

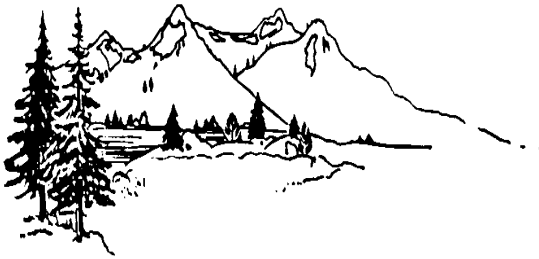
**TRINITY COUNTY FISH
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ADVISORY COMMISSION**

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**Trinity County Fish & Game Advisory Commission
Minutes – July 18, 2018**

John Fenley (TCBOS District 5), Chairman present

Samantha Chilcote (Wildlife) – present

Cody Canale (Recreation) present

(Fisheries) – Vacant

Donna Rupp (Restoration) -present

Richard Cole (At Large) - present

James Lee (At Large) - present

Mike Dixon (Restoration) present

(At Large) - Vacant

Scott Mcallister (Recreation) absent

Blain Nicolls (Wildlife) – absent

Kyle De Juilio (Fisheries) - present

Sheila Brewer, Secretary - present

1. CALL TO ORDER: 7:01 P.M.

- a. Approve May 09, 2018 Minutes, MSC -Cole/Chilcote – passed unanimous
- b. Treasurer’s report, Budget – \$18,895.17 MSC Lee/Cole – passed unanimous
- c. Approve claims – MSC – Cole/Chilcote – passed unanimous
Secretarial Fee for July 18, 2018 meeting, \$150.00

2. EVENING PROGRAM – Justin Alvarez, Hoopa Valley Tribe, program on Brown Trout Management on the Trinity River

Justin talked about his research for his Master’s Degree on the brown trout. He gave numbers regarding the decline of the trout over the past several years. The research process included using the electro fish process. During his research he would cause the fish to vomit so he could see what they were eating, he has found they are eating a lot of other fish. Suppression of the brown trout is agreed by most agencies. Justin is requesting support in his effort regarding brown trout suppression from the Fish and Game Commission with a letter to the State Fish and Game Commission to change the regulations. He is hoping to have letters of support put together by November. It was agreed to put this item on the September agenda for action. It was suggested that Justin contact the fishing guides and ask for them to attend our meeting on September 12. Fish and Wildlife Biologist Bernie Agular advised one of the most important things to do is have public information out reach, so the public knows the facts.

3. ONGOING REPORTS

- a. Restoration – No report
- b. Trinity County Big Game Update – Commissioner Lee reported the Deer Plan is being revised from scratch. He distributed the internal review document he

prepared for the commissioners to review. Plan review will be discussed at the September 12, 2018 meeting.

- c. Trinity River update – Commissioner De Julio report that the Junction City weir recorded 800 spring chinooks. Large algae bloom this year is inhibiting fishing. Snorkel survey was done in Hayfork Creek, only a few fish were seen. There will be another snorkel survey in August, looking for volunteers.
- d. Department of Fish & Wildlife Report – No report
- e. NRA Collaborative Committee Report – No report
- f. Fisheries Council – No Report
- g. Grant Program – No report

4. OLD BUSINESS

- a. Literature for deer hunters regarding reporting marijuana grown in the National Forest – Commissioners Cole – No report
- b. Letter of support for the Five Counties Salmonid Conservation Program, Commissioner De Julio talked about the letter he prepared. The topic was discussed by the commissioners. Secretary Brewer will resend the report to the commissioners. Commissioner Chilcote moved to have the letter submitted to the Board of Supervisor with the plan attached, seconded by Commissioner Cole, passed unanimously
- c. Social Media site for North State Fish and Game Commissioners, Commissioner Cole spoke about the social media site, NorCal Fish & Game Facebook page. Commissioner Cole contacted other commissions, all that he spoke with were in favor, Modoc, Tehama, Humboldt, Del Norte, Siskyou, Shasta, Plumas, Lassen, Butte, Glen, and Mendocino Counties. The Tehama County Commissioner voted unanimously to endorse this idea. Commissioner Cole looking for another commissioner to assist him. He would like to start it as a pilot project. Commissioner Cole spoke to County Council, his recommendation was to not have a quorum exchanging comments on one topic, violation of the Brown Act. Each County Commission will have to contact their own County Council for guidance

5. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Approve 2018/19 Budget, Commissioner Chilcote moved to approve the 2018/19 budget as written, second by Commissioner Cole, passed unanimously.
- b. Fishing Report, Commissioner Cole. The document had been emailed per Commissioner Cole, to all the commissioners. No action.

6. CORRESPONDENCE –

- a California Department of Fish & Wildlife
- b Lewiston Lions Club

7. PUBLIC COMMENT –

- a Fish and Wildlife Biologist Bernie Agular spoke about the kids fishing days around the county. Bernie would like to get one started in Weaverville, possibly at the reservoir at the top of Reservoir Road.

Commissioner Cole move to put this topic on the September agenda, second by Commissioner Lee, passed unanimously.

- b California Fish & Wildlife Deer Biologist Stephen “Sporty” Pair commented about the question regarding bear hide validation. He stated it is not a code but can only be changed through legislation.

8. COMMISSIONER REPORTS –

- a. Secretary Brewer spoke regarding an additional vacant commissioner position due to consecutive absences of another commissioner.

9. ADJOURNMENT 8:44

- 10.** Next meeting is September 12, 2018

Schedule of meetings for 2018

March 14

May 9

July 18

September 12

November 14