

## STAFF SUMMARY FOR JUNE 20-21, 2018

**27. Foothill Yellow-legged Frog (Consent)****Today's Item**Information Action 

DFW requests an extension of six months to allow further analysis and evaluation of the available science, completion of the status review, and a peer review process for the petition to list foothill yellow-legged frog (*Rana boylei*) as a threatened species under California Endangered Species Act (CESA).

**Summary of Previous/Future Actions**

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| • Received petition                                       | Dec 14, 2016                       |
| • FGC transmits petition to DFW                           | Dec 22, 2016                       |
| • Publish notice of receipt of petition                   | Jan 20, 2017                       |
| • Received evaluation and recommendation                  | Apr 26-27, 2017; Van Nuys          |
| • FGC determined listing may be warranted                 | Jun 21-22, 2017; Smith River       |
| • <b>Today act on DFW's request for 6-month extension</b> | <b>Jun 20-21, 2018; Sacramento</b> |
| • Receive DFW's status review report                      | Feb 2019; TBD                      |
| • Determine if listing is warranted                       | Apr 2019; TBD                      |

**Background**

On Dec 14, 2016, FGC received a petition from the Center for Biological Diversity to list foothill yellow-legged frog as a threatened species under CESA. On Jun 21, 2017, FGC voted to accept the petition for further evaluation and to initiate a 12-month review of the status of foothill yellow-legged frog in California. In May 2018, DFW requested that FGC grant a six-month extension of time to complete its review. If the extension is approved, FGC will consider the petition, DFW's evaluation and other information submitted to determine if listing is warranted at its Apr 2019 meeting.

**Significant Public Comments (N/A)****Recommendation**

**FGC staff:** Approve DFW's request for a six-month extension

**Exhibits**

1. [DFW memo, received May 22, 2017](#)

**Motion/Direction**

Moved by \_\_\_\_\_ and seconded by \_\_\_\_\_ that the Commission adopts the consent calendar, items 23-28.

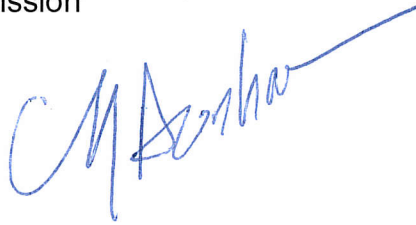
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## Memorandum

Date: May 21, 2018

To: Valerie Termini  
Executive Director  
Fish and Game Commission

From: Charlton H. Bonham  
Director



Subject: **Request for 6 Month Extension, Foothill Yellow-legged Frog Status Review**

Per Section 2074.6 of the Fish and Game Code, the California Department of Fish and Wildlife (Department) requests an extension of time, by 6 months, to further analyze and evaluate available science, to undergo the peer review process, and to complete the Foothill Yellow-legged Frog status review. Such an extension would change the due date of the Department's report to January 7, 2019, which is 18 months from the date the candidacy findings were published (July 7, 2017).

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Kari Lewis, Wildlife Branch Chief at (916) 445-3789.

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