



COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO
PARKS AND RECREATION

San Diego County
Fish & Wildlife Advisory Commission

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5510 Overland Ave, Suite 270, Sycamore Conference Room
San Diego, CA 92123

FWAC MIMUTES

DATE: June 11, 2026

TIME: **11:30 a.m.**

PLACE: **Department of Parks and Recreation**
5510 Overland Ave, 2nd Floor, Sycamore Conference Room
San Diego, CA 92123

Commissioner	Present	Absent	Late	District	Supervisor
Mark Kukuchek	X			1	Aguirre
Janeen Reed	X			1	Aguirre
Ed Stovin	X			2	Anderson
Andy Paluczak	REMOTE			2	Anderson
Tashi MacMillen	X			3	Lawson-Remer
Wayne Kotow	X			3	Lawson-Remer
Matthew Craig	X			4	Montgomery-Steppe
Samantha Guzzardo	X			4	Montgomery-Steppe
Gary Brennan	X			5	Desmond
Steve Turigliatto	X			5	Desmond

Call to Order

- A. Introductions** – The Commissioners introduced themselves and New Commissioner Brennan gave a brief introduction of his background and other affiliations. The Chair also recognized departing Commissioner Conrad and thanked him for his 25 years of service as a Commissioner. The following guests were present: Jesus Amial- DPR, Robbie Kawamoto-DPR, Jim Madison- Kiwanis of Escondido, Ron Parker- Senior Anglers of Escondido, Debbie Patenaude-San Diego Anglers Foundation, Rick Travis -CALTIP (Remote).
- B. Approval of Minutes** – A motion was made to approve the minutes of the January 8, 2026 Meeting. Motion made by Commissioner Kukuchek, Seconded by Commissioner MacMillen, passed with 8 Ayes, 1 Abstention Commissioner Brennan, and 1 unable to vote as he was attending remotely - Commissioner Paluczak.
- C. Public Comment** - on any subject matter within Commission jurisdiction, but not on the agenda (No discussion or action may be taken by the Commission.). Commissioner Stovin is still encouraging both the Boys Scouts and Girl Scouts units in his area to pursue grant applications.
- D. Chairperson's Report** the Chair continued to encourage all Commissioners to do outreach to all organizations for future grant applications.
- E. Administrative Items**
1. Jesus Amial- DPR stated that the Commission has \$43,000 in grant funding available for FY 2026-2027 Round 1 and 2.
 2. All Commissioners have Business cards and Name Plates and they are on order for the new Commissioner.
- F. Old Business**
1. Updates to the grant application – Commissioner Craig

The Discrepancies between the website vs Grant Application has been corrected and is ready for updating. The On-line Grant application has been improved and made more user friendly and is ready for review prior to promulgation. A motion was made to update the website now with the revised wording and send out the revised online application for review by all Commissioners prior to the next meeting. Motion made by Commissioner Kukuchek, Seconded by Commissioner MacMillen, passed with 9 Ayes, and 1 unable to vote as he was attending remotely- Commissioner Paluczak.
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 2. Status Report template by Tashi MacMillen -Will be continued until the next meeting.
 - Add Amount awarded plus how much used
 - Add primary contact information, plus back up contact information
- G. New Business**
1. The June 2026 Grant Applications (Attachment 1) were presented and questions from Commissioners were answered. Additional Clarifications were requested on grant 26-27-2 and Commissioner Kotow will follow up with the applicant. Grant applications will be discussed at the next meeting and awards made. It was noted that there are more grant requests than funds available for funding.
- H. Commissioner's Corner**
- Another friendly reminder for all commissioners to continue contacting their community members and colleagues to encourage grant applications. No Commissioner comments.
- I. Adjourn** The meeting was adjourned at 12:49PM

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The next meeting is July 9, 2026, at 11:30 am.

ATTACHMENT 1

FWAC Grants FY 26-27 Round 1				
Grant App #	Project Name	Organization	Project Start Date	Grant Amount Proposed
26-27-1	Californians Turn in Poachers & Polluters CALTIP	CALTIP Rewards Committee	1/1/2027	\$10,000
26-27-2	Taking Kids Fishing	Captain Rollos Kids at Sea	4/1/2026	\$7,000
26-27-3	Kiwanis of Escondido Childrens Fishing Experience	Kiwanis Club of Escondido - Hidden Valley	6/1/2026	\$5,000
26-27-4	26th Annual Kids "Fishin' in the Pines" Derby at Lake Cuyamaca	Lake Cuyamaca Recreation and Park District	6/1/2026	\$10,000
26-27-5	Wounded Warrior Saltwater Fishing Events	San Diego Anglers Foundation	4/1/2026	\$3,000
26-27-6	Hunter Education Hall Rental	San Diego County Wildlife Federation	10/17/2026	\$1,800
			Total	\$36,800