

**MODOC COUNTY**  
**FISH, GAME & RECREATION COMMISSION**  
**202 W 4<sup>TH</sup> STREET**  
**ALTURAS, CA 96101**

**MINUTES – March 27, 2019**

The meeting of the Modoc County Fish, Game and Recreation Commission was called to order by Chairman Chris Ratliff at 6:00 pm.

**COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:** Nichole Battram, George Wistos, Cheryl Kunert, Dewayne Matthews, Curt Talbott, Pete Carey, Chris Ratliff and Paul Molder.

**PUBLIC PRESENT:** Patricia Cantrall, Ed Wistos, Guest and Sean Curtis.

Minutes from the February 27, 2019 meeting were approved as presented.

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

**California Fish and Game Commission**

- Notice of continuation regarding proposed regulations related to the 2019-2020 mammal hunting season.

**California Department of Fish & Wildlife**

- Notice of funding opportunity for the 2019 Quagga & Zebra Mussel Action Plan for Western Waters.
- DBW's 2018/2019 QZ Grant Solicitation Notice and webinar.

**Modoc National Forest**

- News Release – Modoc NF seeks OHV grant application input.
- News Release – US Forest Service offers Basic Wildland Fire School.
- News Release – Adopt your wild horse from the Double Devil Wild Horse Corrals.
- News Release – Modoc and Lassen draft Plateau Science Synthesis ready for review.

**California Sportfishing League**

- Legislative Allert – 365 Day Fishing License request to sign petition.

**MATTERS INITIATED BY THE PUBLIC:**

Patricia Cantrall relayed that she had received a thank you note from one of the Jr. Chukar Hunt participants and really appreciated the note.

A guest in the audience gave comment on the lessening deer herds in Modoc. He believes that predators are the problem with bears being a huge contributor.

**AGENCY REPORTS:**

**RAC:** Sean Curtis asked the Commission if they would be interested in helping fund a Recreation Technician to maintain campgrounds on Devil's Garden & Warner Mountains when the hired technician resigns in August. If implemented the position would run through deer season. The Commission would like more information, put on agenda for next meeting.

**SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Expo Fishing Pond:** Chris will contact Paul Divine to request 240 fish for the Expo. Expo is June 22 & 23.

**OLD BUSINESS**

**Guzzlers:** Paul reported that they are still waiting on the Doublehead District Biologist to visit the two guzzlers they are requesting replacement on.

**Hwy 139:** Paul and Chris reported that the new signs would be put up in the same locations as the older ones and they will be working on that soon. CDA will be looking into other areas to put signs up.

**Modoc's Deer Populations:** Nothing new.

**Archery:** Nichole reported that she had been in contact with the people who are trying to get an Archery Club started. They are going to work on putting on a 3D Archery event up at the ski hill and may need help. She will report back with information later on.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**CDA Fawn Survival in Hay Fields:** Chris presented the letter. Dewayne Matthews made the motion the send the letter; seconded by George Wistos. All present in favor.

**SB 395 – Wildlife Traffic Safety Act:** After discussion, it was decided more information was needed. Paul will look into this further and bring back to next meeting.

**OTHER BUSINESS:**

No Other Business to report.

There being no further business to come before this Commission, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Cheryl Kunert, Secretary