



**COUNTY OF SAN LUIS OBISPO BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
AGENDA ITEM TRANSMITTAL**

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| (1) DEPARTMENT Board of Supervisors | (2) MEETING DATE March 16, 2010 | (3) CONTACT/PHONE Bruce Gibson  781-5450 | |
| (4) SUBJECT Submittal of a resolution relating to black bear hunting within the limits of San Luis Obspo County. | | | |
| (5) SUMMARY OF REQUEST On behalf of the Board of Supervisors, Supervisor Bruce Gibson is requesting adoption of the above-entitled resolution. | | | |
| (6) RECOMMENDED ACTION It is recommended that the Board of Supervisors adopt the attached resolution relating to black bear hunting within the limits of San Luis Obispo County. | | | |
| (7) FUNDING SOURCE(S) N/A | (8) CURRENT YEAR FINANCIAL IMPACT N/A | (9) ANNUAL COST N/A | (10) BUDGETED? <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A |
| (11) OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT/IMPACT (LIST): N/A | | | |
| (12) WILL REQUEST REQUIRE ADDITIONAL STAFF? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes, How Many? _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Permanent _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Limited Term _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Contract _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Temporary Help _____ | | | |
| (13) SUPERVISOR DISTRICT(S) <input type="checkbox"/> 1st, <input type="checkbox"/> 2nd, <input type="checkbox"/> 3rd, <input type="checkbox"/> 4th, <input type="checkbox"/> 5th, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> All | | (14) LOCATION MAP <input type="checkbox"/> Attached <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A | (15) Maddy Act Appointments Signed-off by Clerk of the Board <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A |
| (16) AGENDA PLACEMENT <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Consent <input type="checkbox"/> Hearing (Time Est. _____) <input type="checkbox"/> Presentation <input type="checkbox"/> Board Business (Time Est. _____) | | (17) EXECUTED DOCUMENTS <input type="checkbox"/> Resolutions (Orig) <input type="checkbox"/> Contracts (Orig + 3 Copies) <input type="checkbox"/> Ordinances (Orig) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Email Resolution and Ordinance to CR_Board_Clerk (in Word) | |
| (18) NEED EXTRA EXECUTED COPIES? <input type="checkbox"/> Number: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Attached <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A | | (19) BUDGET ADJUSTMENT REQUIRED? <input type="checkbox"/> Submitted <input type="checkbox"/> 4/5th's Vote Required <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A | |
| (20) OUTLINE AGREEMENT REQUISITION NUMBER (OAR) _____ | | (21) W-9 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | (22) Agenda Item History <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A Date _____ |
| (23) ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE REVIEW  | | | |

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF SAN LUIS OBISPO, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

_____ day _____, 2010

PRESENT:

ABSENT:

**RESOLUTION NO. _____
RESOLUTION RELATING TO BLACK BEAR HUNTING WITHIN THE LIMITS OF
SAN LUIS OBISPO COUNTY**

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors acknowledges the goal of the statewide black bear management policy is "to minimize damage to private property, without posing a threat to local bear populations", and acknowledges that only five incidents of damage have been reported in San Luis Obispo County from 2004 to 2008, and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors recognizes the public concerns relating to encounters between black bears and humans and acknowledges that there have only been 12 reported public safety incidents involving black bears in the state since 1980 and no confirmed incidents reported for San Luis Obispo County; and

WHEREAS, the State of California has established, through the Fish and Game Commission and the Department of Fish and Game, a Black Bear Hunting Season which commences generally on the second Sunday of October and ends the last Sunday of December or after 1700 bears have been killed and reported to Department of Fish and Game; and

WHEREAS, the State has delineated a Black Bear Hunting Area consisting of portions of several counties within the State as outlined in Cal. Code Regs Title 14 § 365; and

WHEREAS, the County received notice on February 18, 2010 that the Department of Fish and Game is proposing to expand the Black Bear Hunting Area to include portions of San Luis Obispo County, from Highway 1 on the west and the Salinas River and Highway 58 on the east; and

WHEREAS, the Fish and Game Commission has scheduled public hearings in Sacramento, Ontario, and Monterey and are scheduled to vote on this proposed change during a teleconference on April 21, 2010; however the Commission has not scheduled any public hearings in San Luis Obispo County; and

WHEREAS, the County believes that any property damage and human safety concerns caused by black bears can be effectively addressed by current depredation policies and procedures and the Department's Statewide Black Bear Policy 2071; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors believes that a Black Bear Hunting Season would ultimately be an ineffective tool for managing the bear population in San Luis Obispo County.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors, that the County of San Luis Obispo opposes the expansion of bear hunting within county limits.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this resolution be forwarded to Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger, the California Senate and Assembly, Fish and Game Commission, the Department of Fish and Game, and County Fish and Game Commission.

Upon motion of Supervisor _____, seconded by Supervisor

_____, and on the following roll call vote, to wit:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

The foregoing resolution is hereby adopted.

Chairperson, Board of Supervisor

ATTEST:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

By: _____
Deputy Clerk