

THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE AND TRIBAL ENGAGEMENT

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CDFW Overview



Tribal Communication and Consultation Policy

- Available on Department's [Tribal Affairs webpage](#)
- Provides process for communicating with tribes and engaging in consultation
 - Establishes Tribal Liaison role
 - Provide information to Tribes
 - Seek information and input from Tribes
 - Collaborate and consult with Tribes
- Process complements and is in addition to AB 52 consultation under the California Environmental Quality Act
- Available for download [here](#)

Opportunities for Engagement – Department Lands

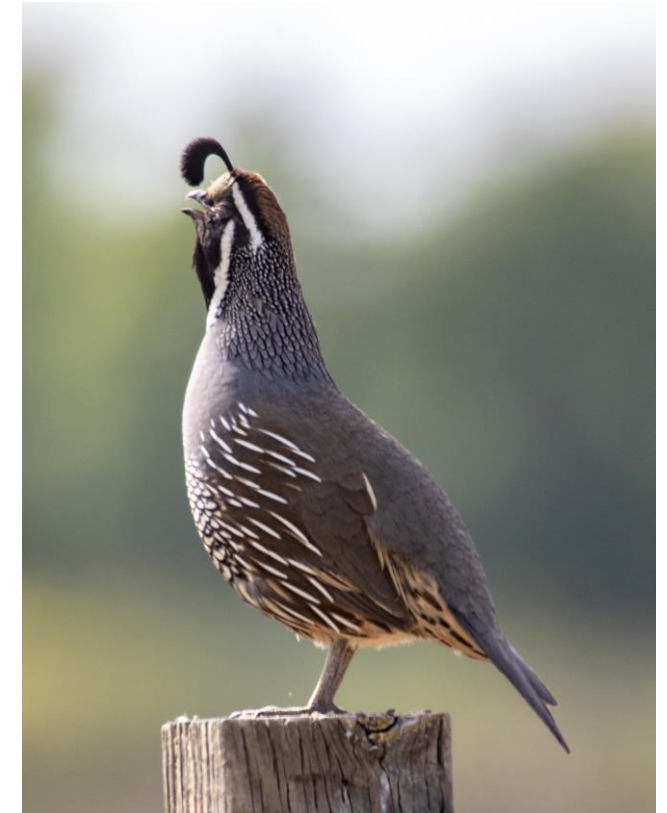
- [Statement of Administration Policy](#), Native American Ancestral Lands
- Department holds title to 698,111 acres across California
- Manage or administer an additional 484,041 acres
- Map of Department lands accessible through our interactive [Lands Viewer](#)
- Wildlife Areas and Ecological Reserves
 - Wildlife areas are for the primary purpose of conservation, restoration, and management of wildlife habitat and hunting
 - Ecological reserves primarily are for the protection of rare, threatened, endangered plants and wildlife
 - Information on specific areas is accessible through the Department's [Lands webpage](#)

Opportunities for Engagement – Grant Funds

- Department administers numerous grant funds for species conservation and watershed restoration
- Proposition 1 Watershed Restoration Grant Program made available up to \$40 million in funds for the most recent solicitation
- Information available on the Department's [Grant Opportunities](#) webpage

Opportunities for Engagement – Species

- Willingness to engage in discussions regarding species management
- Memorandum of understanding as a way to develop active relationship between the Department and a Tribe
- Focus on a specific species can facilitate development of a memorandum of understanding



Fish and Game Commission and the Tribal Committee

- Tribal Committee agenda and meeting information posted on the [Fish and Game Commission website](#)

- **Co-management Vision Statement**

The vision of tribes, the California Fish and Game Commission, and the California Department of Fish and Wildlife is to engage in a collaborative effort between sovereigns to jointly achieve and implement mutually agreed upon and compatible governance and management objectives to ensure the health and sustainable use of fish and wildlife.

- **Co-management Definition**

A collaborative effort established through an agreement in which two or more sovereigns mutually negotiate, define, and allocate amongst themselves the sharing of management functions and responsibilities for a given territory, area or set of natural resources.

Questions and Comments

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