49) (D) Number of Permits: ~~12,500~~-3,500.

(5) Zone B-4. (No Change.)

- (6) Zone D-1. (No Change.)
 (7) Zone D-2-a.
- (50) (A) Area: In those portions of Shasta and Siskiyou counties within a line beginning at the junction of Interstate 5 and Highway 89 south of the town of Mt. Shasta; east and south on Highway 89 to the McArthur Road (Shasta County A19); ~~southeast on the McArthur Road to Highway 299 at McArthur; west on Highway 299 to Highway 89; south on Highway 89 to Highway 44 at Old Station; west on Highway 44 to Interstate 5 at Redding;~~ to the Pit River at Lake Britton; west and south along the Pit River to Interstate 5 at Shasta Lake; north on Interstate 5 to Highway 89 at Mt. Shasta.
- (51) (B) Season: The season in Zone D-2a shall open on the ~~third~~first Saturday in ~~September~~October and extend for ~~24~~23 consecutive days.
 (C) Bag and Possession Limit: No change.
- (52) (D) Number of Permits: ~~8,000~~3,500 permits.
- (53) (8) Zone D-2b.
 (A) Area: In that portion of Shasta County within a line beginning at the intersection of Cottonwood Creek and Interstate 5 at Cottonwood; north on Interstate 5 to the Pit River at Shasta Lake; east and north on the Pit River to Highway 89 at Lake Britton, south on Highway 89 to Highway 44 at Old Station; south and west on Highway 44 to the North Fork of Battle Creek; southwest on the North Fork of Battle Creek to Battle Creek; west on Battle Creek to the Sacramento River; north on the Sacramento River to the mouth of Cottonwood Creek; west on Cottonwood Creek to the point of beginning.
 (B) Season: The season in Zone D-2b shall open on the third Saturday in September and extend for 30 consecutive days.
 (C) Bag and Possession Limit: One buck, forked horn (see Section 351(a)) or better, per season.
 (D) Number of Permits: 4,300.
- (54) ~~(8)~~(9) Zone D-3.
 (A) Area: (No Change.)
 (B) Season: (No Change.)
 (C) Bag and Possesesion Limit: (No Change.)
 (D) Number of Permits: (No Change.)
- (55) ~~(9)~~(10) Zone D-4.
 (A) Area: (No Change.)
 (B) Season: (No Change.)
 (C) Bag and Possesesion Limit: (No Change.)
 (D) Number of Permits: (No Change.)
- (56) ~~(10)~~(11) Zone D-5.
 (A) Area: (No Change.)
 (B) Season: (No Change.)
 (C) Bag and Possesesion Limit: (No Change.)
 (D) Number of Permits: (No Change.)
- (57) ~~(11)~~(12) Zone D-6.
 (A) Area: (No Change.)
 (B) Season: (No Change.)
 (C) Bag and Possesesion Limit: (No Change.)
 (D) Number of Permits: (No Change.)
- (58) ~~(12)~~(13) Zone D-7.
 (A) Area: (No Change.)
 (B) Season: (No Change.)
 (C) Bag and Possesesion Limit: (No Change.)

- (D) Number of Permits: (No Change.)
- (59) ~~(13)~~(14) Zone D-8.
(A) Area: (No Change.)
(B) Season: (No Change.)
(C) Bag and Possesesion Limit: (No Change.)
(D) Number of Permits: (No Change.)
- (60) ~~(14)~~(15) Zone D-9.
(A) Area: (No Change.)
(B) Season: (No Change.)
(C) Bag and Possesesion Limit: (No Change.)
(D) Number of Permits: (No Change.)
- (61) ~~(15)~~(16) Zone D-10.
(A) Area: (No Change.)
(B) Season: (No Change.)
(C) Bag and Possesesion Limit: (No Change.)
(D) Number of Permits: (No Change.)
- (62) ~~(16)~~(17) Zone D-11.
(A) Area: (No Change.)
(B) Season: (No Change.)
(C) Bag and Possesesion Limit: (No Change.)
(D) Number of Permits: (No Change.)
- (63) ~~(17)~~(18) Zone D-12.
(A) Area: (No Change.)
(B) Season: (No Change.)
(C) Bag and Possesesion Limit: (No Change.)
(D) Number of Permits: (No Change.)
- (64) ~~(18)~~(19) Zone D-13.
(A) Area: (No Change.)
(B) Season: (No Change.)
(C) Bag and Possesesion Limit: (No Change.)
(D) Number of Permits: (No Change.)
- (65) ~~(19)~~(20) Zone D-14.
(A) Area: (No Change.)
(B) Season: (No Change.)
(C) Bag and Possesesion Limit: (No Change.)
(D) Number of Permits: (No Change.)
- (66) ~~(20)~~(21) Zone D-15.
(A) Area: (No Change.)
(B) Season: (No Change.)
(C) Bag and Possesesion Limit: (No Change.)
(D) Number of Permits: (No Change.)
- (67) ~~(21)~~(22) Zone D-16.
(A) Area: (No Change.)
(B) Season: (No Change.)
(C) Bag and Possesesion Limit: (No Change.)
(D) Number of Permits: (No Change.)
- (68) ~~(22)~~(23) Zone D-17.
(A) Area: (No Change.)
(B) Season: (No Change.)
(C) Bag and Possesesion Limit: (No Change.)
(D) Number of Permits: (No Change.)
- (69) (24) Zone D-18.
(A) Area: In those portions of Glenn, Mendocino, Shasta, Tehama and Trinity counties within a line beginning at the intersection of Highway

299 and Interstate 5 in Redding; south along Interstate 5 to Black Butte Lake-Newville Road near Orland, west and north on the Black Butte Lake-Newville Road to the Round Valley-Paskenta Road; west on the Round Valley-Paskenta Road to the Pacific Crest Road (U.S. Forest Service Road 24N02) near Government Flat, north on the Pacific Crest Road to the Summit Trailhead at Green Springs; north and west on the Summit Trail to the Yolla Bolly-Middle Eel Wilderness boundary; north and west on the Yolla Bolly-Middle Eel Wilderness boundary to the Four Corners Rock-Washington Rock Trail; north and west on the Four Corners Rock-Washington Rock Trail to the boundary of the Yolla Bolly-Middle Eel Wilderness Area; north along the boundary of the Yolla Bolly-Middle Eel Wilderness Area to the Tehama-Trinity county line; north on the Tehama-Trinity county line to Forest Service Arterial Road 41 at Stuart Gap; north on Forest Service Arterial Road 41 to Highway 36; west on Highway 36 (200 yards) to the Browns Creek-Harrison Gulch Road; north on the Browns Creek-Harrison Gulch Road to the Shasta-Trinity county line; northeast along the Shasta-Trinity county line to Mud Springs where the Bully Choop Mountain Road joins the Shasta-Trinity county line; north on the Bully Choop Mountain Road to Highway 299 at Buckhorn Summit and the Shasta-Trinity county line; east on Highway 299 to Interstate 5 in Redding.

(B) Season: The season in Zone D-18 shall open on the third Saturday in September and extend for 16 consecutive days.

(C) Bag and Possession Limit: One buck, forked horn (see Section 351(a)) or better, per season.

(D) Number of Permits: 4,400.

(b) X-Zone Hunts.

(1) Zone X-1.

(70) (A) Area: In those portions of Lassen, Modoc, Shasta and Siskiyou counties within a line beginning at the California-Oregon state line and its intersection with Highway 139; south on Highway 139 to the Lookout-Hackamore Road; south on the Lookout-Hackamore Road to Highway 299; west on Highway 299 to ~~the Dana McArthur Road (Shasta County A-19) at McArthur; west on the Dana McArthur Road~~ the Pit River near Bieber; south and west on the Pit River to Highway 89 at Lake Britton; northwest on Highway 89 to Interstate 5 at Mt. Shasta; north on Interstate 5 to the California-Oregon state line; east on the California-Oregon state line to the point of beginning.

(B) Season: (No Change.)

(C) Bag and Possession Limit: (No Change.)

(D) Number of Permits: (No Change.)

(2) Zone X-2. (No Change.)

(71) (3) Zone X-3-a.

(A) Area: In those portions of Lassen and Modoc counties within a line beginning at ~~the east shoreline of Goose Lake and the California-Oregon state line; east along this state line to the California-Nevada state line; south along the California-Nevada state line to the Clarks Valley Red Rock Tuledad Road (Lassen County 512 and 510); west on the Clarks Valley Red Rock Tuledad Road to Highway 395 at Madeline; north along Highway 395 to the Ash Valley Road; west along the Ash Valley Road to Highway 299; southwest along Highway 299~~ the intersection of the Lookout - Hackamore Road and Highway 139; southeast on Highway 139 to Highway 299; east on Highway 299 to Highway 395 in Alturas; south on Highway 395 to the Termo-Grasshopper Road (Lassen County 513); west on

the Termo-Grasshopper Road to Highway 139; south on Highway 139 to the Cleghorn Road (Lassen County 521); west and north on the Cleghorn Road to the Slate Creek Springs-Sheepshead Valley-Corral Valley Road; north and west on the Slate Creek Springs-Sheepshead Valley-Corral Valley Road to U.S. Forest Service Designated Through Route 22 near Black Hole; west and north on U.S. Forest Service Designated Through Route 22 to the Little Valley Road (Lassen County 404); north on the Little Valley Road to the Western Pacific Railroad; northeast on the Western Pacific Railroad to Horse Creek; northwest on Horse Creek to the Pit River; north on the Pit River to Highway 299 at Bieber; northeast on Highway 299 to the Bieber-Lookout-Hackamore Road; north along the Bieber-Lookout-Hackamore Road to Highway 139; southeast along Highway 139 to Highway 299 near Canby; east along Highway 299 to Highway 395 in Alturas; north along Highway 395 to Westside Road (Modoc County 48) in Davis Creek; west and north along Westside Road to the south shoreline of Goose Lake; east and north along the south shoreline of Goose Lake to the point of beginning.

(B) Season: The season in Zone X-3a shall open on the first Saturday in October and extend for 16 consecutive days.

(C) Bag and Possession Limit: (No Change.)

(72) (D) Number of Permits: 7,500-2,550.

(73) (4) Zone X-3b.

(A) Area: In those portions of Lassen and Modoc counties within a line beginning at the east shoreline of Goose Lake and the California-Oregon state line; east along this state line to the California-Nevada state line; south along the California-Nevada state line to the Clarks Valley-Red Rock-Tuledad Road (Lassen County 512 and 510); west along the Tuledad Red Rock-Clarks Valley Road to Highway 395 at Madeline; north on Highway 395 to Westside Road (Modoc County 48) in Davis Creek; west and north along Westside Road to the south shoreline of Goose Lake; east and north along the south and east shoreline of Goose Lake to the point of beginning.

(B) Season: The season in Zone X-3b shall open on the first Saturday in October and extend for 16 consecutive days.

(C) Bag and Possession Limit: One buck, three points or better (see Section 351(b)) or better, per season.

(D) Number of Permits: 4,550.

(74) ~~(4)~~(5) Zone X-4.

(75) (A) Area: In those portions of Lassen, Modoc and Shasta counties within a line beginning at the junction of Highways 89 and 44 at Old Station; north on Highway 89 to ~~Highway 299; east on Highway 299 to the Ash Valley Road at Adin; east on the Ash Valley Road through Ash Valley to Highway 395 at Madeline; south on Highway 395 to the Termo Grasshopper Road (Lassen County 513); west on the Termo Grasshopper Road to Highway 139; south on Highway 139~~ the intersection with the Pit River at Lake Britton; east and south on the Pit River to Horse Creek; southeast on Horse Creek to the Western Pacific Railroad; southwest on the Western Pacific Railroad to the Little Valley Road (Lassen County 404); south on the Little Valley Road to U.S. Forest Service Designated Through Route 22 to the Slate Creek Springs-Sheepshead Valley-Corral Valley Road (near Black Hole); south and east on the Slate Creek Springs-Sheepshead Valley-Corral Springs Road to Cleghorn Road (Lassen County 521) at **Grasshopper Fire Station**; west on Cleghorn Road to the Dow Butte Road (Lassen County 519); south on the Dow Butte Road to the Champs Flat Road

(Lassen County 105); southwest on the Champs Flat Road to Highway 44; west and north across Highway 44 to the Silver Lake Road (Lassen County Road A21); southwest on the Silver Lake Road to Lassen County Road 110; west on the Jewel Lake Trail to the Caribou Wilderness Area boundary; north and west along the Caribou Wilderness Area boundary to the Lassen National Park boundary at Sunrise Peak; north and west along the Lassen National Park boundary to Manzanita Lake Road; west on Manzanita Lake Road to Highway 44; north and east on Highway 44 to the point of beginning.

- (B) Season: (No Change.)
- (76) (C) Bag and Possession Limit: One buck, ~~threetwo~~ two points (See Section 351(~~ba~~)) or better, per season.
- (77) (D) Number of Permits: ~~2,400~~ 1,500.
- (78) ~~(5)~~ (6) Zone X-5a.
(A) Area: (No Change.)
(B) Season: (No Change.)
(C) Bag and Possession Limit: (No Change.)
- (79) (D) Number of Permits: ~~275~~ 250.
- (80) ~~(6)~~ (7) Zone X-5b.
(A) Area: (No Change.)
(B) Season: (No Change.)
(C) Bag and Possession Limit: (No Change.)
- (81) (D) Number of Permits: ~~650~~ 600.
- (82) ~~(7)~~ (8) Zone X-5c.
(A) Area: (No Change.)
(B) Season: (No Change.)
(C) Bag and Possession Limit: (No Change.)
- (83) (D) Number of Permits: ~~1,000~~ 900.
- (84) ~~(8)~~ (9) Zone X-6.
(A) Area: (No Change.)
- (85) (B) Season: The season in Zone X-6 shall open on the ~~first~~ last Saturday in ~~October~~ September and extend for ~~10~~ 17 consecutive days.
(C) Bag and Possession Limit: (No Change.)
- (86) (D) Number of Permits: ~~4,400~~ 4,000.
- (87) ~~(9)~~ (10) Zone X-7a.
(A) Area: (No Change.)
- (88) (B) Season: The season in Zone X-7a shall open on the ~~first~~ fourth Saturday in ~~October~~ September and extend for ~~10~~ 9 consecutive days.
(C) Bag and Possession Limit: (No Change.)
- (89) (D) Number of Permits: ~~1,200~~ 1,100.
- (90) ~~(10)~~ (11) Zone X-7b.
(A) Area: (No Change.)
- (91) (B) Season: The season in Zone X-7b shall open on the ~~first~~ fourth Saturday in ~~October~~ September and extend for ~~10~~ 9 consecutive days.
(C) Bag and Possession Limit: (No Change.)
- (92) (D) Number of Permits: ~~700~~ 650.
- (93) ~~(11)~~ (12) Zone X-8.
(A) Area: (No Change.)
- (94) (B) Season: The season in Zone X-8 shall open on the ~~first~~ second Saturday in ~~October~~ September and extend for ~~10~~ 16 consecutive days.
(C) Bag and Possession Limit: (No Change.)
(D) Number of Permits: (No Change.)
- (95) ~~(12)~~ (13) Zone X-9.
(A) Area: (No Change.)

- (96) (B) Season: The season in Zone X-9 shall open on the ~~third~~second Saturday in September and extend for ~~24~~23 consecutive days.
 (C) Bag and Possession Limit: (No Change.)
 (D) Number of Permits: (No Change.)
- (97) ~~(13)~~(14) Zone X-10.
 (A) Area: (No Change.)
- (98) (B) Seasons:
 1. For Period One the season in Zone X-10 shall open on the last Saturday in September and extend for ~~23~~16 consecutive days.
 2. For Period Two the season in Zone X-10 shall open on the ~~second~~third Saturday in ~~December~~October and extend for 9~~16~~ consecutive days.
 3. For Period Three the season in Zone X-10 shall open on the ~~fourth~~third Saturday in ~~December~~November and extend for 9 consecutive days.
 4. For Period Four the season in Zone X-10 shall open on the first Saturday in December and extend for 9 consecutive days.
- (99) (C) Bag and Possession Limit:
 1. One buck, forked horn (See Section 351(a)) or better, per season for archery hunting and hunt Periods One, Two and Three (See Section 360(b)(13)(B)1.).
 2. One buck, three points (See Section 351(b)) or better, per season for hunt Periods Two and Three~~Four~~ (See Section 360(b)(13)(B)2 and 3.).
- (100) (D) Number of Permits: ~~700~~850.
 1. Archery is limited to ~~those~~individuals with a valid Zone X-10 tag for hunt Period One, Two or ~~Three~~Four.
 2. applicants must specify Period One (~~600~~400 permits) or Period Two (~~50~~300 permits) or Period Three (~~50~~75 permits) or Period Four (~~75~~ permits) (See Section 360(b)(13)(B)1., 2. ~~and~~, 3. ~~and~~ 4.) when applying for this hunt.
 (E) Special Conditions: For Period Three, only muzzle-loading rifles as specified in Section 353(d) may be used.
- (101) ~~(14)~~(15) Zone X-11.
- (102) (A) Area: In those portions of Butte, Glenn, Lassen, Plumas, Shasta and Tehama counties within a line beginning at the junction of Interstate 5 and Cottonwood Creek at Cottonwood; east on Cottonwood Creek to the Sacramento River; south on the Sacramento River to Battle Creek; east on Battle Creek to the North Fork of Battle Creek; northeast on the north fork of Battle Creek to Highway 44 in Redding; east on Highway 44 to Highway 89 at the north entrance of Lassen Volcanic National Park; northeast on Highways 44 and 89 to Old Station; east on Manzanita Lake Road to the Lassen Volcanic National Park boundary; north and east along the Lassen National Park boundary to its intersection with the Caribou Wilderness Area boundary at Sunrise Peak; east and south along the Caribou Wilderness Area boundary to the Jewel Lake Trail; east on the Jewel Lake Trail to its junction with Lassen County Road 110 near Silver Lake; east on Lassen County Road 110 to its junction with the Silver Lake Road (Lassen County Road A21); north and east on the Silver Lake Road to Highway 44; southeast on Highway 44 to Highway 36 west of Susanville; west on Highway 36 to Highway 147 near Westwood; south on Highway 147 to Highway 89; south on Highway 89 to Highway 70; southeast on Highway 70 to Highway 162 at Oroville; west on Highway 162 to Interstate 5; north on Interstate 5 to Highway 44 to Cottonwood Creek to the point of beginning.
 (B) Seasons: (No Change.)

- (C) Bag and Possession Limit: (No Change.)
 (D) Number of Permits: (No Change.)
 1. Archery is limited to those with a valid Zone X-titan archery only tag. for hunt Period One or Two.
 2. (No Change.)
- (103) (b)(15)(16) Zone X-12.
 (A) Area: (No Change.)
- (104) (B) Season: The season in Zone X-12 shall open on the thirdsecond Saturday in September and extend for 2423 consecutive days.
 (C) Bag and Possession Limit: (No Change.)
- (105) (D) Number of Permits: (No Change.)
 (e) Special Hunts.
 (1)XS-1 Shasta-Trinity Special Buck Hunt, Shasta and Trinity counties.
 (A) Area: (No Change.)
- (106) (B) Season: The season for the Shasta-Trinity XS-1 Special Buck Hunt shall open on the thirdfourth Saturday in November and extend for 9 consecutive days.
 (C) Bag and Possession Limit: (No Change.)
 (D) Number of Permits: (No Change.)
- (107) ~~(2) XS-2 Goodale Special Buck Hunt, Inyo County.~~
~~(A) Area: In that portion of Inyo County within a line beginning at the intersection of Highway 395 and Lone Pine Creek; west along Lone Pine Creek to the Inyo-Tulare county line; northwest along the Inyo-Tulare and Inyo-Fresno county lines to Taboose Creek; east along Taboose Creek to Highway 395; south along Highway 395 to the point of beginning.~~
~~(B) Season: The season for the Goodale XS-2 Special Hunt shall open on the first Saturday in December and extend for 16 consecutive days.~~
~~(C) Bag and Possession Limit: One buck, three points (See Section 351(b)) or better, per season.~~
~~(D) Number of Permits: 50.~~
- (108) ~~(3)~~(2) S-1 San Diego Archery Either Sex Deer Hunt, San Diego County.
 (A) Area: (No Change.)
 (B) Season: (No Change.)
 (C) Bag and Possession Limit: (No Change.)
 (D) Number of Permits: (No Change.)
- (109) ~~(4)~~(3) S-2 Los Angeles Either Sex Archery Deer Hunt, Los Angeles County.
 (A) Area: (No Change.)
 (B) Season: (No Change.)
 (C) Bag and Possession Limit: (No Change.)
 (D) Number of Permits: (No Change.)
- (110) ~~(5)~~(4) S-3 ~~Santa Catalina Island Either Sex Deer Hunt, Los Angeles County.~~
~~(A) Area: All of Santa Catalina Island, with the exception of the City of Avalon.~~
~~(B) Season: The season for the Santa Catalina Island Either Sex Deer Hunt S-3 shall open on the second Monday in October and extend for 42 consecutive days.~~
~~(C) Bag and Possession Limit: One either sex deer per season.~~
~~(D) Number of Permits: 300.~~
Beale Either Sex Deer Hunt, Yuba County.
(A) Area: That portion of Yuba County lying within the exterior boundaries of Beale Air Force Base.
(B) Season: The season for the Beale Either Sex Deer Hunt S-3 shall open on the second Saturday in September and extend for 51 consecutive

- days.
- (C) Bag and Possession Limit: One either sex deer per season.
- (D) Number of Permits: 20. (Military only)
- (E) Special Conditions: Only shotguns with solid slugs or muzzle-loading rifles as specified in subsection (d) of Section 353 may be used.
- (111) ~~(6)~~(5) S-4 Fort Ord Either Sex Deer Hunt, Monterey County.
 (A) Area: (No Change.)
 (B) Season: (No Change.)
 (C) Bag and Possession Limit: (No Change.)
- (112) (D) Number of Permits: 200 (~~+00~~50 military and ~~+00~~150 general public).
 (E) Special Conditions: (No Change.)
- (113) ~~(7)~~(6) S-5 Fort Hunter Liggett Antlerless Deer Hunt, Monterey County.
 (A) Area: (No Change.)
 (B) Season: (No change.)
 (C) Bag and Possession Limit: (No Change.)
 (D) Number of Permits: (No Change.)
- (114) ~~(E) Special Conditions: Only shotguns with solid slugs, archery equipment as specified in Section 354, or muzzle loading rifles as specified in subsection (d) of Section 353 may be used.~~
- (115) ~~(8)~~(7) S-6 Camp Roberts Antlerless Deer Hunt, San Luis Obispo County.
 (A) Area: (No Change.)
 (B) Season: (No Change.)
- (116) (C) Bag and Possession Limit: ~~5040~~ (2520 military and 2520 general public).
 (D) Number of Permits: (No Change.)
- (117) ~~(9)~~(8) S-7 Monterey Archery Either Sex Deer Hunt, Monterey County.
 (A) Area: (No Change.)
 (B) Season: (No Change.)
 (C) Bag and Possession Limit: (No Change.)
 (D) Number of Permits: (No Change.)
- (118) ~~(+0)~~(9) S-8 Monterey Private Lands Antlerless Deer Hunt, Monterey County.
 (A) Area: (No Change.)
 (B) Season: (No Change.)
 (C) Bag and Possession Limit: (No Change.)
 (D) Number of Permits: (No Change.)
- (119) ~~(+1)~~(10) S-9 Tenaja Antlerless Deer Hunt, Orange County and portions of Riverside and San Diego counties.
 (A) Area: (No Change.)
 (B) Season: (No Change.)
 (C) Bag and Possession Limit: (No Change.)
 (D) Number of Permits: (No Change.)
- (120) ~~(+2)~~(11) S-10 Camp Pendleton Either Sex Deer Hunt, San Diego County.
 (A) Area: (No Change.)
 (B) Season: (No Change.)
 (C) Bag and Possession Limit: (No Change.)
- (121) (D) Number of Permits: ~~+66~~160 (8680 military and 80 general public).
 (E) Special Conditions: (No Change.)
- (122) ~~(+3)~~(12) S-11 San Diego Antlerless Deer Hunt, San Diego County.
 (A) Area: (No Change.)
 (B) Season: (No Change.)
 (C) Bag and Possession Limit: (No Change.)
 (D) Number of Permits: (No Change.)
- (123) ~~(+4)~~(13) S-12 Vandenberg Antlerless Deer Hunt, Santa Barbara County.
 (A) Area: (No Change.)

- (B) Season: (No Change.)
 (C) Bag and Possession Limit: (No Change.)
 (D) Number of Permits: (No Change.)
- (124) ~~(15)~~(14) S-13 Gray Lodge Archery Either Sex Deer Hunt, Butte and Sutter counties.
 (A) Area: (No Change.)
 (B) Season: (No Change.)
 (C) Bag and Possession Limit: (No Change.)
 (D) Number of Permits: (No Change.)
 (E) Special Conditions: (No Change.)
- (125) ~~(16)~~(15) S-14 Ventana Wilderness Either Sex Deer Hunt, Monterey County.
 (A) Area: (No Change.)
 (B) Season: (No Change.)
 (C) Bag and Possession Limit: (No Change.)
 (D) Number of Permits: (No Change.)
- (126) ~~(E) Special Conditions: Only shotguns with solid slugs, archery equipment as specified in Section 354, or muzzle loading rifles as specified in subsection (d) of Section 353 may be used.~~
- (127) ~~(17)~~(16) S-15 Bass Hill Archery ~~Buck~~Either Sex Deer Hunt, Lassen County.
 (A) Area: (No Change.)
- (128) (B) Season: The season in the Bass Hill Archery ~~Buck~~Either Sex Deer Hunt S-15 shall open on the third Saturday in November and extend for 23 consecutive days.
- (129) (C) Bag and Possession Limit: One buck, forked horn (See Section 351(a)) or better, per season-either sex deer per season.
 (D) Number of Permits: (No Change.)
 (E) Special Conditions: (No Change.)
- (130) ~~(18)~~(17) S-16 Devil's Garden Muzzle Loading Rifle Hunt, Modoc County.
- (131) (A) Area: That portion of Modoc County within a line beginning at the intersection of Highway 139 the Marlin Road (Modoc County 114) and the California/Oregon state line; east along the stateline to ~~its intersection with the Crowder Flat Road; south along the Crowder Flat Road to its intersection with the Blue Mountain/Clear Lake Road; west on the Blue Mountain/Clear Lake Road to its intersection with County Road 202; west on County Road 202 to its intersection with County Road 141; west on County Road 141 to its intersection with the Blue Mountain Road (Modoc County 136); west on the Blue Mountain Road to the Blue Mountain-Mowitz Butte-Ambrose Road; south on the Blue Mountain-Mowitz Butte-Ambrose Road to Highway 139; north on Highway 139 to the Marlin Road; north on the Marlin Road to the point of beginning.~~
- (132) (B) Season: The season for the Devil's Garden Muzzle-Loading Rifle Hunt shall open on the last Saturday in October and extend for 916 consecutive days.
 (C) Bag and Possession Limit: (No Change.)
- (133) (D) Number of Permits: 50-100.
- (134) (E) Special Conditions: Only muzzle-loading rifles specified in Section 353(d) may be used.
- (135) ~~(19)~~(18) S-17 Santa Barbara Muzzle-Loading Rifle Hunt, Santa Barbara County.
 (A) Area: (No Change.)
 (B) Season: (No Change.)
 (C) Bag and Possession Limit: (No Change.)
 (D) Number of Permits: (No Change.)
 (E) Special Conditions: (No Change.)

- (136) ~~(20)~~(19) S-18 Muzzle-Loading Rifle Hunt, Ventura County.
 (A) Area: (No Change.)
 (B) Season: (No Change.)
 (C) Bag and Possession Limit: (No Change.)
 (D) Number of Permits: (No Change.)
 (E) Special Conditions: (No Change.)
- (137) ~~(21)~~(20) S-19 Horseshoe Ranch Muzzle-Loading Rifle Hunt, Siskiyou County.
 (A) Area: (No Change.)
 (B) Season: (No Change.)
 (C) Bag and Possession Limit: (No Change.)
 (D) Number of Permits: (No Change.)
 (E) Special Conditions: (No Change.)
- (138) ~~(22)~~(21) S-20 San Luis Obispo Muzzle-Loading Rifle/Archery Hunt, San Luis Obispo County.
 (A) Area: (No Change.)
 (B) Season: (No Change.)
 (C) Bag and Possession Limit: (No Change.)
 (D) Number of Permits: (No Change.)
 (E) Special Conditions: (No Change.)
- (139) ~~(23)~~(22) S-21 Monterey Muzzle-Loading Rifle Hunt, Monterey County.
 (A) Area: (No Change.)
 (B) Season: (No Change.)
 (C) Bag and Possession Limit: (No Change.)
 (D) Number of Permits: (No Change.)
- (140) ~~(E) Special Conditions: Only weapons specified in Section 353(d) may be used.~~
- (141) (23) S-22 Bass Hill Muzzle-Loading Rifle Hunt, Lassen County.
 (A) Area: That portion of Lassen County, excluding the area within the city limits of Susanville, lying within the area described as follows: Beginning at the intersection of Willard Creek Road and Highway 36 west of Susanville; east along Highway 36 to Conservation Center Road; east along Conservation Center Road to Highway 395 in Litchfield; east along Highway 395 to Mapes Road; south and west along Mapes Road to Standish-Buntingville Road; south along Standish-Buntingville Road to Blickenstaff Road; south along Blickenstaff Road to Lakecrest Road; northwest along Lakecrest Road to Highway 395; northwest along Highway 395 to Janesville Grade Road (County Road 208) southwest along Janesville Grade Road to the Plumas County line; northwest along the county line to Willard Creek Road; north along Willard Creek Road to the point of beginning.
 (B) Season: The season for the Bass Hill Muzzle-Loading Rifle Hunt shall open on the third Saturday in October and extend for 9 consecutive days.
 (C) Bag and Possession Limit: One either-sex deer per season.
 (D) Number of Permits: 80
 (E) Special Conditions: Only weapons specified in Section 353(d) may be used.
 (24) Conditions for special Hunts. (No Change.)
- (142) 361. Archery Deer Hunting.
 (a) Area and Season:
 (1) Zone A.
 (A) Area: (No Change.)
 (B) Season: (No Change.)
- (143) (2) Zones B-1 through 3, D-1 through 6 and 8 through 10, D-13 and, D-18,

- X-1 through ~~8-9~~ and X-12.
 (A) Area: (No Change.)
 (B) Season: The archery deer season in Zones B-1 through 3, D-1 through 6 and 8 through 10, D-13, D-18, and X-1 through ~~8-9~~ and X-12 shall open on the third Saturday in August and extend for 23 consecutive days.
 (3) Zone B-4.
 (A) Area: (No Change.)
 (B) Season: (No Change.)
 (4) Zone X-10.
 (A) Area: (No Change.)
 (B) Seasons: (No Change.)
 (5) Zone X-11.
 (A) Area: (No Change.)
 (B) Season: (No Change.)
- (144) (C) Special Condition: An archery only tag must be possessed to hunt in Zone X-11 during the archery season.
- (145) (6) Zones D-7, X-9 and X-12.
 (A) Area: (No Change.)
 (B) Season: The archery deer season in zones D-7; X-9 and X-12 shall open on the fourth Saturday in August and extend for 23 consecutive days.
 (7) Zone D-11, D-14, D-16 and D-17.
 (A) Area: (No Change.)
 (B) Season: (No Change.)
 (8) Zone D-12.
 (A) Area: (No Change.)
 (B) Season: (No Change.)
 (9) Zone D-15.
 (A) Area: (No Change.)
 (B) Season: (No Change.)
- (146) (b) Archery Only Tag. A person ~~must~~may obtain one or two archery only tags. The single tag or first of two tags is valid during the archery only season and during the regular deer season in all zones, except X-5a, X-5b, X-5c and X-10. ~~and X-11.~~ The second of two tags is valid for one of the special hunts S-1, S-2 and S-7 or for an additional tag for Zone A.
 (c) Bag and Possession Limit: (No Change.)
- (147) 363. Pronghorn Antelope.
 (a) Areas:
 (1) Zone 1-Mount Dome: (No Change.)
 (2) Zone 2-Clear Lake: (No Change.)
 (3) Zone 3-Likely Tables: (No Change.)
- (148) (4) Sub-zone 3a - Likely Tables: That portion of Zone 3 lying south of Highway 299 and west of Highway 395.
- (149) ~~(4)~~(5) Zone 4--Lassen: Those portions of Lassen, Plumas and Shasta counties within a line beginning at the junction of Highway 36 and the Juniper Lake Road in the town of Chester; north along the Juniper Lake Road to the Lassen National Park boundary; along the Lassen National Park boundary to Highway 89; north along Highway 89 to U.S. Forest Service Road 22 near the Hat Creek Ranger Station; east along U.S. Forest Service Road 22 to the State Game Refuge I-5 boundary; northwest along the State Game Refuge I-5 boundary to the Coyote Canyon-Dixie Valley Road; northwest along the Coyote Canyon-Dixie Valley Road to the Dixie Valley-Boyd Hill Road; northwest along the Dixie Valley-Boyd Hill

Road to the Snag Hill-Hayden Hill Road; northeast and north along the Snag Hill-Hayden Hill Road to Highway 139; southeast on Highway 139 to the Willow Creek-Hunsinger Flat Road; northeast and northwest along the Willow Creek-Hunsinger Flat Road to the Adin-Madeline Road; southeast along the Adin-Madeline Road to Highway 395 at the town of Madeline; south along Highway 395 to the Madeline-Clarks Valley Road; east along the Madeline-Clarks Valley Road to the Clarks Valley-Tuledad Road; east and southeast along the Clarks Valley-Tuledad Road to the California-Nevada state line; south along the California-Nevada state line to the Lassen-Sierra county line; west along the Lassen-Sierra county line to the Lassen-Plumas county line; north and west along the Lassen-Plumas county line to Highway 36; west along Highway 36 to the Juniper Lake Road, to the point of beginning.

(150) ~~(5)~~(6) Zone 5--Big Valley: Those portions of Modoc, Lassen, Shasta and Siskiyou counties within a line beginning at the intersection of Highways 299 and 89; north and northwest along Highway 89 to the Bartle-Telephone Flat Road; northeast along the Bartle-Telephone Flat Road to the Iodine Prairie-Long Bell Road; southeast along the Iodine Prairie-Long Bell Road to the North Main Road at Long Bell Forest Service Station; northeast along the North Main Road and the Mud Springs-Mud Lake Road to Modoc County Road 91; south along Modoc County Road 91 to the Happy Camp-Cottonwood Flat Road; southeast along the Happy Camp-Cottonwood Flat Road to the Cottonwood Flat-Canby Bridge Road; southeast along the Cottonwood Flat-Canby Bridge Road to Highway 299; south along Highway 299 to the Hunters Ridge-Sweagert Flat Road near Lower Rush Creek Recreation Site; east and south along the Hunters Ridge-Sweagert Flat Road to the Sweagert Flat-Hunsinger Draw Road; south and west along the Sweagert Flat-Hunsinger Draw Road to the Adin-Madeline Road; southeast along the Adin-Madeline Road to the Hunsinger Flat-Willow Creek Road; southeast and southwest along the Hunsinger Flat-Willow Creek Road to Highway 139; northwest along Highway 139 to the Hayden Hill-Snag Hill Road; south and southwest along the Hayden Hill-Snag Hill Road to the Boyd Hill-Dixie Valley Road; southeast along the Boyd Hill-Dixie Valley Road to the Dixie Valley-Coyote Canyon Road; southeast along the Dixie Valley-Coyote Canyon Road to the State Game Refuge I-5 boundary; southeast along the State Game Refuge I-5 boundary to U.S. Forest Service Road 22; west along U.S. Forest Service Road 22 to Highway 89 near the Hat Creek Ranger Station; north along Highway 89 to Highway 299, to the point of beginning.

(151) ~~(6) Sub zone 5a Big Valley: Those portions of Modoc and Lassen counties in Zone 5 within a line beginning at the intersection of the Stone Coal Road and Highway 299; south along Highway 299 to the Hunters Ridge-Sweagert Flat Road near Lower Rush Creek Recreation Site; east and south along the Hunters Ridge-Sweagert Flat Road to the Sweagert Flat-Hunsinger Draw Road; south and west along the Sweagert Flat-Hunsinger Draw Road to the Adin-Madeline Road; southeast along the Adin-Madeline Road to the Hunsinger Flat-Willow Creek Road; southeast and southwest along the Hunsinger Flat-Willow Creek Road to Highway 139; northwest along Highway 139 to Lassen County Road A2; west on Lassen County Road A2 to Highway 299 at its junction with the Lookout Road; north on the Lookout Road to the Pit River; north and east along the Pit River to the Stone Coal Valley Road; east along the Stone Coal Valley Road to the point of beginning.~~

(7) Zone 6--Surprise Valley: (No Change.)

- (8) Zone 7--Bodie Hills: (No Change.)
 (b) Season: (No Change.)
 (152) (c) Bag and Possession Limit: One buck. In Zone 2 and sub-zone 53a, one doe antelope may be taken by hunters holding valid doe permits.
 (d) Archery Only Season:
 (153) (1) Area: Antelope hunting zones (~~Zone 1 through 6, including Zone 5a~~).
 (2) Season: The archery only antelope season shall open 14 days prior to the regular antelope season and extend for 9 consecutive days.
 (3) Bag and Possession Limit: (No Change.)
 (154) (4) The Clear Lake National Wildlife Refuge and Zone 7 will be closed to antelope hunting during the archery only season.
 (155) (e) Number of Permits: Not more than 560555 buck permits and 0135 doe permits shall be authorized as follows:

	Buck Permits	Doe Permits
Zone 1	70 35	--
Zone 2	100	--100
Zone 3 (inc. 3a)	110 120	-- 35
Zone 4	125 110	--
Zone 5 (inc. 5a)	35 60	--
Zone 6	45 25	--
Zone 7	5	--
Archery Only	100	--
Total	<u>560555</u>	-- <u>135</u>

No permits will be valid in the Lava Beds National Monument or Federal and State Game Refuges lying within the hunt boundary, except for the Clear Lake National Wildlife Refuge in Modoc County and the state's Hayden Hill (IS) and Blacks Mountain (IF) refuges in Lassen County during the antelope seasons.

- (156) (f) Distribution of Permits:

The antelope hunting permits shall be issued by public drawing. Application forms shall be made available to the public through license agents and regular offices of the department. Each applicant must possess a current California resident hunting license, be over the age of 16 years, and must not have been issued an antelope permit during the last ten years. No person shall submit more than one application. Applicants shall mail the application to the Department of Fish and Game, License ~~Officer~~ and Revenue Branch, ~~4722 J~~ 3211 S Street, Sacramento, California 958146. Applications must be received before the close of the business day on the second ~~Wednesday~~ Tuesday in July. Applicants must file for one designated zone. No more than two persons shall submit applications in one envelope for drawing purposes. A public drawing shall be held in the office of the Department of Fish and Game, 1416 Ninth Street, Sacramento, California 95814, on the second ~~Friday~~ Thursday in July. Additional names will be drawn for an alternate list. An alternate list will not be established for the archery only hunt. Incomplete applications will not be valid. Unsuccessful applicants will not be notified. Successful applicants will be mailed notification on the day of the drawing. Upon receipt of the notification the applicant shall send a \$35 cashier's check or money order along with their current hunting license number to the Department of Fish and Game,

License Section and Revenue Branch, #722 & 3211 S Street, Sacramento, California 95814⁶, by the close of the business day on the first Monday in August. Should the quota for each zone remain unfilled after the first Monday in August, the alternate list shall be used.

(g) Conditions: (No Change.)

(157) 364. Elk.

(a) Area: In that portion of Siskiyou County beginning at the junction of Interstate Highway 5 with the California-Oregon state line; east along the state line to Highway 97; southwest along Highway 97 Siskiyou County Road A-12; west along Road A-12 to Interstate 5; north along Interstate 5 to the point of beginning.

(b) Season: The elk season for the area described in subsection (a) shall open on the third Saturday in September and continue for nine consecutive days (September 20 through September 28, 1986).

(c) Bag and possession limit: One either sex elk per season.

(d) Number of Permits: Ten (10).

(e) Special Conditions: 1) Each applicant must show their 1986-87 hunting license number on their application. 2) Each applicant must have a valid resident hunting license, be at least 16 years old and a California resident.

(f) Distribution of Permits:

The elk hunting permits shall be issued by public drawing. Application forms shall be made available to the public through license agents and regular offices of the department. Each applicant must possess a current California resident hunting license and be over the age of 16 years. No person shall submit more than one application. Applicants shall mail the application to the Department of Fish and Game, License Officer, 3211 S Street, Sacramento, CA 95816. Applications must be received before the close of the business day on the second Tuesday in July. No more than two persons shall submit applications in one envelope for drawing purposes. A public drawing shall be held in the office of the Department of Fish and Game, 1416 Ninth Street, Sacramento, CA 95814, on the second Thursday in July. Additional names will be drawn for an alternate list. Incomplete applications will not be valid. Unsuccessful applicants will not be notified. Successful applicants will be mailed notification on the day of the drawing. Upon receipt of the notification the applicant shall send a \$165 cashier's check or money order along with their current hunting license number to the Department of Fish and Game, License Section, 3211 S Street, Sacramento, CA 95816, by the close of the business day on the first Monday in August. Should the quota for the hunt remain unfilled after the first Monday in August, the alternate list shall be used.

(g) Rules and regulations governing hunter. The permittee shall be subject to the following rules and regulations:

(1) No permittee shall take or possess any elk or parts thereof governed by the regulations except herein provided.

(2) Permittees shall not have the right of entry onto privately owned lands against the will or consent of the owner or person in lawful charge thereof.

(3) Only persons possessing valid elk hunting permits are entitled to take elk.

(4) All permittees must check in before hunting at the checking station located at Butte Valley Wildlife Area, Mardoel, California. All

successful hunters must check out upon completion of hunting at the checking station.

(5) Permit tags must be attached to the antlers of an antlered elk, or to the ears of antlerless elk immediately after killing.

(6) Method of Take: Only rifles using centerfire cartridges with expanding or softnose bullets may be used.

(7) Hunters will not be permitted to use dogs to take or attempt to take elk.

(8) The Department reserves the right to use any part of the permittee's elk for biological analysis as long as the amount of edible meat is not appreciably decreased.

(9) Representatives of the Department of Fish and Game may revoke forthwith the special elk hunting permit of any authorized person to hunt during this elk season, and to immediately take the said permit from the possession of the holder thereof for any or all of the following reasons:

(A) Any act or threatened act on the part of the permittee which appears to said representative of the Department of Fish and Game to be a violation of any of the provisions of the Fish and Game Code, the regulations of the Commission made pursuant thereto, and to these regulations.

(B) Any act or threatened act on the part of the permittee which appears to said representative of the Department of Fish and Game to endanger the person or property of others. The decision of the Department of Fish and Game representative shall be final.

(10) All unsuccessful hunters must return their permit tags to the Department of Fish and Game within one week after the close of the 1986 elk season.

Authority: Section 332, Fish and Game Code.

Reference: Section 332, Fish and Game Code.

(158) 365. Bear.

Except as provided in Section 366, bear may be taken only as follows:

(a) Areas:

(1) Northern California: (No Change.)

(2) Central California: (No Change.)

(3) Southern Sierra: (No Change.)

(4) Southern California: (No Change.)

(159) (5) Those portions of Inyo and Mono counties west of Highway 395; that portion of Madera County within the following line: Beginning at the junction of the Madera-Mono county lines and John Muir Wilderness; north along the Madera-Mono county line to the eastern boundary of the Minarets Wilderness; south along the eastern boundary of the Minarets Wilderness to the Inyo-Sierra National Forest boundary; south along the Inyo-Sierra National Forest boundary to the northern boundary of the John Muir Wilderness; north and east along the John Muir Wilderness boundary to the point of beginning.

(b) Seasons: (No Change.)

(c) Bag and Possession Limit: (No Change.)

(d) (No Change.)

(e) Bait: (No Change.)

(160) 366. Archery Bear Hunting. (No Change.)

- (161) 367. Bear License Tags.
 (a) Application for Bear License Tags: (No Change.)
 (b) Use of Guides: (No Change.)
- (162) (c) Use of Dogs: Any holder of a bear license tag who utilizes dogs to take a bear shall so indicate on his bear license tag in the space provided.
 (ed) Validation of Bear Tag.
 (de) Return of Bear License Tags:
- (163) (1) Every person who takes a bear shall return the report card portion of the bear license tag within 30 days of taking the bear. The tag may be presented to a Department Office/Officer or returned through the United States Mail.
- (164) (2) Every person who is unsuccessful in taking a bear shall return the report card portion of the bear license tags by February 1 of the current license year. The tag may be presented to a Department Office/Officer or returned through the United States Mail. Bear license tag holders who fail to comply with this section shall not apply for a bear license tag the following license year. If they apply, they shall be denied a bear license tag.
 (3) No change.
- (165) 367.5 Presentation of Bear Skull. (No Change.)
- (166) 368. Wild Pig. (No Change.)
- (167) 370. Deer Tags. (No Change.)
- (168) 371. Procedures for Application for and Distribution of Deer Tags and Permits.
 (a) (No Change.)
 (b) (No Change.)
 (c) (No Change.)
 (d) Deer Tag Applications:
 (1) One Deer Application:
- (169) (A) A person must use a one deer application to apply for any X-zone or the following special hunts: XS-1, ~~XS-2~~, S-15, S-16, ~~or S-19 or S-22.~~
 (B) A person may use a one deer application to apply for an A, B or D deer zone tag or a special hunt tag S-1 through S-14, S-17, S-18, S-20 or S-21.
- (170) (C) A person may use a one deer application to apply for an archery only tag which is valid during the archery only season and during the regular deer season in all zones except X-5a, X-5b, X-5c and X-10. An archery only tag must be possessed to hunt in Zone X-11 during the archery season.
 (2) Two Deer Application:
 (A) A person may use a two deer application to apply for a combination of an A, B or D zone tag and an A, B-1, B-2 or B-4 zone tag, or one of the following special hunt tags: S-1, through S-14, S-17, S-18, S-20 or S-21.
- (171) (B) A person may use a two deer application shall be used to apply for two archery only tags. The first tag shall be valid for any A, B, D or X zone, except zones X-5a, X-5b, X-5c, and X-10 and X-11. The second application may be used for either a special hunt S-1, S-2 and S-7 or for an additional archery only tag for Zone A. An archery only tag must

- be possessed to hunt in Zone X-11 during the archery season.
- (e) The permits for all X zones and special hunts shall be distributed by a public drawing unless otherwise authorized. All A, B and D zone tags (and unfilled X zone and special hunt tags) shall be issued on a first-come, first-served basis.
- (172) (1) Applicants for the public drawings shall mail their deer tag application form to the Department of Fish and Game, 3211 S Street, Sacramento, California 95816. Applications must be received by the department by 5:00 p.m. on the second ~~Wednesday~~ Tuesday of July. A public drawing shall be held on the second ~~Friday~~ Thursday of July. The drawings for these hunts shall be held at the office of the Department of Fish and Game, 1416 Ninth Street, Sacramento, California. Incomplete applications shall not be valid.
- (173) (A) Not more than six applications may be filed jointly for any hunts which have 100 or more permits, and not more than four applications may be filed jointly for such hunts which have less than 100 permits, when mailed in one envelope for drawing purposes. The number of applicants applying as a party must be circled on the application.
- (B) Applicants for special hunts may specify a special hunt or an A, B, D or X zone as an alternate.
- (174) (C) Applicants for X zones ~~shall~~ may specify ~~another~~ a special hunt, an archery only tag or an A, B, D or X zone as an alternate.
- (2) For hunts which are divided into periods (except S-10), applicants shall specify the hunt period. Permits shall be valid only during the period specified.
- (3) permits for hunts that do not have sufficient applications to fill authorized quotas by the public drawing may be issued on a first-come, first-served basis.
- (175) 372. Deer Tags. Persons Authorized to Validate. (No Change.)
- (176) 373. Return of Deer Tags. (No Change.)
- (177) 375. Deer, Elk, Antelope and Bear Meat, Possession of After the Close of the Season. (No Change.)

CHAPTER 4. DEPREDATION

- (178) 400. Deer Depredation Hunts. (No Change.)
- (179) 401. Issuance of Permits to Kill Deer, Bear, Elk, Wild Pig, Gray Squirrel and Beaver Causing Damage. (No Change.)
- (180) 402. Issuance of Permits to Kill Mountain Lion Causing Damage. (No Change.)

CHAPTER 5. FURBEARING MAMMALS

- (181) 460. Fisher, Marten, River Otter, Desert Kit Fox and Red Fox. (No Change.)
- (182) 461. Badger and Gray Fox. (No Change.)

- (183) 462. Muskrat and Mink. (No Change.)
- (184) 463. Beaver. (No Change.)
- (185) 464. Raccoon. (No Change.)
- (186) 465. Methods for Taking Furbearers. (No Change.)
- (187) 465.5 Use of Traps.
(a) (No Change.)
(b) (No Change.)
(c) (No Change.)
- (188) (d) Steel leg-hold traps shall not be set or maintained within 30 feet of any exposed bait. Any bait placed within 30 feet of a trap shall be completely covered by artificial or natural material so as to make such bait hidden from view. As used in this subsection "bait" includes any natural or artificial animal, or parts thereof, except for scents used as lures. This subsection supersedes Section 4004(g) of the Fish and Game Code.
(e) (No Change.)
(f) (No Change.)
Authority: Sections 200, 202, 203, 219, 4009.5 and 4150, Fish and Game Code.
Reference: Sections 200-203.1, 206, 207, 211-213, 215, 217, 221 and 4009.5, Fish and Game Code.

(189) 466. Hours for Taking Furbearers. (No Change.)

(190) 467. Trapping Reports. (No Change.)

CHAPTER 6. NONGAME ANIMALS

(191) 472. General Provisions. (No Change.)

(192) 473. Possesesion of Nongame Animals. (No Change.)

(193) 474. Hours for Taking. (No Change.)

(194) 475. Methods of Take for Nongame Birds and Mammals.

Nongame birds and mammals may be taken in any manner except as follows:

- (a) (No Change.)
- (195) (b) Recorded or electrically amplified bird or mammal calls or sounds or recorded or electrically amplified imitations of bird or mammal calls or sounds may not be used to take any nongame bird or mammal except coyotes, bobcats, American crows and starlings.
(c) (No Change.)
(d) (No Change.)
(e) (No Change.)

(196) 478. Bobcat. (No Change.)

(197) 478.1. Bobcat Hunting Tags.

- (a) (No Change.)
(b) (No Change.)
- (198) (c) The holder of a bobcat hunting tag shall carry the tag while hunting bobcats, and upon the harvesting of any bobcat shall immediately fill out both parts of the tag and punch out clearly the date of harvest. One part of the tag shall be immediately attached to the pelt and kept attached until it is ~~permanently marked by the department and the information and material, as required in Section 479(e), is provided to the department. This marking must be done within 14 days after the last day of the season in that area in which the animal was harvested.~~ tanned, dried or mounted. The other part of the tag shall be sent immediately to the department.
(d) (No Change.)
(e) (No Change.)
- (199) 479. Bobcat Pelts.
(a) Any person who takes a bobcat shall, at any time during the trapping season or within 14 days after the end of the bobcat season, have the following appropriate department mark or tag affixed to the pelt.
- (200) (1) Pelts from bobcats taken under a hunting license or pelts taken by a licensed trapper for only his personal use shall, at no cost, be marked ~~by the~~ with a department bobcat punch. Such pelts shall not be sold.
(2) Pelts from bobcats taken for commercial purposes under a trapping license shall be tagged with a department shipping tag.
(b) (No Change.)
(c) Shipping tags and marking are available from the department. All persons taking bobcat pelts under provisions established by the commission must personally present the pelt to a representative of the department for placement of the nontransferable tag or mark and shall furnish the following:
(1) Date of take;
(2) County of take and nearest major geographical landmark;
(3) Sex;
- (201) (4) Lower jaw with both canine teeth; and
~~(5)~~ Method of take (trap, call or hounds).
The department shall mark bobcat pelts and issue bobcat shipping tags for export of pelts at designated department offices during the trapping season and for a 14-day period immediately following the trapping season. An administrative fee of \$3.00 shall be charged for the issuance of each shipping tag. There is no fee for marking bobcat pelts not for sale.
(d) (No Change.)
- (202) 480. Bobcat Depredation. (No Change.)

The Executive Secretary then stated it would be appropriate to take recommendations from the public and the following discussions took place:

Michael K. Hall, Sacramento Gun Club, stated that he was very concerned about the mechanics of the deer tag drawings. He recommended placing all applications in one container, drawing applications one at a time and issuing the applicant's first choice. He pointed out that if that quota was filled, then the applicant would be issued his second choice, etc. He stated that California should conduct its drawings similar to the states of Nevada and Colorado.

President Kahn asked the Department if the License and Revenues Branch could make a presentation regarding the deer tag drawing procedures at the Commission's April 25 meeting in Long Beach. Director Parnell stated that the Department would make that presentation, but believed the Department did the best job it could. He indicated there would be problems with any process. President Kahn stated that there was a fundamental problem with California's procedures. He stated that each batch was kept separate and he suggested that the Department review Nevada's procedures where all tags were placed in one container and drawn out one at a time. He pointed out as a tag was drawn, the person is given his first choice; however, if that quota was filled, then he was given his second choice, etc., until all zones had been completely filled or there were no additional tags.

Elwood Davis, Alpine County, recommended that the Commission adopt the same season for both zones X-8 and X-12 with an earlier closing date.

Paul O'Kane, Pacifica Sportsmen, recommended adopting the same season for zones B-4 and B-2.

Walter Bolster, sportsman, opposed the S-1 special wilderness buck hunt.

John Hammons, Unified Sportsmen of Chico, recommended adopting a six week deer season for Zone X-11 commencing on a week day (September 17) with a closing date of November 2 to reduce opening day take. He also recommended adopting an archery season for Zone X-11 of August 20 through September 7. President Kahn asked the Department for an update on the X-11 deer herd. Mr. Mansfield stated that in the late 1970's it had a buck/doe ratio below the preferred range, but now it was slightly above. He indicated that the fawn recruitment was up from 38 fawns per 100 does to 47. He noted that the deer herd has had a positive turn around.

Gerald Upholt, California Wildlife Federation, recommended increasing the season for Zone D-15 by two weeks. He stated that he also agreed with the first speaker, Mr. Hall, regarding the need to change the deer tag drawing procedures. He also recommended establishing a special D zone tag that would be good in zones D-11, 12, 13, 14 and 15.

Victor Bergstrom, Coleville, recommended setting a season of September 20 through October 5 for zones X-8 and X-12 and to change the boundary.

Bob Miller, Siskiyou County Sportsmen's Association, recommended closing the season for Zone D-1 on the Sunday closest to October 15 and adopting special hunt regulations (private lands wildlife management areas) consistent with regulations for surrounding zones.

President Kahn asked for Mr. Miller's opinion on removing the requirement for a three point or better regulation in some zones. Mr. Miller stated that Siskiyou County was very brushy and that many forked horns were shot and left. He indicated that he would not be opposed to removing the three point or better restriction.

Bud Hemman, Central Valley Sportsmen, recommended eliminating the split season for Zone D-7. He indicated that the split season was not necessary and had been established only to satisfy a special interest group.

Richard Peters, Siskiyou Houndsmen and Sportsmen, recommended shortening the season for Zone D-1. He also recommended reinstating the dog training season to what it was in 1984, and to retain the current bear season. President Kahn asked the Department if they would be providing any data regarding their bear studies and the effects of the dog training closure in certain areas. Mr. Mansfield stated that the Department would be prepared to present that data at the Commission's April 7 meeting.

Ron Parker, Siskiyou County Sportsmen Association, recommended eliminating the special Horseshoe Ranch muzzle-loading rifle hunt.

Mark Palmer, Sierra Club, stated that the Sierra Club supported several of the Department's recommendations as positive steps in protecting the state's mammals and furbearers. He stated that the Sierra Club recommended retaining the current regulations regarding the prohibition on pursuing or shooting birds and mammals from motor driven air or land vehicles, motorboats, airboats, sailboats or snowmobiles and also regarding the prohibition against night hunting.

President Kahn stated that he had sent a letter to the Commissioners summarizing the deer management subcommittee's meeting they held with the Department. He stated that the main ideas of discussion centered on the late season buck hunts and on parity between the private lands management areas and public hunting areas. President Kahn indicated that since there was no more discussion on deer, bear, dog training or trapping, a discussion would now take place on mountain lions.

Pete Bontadelli stated that on January 1, 1986, the status of mountain lions as specified in Fish and Game Code, changed from specially-protected mammal to game mammal. He noted that sections 4800-4808 were now operative, thus for the first time since 1971, the Commission had the authority in the Fish and Game Code to regulate the take of mountain lion by sport hunting through its general regulatory powers as specified in sections 200-222 of the Fish and Game Code. He pointed out that in anticipation of the change of the status of the mountain lion, at least one written request for an emergency mountain lion season was presented by a member of the public at the Commission's October 1985 meeting for potential adoption in January. He indicated that after the Department had reviewed this request, it determined that no biological basis for emergency action on the request existed, which

therefore made it possible to address this issue during the regularly scheduled mammal hunting and trapping regulatory process. Mr. Bontadelli stated that sufficient biological data did not exist to justify a statewide hunt which had been requested.

Mr. Bontadelli stated that on December 12, 1985, the Department initiated and hosted a mountain lion workshop in an effort to share existing information with interested parties and solicit concerns of the public relative to the new status of the mountain lion as a game mammal. He noted that it was made clear at the workshop that more attention to this issue was needed with an emphasis on sound program planning. He pointed out that the Department had initiated and the Governor's budget had included a request for an augmentation of \$50,000 in fiscal year 1986-87 in order to more fully implement a sound planning program for mountain lions. He indicated that the Department felt it was prudent to determine what areas of the state had sufficient biological data in order to deal with the issue of public hunting of mountain lions. He stated that the Department looked at existing data on both depredation and mountain lion densities as well as past studies done by the Department and other investigators. He indicated that based on this, the Department had reviewed five options. He pointed out that of the five options the Department reviewed, its preferred alternative would be number four. Mr. Bontadelli then presented the Department's five alternatives:

- "1. This option was a refinement of the December 20 draft proposal to study the influence of mountain lion predation on the North Kings Deer Herd in eastern Fresno County. In short, this option would not include sport hunting but would have required the take of a relatively large number of lions in an attempt to produce measurable benefits to deer and other prey species in a regulated area with a goal of not adversely impacting a viable mountain lion population within the entire central Sierra region. After careful review of all of the available data, we have determined that we currently lack sufficient biological justification to firmly recommend this proposal.
- "2. This proposal is essentially a modification of the first proposal. It would authorize public hunting with the ability of using professional control personnel to reduce mountain lion densities by approximately 60% in a selected area to hopefully achieve benefits to deer and other prey species while managing the mountain lion population as a renewable resource. While this option is one that the Department intends to continue exploring in greater detail for potential future recommendations, it again was decided that we may not have full and complete biological data at the current time to recommend this option.
- "3. We explored this option in great detail. It is the possibility of authorizing a limited public hunt in the North Kings area. We believe sufficient mountain lion population data exists. While the Department is not recommending this option, we believe that if the Commission feels that it is appropriate to proceed with a sport hunt in the current year, the proposal we have developed will meet the necessary legal standards and is biologically suitable in order to allow a take of up to 20 lions during two hunt periods under

controlled circumstances. This option involves regulations similar to those used for bear hunting. It would allow a maximum of 100 hunters to receive tags issued by a public drawing over two hunt periods. On the basis of biological data, the Department believes that this conservative level of consumptive use of the mountain lion resources is possible while maintaining a viable population of lions within the hunt area. While this is not our recommendation at the current time, if the Commission so decides, we have background information available in pre-publication format which would enable this issue to be explored further during the mammal regulation process.

- "4. This leads to our current recommendation to the Commission. Whenever the Commission has explored moving forward with a new hunt, they have traditionally requested that the Department place our recommendation in a statewide context to insure that all appropriate options have been explored. Along these lines, the Department would appreciate receiving a directive from the Commission to develop for a presentation in the 1987 mammal hunting regulation process, a statewide approach to mountain lion. Such an approach would enable us to develop general management plans for six to eight large geographic areas using the best available information.

Along these lines, we believe that our next year's presentation should: (a) examine whether or not limited sport hunting at low levels is appropriate in an area or areas where substantial mountain lion populations data exist to clearly demonstrate that such a program will maintain a viable mountain lion population; (b) consider authorizing or recommending potential sport hunting, again at limited levels with harvest objectives in areas with well documented livestock depredation problems or where mountain lion populations may conflict with wildlife species management objectives and (c) explore potential for the take of lions in selected areas, primarily by public hunting in an effort to minimize conflicts with the livestock industry or an intensively managed wildlife species.

The Department is hopeful if that if our budget request is maintained, we will be able to provide an appropriate recommendation or recommendations to the Commission for appropriate sport hunting by next year. We will also be able to identify certain areas of the state where, because of low densities or particular concerns for lion populations, no hunting should be considered in the immediate foreseeable future. We emphasize that our report will also indicate areas where potential for hunting may exist and where additional data may need to be gathered to support specific proposals. We are hopeful that we will also be able to tell you at that time how we will attempt to gather that data and make further recommendations for such areas.

- "5. The last objective that the Department explored is to take no action regarding sport hunting and continue our current low level of monitoring mountain lion populations in addressing livestock depredation problems under existing programs. It is our belief that

this option is no longer viable given the change in status of the mountain lion from specially-protected to a game mammal which occurred on January 1 of this year."

Mr. Bontadelli stated that in conclusion, the Department would hope that the Commission thoroughly consider the series of options presented and, if necessary, request additional information or analysis from the Department on particular issues prior to finally selecting a course of action. He reiterated that the Department recommended that the Commission support the Department in implementing alternative number four. Mr. Bontadelli stated that since the Commission had received proposals in support of public hunting of mountain lions, the Department had also developed preliminary documents to address that option. He stated that this approach (alternative number 3) only appears viable in eastern Fresno County. He stated that if the Commission so desired, copies of these preliminary documents (draft pre-publication of notice statement) could be provided.

Commissioner Galletti asked if there were any studies done by the Department during the 15-year moratorium. Mr. Bontadelli stated that there were some low level studies, but that the Department did not have any substantial data on the status of mountain lions statewide. Commissioner Galletti asked that if the Department had sufficient data to recommend a hunt in a given area, why didn't they make that recommendation. Mr. Bontadelli stated that the Department wanted to look at mountain lions from a statewide concept.

President Kahn stated that the last report he saw was a 1982 report. He wanted to know if the mountain lion population had increased during the moratorium and would the Department be recommending sport hunting of mountain lions next year. Mr. Bontadelli stated that it was a strong likelihood that the Department would recommend sport hunting, if the data they collected this year was sufficient. Director Parnell stated that the Department wished to analyze the data in detail on a statewide basis and could not say now if they would recommend sport hunting.

President Kahn stated that there were recommendations from many divergent groups, and that the existing law now required the Department and the Commission to look at mountain lions as a game mammal. He stated that this issue was similar to bobcat and black bear; however, he got the impression that because of its sensitivity, the Department was using a different approach. Director Parnell stated that there was only one place in California where the Department felt there was enough data to recommend sport hunting and until there was complete data for other parts of the state, the Department could not recommend sport hunting of mountain lions.

President Kahn asked if the Department couldn't have recommended a limited low level sport take statewide in order to help gather their data. Director Parnell stated that the Department wanted to analyze all of the available data for a year before they would make a recommendation for sport hunting of mountain lions. President Kahn stated that in the North Kings Deer Herd area, one of the alternatives the Department evaluated was for a sport take of up to 20 mountain lions. He asked if with that level of removal, would it bring back the deer population. Mr. Mansfield stated that based on

the literature, a minimum of a 60% removal of the predator species would be necessary to bring back the prey species. He noted that level of removal would still maintain a viable predator population.

Lynne Kary stated that after the take of four or five mountain lions in the Foresthill Divide area, the mountain lion population was stabilizing. She recommended that the Department continue with the Foresthill Divide mountain lion plan.

Messrs. Bob Miller, Bill Pringle, Ed Hague, Tim Elliott, Bryant Bischof, Grover Roberts, Slim Goodall, Tex Jennings, Ron Parker, Mike Michaels and Bud Holmes recommended establishing a statewide sport hunting season for mountain lions.

Connie Ross, Jeff Hoffman, David Ward, Matthew Bailey, Lynn Worthey, Mary Mesmer, Judy Johnson, Sandra Lawson and Nancy Fiew opposed the establishment of a statewide sport hunting season for mountain lions. They requested that mountain lions continue to be protected from sport hunting.

Andy Caffrey stated that mankind must maintain the ecosystem by self management and that no animals should be killed.

Dennis Cavallo, Placer County Fish and Game Committee, opposed the Department's Foresthill Divide mountain lion management plan.

Bruce Webb, Animal Protection Institute, stated that approximately 70% of the U.S. population had some sort of nonconsumptive use of wildlife, and that the North Kings area needed further study before any mountain lion hunting season was proposed.

Debbie Viess, Ohlone Audubon Society, stated that man needed to manage for both mountain lions and deer by protecting their habitat.

Vivian Vaught, Sierra Club, opposed the proposal to study the effect of mountain lion control on the North Kings deer herd. She indicated that quality research needed to be done before any hunt was proposed.

Richard Spotts, Defenders of Wildlife, stated that the Commission should not authorize what he referred to as "trophy hunting" of mountain lions. He indicated that the state's deer population was in trouble because of loss of habitat. He pointed out that even with mountain lion hunting in other states, the in depredation losses from mountain lions were at the same level or higher than in California.

President Kahn asked Mr. Spotts if he felt that a strictly regulated mountain lion hunt would pose a threat to the existence of mountain lions. Mr. Spotts stated that it was the policy of the Defenders of Wildlife to oppose any "trophy hunting" of mountain lions. President Kahn asked if Mr. Spotts knew if mountain lion hunting in other states presented a problem to the mountain lion population. Mr. Spotts stated that he was not familiar with any data from other states on which to base a comment.

Bill Yeates, Mountain Lion Coalition, stated that his organization was opposed to any mountain lion hunting.

Mark Palmer, Sierra Club, stated that he supported the Department's recommendation of alternative four regarding the need for a one year statewide study on the feasibility of sport hunting mountain lions before the Commission took any action to approve any sport hunting of mountain lions.

Bud Herman, Central Valley Sportsmen, stated that the anti-hunters should realize that the sport hunters were paying for wildlife management in the state, and that they should urge the Governor to provide more general fund money to the Department for fish and wildlife management. He indicated that the Department had put the monkey on the Commission's back by not recommending a sport season for mountain lions in those areas that the Department had sufficient data. He indicated that the quota of 20 mountain lions in the North Kings deer herd would not be sufficient to bring back the deer population. Mr. Herman recommended a statewide sport hunting season for mountain lions.

President Kahn stated that he had one comment and that was that mountain lions do depend on deer as their main food source. He stated that the big question was the loss of both deer and mountain lion habitat in the state through subdivision and timber harvest. He suggested that all factions get together and pool their resources to fight for the protection of the deer and mountain lion's habitat. He indicated that if this did not happen, then there would be no deer or mountain lions in 20 years for which to have this debate.

The Executive Secretary stated that the Commission staff had put together a pre-publication of notice for Section 705 regarding the purchase of hunting and fishing licenses. He noted that existing regulations were unclear as to whether an individual could buy a license for another person as a gift or as a favor. He indicated that this amendment would clarify that issue and allow individuals to purchase licenses for other people.

Mr. Cribbs also pointed out that the Commission office had received a letter from Monterey County Board of Supervisors with a resolution opposing the proposed antlerless hunts in their county.

Mr. Cribbs stated that all recommendations received in the Commission office by 5:00 p.m. would be included in the published notice. He indicated that he would publish a separate notice for the mountain lion issue, but that it would still be part of the regular mammal hunting and trapping regulation process.

The Executive Secretary asked if there were any other members of the public who wished to make recommendations for changes in the mammal hunting and trapping regulations and there was no response.

SUMMARY OF PUBLIC RECOMMENDATIONS FOR CHANGES
IN THE 1986-87 HUNTING AND TRAPPING REGULATIONS
FOR GAME, FURBEARERS AND NONGAME MAMMALS

The following oral and written recommendations include some which would require changes in state law or Department or other agency administrative procedures. In addition, a number involve regulations which will be reviewed by the Commission at other designated meetings. Such recommendations are included here since they closely relate to the mammal and furbearer hunting and trapping regulations.

ORAL RECOMMENDATIONS

SECTION 251. PROHIBITION ON PURSUING OR SHOOTING BIRDS AND MAMMALS FROM MOTORDRIVEN AIR OR LAND VEHICLES, MOTORBOATS, AIRBOATS, SAILBOATS OR SNOWMOBILES.

- (1) Mark Palmer, Sierra Club, recommended retaining current regulations.

SECTION 263. PROHIBITION AGAINST NIGHT HUNTING.

- (2) Mark Palmer, Sierra Club, recommended retaining current regulations.

SECTION 265. USE OF DOGS IN PURSUIT AND/OR HUNTING OF MAMMALS.

- (3) Richard Peters, Siskiyou Houndsmen and Sportsmen, recommended reinstating training season as in 1984.

SECTION 360. DEER.

Zone B-4

- (4) Paul O'Kane, Pacifica Sportsmen, recommended adopting same season for B-4 and B-2.

Zone D-1

- (5) Richard Peters, Siskiyou Houndsmen and Sportsmen, recommended shortening season for zone.

Zone D-7

- (6) Bud Hemman, Central Valley Sportsmen, recommended eliminating split season for zone.

Zone X-8

- (7) Victor Bergstrom, Coleville, recommended setting a season of September 20 through October 5, and adopting same season for X-8 and X-12.
- (8) Elwood Davis, Alpine County, recommended adopting same season for X-8 and X-12 with an earlier closing date.

Zone X-11

- (9) John V. Hammons, Unified Sportsmen of Chico, recommended adopting a six week deer season for zone commencing on a weekday (September 17) to reduce opening day take and adopting an archery season of August 20 through September 7.

Muzzle-loading Rifle Hunts.

- (10) Ronald R. Parker, Siskiyou County Sportsmen Association, recommended eliminating Horseshoe Ranch Hunt.

Deer, Miscellaneous.

- (11) Walter Bolster, Sacramento, opposed the proposed DS-1 Special Wilderness Buck Hunt.
- (12) Bob Miller, Siskiyou County Sportsmen's Association, recommended closing season for Zone D-1 on the Sunday closest to October 15 and adopting special hunt regulations consistent with regulations for surrounding zones.
- (13) Gerald Upholt, California Wildlife Federation, recommended increasing season for Zone D-15 by two weeks.

SECTION 365. BEAR.

- (14) Richard Peters, Siskiyou Houndsmen and Sportsmen, recommended retaining current season.

SECTION 371. PROCEDURES FOR APPLICATION FOR AND DISTRIBUTION OF DEER TAGS AND PERMITS.

- (15) Michael K. Hall, Sacramento Gun Club, recommended placing all applications in one container, drawing applications one at a time and issuing applicant's first choice if quota is not filled or second choice if that quota is not filled, etc.
- (16) Gerald Upholt, California Wildlife Federation, recommended revising tag drawing procedures and establishing a special D Zone tag that would be good in zones D-11, 12, 13, 14 and 15.

Miscellaneous Mammal Hunting.

- (17) Bob Miller, Siskiyou County Sportsmen's Association, recommended establishing a sport hunting season for mountain lions.
- (18) Connie Ross, Earth First; Jeff Hoffman, Earth First; David Ward, Sacramento; Matthew A. Baley, Sierra Club; Lynn Worthey; Mary Mesmer, Sierra Club; Richard Spotts, Defenders of Wildlife; Bill Yeates, Mountain Lion Coalition; Judy Johnson, Oakland; Sandra Lawson, Sierra Club; and Nanch Frew, Fremont, recommended not establishing a sport hunting season for mountain lions.

- (19) Bill Pringle, Fresno; Ed Hague, Associated Sportsmen; Tim Elliot, Western Sierra Sportsmen's Club; Bryant Bischof, Western Sierra Sportsmen's Club; Grover Roberts, California Farm Bureau; Slim Goodall, Placer Sportsmen; Tex Jennings, Western Sierra Sportsmen's Club; Ron Parker, Siskiyou County Sportsmen's Association; Mike Michael, Western Sierra Sportsmen's Club; Bud Holmes, Hunters and Fishermen's Association; and Bud Hemman, Central Valley Sportsmen, recommended establishing a sport hunting season for mountain lions.
- (20) Vivian Vaught, Sierra Club, opposed proposal to study the effect of mountain lion control on the North Kings deer herd.
- (21) Mark Palmer, Sierra Club, recommended a one year, statewide study of feasibility of sport hunting season for mountain lions.

Miscellaneous Trapping.

- (22) Bob Miller, Siskiyou County Sportsmen's Association, recommended denying trapping licenses and hunting of furbearers to residents of states that do not offer reciprocal privileges to Californians.

WRITTEN RECOMMENDATIONS

SECTION 257.5. PROHIBITION AGAINST TAKING RESIDENT GAME BIRDS AND MAMMALS BY THE AID OF BAIT.

- (23) Bud Hemman, Central Valley Sportsmen, recommended deleting the word "mammal" from the regulation since most of the baits referred to are not typically used to bait mammals.

SECTION 263. PROHIBITION AGAINST NIGHT HUNTING.

- (24) Bud Hemman, Central Valley Sportsmen, recommended repealing this section.

SECTION 265. USE OF DOGS IN PURSUIT AND/OR HUNTING OF MAMMALS.

- (25) Bud Hemman, Central Valley Sportsmen, recommended several changes in this section including: (1) reducing the area described in Subsection 265(a)(1)(C) or deleting this subsection; (2) moving Subsection 265(a)(2), prohibition on use of dogs during deer and bear archery seasons, to sections 361 and 366, respectively; (3) moving Subsection 265(b) to a new Section 266; (4) deleting the word "pursuit" from Subsection 265(b); (5) moving Subsection 265(c) to a new Section 267; and (6) amending Subsection 265(c)(2)(B) to permit a person to possess a weapon in the field while using dogs.
- (26) Bruce J. Dodge, California Houndsmen for Conservation, recommended a dog training season of July 12, 1986 through August 24, 1986. He also recommended a permit system, a requirement that houndsmen could not carry a firearm during dog training and requirement that houndsmen waive search and seizure rights during dog training for bear.

- (27) Richard Hardy, Plumas County Fish and Game Commission, recommended permitting the use of dogs for the taking of deer during archery seasons.
- (28) Theresa A. Cook, Placer County Board of Supervisors, opposed training season for bear of mid-July through August.
- (29) Lila Brooks, California Wildlife Defenders, recommended prohibiting the pursuit of mountain lions with dogs.
- (30) Sally Royal, Greenwood, recommended establishing a dog training season for bear.
- (31) Mike Michael, Western Sierra Sportsmen Club, recommended training seasons of July 1 to June 30 for small game and June 1 to August 23 for bear.

SECTION 307. TREE SQUIRRELS.

- (32) Jim Matthews, Southern California Deer Hunters, recommended establishing a season in southern California.
- (33) Randy Sehorn, Glenn County Fish and Game Commission, recommended reducing bag limit to two squirrels and ending the season on December 31.

SECTION 308. BRUSH, COTTONTAIL AND PIGMY RABBITS AND VARYING HARE (SNOWSHOE).

- (34) Jack Wilburn, Folsom; Donald G. Perry, Roseville; and Elizabeth Green, Browns Valley, recommended reducing the season and limit for the varying hare.

SECTION 309. JACKRABBITS, BLACK-TAILED AND WHITE-TAILED.

- (35) Jack Wilburn, Folsom; Donald G. Perry, Roseville; and Elizabeth Green, Browns Valley, recommended setting a limit and reducing the season for white-tailed jackrabbits.

SECTION 311. METHODS AUTHORIZED FOR TAKING RESIDENT SMALL GAME.

- (36) Petition signed by 144 individuals recommended legalizing the use of the crossbow for hunting.

SECTION 353. METHODS AUTHORIZED FOR TAKING OF BIG GAME.

- (37) Petition signed by 144 individuals recommended legalizing the use of the crossbow for hunting.
- (38) Roy W. Pinelli, Jr., Pioneer, recommended prohibiting the use of lower caliber varmint guns for the take of big game.

SECTION 354. ARCHERY EQUIPMENT REGULATIONS.

- (39) Petition signed by 144 individuals recommended legalizing the use of the crossbow for hunting.
- (40) Art Wood, Chico, recommended not permitting the use of crossbows during archery seasons.

SECTION 360. DEER.

Zone B-2

- (41) Larry A. Harrison, Mt. Shasta, recommended establishing an early season, four points or better hunt with a limited number of hunters, or a split season for the zone.

Zone B-3

- (42) Ronald D. Hanks, Chico, recommended increasing length of season.

Zone B-4

- (43) Paul A. O'Kane, San Francisco, recommended season coincide with season for Zone B-2.

Zone D-1

- (44) Ronald R. Parker, Siskiyou County Sportsmen's Association, recommended closing the season on the Sunday closest to October 15.

Zone D-2X

- (45) Brian A. Collins, Magalia, recommended retaining current season.

Zone D-3

- (46) Kenneth E. Baker, County of Nevada, supported the Department of Fish and Game's proposed season and quota for zone.

Zone D-5

- (47) Roy W. Pinelli, Jr., Pioneer, recommended closing zone for one year or setting a quota of 6,500 and a split season.

Zone D-7

- (48) John Ketcham, Eastern High Sierra Packers Association, recommended establishing a season of September 13 through October 5 and using the John Muir or Pacific Crest Trail to separate the early and late seasons of zone.
- (49) Michael A. Truitt, Bishop, recommended shortening season or imposing three points or better restriction.

Zone D-14

- (50) Jim Matthews, Southern California Deer Hunters, recommended establishing a single season ending on November 2 and continuing the current quota of 3,000.
- (51) Bob McKay, California Wildlife Federation, recommended eliminating the zone, incorporating the western portion into Zone D-11 and the eastern portion into Zone D-12.
- (52) Walter Bolster, Sacramento, recommended establishing a 30-day season commencing on November 1.
- (53) Bob Blair, Cherry Valley, recommended establishing a quota of 1,500 and imposing a three points or better restriction.

Zone X-1

- (54) Mike Cleland, Weed, recommended establishing three zones, X-1a, X-1b and X-1c, from current zone with quotas of 1,500, 4,000 and 2,500, respectively. Mr. Cleland also recommended setting split seasons of September 27 through October 5 and October 18 through October 26 for these zones.
- (55) Linda Harris, McCloud, recommended permitting the take of forked horn bucks in zone.
- (56) Timothy Poole, Sacramento, recommended setting quota of 8,000 for zone.
- (57) Marian Schnorbus, Fair Oaks, recommended setting season one week earlier.

Zone X-3

- (58) Charlie W. Anderson, Grass Valley, recommended reducing quota by 50% and permitting the take of forked horn bucks.

Zone X-4

- (59) H. C. Murphy, McArthur, recommended retaining three points or better restriction.

Zone X-6

- (60) Richard Hardy, Plumas County Fish and Game Commission, recommended establishing a season of two weeks commencing on the last Saturday in September.

Zone X-8

- (61) Roy W. Pinelli, Jr., Pioneer, recommended closing zone for one year or setting a quota of 175 and open season "two weeks after inland season starts".

(62) John Ketcham, Eastern High Sierra Packers Association, recommended establishing a season of September 13 through September 28.

(63) Victor Bergstrom, Coleville, recommended setting a season of September 20 through October 5, opening and closing seasons in X-8 and X-12 on the same dates and changing boundary.

Zone X-9

(64) John Ketcham, Eastern High Sierra Packers Association, recommended establishing a season commencing on September 13 and ending on October 5 and setting quota at 6,000.

Zone X-10

(65) John Ketcham, Eastern High Sierra Packers Association, recommended establishing a season of September 13 through October 5 and setting a quota of 6,000.

Zone X-11

(66) Harold A. Keelen, Burney, recommended eliminating split season for zone.

(67) Jack Graham, Tehama County Sportsmen's Association, recommended establishing a continuous rather than split season ending no later than October 31.

(68) John V. Hammons, Unified Sportsmen, recommended opening a six week general season in mid-week (September 17 through November 2) and establishing an archery season of August 20 through September 7.

Zone X-12

(69) John Ketcham, Eastern High Sierra Packers Association, recommended establishing season of September 13 through October 5.

Antlerless and Either Sex Hunts.

(70) Colonel Frederick E. Meurer, Department of the Army, Fort Ord, recommended the following special hunts: S-4 Fort Ord - 200 either sex permits (150 civilian and 50 military) with season of weekends and certain holidays from September 13 through December 14 with weapons restricted to shotguns with slugs, archery equipment, crossbows and muzzle-loading rifles; S-5 Fort Hunter Liggett - 117 civilian and 118 military antlerless permits with season of September 27 and 28 and October 4, 5, 11, 12 and 13; and S-6 Camp Roberts - 20 civilian and 20 military antlerless permits with season of September 1-7. Colonel Meurer stipulated that the Fort Hunter Liggett and Camp Roberts hunts were contingent upon hunters being allowed to use any legal weapon including high powered rifles. He also indicated that the Fort Hunter Liggett season may be changed in accordance with the closing date for Zone A.

- (71) Colonel David H. Pinsky, Department of the Air Force, Beale AFB, recommended establishing an either sex hunt at Beale AFB with 20 military permits, with weapons restricted to shotguns with slugs and muzzle-loading rifles and with a season of September 13 - November 2.
- (72) Paul V. Campo, U.S. Marine Corps, Camp Pendleton, recommended setting an S-10 Camp Pendleton either sex hunt commencing on the opening weekend of the Zone D-15 season and running for four consecutive weekends and involving 160 permits (80 civilian and 80 military).
- (73) Gary L. Harris, San Jose, opposed antlerless and either sex hunts.
- (74) Resolution No. 86-100 of Monterey County Board of Supervisors opposed to the following hunts:
- S-4 Fort Ord Either Sex Deer Hunt
 - S-5 Fort Hunter Liggett Antlerless Deer Hunt
 - S-7 Monterey Archery Either Sex Deer Hunt
 - S-8 Monterey Private Lands Antlerless Deer Hunt
 - S-14 Ventana Wilderness Either Sex Deer Hunt
 - S-21 Monterey Antlerless Deer Hunt
- (75) Paul D. Romero, Riverside County Parks Department, reported that Riverside County Board of Supervisors approved the S-9 Tenaja Antlerless Deer Hunt.

Muzzle-Loading Rifle Hunts.

- (76) Ronald R. Parker, Siskiyou County Sportsmen's Association, recommended discontinuing the S-19 Horseshoe Ranch Hunt.
- (77) Petition from Paiute Creek Renegades; Robert Dye, Fall River Mills; Berry Miles, Raymond; Hubert Chandler, McArthur; M. A. Reginato, Adin; Michael William, Redding; and John Miles, Raymond, recommended retaining the S-16 Devil's Garden hunt. The Paiute Creek Renegade petition also recommended retaining the S-15 Bass Hill hunt.
- (78) Stanley R. Radom, Santa Barbara County Fish and Game Commission, reported that the recommendation of the County of Santa Barbara will be to limit the S-17 Santa Barbara Muzzle-Loading Rifle Hunt to 75 bucks only on the public lands involved.

Deer, Miscellaneous.

- (79) Calvin Stewart, Humboldt-Del Norte Cattlemen's Association, recommended shortening general season in Zones B-1, B-2 and B-4 by one week.
- (80) Richard Hardy, Plumas County Fish and Game Commission, recommended establishing a special hunt in the Mt. Hough Refuge with 25 permits, a forked horn or better restriction and a nine-day season commencing on the Saturday following the closure of the general season in Zone X-6.

- (81) Stanley W. Hein, Stockton, recommended opening XS-1 Shasta-Trinity hunt on the first or second Saturday in December, establishing a nine-day season and issuing 25 permits.
- (82) Jim Matthews, Southern California Deer Hunters; Robert A. Joranev, Sunnymead; and letters from 12 individuals recommended establishing a new DS-1 Special Wilderness Buck Hunt including 25 permits, a four points or better restriction, an 11-day season from November 27 through December 7 and an area encompassing the Whitewater Creek, Mission Creek, Big Morongo Creek and Little Morongo Creek drainages of the San Bernardino Mountains.
- (83) Bob Blair, Cherry Valley, opposed the proposed DS-1 Special Wilderness Buck Hunt.
- (84) Ronald R. Parker, Siskiyou County Sportsmen's Association, recommended adopting special hunt regulations consistent with regulations for surrounding zones.
- (85) Ed Haverly, Ojai Valley Gun Club, recommended combining special hunts S-17 and S-18, increasing the total number of permits to 300 and setting an 18-day season commencing on November 27.
- (86) Vernon Hamman, Manteca, recommended setting season at 10 or 15 days.
- (87) Michael A. Truitt, Bishop, recommended adopting a three points or better restriction for the area of the Sherwin Grade deer herd.
- (88) Richard K. Penney, Roseville, recommended establishing a one week muzzle-loading rifle season after the general season for unsuccessful hunters.
- (89) Don and Lois Chamberlain, Anderson, expressed concern over closure of roads in Zone X-1.
- (90) Robert W. White, Willows, expressed concern about forked horn bucks left in the field by hunters in zones with three points or better restriction.
- (91) Jack Graham, Tehama County Sportsmen's Association, and postcards from 481 individuals recommended that all of Zone X-11, including the Tehama Wildlife Area, be open to any hunter with a valid X-11 tag.
- (92) Charles F. Stepler recommended retaining current seasons in zones X-9 and X-12 and restricting the XS-2 Goodale hunt to muzzle-loading rifles only.
- (93) C. F. Wallenfelsz, Citrus Heights, recommended establishing a muzzle-loading rifle only season and harvesting spike bucks with horns over three inches in length.
- (94) Bruce Thorstad, Fountain Valley, supported special hunts.

- (95) Edward E. Hall, Shasta County Fish and Game Commission, recommended: (1) a September 27 to October 5 season for zones X-7a and X-7b; (2) a season of September 27 to October 13 and quota of 4,400 for Zone X-6; (3) a season of October 4 to November 2 for Zone D-3; and (4) providing a map for successful applicants for zones X-7a, X-7b and D-3.
- (96) Fred Pasquarella, California Bowmen Hunters, recommended the following: (1) statewide archery only hunting; (2) a three week archery deer season in Zone X-11; (3) establishment of archery only trophy buck hunt in Tehama Wildlife Area to run from November 15 through November 30 and involve 50 permits; (4) establish 16-day late season archery only buck hunt in Zone S-16 from November 15 through November 30 with 50 permits; and (5) increase quota for Zone S-1 to 850 permits.

SECTION 361. ARCHERY DEER HUNTING.

- (97) Mrs. Sherman Lester, Upland, recommended that archery hunting be permitted only during the general season.
- (98) Richard Hardy, Plumas County Fish and Game Commission, recommended that only persons with archery only tags be permitted to hunt in Zone X-11 during the archery season.

SECTION 365. BEAR.

- (99) Theresa A. Cook, Placer County Board of Supervisors, recommended a 79 consecutive day season.
- (100) Bruce J. Dodge, California Houndsmen for Conservation, recommended no change from the 1985 season.
- (101) Edd Haverly, Ojai Valley Gun Club, recommended extending the season for Ventura and Santa Barbara counties and setting the season from the third Saturday of the Zone-A deer season through December 28.
- (102) Mike Michael, Western Sierra Sportsmen Club, recommended adopting a season commencing on October 1 and ending January 1 and setting a season of August 1 to October 1 in wilderness areas.

SECTION 367. BEAR LICENSE TAGS.

- (103) Mike Michael, Western Sierra Sportsmen Club, recommended over-the-counter sale of bear tags.
- (104) Bruce J. Dodge, California Houndsmen for Conservation, recommended including on-duty peace officers and forest service personnel as persons authorized to validate bear tags.
- (105) Carlos Mireles, Whittier; and Michael E. Pottorff, Oceanside, opposed the requirement that an unsuccessful hunter must return the report card portion of the tag.

- (106) Kent T. Woodell, Sportsmen for Equal Access, opposed to issuing tags from only one location.

SECTION 367.5. PRESENTATION OF BEAR SKULL.

- (107) Bruce J. Dodge, California Houndsmen for Conservation, recommended retaining current regulation.

SECTION 368. WILD PIG.

- (108) Bud Hemman, Central Valley Sportsmen, recommended including cross-reference statement to Subsection 265(b)(5), use of dogs for taking pigs.
- (109) Jerry Hemsted, Tehama County Cattlemen's Association, supported current regulations for Tehama County.
- (110) Jack Graham, Manton, recommended an evaluation of the regulations in Tehama County.

SECTION 371. PROCEDURES FOR APPLICATION FOR AND DISTRIBUTION OF DEER TAGS AND PERMITS.

- (111) Richard Hardy, Plumas County Fish and Game Commission, recommended that applicant may list any zone as alternate on deer tag application.
- (112) Robert A. Joranev, Sunnymead, recommended that unsuccessful applicants for special hunts be issued a star to be sent in for the next year's draw and if an applicant accumulates two or three stars, he should automatically receive the desired special hunt tag.
- (113) Larry Bullivant, Folsom, recommended that unsuccessful applicants be given priority in draw for the following year.
- (114) Linda Harris, McCloud, recommended permitting Zone D-2 as an alternate for Zone X-1.
- (115) Leonard Bruhns, Paradise, recommended having archery only and general season only tags.
- (116) C. F. Wallenfelsz, Citrus Heights, questioned why applicants for special hunts are limited to a one-deer tag.
- (117) Michael G. Brattland, San Diego, recommended amending regulations to allow hunters to select up to three zones as primary choices.
- (118) David Cowell, Nevada City, recommended not limiting applicants for an X Zone to X Zone alternates.
- (119) Frank Giacomazzi, Suisun, recommended establishing a limited number of special buck-doe combination tags that could be made available to a hunter in alternating years and be valid for a limited time period.

- (120) C. O. Bateson, Susanville, recommended that a one deer, archery only tag be made available.
- (121) John W. Guenley, Redwood City, recommended amending the regulations related to drawing for X Zones.
- (122) Blake H. Lewis, Chowchilla, recommended a procedure for sale of tags.
- (123) Wayne Taresh, Woodland, recommended changing procedure for providing alternative choices to first choice zone.
- (124) Richard A. Cranfield, Janesville, recommended that persons who reside year-round within zone should have preference in drawing for tags for that zone.
- (125) Cliff McHenry, Cerritos, recommended increasing number of tags that can be submitted together from six to ten or fifteen.
- (126) Michael Hawes, Santa Rosa, recommended the archery only tag as an optional second or third choice to an X Zone.
- (127) Fred Pasquarella, California Bowmen Hunters, recommended eliminating mandatory second tag for archery only tag.
- (128) Eugene T. Robeson, La Mesa, recommended changing the procedures for obtaining deer tags.

SECTION 461. BADGER AND GRAY FOX.

- (129) Jack Wilburn, Folsom; M. H. File, Rancho Cordova; Ray Rozema, Sacramento; Donald G. Perry, Roseville; and Elizabeth Green, Browns Valley, recommended classifying the badger as a protected species.

SECTION 462. MUSKRAT AND MINK.

- (130) Petition signed by 29 individuals recommended year-round season for muskrat in Suisun Marsh area.

SECTION 463. BEAVER.

- (131) Petition signed by 29 individuals recommended year-round season for beaver in Suisun Marsh area.

SECTION 465.5. USE OF TRAPS.

- (132) Bud Hemman, Central Valley Sportsmen, recommended prohibiting the use of snares for the taking of mammals.
- (133) George Gamble, California Trappers Association, recommended including a new subsection, "Any traps as defined in Subsection (a) of this section are legal to possess until set illegally according to the regulations of this section".

SECTION 466. HOURS FOR TAKING FURBEARERS.

- (134) Bud Hemman, Central Valley Sportsmen, recommended deleting this section.

SECTION 472. GENERAL PROVISIONS.

- (135) Jack Wilburn, Folsom; M. H. File, Rancho Cordova; Ray Rozema, Sacramento; Donald G. Perry, Roseville; and Elizabeth Green, Browns Valley, recommended prohibiting trapping for spotted skunk.

SECTION 474. HOURS FOR TAKING.

- (136) Bud Hemman, Central Valley Sportsmen, recommended deleting this section.

SECTION 478. BOBCAT.

- (137) Mike Michael, Western Sierra Sportsmen Club, recommended adopting a season of October 1 to March 1.
- (138) Bette D. Goodman, Los Angeles; Frances E. Hoehn, Altadena; and Evelyn Dutzi, South Laguna, recommended prohibiting the killing of bobcats.
- (139) Lila Brooks, California Wildlife Defenders, recommended establishing a bag and possession limit for bobcats taken under a trapping license.

SECTION 478.1. BOBCAT HUNTING TAGS.

- (140) Mike Michael, Western Sierra Sportsmen Club, recommended sale of bobcat tags over the counter.

MISCELLANEOUS MAMMAL HUNTING.

- (141) Kent T. Woodell, Sportsmen for Equal Access, recommended providing a combination hunting and fishing license.
- (142) Roy W. Pinelli, Jr., Pioneer, recommended not permitting deer hunting during the rut.
- (143) Carl Worden, Aptos, recommended requiring that bow be encased while being transported in a moving vehicle.
- (144) Ronald R. Taylor, Clear Lake, opposed splitting of Zone X-7 into 7a and 7b, recommended an antlerless hunt every three to five years in X-7a and X-7b and recommended a three points or better restriction for these zones.
- (145) J. R. Hamilton, Rocklin, recommended reducing the number of predators.

- (146) Mrs. Beryl Foley, Trinity Center, recommended not closing national forest roads and reducing the price of deer tags for senior citizens or allow senior citizens to hunt an additional year on a tag if unsuccessful the first year.
- (147) Gary D. Luis, Placerville, recommended having an either sex hunt in certain zones and closing the season in certain zones for one or two years.
- (148) Lila Brooks, California Wildlife Defenders; Robert Fischer, Golden State Humane Society; Lyn Fischbein, Lake County Humane Society; Allan W. Sandstrum, Monterey County Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals; petition signed by 26 individuals and letters from 180 individuals opposed to the sport hunting of mountain lions.
- (149) Bud Hemman, Central Valley Sportsmen, recommended a sport hunting season for mountain lions commencing the first Saturday of January and ending the 1st day of May "with a one lion bag limit per license tag".
- (150) E. E. May, Shasta County Cattlemen's Association; Michael R. Lee, Placer County Board of Supervisors; Charlotte Humphrey, Tehama County Farm Bureau; Norman Taylor, Fall River-Big Valley Cattlemen's Association; Shannon L. Wooten, Shasta County Farm Bureau; Ronald R. Parker, Siskiyou County Sportsmen's Association; Mike Michael, Western Sierra Sportsmen Club; Resolution No. W1-3 of the California Association of Resource Conservation Districts; and letters from ten individuals recommended establishing sport hunting season for mountain lions.
- (151) Bruce J. Dodge, California Houndsmen for Conservation, recommended establishing a season for the take of mountain lions commencing on December 13 and ending on March 31 with the following provisions: (1) a zone system, (2) any person with hunting license eligible to apply for mountain lion tag, (3) hunter may hunt in specific zone until quota for that zone is achieved and than apply to hunt in zone where quota has not been reached, and (4) fees for resident and non-resident tags \$13.00 and \$128.00, respectively.
- (152) Bob McKay, California Wildlife Federation, recommended establishing a mountain lion season in certain areas of California with 100 permits, a maximum harvest of 35 lions, a big limit of one lion per license year and inspection and reporting requirements.
- (153) Dana H. Whipple, Santa Clara, recommended establishing a season for the take of mountain lions but prohibit the use of dogs for the take of mountain lions.
- (154) Letters from 867 individuals, including many individuals representing organizations, opposed to the proposal to remove mountain lions from the area of the North Kings deer herd.
- (155) California Natural Resources Federation Resolution recommended management of mountain lions.

- (156) Fred Pasquarella, California Bowmen Hunters, recommended opening archery antelope season one week prior to opening of the "general" archery season and increase the number of archery permits to 150, providing for archery hunting of mountain lions if mountain lion season is established or allow the use of archery equipment to take lions under depredation efforts and adopting a special elk archery season with 25 permits.

MISCELLANEOUS TRAPPING.

- (157) Mike Michael, Western Sierra Sportsmen Club, recommended retaining current seasons for furbearers.
- (158) George Gamble, California Trappers Association, recommended that out-of-state trappers be limited to taking only those species that California trappers are permitted to take in the respective states.

4. RECEIPT OF DEPARTMENT REPORT RE: EVALUATION OF 1985 ACTIVITIES RELATED TO IMPLEMENTING THE FORESTHILL DIVIDE MOUNTAIN LION MANAGEMENT PLAN, PLACER COUNTY.

The Executive Secretary reminded the Commission that at its April 26, 1985 meeting, the Commission approved the subject plan and authorized the Department to implement it during the 1985 grazing season. He stated that the Commission further stipulated that the Department prepare an evaluation of the first of the proposed five-year program prior to requesting the take of additional mountain lions pursuant to the approved plan.

Terry Mansfield stated that the goal of the plan was to alleviate mountain lion damage to livestock while maintaining a viable mountain lion population in the plan area. He noted that the specific objective of the plan was to reduce the number of sheep confirmed killed by mountain lions by at least 50% from the average for the five-year period 1980-1984. He indicated that the plan was intended to test the feasibility and practicality of selectively removing mountain lions which posed a serious threat prior to and during the grazing season in an effort to reduce livestock damage.

Mr. Mansfield stated that during the 1985 grazing season, four male mountain lions were taken pursuant to the management plan. He pointed out that in addition, an adult female lion was taken under a depredation permit following confirmed livestock damage. He noted that a total of five sheep were confirmed killed by mountain lions during the grazing period which extended from May 21 through September 3, 1985. He indicated that a total of 33 sheep had been killed the year before. He further stated that the Department had determined that the goals and objectives of the plan had been met during 1985.

Bill Yeates stated that he supported the initial depredation program, but now has concerns regarding the cost of the animal control. He indicated that the ranchers had introduced their sheep into mountain lion country. President Kahn asked the Department how much money they spent on this program. Mr. Mansfield stated that the program cost was a concern and indicated that the Department provided approximately one and one-half man months of time. He said there was no additional costs to the Department as Placer County Animal Control people took care of hunting the mountain lions.

Mark Palmer stated that he was concerned about the impact of taking five lions each year on the local mountain lion population.

Jerry Upholt stated that the Department had done a good job and recommended that they would be allowed to continue their project.

Richard Spotts stated that during the initial consideration of this item in 1985, he had requested that prior to consideration of renewal, that a written evaluation of the program should be available at least 15-20 days prior to a hearing. He indicated that he had not received any written material on this item. The Executive Secretary stated that this item had been scheduled to receive the initial report from the Department concerning the activities during 1985 and that no action would be taken on this item at this meeting. He stated that he would schedule an action item for the Commission's April 7 meeting in San Diego.

Matthew Bailey, Sierra Club, stated that the Placer County trappers were only in the area because of one sheep rancher. He stated that it was not economically feasible to have predator control in this area. President Kahn stated that it was a legitimate concern regarding the costs of this depredation program in light of the Department's fiscal problems. Mr. Mansfield stated that the Department had learned a great deal regarding the mountain lion population in the Foresthill Divide area by being out in the field. He stated that the value of the program was over and above the depredation aspect and that the Department had been able to collect significant information regarding mountain lions in general.

Commissioner Bryant asked if this work was being done for just one rancher. Mr. Mansfield stated that there were two livestock owners that grazed in the area. Commissioner Bryant asked how many years sheep had been grazing in the area. Mr. Mansfield stated that the Department had data going back 14 years, but that he believed grazing had been occurring for a long time. John Wilson, Agricultural Commissioner for Placer County, stated that grazing had been occurring in that area for the past 40 or 50 years.

President Kahn suggested that the Department set up a field trip for the interested Commissioners to observe this program. Mr. Mansfield stated that the Department would work with the Commission in setting up such a field trip.

5. APPROVAL OF MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR SAN JACINTO WILDLIFE AREA.

The Executive Secretary reminded the Commission that this item was originally scheduled for action by the Commission at its February 7 meeting in Monterey; however, it had been put over until the March 7 meeting for final action. He pointed out that subsequent to the February 7 meeting, Commissioner Taucher had met with Department representatives to finalize the management plan for the San Jacinto Wildlife Area.

Commissioner Taucher stated that he had met with the Department for six to seven hours but that the management plan still needed some work. He recommended this item be postponed again until the Commission has had a chance to review the Department's draft San Jacinto Management Plan.

Bill Grenfell stated that the Department had provided the Commission office with a draft plan late yesterday afternoon. He stated that the availability of water issue had been holding up completion of the plan. He also pointed out that initially the Department and Mr. Taucher had envisioned that the proposed hunting area would consist of approximately 1,000 acres. He said that recently they had been discussing an area of 2,000-2,100 acres, but in the draft plan, it had been reduced to only 1,300-1,400 acres. Mr. Cribbs stated that as soon as the Department officially transmitted the draft report to the Commission office, he would provide copies to the Commissioners for their review and comment.

6. RECEIPT OF DEPARTMENT REPORT RE: IMPORTATION, TRANSPORTATION AND POSSESSION OF FERRETS FOR PET PURPOSES.

The Executive Secretary reminded the Commission that at its November 1, 1985 meeting in San Diego, it requested the Department to evaluate the Commission's current policy regarding the importation, transportation and

possession of ferrets for pet purposes and to report back with recommendations to the Commission at its March 7 meeting. He indicated that this request was made because the Commission had received numerous requests from individuals for authorization to possess female ferrets for pet purposes. Mr. Cribbs pointed out that the Commissioners had been provided with a copy of Section 671, Title 14, CAC, regarding the importation, transportation and possession of prohibited species, including ferrets for pet purposes. He noted that the Commissioners had also received copies of the Department's recommendation on this item, all correspondence received from the public, as well as letters from the Department of Health Services and the Department of Food and Agriculture urging the Commission to retain its current prohibitions on the possession of ferrets for pet purposes.

Eldridge Hunt stated that the Department had met with Mr. Smith, attorney for the ferret owners, as requested by the Commission to obtain information from the Ferret Owners Association. He stated that after reviewing all the facts, the Department recommended the continuation of the existing regulations.

Shirley Finster and Thelma Overholt recommended retaining the current regulations prohibiting the importation and possession of ferrets.

Dr. Denny Constantine, Veterinarian for the Department of Health Services, stated that the Department of Health Services supported the retention of the existing regulations. He indicated that there were seven to eight known cases of rabid ferrets in the United States. He said normally a ferret bite was followed by an anti rabies vaccine. He pointed out that in Arizona, a state which had legalized the possession of ferrets, there were 12-1/2 times the number of ferret bites than in California.

Lew Davis stated that the Department of Food and Agriculture also recommended retaining the current prohibition on the importation and possession of ferrets. He pointed out that in New Zealand, ferrets had virtually eliminated the ground nesting birds. He pointed out that there were no natural predators of ferrets in New Zealand.

Robert Smith stated that the pole cat, which he called a cousin of the ferret, had been introduced into New Zealand during the 1800's to control hares. He stated that rabies data was lacking and that the number of bites were limited. He pointed out that his information indicated that there were only 76 bites in Arizona last year. He noted that for the first nine months in 1985, there were no ferret bites in San Diego County. He maintained that ferrets were not a wild animal, but a domesticated pet; and therefore, should not be included in the Commission's regulations (Section 671, Title 14, CAC). He stated that the Commission should require the licensing of pet ferrets which would produce income for the Department. He urged the Commission to rescind its current regulations and legalize the ownership of ferrets in California.

David Miller stated that ferrets were not a wild animal, but a domesticated pet. He pointed out that a health permit was needed if the ferrets were legalized. He said there were no approved rabies vaccines for birds or guinea pigs. He indicated that for unwanted dogs and cats, they had no resale value; and therefore, they were released to roam freely. He pointed

out that there was a resale market for ferrets, therefore, they would not be released, but resold to some other person. He recommended that the Commission legalize ferrets in California.

Linda Morris and Linda Moore opposed the current regulations on ferrets and recommended that the Commission legalize the possession of ferrets in California. They indicated that the current regulations were a violation of their rights.

Jeanette Armstrong, President of the Ferret Association, Phoenix, Arizona, stated that she had eleven ferrets and that they all had their distemper and rabies shots. She maintained that ferrets make wonderful pets and urged the Commission to legalize the possession of ferrets in California.

Mark Palmer and Richard Spotts supported the Department's recommendation for retaining the current regulations. They indicated that California has a serious problem with the importation of nonnative species which compete with the state's native fish and wildlife species. They suggested that increased penalties for possession of illegal animals may be a deterrent and also recommended that there should be increased enforcement of these regulations.

President Kahn asked if there were problems in the six other states which prohibited ferrets. Eldridge Hunt stated that in Massachusetts and Washington, there were problems with feral populations of ferrets.

The Executive Secretary indicated that the Commission office had received a letter from Dr. Steven Grace who was a plastic surgeon in Carson City, Nevada. He pointed out that Dr. Grace had worked on three cases of ferret attacks on infants. Mr. Cribbs stated that Dr. Grace had provided slides to show the severe damage done to the infant's face, and that they were available for the Commissioners viewing, if they so desired.

Mr. Cribbs indicated that warden Bob Prosser was in the audience and was available to present testimony to the Commission regarding the illegal sale and breeding of ferrets in Placer County, if the Commission so desired.

Warden Prosser stated that in a recent case in Placer County, an animal technician for a veterinarian was breeding and selling ferrets illegally in the state. He indicated that there were also reports of wild ferrets in Placer County. He pointed out that while he was working in the Los Angeles area a few years ago, the Department confiscated numerous illegal ferrets and they would have up to 50 ferrets in their facilities at any given time.

DeWayne Johnston, stated that the existing laws were enforceable, but as a deterrent to people, maybe there needed to be stiffer penalties.

It was then:

MOVED BY MR. GALLETTI, SECONDED BY MR. BRYANT, THAT
THE FISH AND GAME COMMISSION HEREBY REAFFIRMS ITS
INTENT TO MAINTAIN THE EXISTING REGULATIONS IN

SECTION 671, TITLE 14, CAC, REGARDING PROHIBITING
THE POSSESSION OF FERRETS IN CALIFORNIA.

PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

7. COMMISSION POLICY RE: "HARDWOODS."

Mr. Cribbs reminded the Commission that at its February 7, 1986 meeting in Monterey, there was a discussion regarding implementation of the Commission's policy on hardwoods. He indicated that subsequent to that meeting, President Kahn had asked that the item again be placed on the agenda for further discussion. He pointed out that the Commissioners were provided with a copy of the Commission's policy on hardwoods and the Department's comments on this issue, as well as correspondence from the Defenders of Wildlife and the California Wildlife Federation.

President Kahn stated that the Commission had received the Department's report on this item at its February 7 meeting, and that the discussion indicated that the Board of Forestry would be taking an educational approach instead of adopting regulations. He indicated that he had a concern with this approach since the Commission had adopted a policy on this issue, and that he felt the protection of hardwoods was necessary to protect the state's wildlife resources.

Bill Grenfell stated that the Board of Forestry had asked the California Department of Forestry to prepare a report on hardwoods that would bring together all current knowledge on hardwood ecology since the publication of the Hardwood Task Force's report in 1983. He indicated the final draft of the report would be submitted to the Board of Forestry for review on August 15, 1986. He stated that the Department would then be able to provide up-to-date information to the Commission on this item. President Kahn recommended to the Executive Secretary that this item be put on the agenda for the Commission's late August meeting.

Richard Spotts indicated that the Defenders of Wildlife was greatly disappointed that the Board of Forestry had consistently delayed the promulgation of any general regulations to manage oak and other hardwood species. He indicated his organization applauded the Department and the Commission for monitoring the hardwoods and urging necessary action, but he believed a more aggressive approach was necessary. He urged the Commission to strongly recommend that the Board of Forestry promulgate regulations in the next few months to properly manage oak and other hardwood species. He pointed out that hardwoods habitats were extremely important for deer and other wildlife species. He explained that this habitat type was diminishing, as a result of the overall increase in hardwood logging for fuel, woodchips and other purposes. He indicated that the fundamental conservation requirement, such as sustain yield, reforestation, minimum canopy retention and stream protection zones were not being implemented on millions of acres of hardwood habitat.

8. COMMISSION POLICY RE: PRIVATE LANDS MANAGEMENT PROGRAM.

The Executive Secretary stated that at the Commission's February 7, 1986 meeting in Monterey, there had been a discussion regarding the proposed Commission policy pertaining to Private Land Wildlife Management Areas. He pointed out that the Commission took no action on the matter at that time but referred the issue to the subcommittee on game. He indicated that on February 25, Commissioners Kahn and Bryant met in Sacramento with the Department to discuss this matter. He explained that based on his review of the Department's proposed special hunts, it appeared that parity could be achieved in all but a section of northern California in Zone X-11. He noted that the Commissioners had been provided with a copy of the redraft of the policy.

President Kahn stated that Commissioner Bryant at the subcommittee meeting had raised an important issue which was the perception of the financial resources a person must have in order to participate in a late season buck hunt. He said that the average unattached hunter could not afford to hunt on a private lands wildlife management area; therefore, the Department, he believed, should provide equal opportunities for all hunters.

Commissioner Taucher asked if the new draft of the Commission's policy would allow the average hunter the opportunity to have a late season hunt. President Kahn said that it would.

The Executive Secretary reminded the Commission that at its February 7 meeting it informed the private lands wildlife management area licensees that the Commission would not adopt a policy without providing an opportunity for further review and comment. President Kahn noted that the item had been duly noticed and urged the Commission to adopt this policy. He said that if a private lands wildlife management area licensee had some concerns, they could be discussed when the licensee renewed his 1986 license and, if necessary, the Commission could amend its policy.

It was then:

MOVED BY MR. GALLETTI, SECONDED BY MR. TAUCHER, THAT
THE FISH AND GAME COMMISSION HEREBY ADOPTS ITS POLICY
REGARDING THE PRIVATE LANDS WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA
PROGRAM.

PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

9. REQUEST OF STEVEN FITZ AND JAMES BUSKIRK, EL GRANADA, FOR EXPERIMENTAL GEAR PERMIT TO USE A SCOTTISH SEINE TO TAKE KINGFISH AND STARRY FLOUNDER IN OCEAN WATERS BETWEEN POINT REYES AND WADDELL CREEK.

The Executive Secretary reminded the Commission that this item had been scheduled for Commission consideration at its December 6, January 3 and February 7 meetings; however, it had been put over to this meeting for final consideration. Mr. Cribbs then stated that the Commission office had received word that the applicants wished to withdraw their request; therefore, no Commission action was required at this time.

10. AMENDMENT OF SECTIONS 1.17, 13.05, 13.35, 13.85 AND 27.80, AND ADDITION OF SECTIONS 1.74, 13.36 AND 13.86, TITLE 14, CAC, RE: SALMON SPORT FISHING RESTRICTIONS AND LIMITS. (DISCUSSION ONLY - HEARING ALSO SCHEDULED FOR APRIL 7, 1986 IN SAN DIEGO - ADOPTION OF REGULATIONS SCHEDULED FOR APRIL 11, 1986 IN SACRAMENTO.)

The Executive Secretary stated that the purpose of this item was to hold a hearing to receive public testimony on the issues of angling regulations for the Klamath-Trinity River basin, the ocean recreational salmon fishery north of Point Delgada and the proposed punch card for that area. He pointed out that the Commissioners were provided with a copy of the Department's pre-publication of notice for the abovementioned regulatory proposals, as well as a letter from United Anglers suggesting alternative regulations pertaining to the ocean salmon season bag limits. He noted that it was his understanding that the Department had been working closely with the various groups and that for the most part, their concerns had been addressed. He indicated, however, that there may remain some differences of opinion with regard to the allocation of catch quotas and the provisions for taking those quotas. Mr. Cribbs stated that based upon the level of discussion at this hearing, the Commission may desire to hold an additional hearing on the north coast during the period prior to its April 7 meeting in San Diego. He pointed out that if that was the case, the Commission staff would schedule such a meeting. Mr. Cribbs stated it should be understood by the Commission that no action is necessary at this time and that further discussions will take place on April 7 in San Diego with the Commission taking final action on April 11.

Deputy Director Fletcher stated that the Department had thoroughly discussed the issues with all concerned groups and that, for the most part, all had agreed with the proposed regulation changes. He indicated that the United Anglers, however, had some different opinions and they could present those to the Commission at this time.

Bill Maloney, United Anglers, stated that his organization joined the Klamath River Advisory Group because they were concerned about the depleted chinook salmon resources of the Klamath River. He indicated that historically sport fishermen were able to take three fish per day with a season of February 15 through November 15. He said then the bag limit went to two fish per day and now the season is proposed to be from Memorial Day through Labor Day with a bag limit of six fish per week. He stated that his organization felt that the sport angler had given up enough already and that they were not guaranteed a fishery through Labor Day weekend. He indicated that the United Anglers proposed the following checkpoints and triggers for the ocean sport catch of salmon:

United Anglers of California Alternative:

<u>Total Catch Compiled Through</u>	<u>If Total Catch of Chinook in Management Area Exceeds</u>	<u>Bag Limit or Season change Triggered</u>	<u>Date Becomes Effective</u>
June 29	18,225	Chinook salmon bag limit reduced to one per day	July 1

<u>Total Catch Compiled Through</u>	<u>If Total Catch of Chinook in Management Area Exceeds</u>	<u>Bag Limit or Season change Triggered</u>	<u>Date Becomes Effective</u>
July 13	31,250	Chinook salmon bag limit reduced to three per week	July 15
July 31	41,667	No fishing on Tuesdays or Wednesdays	August 2
Any Date	52,000	Chinook salmon bag limit reduced to zero per day and Coho salmon bag limit increased to two per day and season opens back up to seven days per week	-----

Commissioner Taucher asked the Department if the United Anglers had been involved in the discussions from the very beginning. Deputy Director Fletcher stated yes.

Mr. L. R. Blevins stated that he had fished for years on the north coast and that as an average for the last four years he had spent \$8,000.00 during his three month fishing excursion on the north coast. He stated that he could support the six fish per week quota, but felt that the overall quota could effect the number of people going up to the area. He explained that the proposal would make it difficult for people to plan their vacation with certainty.

Thomas Richardson, sporting good store owner, stated that at first he thought the 35% trigger was a good idea, and that he probably could live with it as it would not be reached. He explained that he was now having second thoughts regarding the trigger mechanisms. He pointed out that last year when the season was closed on Mondays and Tuesdays, his gross sales went down from an average of \$800 a day to \$250 a day for those two days. He indicated that a July and August closure would devastate the north coast. He recommended no closures other than the weekly bag limit. He recommended that two silvers per day be taken with a six fish per week quota.

Commissioner Taucher stated that he had looked at the sales tax and bed tax for the last two years on the north coast and found that there was not a significant difference for the last two years with the Monday and Tuesday closure.

Deputy Director Fletcher stated that the users on the north coast have essentially agreed to the harvest rate management concept, and that there was an agreement for the take of 40,000 chinook salmon by the ocean sport angler within the management area north of Point Delgada. He pointed out that the long-term average catch for that management area had been only 20,000 chinook

salmon. He stated that if 35% of the fish were caught by July 1, the trigger mechanism would take effect. He pointed out that it had been the Department's experience that a reduction of bag limits did not seem to work in reducing the overall catch and that the only thing that really worked was to take the fishermen off the water. He concluded by stating that the State of Oregon had a proposal to allow for the take of two cohos (silvers) per day for the months of July and August.

At this time, Mel Odemar provided a chart for the Commission which showed the long-term average catch by time periods to visually display when the triggering mechanisms would occur. He pointed out that 1985 had been an exceptional ocean fishery and that the sportsmen had taken 40,000 chinook salmon by the July 4 weekend. He also noted, however, that in 1985 there was no commercial salmon fishery on the north coast. Deputy Director Fletcher stated that most of the user groups had agreed to try this proposal for 1986, and the Department requested the Commission adopt these proposals at their April 11 meeting.

11. EMERGENCY AMENDMENT OF SECTION 3.00, TITLE 14, CAC, RE: PROHIBITING NIGHT FISHING IN MERCED LAKE, SAN FRANCISCO COUNTY.

Mr. Cribbs stated that Mr. Eugene L. Friend, President of the City and County of San Francisco Recreation and Park Commission, had requested the Commission take emergency action to amend Section 3.00, Title 14, CAC, prohibiting night fishing at Merced Lake, San Francisco County. He pointed out that the Commissioners were provided with a copy of Mr. Friend's letter dated February 6, 1986.

Mr. Cribbs stated that the Department had reviewed the San Francisco Recreation and Park Commission's request and opposed the adoption of an emergency regulation closing Merced Lake to night fishing.

Robin Burgstahler stated that the San Francisco Recreation and Park Department controlled approximately four and one-half miles of shore line and it was very difficult for them to adequately patrol the area at night. She stated that they had a concern on the impacts to plants, birds and other animal life that the 24 hour fishing regulation would have on the Lake Merced area.

The Executive Secretary pointed out to Ms. Burgstahler that the City and County of San Francisco could pass an ordinance regulating public access at night and to close Lake Merced to all public access if they were concerned for public safety. President Kahn also emphasized that the City and County of San Francisco had legal authority to control public access if they felt public safety was in jeopardy. He stated that the city and county could not single out fishermen, but had to close the lake to all users. James Cooney stated that the San Francisco Recreation and Park Department would consider this proposal. The Commission then tabled this matter to allow the City and County of San Francisco to pursue this matter through their own local ordinance procedures.

12. APPROVAL OF LEGISLATIVE PROPOSAL RE: ASSESSMENT OF CIVIL PENALTIES FOR CONVICTIONS OF COMMERCIAL HERRING FISHERY VIOLATIONS.

The Executive Secretary stated that Mr. Ilson New, an attorney representing the commercial herring fishery, had requested that the Commission sponsor legislation regarding the assessment of civil penalties for convictions of commercial herring fishery violations. He pointed out that the Commissioners were provided with a copy of Mr. New's letter. He indicated that the Department had reviewed this information and provided the following recommendation:

"The Department is concerned that the request was made to pattern legislation after AB 2078. In 1985 when AB 2078 was proposed, the Department agreed to the bill with the understanding that it would be a trial program to see how it works. We have not had a season under AB 2078 and I am hesitant to say whether it works or not.

"Additionally, the concepts surfaced too late for proper review and inclusion in the bill during this legislative season. There is still a possibility that we can find a bill and amend the appropriate sections, but I want to make sure that we do not act too quickly.

"In summary, the Department supports the concept of civil compromise in minor nonresource violations. We also feel that a cautious approach is best; and therefore, request that this legislation be approved only in concept. We will move forward with legislation as quickly as possible."

Mr. Cribbs stated that Commission staff recommended that the Commission authorize the Department to pursue legislation regarding the assessment of civil penalties for conviction of commercial herring fishery violations.

Ilson New stated that action by the Fish and Game Commission regarding herring violations often resulted in the imposition of a penalty, that is a "restriction" of the permittee's herring fishing rights. He indicated that generally this restriction was a removal of a time period or periods from his fishing season; e.g. one to two days of the season, though in some cases, much more. He stated that at all of the Fish and Game Commission hearings regarding the imposition of such a penalty or restriction upon his clients, he argued and proposed that such a penalty was unfair, unjust and arbitrary in that it could result in a financial loss to the permittee that was (1) not in proportion to the seriousness of the violation; (2) not in accord with the ruling in the judicial system of the state; and (3) arbitrary in its penal effect in that it could result in a financial loss i.e., penalty of zero dollars or 100% of the entirety of the permittee's annual herring catch.

Mr. New urged the Commission and the Department to undertake all things necessary to include the California herring fishery under similar legislation regarding the assessment of civil penalties for conviction of commercial herring violations as AB 2078 did to the commercial salmon fishery. Commissioner Galletti stated that he had no objections to this approach as long as the Commission still maintained its authority.

Deputy Director Fletcher stated that the Department agreed that at times the penalty outstripped the fine and requested that the Herring Advisory Committee have a chance to provide its input before a bill was introduced. The Executive Secretary stated that the Herring Advisory Committee would be able to comment on the bill as it went through the legislative process and to also work with the Department and Commission in establishing the penalties once the bill was signed into law.

Commissioner Taucher asked Mr. Smaage if the Commission could continue with its day penalty and then convert that into a dollar figure. Denis Smaage stated that he was uncomfortable with that approach in that the fishermen had to waive his rights with the fine. He indicated that to adopt a penalty system, the Commission would need legislative authority. Commissioner Taucher stated that he agreed with the concept, but agreed with the Department that it should be discussed with the Herring Advisory Committee.

It was then:

MOVED BY MR. GALLETTI, SECONDED BY MR. TAUCHER, THAT
THE FISH AND GAME COMMISSION HEREBY APPROVES STAFF
REQUESTS FOR AUTHORIZATION TO PURSUE A LEGISLATIVE
PROPOSAL REGARDING THE ASSESSMENT OF CIVIL DAMAGES
FOR CONVICTIONS OF COMMERCIAL HERRING FISHERY
VIOLATIONS UTILIZING THE SAME CONCEPT AS SET FORTH
IN AB 2078.

PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

13. RECEIPT OF DEPARTMENT STATUS REPORT RE: "MANAGEMENT PLANS FOR DEPARTMENT
LANDS."

Mr. Cribbs stated that the purpose of this agenda item was to brief the Commission on the status of the development of management plans for the Department's lands. He reminded the Commission that at its June 28, 1985 meeting in South Lake Tahoe, it received a status report on Department-owned lands. Mr. Cribbs stated that the Department requested that this item be held over. He indicated that this item would be scheduled for a later Commission meeting.

CONSENT CALENDAR

The Executive Secretary noted that Items 14 through 24 had been placed on the Commission's consent calendar. Mr. Cribbs pointed out, however, that item 22 had been removed at the Department's request and would be considered at the Commission's April 25, 1986 meeting in Long Beach. Mr. Cribbs stated that the staff knew of no opposition to the remaining proposals other than as specified in the analysis and that the Department had provided a recommendation on each of those items which either called for approval or modified approval by the Commission. He noted that any item could be removed from the consent calendar by the Commission or upon request of the Department or someone in the audience who would like to speak on that item. He stated that copies of a summary of the consent calendar items were available to the public. Mr. Cribbs stated that one overall motion was appropriate for approval of these items.

14. REQUEST FOR AUTHORIZATION TO PUBLISH NOTICE OF INTENT TO AMEND SECTION 237, TITLE 14, CAC, RE: MARKING OF AQUACULTURE LEASES.

The Department is requesting that the Commission authorize its staff to publish notice of its intent to amend Section 237, Title 14, California Administrative Code, regarding marking of aquaculture leases. Commissioners were provided with copies of the Department's pre-publication of notice statement and its proposed regulations in strike-out and underline format.

At the present time, Section 237(c), Title 14, CAC, requires that the holder of an aquaculture lease comply with all provisions of the Fish and Game Code and regulations of the Fish and Game Commission relating to aquaculture. However, there are no standard requirements for marking of aquaculture leases. This lack of standardization has created problems in areas where various types of fishing and boating activities and aquaculture compete for space. The proposed regulatory action will add subsection 237(c)(7) to provide uniform statewide marking requirements for all aquaculture leases so that lease areas may be easily recognized.

15. REQUEST FOR AUTHORIZATION TO PUBLISH NOTICE OF INTENT TO AMEND SECTION 630, TITLE 14, CAC, RE: ECOLOGICAL RESERVES.

The Department is requesting that the Commission authorize its staff to publish notice of its intent to amend Section 630, Title 14, CAC, regarding ecological reserves. Commissioners were provided copies of the Department's pre-publication of notice statement as well as the text of the regulations in strike-out and underline format.

Changes in Section 630 would add the By-Day Creek, Kaweah River, Albany Mudflats, Elkhorn Plain, Bair Island, Abbott Lake, Woodbridge, Piute Creek, and China Point Ecological Reserves and provide special regulations for their use. Hunting would be allowed on the Kaweah River, Elkhorn Plain, Bair Island, Abbott Lake and the Piute Creek Ecological Reserves. Trapping would be allowed on the Abbott Lake Ecological Reserve. Grazing would be permitted on the Kaweah River Ecological Reserve. Public entry restrictions would be provided on the Bair Island, Woodbridge and the China Point Ecological Reserves. Camping, fires and discharge of firearms would also be prohibited on the China Point Ecological Reserve. Fishing would be prohibited on the By-Day Creek Ecological Reserve. Additional special regulations would be provided for the existing Bolsa Chica Ecological Reserve to limit public use and parking to daytime only. The changes also include redesignating the ecological reserve in the Napa Marsh from the existing Coon Island Ecological area to the nearby Fagan Marsh.

16. REQUEST FOR AUTHORIZATION TO PUBLISH NOTICE OF INTENT TO AMEND SECTION 658, TITLE 14, CAC: RE: COMMERCIAL TAKE OF FROGS.

The Department is requesting that the Commission authorize its staff to publish notice of its intent to amend Section 658, Title 14, CAC, regarding commercial take of frogs. Commissioners were provided with copies of the Department's pre-publication of notice statement as well as the text of the regulations in strike-out and underline format.

At present, commercial frog collectors can sell their frogs for scientific and educational purposes. Many sales are made to other scientific supply houses, some located in California but most located in other states. These frogs are purportedly sold to scientific and educational institutions, but we have no way of knowing if this is true. One of the proposed changes requires that sales be made directly to a given bona fide scientific or post-secondary educational institution. Sales to other scientific supply houses and to primary or secondary schools would be made illegal. The present winter closure to the commercial take of bullfrogs would be revised to allow such capture under the special terms of a permit issued by the Department. "Bullfrog" would be added to the title of Section 658 to distinguish the take of this exotic species from the take of native frogs as regulated by Section 651.

17. REQUEST FOR AUTHORIZATION TO PUBLISH NOTICE OF INTENT TO AMEND SECTION 240, TITLE 14, CAC, RE: TRANSPORTATION, POSSESSION AND SALE OF HYBRID STRIPED BASS PRODUCED AS AQUACULTURE PRODUCTS.

The Department is requesting that the Commission authorize its staff to publish notice of its intent to amend Section 240, Title 14, California Administrative Code, regarding transportation, possession and sale of hybrid striped bass produced as aquaculture products. Commissioners were provided with copies of the Department's pre-publication of notice statement as well as the text of the regulations in strike-out and underline format.

Section 240, Title 14, California Administrative Code, regulates transportation and sale of striped bass, sturgeon and steelhead trout produced by aquaculturists or imported for use in aquaculture. The regulation describes waybills necessary for each shipment and requires that all such fish transported or sold within the State be tagged, marked or packaged. Proposed amendments will allow for the transportation and sale of live hybrid striped bass in counties designated by the Department and removes the necessity of the Department approving each shipment of live fish. Amendments will also remove the marking and tagging requirements for live striped bass, sturgeon or steelhead trout reared by aquaculturists and transported or possessed for retail sale. Dead hybrid striped bass sold whole or in the round with the head attached would also be sold unmarked and untagged.

18. REQUEST OF DONALD SINIFF, UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA, FOR AUTHORIZATION TO CAPTURE AND RELEASE SEA OTTERS FOR RESEARCH PURPOSES UNDER A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH THE DEPARTMENT.

On June 24, 1983, January 4, 1985 and August 30, 1985, the Commission authorized Dr. Siniff to capture and implant radio transmitters in 5, 15 and 20 sea otters (total of 40 animals), respectively. Approval to conduct radio telemetry implants expired December 31, 1985.

Since the program began, a number of female sea otters implanted with radio transmitters have successfully produced pups. At the present time, Dr. Siniff estimates that up to 10 female sea otters with radio transmitters are pregnant and will give birth in the near future. One of the objectives of his research program is to obtain data on growth rates of young (dependent) animals.

Therefore, Dr. Siniff requests approval to capture, weigh, tag (ear) and release up to a maximum of 10 newborn pups, produced by radio-implanted animals. In addition, he would like approval to recapture, and release at a later date, all such animals (pups), up to a maximum of three times during calendar year 1986, in order to obtain important data on the average weight-gain of dependent animals. No activities involving radio transmitters are proposed, and captured pups would be held for a very minimal amount of time before being released.

The Department makes the following recommendation:

"The Department has reviewed Dr. Siniff's request and the supplemental information provided by Dr. Katherine Ralls. Based on our review and discussions with the applicant, we believe that the proposed research study has merit and will provide important information concerning the status of the California sea otter population, with a minimum risk to the animals involved. Therefore, we recommend that the Commission approve Dr. Siniff's request."

Commissioners were also provided with a copy of a letter dated February 4, 1986 from Dr. Siniff to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service concerning this matter.

19. REQUEST OF WESLEY W. WEATHERS, U.C. DAVIS, FOR AUTHORIZATION TO COLLECT VERDIN (Auriparus flaviceps) WITHIN STATE GAME REFUGES IN RIVERSIDE COUNTY.

Wesley W. Weathers, Professor, University of California at Davis, has requested amendment of his scientific collecting permit which would allow him to take Verdin (Auriparus flaviceps) within state game refuges. In summary, Mr. Weathers' proposal is part of a three-year study sponsored by the National Science Foundation to continue work on the energetics and thermal ecology of free living birds. He states that the principal effort will focus on the Verdin, a small passerine of the southwestern deserts. Inasmuch as he desires to conduct parts of the study within state game refuges located in Riverside County, he must obtain Commission approval. Commissioners were provided with a copy of his proposal.

The Department recommends that the three-year authorization be contingent upon annual approval by the Department of Professor Weathers' collecting permit application.

20. REQUEST OF DR. LARRY ALLEN, CAL STATE UNIVERSITY NORTHRIDGE, FOR AUTHORIZATION TO COLLECT FISH WITHIN UPPER NEWPORT BAY ECOLOGICAL RESERVE, ORANGE COUNTY.

Commissioners have been provided a copy of a request from Dr. Larry Allen, California State University Northridge, for a permit to allow him to conduct fish sampling at Upper Newport Bay Ecological Reserve.

The Department provides the following recommendation:

"The sampling is required for a study funded by the National Marine Fisheries Service to monitor the effect of a recently completed marsh

restoration project on marine fish utilization of Upper Newport Bay. A portion of this project served as mitigation for habitat loss at the Port of Long Beach. This study will be of great value in assessing the value of marsh restoration as a suitable mitigation for the loss of shallow marine habitat resulting from port development.

"The Department supports this project and requests that a permit be granted with the following conditions:

1. The permittee shall notify the Wildlife Protection Dispatcher at the San Diego office (619) 237-7311, 24 hours prior to any collecting operations. The permittee shall also notify the Reserve Manager, Carl Wilcox, at (714) 549-7271 and the Orange County Marine Biologist, John Sunada, at (213) 590-5169 one week prior to each collecting session.
2. The permittee shall provide a written summary within 30 days of each collection to the Reserve Manager and Marine Biologist. The summary should include for each station: species collected, species abundance, species biomass, salinity, dissolved oxygen and water temperature. The summaries should be sent to the Department of Fish and Game, 245 W. Broadway, Long Beach, California 90802, attention Carl Wilcox and John Sunada.

The term of the permit should be for three years.

21. REQUEST OF BETSY STEELE AND KATHERINE BEAUCHAMP, U.C. SANTA CRUZ, AND K. E. OWEN AND CHARLES SPOWART, U.C. BERKELEY, FOR AUTHORIZATION TO COLLECT SPECIMENS WITHIN THE CARMEL BAY ECOLOGICAL RESERVE FOR RESEARCH PURPOSES.

Ms. Betsy Steele and Ms. Katherine Beauchamp, University of California Santa Cruz, Mr. K. E. Owen and Charles Spowart, University of California Berkeley, are requesting authorization to collect specimens within the Carmel Bay Ecological Reserve for research purposes. The Department provides the following information:

"Section 630(a)(3), Title 14, CAC, states that no collecting shall be done in an ecological reserve except by permit from the Commission. Any person applying for a permit must also possess a valid scientific collecting permit issued pursuant to Section 650, Title 14, CAC.

"Although the Carmel Bay Ecological Reserve was established in October, 1976, it appears that a number of individuals from area universities and colleges have continued to make small collections of marine invertebrates for scientific purposes unaware that their collecting sites were within the reserve, or that such activities were prohibited, except under Commission permit. The applicants only recently became aware of these restrictions when the Department of Parks and Recreation and/or the City of Carmel posted new signs delineating the boundaries of the reserve which prompted the subject requests.

"The Department would also point out that, at the March 3, 1978 Commission meeting, the Commission authorized the Department to issue permits to collect in Carmel Bay Ecological Reserve to specific faculty members and students of the Moss Landing Marine Laboratory, and further authorized the Department to issue additional permits in the future to faculty members and students of that institution on a case-by-case basis.

"At the present time only a few individuals have approval to collect specimens in the Carmel Bay Ecological Reserve under the authority of a scientific collecting permit. The subject requests, which involve minimal collecting activities, will not impact any of the resources within the reserve and the Department recommends that the Commission approve these requests.

"Given the foregoing, the Department also recommends that the Commission amend its earlier action (March 3, 1978), and authorize the Department to issue additional permits in the future to collect within the Carmel Bay Ecological Reserve, to any qualified faculty member or student of a State University or college, on a case-by-case basis."

It was then:

MOVED BY MR. MR. GALLETTI, SECONDED BY MR. TAUCHER, THAT THE FISH AND GAME COMMISSION HEREBY APPROVES THE REQUEST OF BETSY STEELE AND KATHERINE BEAUCHAMP, U.C. SANTA CRUZ AND K. E. OWEN AND CHARLES SPOWART, U.C. BERKELEY, FOR AUTHORIZATION TO COLLECT SPECIMENS WITHIN THE CARMEL BAY ECOLOGICAL RESERVE FOR RESEARCH PURPOSES. FURTHER, THE FISH AND GAME COMMISSION AUTHORIZES THE DEPARTMENT TO ISSUE ADDITIONAL PERMITS IN THE FUTURE TO COLLECT WITHIN THE CARMEL BAY ECOLOGICAL RESERVE TO ANY QUALIFIED FACULTY MEMBER OR STUDENT OF A STATE UNIVERSITY OR COLLEGE ON A CASE-BY-CASE BASIS.

PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

22. ADOPTION OF COMMISSION POLICY RE: "PLANTING FISH FOR YOUTH FISHING PROGRAMS."

At the request of the Department and Commission staff, this item will be put over until the Commission's April 25, 1986 meeting in Long Beach.

23. REQUEST OF DANNY BURNS, APTOS, FOR RENEWAL OF EXPERIMENTAL GEAR PERMIT RE: USE OF SPECIALIZED GEAR TO TAKE FRESHWATER CLAMS FROM LAKE ISABELLA, KERN COUNTY.

Mr. Danny Burns, Aptos, is requesting a renewal of his experimental gear permit which allows him to use specialized gear to take freshwater clams from Lake Isabella, Kern County. Commissioners were provided with a copy of Mr. Burns' current permit. The Department point out that with the passage of Assembly Bill No. 1527 (Chapter 1442) in 1985, the Commission now has the authority to regulate Mr. Burns' commercial operation. Adoption of Section 9053(a) provides that, "Powered equipment of such design as may be prescribed

by the Commission may be used to take crustaceans and mollusks under a revocable permit issued by the Department and under such regulations as the Commission shall prescribe.

Thus, an experimental gear permit is no longer required. However, the Department has not yet had an opportunity to develop specific regulations for Commission consideration. Until appropriate regulations are adopted, the Department recommends that experimental gear permit X-1003 be reissued to Mr. Burns to cover his operations for the 1986 calendar year.

24. REQUEST OF JAMES C. AND BETTY I. MILLER, ANTIOCH, FOR RENEWAL OF EXPERIMENTAL GEAR PERMIT (X-1235) RE: TAKE OF MUDSUCKERS, STAGHORN SCULPIN AND SHINER SURFPERCH IN FISH AND GAME DISTRICTS 2, 2-1/2, 3, 7, 10, 12 AND 13, USING CIRCULAR TRAPS.

James C. and Betty I. Miller, Antioch, have requested renewal of their experimental gear permit (X-1235) which authorizes them to take mudsuckers, staghorn sculpins and shiner surfperch in Fish and Game Districts 2, 2-1/2, 3, 7, 10, 12 and 13 using circular traps. The Department has reviewed the subject request and has determined that the authorized activities have not been detrimental to the state's resources or environment. Therefore, it recommends that the Commission approve this request subject to the terms and conditions which have been previously established and authorized.

It should be noted that, in the letter from the Millers dated January 23, 1986, they have asked that their permit include the provision that they be allowed to take shiner surfperch and that they not be required to buoy each of their traplines as long as they are attending the traps.

It was then:

MOVED BY MR. GALLETTI, SECONDED BY MR. TAUCHER, THAT
THE FISH AND GAME COMMISSION HEREBY APPROVES ITEMS 14-21
AND 23-24 ON THE MARCH 7, 1986 CONSENT CALENDAR.

PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

LICENSE AND PERMIT CONSIDERATIONS

25. REVOCATION OF COMMERCIAL LOBSTER PERMIT OF CASEY T. KAJIYAMA.

Mr. Cribbs stated that a certified letter was sent to Mr. Kajiyama notifying him of the possible action to be taken by the Commission. He pointed out that the Department requested that the Commission revoke the commercial lobster fishing privileges of Casey T. Kajiyama, Torrance. Mr. Cribbs noted that the Department predicated its requests upon the following information:

On October 25, 1985, Mr. Kajiyama was found to be fishing with lobster traps with no escape gaps and with escape gaps less than 2-3/8 inches wide.

On November 26, 1985 in the South Bay Municipal Court, Mr. Kajiyama was convicted of a violation of Section 9010 of the Fish and Game Code, illegal lobster traps. He was fined \$100.

Prior violations

October 13, 1985, Fish and Game Code Section 7882, no registration plates. Dismissed on proof of compliance, court costs.

December 17, 1984, Fish and Game Code Section 5652, litter. Bail forfeiture, \$170.00.

February 17, 1979, Fish and Game Code Section 7880 and Section 148(a)(1), Title 14, California Administrative Code, no mackerel permit. Pled guilty, fined \$125.00.

Casey Kajiyama stated that he had purchased escape ports for his 100 traps. He said that when he finished putting them in, he had none left over so he assumed that all of his traps had an escape port. He indicated that one of the traps had been banged around the rocks and an escape port was bent; and therefore, it was smaller than 2-3/8 inches wide. He stated that when he had been contacted regarding his violation, he asked warden Tognazzini to go out the next day and check all of his traps. He indicated that warden Tognazzini declined to do so.

DeWayne Johnston stated that because warden Tognazzini was in a small skiff, he could only pull six traps the day he checked Mr. Kajiyama's traps. Mr. Johnston indicated that of the six traps checked, four had violations; one had no escape port and three were undersized. He stated that the Department recommended that Mr. Kajiyama be suspended for the first 30 days of the 1986-87 lobster fishing season.

Mr. Kajiyama stated that the Department's request would essentially eliminate his lobster fishing privileges for the year as the first 30 days were crucial to the success of the fishermen's season. President Kahn told Mr. Kajiyama that it would be in his best interest to obey the Fish and Game laws in the future.

It was then:

MOVED BY MR. BRYANT, SECONDED BY MR. TAUCHER, THAT
THE FISH AND GAME COMMISSION HEREBY SUSPENDS THE
COMMERCIAL LOBSTER FISHING PRIVILEGES OF CASEY T.
KAJIYAMA, TORRANCE, FOR THE FIRST TWO WEEKS OF THE
1986-87 LOBSTER FISHING SEASON.

PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

26. REVOCATION OF LICENSED GUIDE PRIVILEGES OF FLOYD EARL MACK.

The Executive Secretary stated that Mr. Mack had contacted the Commission office and requested that this item be postponed until the Commission's June 27, 1986 meeting in Sacramento.

It was then:

MOVED BY MR. TAUCHER, SECONDED BY MR. BRYANT, THAT THE FISH AND GAME COMMISSION HEREBY SUSPENDS THE COMMERCIAL LICENSED GUIDE PRIVILEGES OF FLOYD EARL MACK, SEBASTOPOL, UNTIL SUCH TIME AS HE APPEARS BEFORE THE COMMISSION TO SHOW CAUSE WHY HIS PRIVILEGES SHOULD BE REINSTATED.

PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

27. REVOCATION OF COMMERCIAL SALMON FISHING PRIVILEGES OF ROBERT THOMAS BURCHELL.

Mr. Cribbs stated that the Department had requested that the Commission revoke the commercial salmon fishing privileges of Robert Thomas Burchell, Crescent City, for a period of time deemed suitable to the Commission. He indicated that a certified letter had been sent to Mr. Burchell notifying him of the possible action to be taken by the Commission. He noted that the Department predicated its request upon the following information:

On May 2, 1985, the F/V PRINCESS was boarded by a National Marine Fisheries Service agent approximately seven miles offshore of Pigeon Point (San Mateo County). At that time Mr. Burchell was found to be commercially fishing for salmon with barbed hooks.

On November 12, 1985, in the National Marine Fisheries Service civil assessment process, Mr. Burchell pled guilty to a violation of Section 661.3, Title 50, Code of Federal Regulations, taking salmon with barbed hooks. He paid a federal civil penalty of \$350.00. He had 60 fish onboard.

Mr. Cribbs asked if Mr. Burchell was present and there was no response.

It was then:

MOVED BY MR. BRYANT, SECONDED BY MR. TAUCHER, THAT THE FISH AND GAME COMMISSION HEREBY SUSPENDS THE COMMERCIAL SALMON FISHING PRIVILEGES OF ROBERT THOMAS BURCHELL, CRESCENT CITY, UNTIL SUCH TIME AS HE APPEARS BEFORE THE COMMISSION TO SHOW CAUSE WHY HIS PRIVILEGES SHOULD BE REINSTATED.

PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

28. REQUEST OF JEFF SPITZIG FOR OPPORTUNITY TO APPEAL DEPARTMENT'S DENIAL OF GILL NET SHARK/SWORDFISH PERMIT APPLICATION.

The Executive Secretary stated that Mr. Jeff Spitzig, Newport Beach, had requested an opportunity to appear before the Commission to appeal the Department's denial of his application for a permit to use a drift gill net to take shark and swordfish. Mr. Cribbs stated that upon request of Mr. Spitzig and the Department, this item would be postponed until the Commission's April 7, 1986 meeting in San Diego.

29. REQUEST OF PETE VOSSLER FOR REINSTATEMENT OF PRIVATE LANDS WILDLIFE
MANAGEMENT AREA LICENSE.

The Executive Secretary reminded the Commission that on October 5, 1985 Pete Vossler, Susanville, was cited for failure to properly tag a deer and for violating the terms and conditions of his license to operate a Private Lands Wildlife Management Area pursuant to Section 601, Title 14, CAC. He noted that on October 10, 1985, the Commission suspended his Private Lands Wildlife Management Area license pending a hearing on the matter which was scheduled for November 1, 1985 in San Diego. Mr. Cribbs pointed out that Mr. Vossler failed to appear and show cause on November 1 why his license should be reinstated.

Mr. Cribbs indicated that Mr. Vossler had, however, notified the Commission of his desire to appear at the Commission's March 7 meeting to address the matter. He pointed out that on November 19, 1985, Mr. Vossler was convicted in the Lassen Justice Court, Susanville, of a violation of Section 4336 of the Fish and Game Code, failure to immediately tag a deer. He pointed out that the Commissioners were provided with copies of the background information on this issue.

Mr. Vossler stated that he realized he had a responsibility to the Commission to fulfill the conditions of his Private Lands Wildlife Management Area license, but he also indicated that the Department and the Commission had a responsibility to him. He stated that he had killed a buck but he had lost his pencil so he dragged the deer to the edge of the trail and went to get a pencil. He noted that upon his return, he met a warden who cited him for failure to tag his deer. He indicated that it was his belief that he did not receive due process prior to the November 1 meeting and that the Commission penalized not only him, but his hunters.

Mr. Vossler stated that he felt that he had done a good job during the last nine years in protecting critical deer winter range. He stated that he had a responsibility to obey the law and that he had made a mistake, but that the Commission had also made a mistake. He requested that his Private Lands Wildlife Management Area license be reinstated.

President Kahn stated that this was a new program and that the Commission held the licensees to higher standards than the average sportsmen. He stated that the licensees were similar to hunting guides and that they should set an example for the hunters that hunt on their property.

DeWayne Johnston stated that the Department recommended that Mr. Vossler's privileges be reinstated.

Commissioner Bryant stated that he was initially not sold on the Private Lands Wildlife Management program and felt that someone who was entrusted in the program should set a high example for others. He stated that since Mr. Vossler admitted that he had made a mistake, he would concur with the Department's recommendation.

It was then:

MOVED BY MR. BRYANT, SECONDED BY MR. TAUCHER, THAT THE FISH AND GAME COMMISSION HEREBY APPROVES THE REQUEST OF PETER VOSSLER, SUSANVILLE, FOR REINSTATEMENT OF HIS PRIVATE LANDS MANAGEMENT AREA LICENSE AS OF MARCH 7, 1986.

PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

President Kahn stated that since this was a new program, it had received close public scrutiny and said that the Commission may or may not have correctly handled this case. He indicated that it may not be correct to prejudice an individual. Director Parnell stated that the Department had asked its counsel for a response on this issue and that Mr. Toffoli indicated that the Department and the Commission acted within their authorities when they suspended Mr. Vossler's Private Lands Wildlife Management Area License.

The Executive Secretary stated that the Commission could address this issue when it amended Section 601, Title 14, CAC. Commissioner Taucher suggested that this question be submitted to the game subcommittee to recommend changes to the Commission. President Kahn stated that it would be done.

OTHER

30. ANNOUNCEMENT OF FUTURE MEETINGS.

April 7	Auditorium, Room B-109 State Building 1350 Front Street San Diego, 9:00 a.m.
April 25	City Council Chambers 333 W. Ocean Boulevard Long Beach, 9:00 a.m.
May 15 (1:00 p.m.) May 16 (8:00 a.m.)	City Council Chambers 301 W. Line Street Bishop
June 27	Auditorium, Resources Bldg. 1416 Ninth Street Sacramento, 9:00 a.m.

31. COMMISSION INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

The Executive Secretary stated that this item had been scheduled for the Commission to receive informational items from its staff and to afford the Commission the opportunity to discuss items with the Department.

President Kahn stated that he had sent a letter to all Commissioners and the Director regarding a report from the subcommittee on game. He said that attached to that letter was his proposal to establish by majority vote

Commission subcommittees which would monitor or evaluate specific policy areas and to facilitate communication with the Department. He indicated that a subcommittee would be comprised of one or two Commissioners and that they would have no authority to speak on behalf of the Commission nor have decision making authority and would keep the full Commission informed of its meetings.

President Kahn explained that he had proposed seven subcommittees with some tentative appointments to those committees. He indicated that membership would be considered annually at the meeting after the election of the president and vice president. He pointed out that if more than two Commissioners desired a seat on a subcommittee, the issue would be decided by majority vote of the Commission.

It was then:

MOVED BY MR. TAUCHER, SECONDED BY MR. BRYANT, THAT THE FISH AND GAME COMMISSION HEREBY ADOPTS ITS INFORMAL SUBCOMMITTEE TO INCLUDE SALT WATER, FRESH WATER, UPLAND GAME/WATERFOWL, ENVIRONMENTAL MITIGATION, FACILITIES AND LANDS, GAME AND ENDANGERED SPECIES.

PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

It was then:

MOVED BY MR. TAUCHER, SECONDED BY MR. BRYANT, THAT THE FISH AND GAME COMMISSION HEREBY SUSPENDS ITS RULES TO HEAR ADDITIONAL ITEMS.

PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

31a. CONSIDERATION OF EMERGENCY ACTION FOR THE CLOSURE OF THE OCEAN RECREATIONAL SALMON FISHERY NORTH OF POINT DELGADA.

The Executive Secretary stated that current regulations provided for an opening date of the ocean salmon season on the Saturday nearest February 15 in all ocean waters. He indicated that the Department had requested an emergency closure of that salmon season in ocean waters north of Point Delgada, including Humboldt Bay, effective March 28, 1986. He pointed out that this closure would coincide with the closed season south of Cape Blanco in southern Oregon on the same salmon stocks. Mr. Cribbs stated it was extremely important that California's regulations closely conform with Oregon's to effectively manage these common salmon stocks. He noted that, without the emergency closure, fish that are caught before May 24, 1986 could lead to a total harvest that would be higher than the proposed allocation and, in order to protect the proposed allocation system, the fishing season must be closed at this time.

It was then:

MOVED BY MR. BRYANT, SECONDED BY MR. TAUCHER, THAT THE FISH AND GAME COMMISSION HEREBY TAKES EMERGENCY ACTION TO CLOSE THE OCEAN RECREATIONAL SPORT SALMON

FISHERY NORTH OF POINT DELGADA INCLUDING HUMBOLDT BAY
TO ALL SPORT FISHING.

PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

31b. CONSIDERATION OF EMERGENCY ACTION TO PROHIBIT THE SPORT TAKE OF SHELLFISH
WITHIN MORRO BAY.

The Executive Secretary stated that the Department had requested that the Commission take emergency action to prohibit the sport take of shellfish within Morro Bay because of potential health problems that existed in Morro Bay. He indicated that the Department of Health Services was taking action to close the commercial harvest of shellfish within Morro Bay.

It was then:

MOVED BY MR. BRYANT, SECONDED BY MR. TAUCHER, THAT
THE FISH AND GAME COMMISSION HEREBY TAKES EMERGENCY
ACTION TO PROHIBIT THE SPORT TAKE OF SHELLFISH
WITHIN MORRO BAY.

PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

31c. CONSIDERATION OF WITHDRAWING THE COMMISSION'S AUTHORIZATION TO THE
DEPARTMENT TO WAIVE THE MINIMUM SIZE REQUIREMENTS FOR BASS TAKEN IN BASS
TOURNAMENTS WITHIN THE STATE.

The Executive Secretary stated that the Department had requested the Commission withdraw previously granted authority allowing the Department to exempt black bass tournament anglers from special size limit regulations.

It was then:

MOVED BY MR. BRYANT, SECONDED BY MR. TAUCHER, THAT
THE FISH AND GAME COMMISSION HEREBY WITHDRAWS ITS
AUTHORIZATION TO THE DEPARTMENT TO WAIVE THE
MINIMUM SIZE REQUIREMENTS FOR BLACK BASS TAKEN IN
BASS TOURNAMENTS WITHIN THE STATE.

PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

31d. REQUEST OF DEPARTMENT FOR MODIFICATION OF DUCK STAMP PROPOSALS FOR THE
1986-87 FISCAL YEAR.

Mr. Cribbs stated that the Department had requested modifications for the duck stamp programs for 1986-87 due to the recent flood damage of wetlands incurred during the winter of 1985-86. He indicated that the requested modifications were as follows: potential projects, but not limited to include (1) Grizzly Island Levee reconstruction, (2) Ash Creek Wildlife Area irrigation reconstruction and levee repair, (3) Traction Ranch Levee repair and pump replacement. He also indicated that the Department would allocate \$35,000 to the San Jacinto Wildlife Area for waterfowl development.

It was then:

MOVED BY MR. TAUCHER, SECONDED BY MR. BRYANT, THAT
THE FISH AND GAME COMMISSION HEREBY APPROVES THE
DEPARTMENT'S REQUEST FOR MODIFICATION OF THE DUCK
STAMP PROPOSALS FOR FISCAL YEAR 1986-87.

PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

31e. REQUEST OF MARK PALMER TO DISCUSS THE STATE APPROPRIATION FROM THE ENVIRONMENTAL LICENSE PLATE FUND TO THE DEPARTMENT FOR PURCHASE OF HABITAT FOR THREATENED AND ENDANGERED SPECIES.

The Executive Secretary stated that the Commission office had received a letter from Mark Palmer, Sierra Club, dated February 23, 1986 requesting an opportunity to speak before the Commission at its March 7 meeting in Sacramento regarding the appropriation to the Department from the Environmental License Plate Fund to purchase habitat for threatened and endangered species.

Mark Palmer stated that currently the Governor's budget proposal for fiscal year 1986-87 had only \$500,000 allocated from the Environmental License Plate Fund to the Department for the purchase of habitat for threatened and endangered species. He indicated that historically there had been approximately \$3,000,000 budgeted annually for the Department's use. He requested the Commission's support to join the Defenders of Wildlife and the Sierra Club in asking the state Legislature and the administration to add another \$2,000,000 from the Environmental License Plate Fund for the purpose of purchasing habitat for threatened and endangered species for fiscal year 1986-87 and that \$1,000,000 of that amount be earmarked for the purchase of the Hudson Ranch for the protection of the California condor.

President Kahn asked the Department how much money was allocated overall from the Environmental License Plate Fund to the Department. Director Parnell stated that the Department was to receive about \$2,000,000 more than the previous year. President Kahn said that he was sympathetic with Mr. Palmer regarding the increased funding for fish and wildlife habitat protection and that it looked to him to be a problem of shuffling funds to different areas.

Bill Yeates stated that the Commission should determine where the money was being shifted to and investigate the cuts which were taken in the Environmental Services Branch. He indicated that ESB was understaffed and there needed to be a determination of where the Department's needs were and how to appropriate the funds to meet those needs.

31f. REQUEST OF ILSON NEW FOR THE EXTENSION OF THE LAMPARA HERRING FISHERY FOR TWO WEEKS.

The Executive Secretary stated that Mr. Ilson New had requested that the Commission extend the lampara herring fishery for two weeks because the recent storms were providing a large, muddy inflow of fresh water into San Francisco Bay.

Mr. New stated that the Commission had reduced the lampara season by two weeks and that it now closed on March 14, 1986. He stated that due to the major storms in northern California during the month of February, there were tremendous inflows of muddy, fresh water into San Francisco Bay which was hampering the lampara fishery. He requested that the Commission extend the season for at least two weeks in order for the lampara fishermen to meet their quota.

Deputy Director Fletcher stated that due to the extraordinary circumstances caused by the major storms, the Department supported Mr. New's request.

It was then:

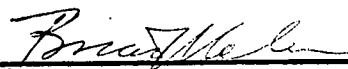
MOVED BY MR. GALLETTI, SECONDED BY MR. TAUCHER, THAT
THE FISH AND GAME COMMISSION HEREBY EXTENDS THE LAMPARA
HERRING FISHERY FOR 30 DAYS OR UNTIL APRIL 14, 1986 AND
AUTHORIZED THE DEPARTMENT TO USE ITS DISCRETION TO CLOSE
THE SEASON EARLIER, IF NECESSARY.

PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

There being no additional items before the Commission, the meeting was recessed at 3:50 p.m. Mr. Cribbs stated that it would be reconvened at 9:00 a.m. on April 4, 1986 in the State Building, Room B-109, 1350 Front Street, San Diego, where the Executive Secretary would take written testimony from the public on items originally scheduled for the April 4 meeting which had to be rescheduled to April 7, 1986 in San Diego.

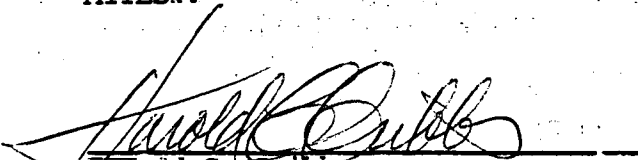
(Note: Copies of the environmental reports with respect to items considered by the Commission at this meeting and responses to alternatives proposed by the public are available upon request from the Fish and Game Commission office, 1416 Ninth Street, Sacramento, California 95814.)

APPROVE:



Brian J. Kahn
President

ATTEST:



Harold C. Cribbs
Executive Secretary
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