



**San Diego County  
Fish & Wildlife Advisory Commission**

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FWAC MINUTES  
For January 26, 2023 Meeting

Commissioner	Present	Absent	Late	District	Supervisor
Mark Kukuchek	x			1	Vargas
Janeen Reed	x			1	Vargas
Ed Stovin		x		2	Anderson
Andy Paluczak	x			2	Anderson
Tashi MacMillen	Virtual			3	Lawson-Remer
Wayne Kotow	x			3	Lawson-Remer
Maggie Reinbold	Virtual			4	Fletcher
Marco Aburto Oropreza		x		4	Fletcher
Jim Conrad	x			5	Desmond
Steve Turigliatto		x		5	Desmond

**A. Call to Order** – A quorum of commissioners being present, Chair Maggie Reinbold called the meeting to order at 11:33 AM.

**B. Introductions** – The Commissioners introduced themselves.

1. The following guests were in attendance: Austin Shepard-AWM, Victor Cruz-AWM.

**C. Approval of Minutes -**

A motion was made to approve the minutes of the September 8, 2022 special meeting. Motion made by Commissioner Kukuchek and Seconded by Commissioner MacMillian. Passed with 6 Ayes and 1 Abstention.

A motion was made to approve the minutes of the January 12, 2023 meeting. Motion made by Commissioner Reinbold and Seconded by Commissioner Reed. Passed with 7 Ayes.

**D. Public Comment** - on any subject matter within Commission jurisdiction, but not on the agenda (No discussion or action may be taken by the Commission.)

1. No public comments

**E. Chairman's Report**

1. None

**F. Administrative Items**

1. This meeting is catch-up for December and the meeting schedule is now back to normal.
2. AWM staff has printed up 1,000 FWAC Brochures for use by Commissioners.
3. Form 700-Digital renewal of the Form 700 will be sent out to all Commissioners in the near future.

**G. Old Business**

It was determined that no further action will be required on the issue of AB2571 and this item will be dropped from old Business.

**H. New Business**

**1. Grant Applications FY 2022-23 Round 2**

I. Grant #	Project Name	Round	Organization	Description	Project Start Date	Grant Amount Approved
2022/23-04	Ocotillo Wells SVRA Clean-Up	2	Friends of Ocotillo Wells	Clean-up of Ocotillo Wells, west of County Line Rd. Coordinate volunteers to pick up trash in the State Park. will be having a barbecue for participants.	2/18/2023	\$1,200.00
2022/23-05	Eagle Peak Preserve Wildlife-Friendly Fencing	2	The San Diego River Park Foundation	The San Diego River Park Foundation (SDRPF) is seeking support to install wildlife-friendly fencing on key perennial water sources at Eagle Peak Preserve Conservation Area. We will leverage previously purchased supplies to protect two water sources by installing wildlife-friendly fencing. These areas are known as The Seep and the Oak Restoration Area, and combined, need only 460 linear feet of fencing to prevent cattle trampling and herbivory. Previously installed wildlife cameras have documented diverse wildlife, ranging from small animals like quail up through larger mammals like mule deer, bobcats, and cougars all as frequent visitors to these sites. However, these preserves are hundreds of acres and have incomplete fences at the boundaries. Neighboring cattle grazing results in unwanted cattle encroachment onto the preserves, who trample watering holes and graze on the trees we are planting to increase shade and prevent summer evaporation. Fencing of these high-value resources is the most cost-effective way to prevent negative impacts of cattle on wildlife. SDRPF has been fortunate to receive past support of some of the durable tools needed for this project, and we seek support to leverage use of those tools with purchase of the additional items needed to add these additional fencing. By engaging our volunteer preserve stewards, community volunteers and scout groups, we can complete this project with minimal labor costs.	3/1/2023	\$2,148.00

**Total approved** **\$3,348**  
**Total Funds Available** **\$16,000**

A motion was made to approve Grant #4 for the full requested amount. Motion made by Commissioner Kukuček Seconded by Commissioner MacMillian, Passed with 7 Ayes.

A motion was made to approve Grant #5 for the full requested amount. Motion made by Commissioner Kukuček Seconded by Commissioner MacMillian, Passed with 6 Ayes and 1 abstention.

## **J. Commissioner's Corner**

Commissioner Kotow stated that the Bart Hall Show will be held On March 16-19, 2023 at the Del Mar Fairgrounds. He will be manning a booth at that event and will take FWAC brochures to notify groups of our grant program.

## **K. Adjourn**

1. Meeting adjourned at 11:50 a.m.

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The next meeting is February 9, 2023 at 11:30 a.m.