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AGENDA: 3/6/01

February 22, 2001


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 701 Ocean Street
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RE: ANNUAL REPORT OF THE FISH AND GAME ADVISORY COMMISSION

Dear Members of the Board:

Attached is the Annual Report of the Fish and Game Advisory Commission for calendar year 2000. I recommend that the Board accept and file this report and direct the Chairman to thank the members of the Commission for their efforts on the County's behalf.

Sincerely,


 TONY CAMPOS, Chairman
 Board of Supervisors

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cc: Fish and Game Advisory Commission

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**FISH AND GAME ADVISORY COMMISSION
2000 ANNUAL REPORT**

ROLES OF THE COMMISSION:

The Fish and Game Advisory Commission advises the Board of Supervisors on issues relating to fish and wildlife, and also recommends projects for funding with the county's portion of Fish and Game fine monies.

MEETING DATES, TIME AND LOCATION:

The first Thursday of every month, except July and January, at 7:00PM at 701 Ocean Street, Room 406B, Santa Cruz.

COMMISSION STRUCTURE:

As of December 31, 2000, the Commission is made up of Chairperson Chris Gallagher representing the 4th District; Vice Chair Homer McCrary representing the 3rd District; and other Commissioners including James Ritchey, and Dennis Murphy 1st District, Harley Peterson, Walt Smith, 2nd District, Jodi Frediani, 3rd District, Frank Estrada, 4th District, Gary Lease and Kristine North, representing the 5th District.

COMMISSION STAFF:

Kristen Schroeder, Senior Resource Planner, with the Resource Planning Section of the Planning Department, is the administrative staff to the Commission.

ATTENDANCE:

See attached roster.

ANNUAL GOALS AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS - 2000

The Commission worked with the State CaTIP local coordinator, John Robinson, to assist in promoting this valuable anti-poaching program in Santa Cruz County. The Commission has also worked with the California Department of Fish and Game wardens and fisheries staff on a number of local issues including: wild pig problems, depredation permit violations, steelhead, coho salmon, and trout fisheries issues. The Commission is very apprecia-

tive to the CDF&G staff for their regular attendance at meetings, input and insight, in particular to Lt. Dennis Baldwin.

The Commission continued to help support projects of local importance through the awarding of \$14,768 in grants from their budget. Attachment 1 details the grant projects which were funded.

The Commission also revisited habitat concerns along the lower San Lorenzo River, in particular municipal water diversions and vegetation removal. The Commission also continued its support for researching sea mammal/salmonid interactions, and their concern for potential impacts, proposing a resolution to the Board of Supervisor's. A revised resolution, supporting further studies into the interactions was adopted by the Board.

ADDITIONAL ACTIVITIES:

The Commission continued to provide a forum for members of the public to identify their feelings on fish and game related issues. This type of activity is well suited to the Commission as many members of the public find it difficult to communicate their concerns to the appropriate agencies.

This process of facilitating better communication is yet another way the Commission is providing for local citizens. This effort will continue to be of benefit to fish and wildlife concerns within Santa Cruz County.

FUTURE GOALS:

The Commission will continue to solicit and fund grant projects which are of benefit to local fish and game species and their habitat. The Commission will also continue to provide a forum for public input regarding fish and game issues, and will continue to support the enforcement presence of Fish and Game. The Commission will continue to monitor sea mammal/salmonid interactions and will continue to review proposed legislation. The Commission will also continue its' involvement with issues on the lower San Lorenzo River, as well as throughout the' entire watershed, and will also be active in County-wide issues such as the Federal listing of steelhead, and the Federal and State listing of coho salmon, with particular emphasis on recovery of these species.

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	July	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	
Gallagher	p	p	p	ex	ex				p	p	p		
McCrary	ex	p	p	P	p	I	I	I	IP		p	p	
Ritchey	ex	p	ex	P	IP	I	I	I	IP		p	p	I
Murphy	p	p	p	P	p	I	I	I	IP		p	p	I
Peterson	p	p	p	P	P					ex	P	P	
Smith	p	p	p	P	P					P	P	P	
Frediani	p	p	p	P	P					ab	P	P	
Estrada	p	p	p	P	P					p	ex	P	
Lease	p	p	p	P	P					P	ex	P	
North	p	p	ab	P	P					p	ab	P	

FISH AND GAME COMMISSION ATTENDANCE 2000

p= Present
 ab= Absent
 ex= Excused

Empty cells= meeting canceled due to Planning staffing