#### **ANALYSIS**

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This ordinance does not alter references to the Fish and Game Warden as the title of that County officer is enumerated by Section 14 of the Charter of the County of Los Angeles, which requires a vote of the County electorate to amend, and California Government Code section 24000.

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The Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles ordains as follows:

**SECTION 1.** Chapter 3.26 of Title 3 is hereby amended to read as follows:

Chapter 3.26	FISH AND GAMEWILDLIFE COMMISSION
<b>SECTION 2.</b>	Section 3.26.010 of Title 3 is hereby amended to read as
follows:	

3.26.010 Chapter a Applicability.

This chapter applies to the f<u>F</u>ish and <u>gameWildlife</u> e<u>C</u>ommission and to the office of f<u>F</u>ish and <u>gG</u>ame <u>w</u><u>W</u>arden.

**SECTION 3.** Section 3.26.020 of Title 3 is hereby amended to read as follows:

# 3.26.020 Continuation—Composition.

A. The f<u>F</u>ish and game<u>Wildlife</u> e<u>C</u>ommission of the e<u>C</u>ounty of Los Angeles, which shall be referred to in this chapter as the "e<u>C</u>ommission," is continued.

B. The e<u>C</u>ommission shall have five positions. A member of the e<u>C</u>ommission shall be appointed to a vacant position by, and serve at the pleasure of, the b<u>B</u>oard of s<u>S</u>upervisors, which shall be referred to in this chapter as the "b<u>B</u>oard."

C. Each person who is a member of the e<u>C</u>ommission on the effective date of the amendment codified in this section shall serve at the pleasure of the <u>b</u>Board for the remainder of his or her term of three years.

**SECTION 4.** Section 3.26.030 of Title 3 is hereby amended to read as follows:

# 3.26.030 Length of sService—Vacancy.

The provisions of this section shall become applicable to a position on the e<u>C</u>ommission at the expiration of the term of the member occupying that position on the effective date of the amendment codified in this section.

A. Each member of the e<u>C</u>ommission shall serve at the pleasure of the bBoard. Each position on the e<u>C</u>ommission shall become vacant every two years from the date this amendment becomes applicable to each position.

B. No member of the e<u>C</u>ommission may serve more than two consecutive full periods of service as specified in subsection A of this section. The <u>b</u>Board may, by order, extend this length of service or waive this limit for individuals or the e<u>C</u>ommission as a whole.

C. A member's position on the e<u>C</u>ommission shall become vacant upon his or her death, resignation, or removal by the <u>b</u>Board. In the case of such a vacancy, the

bBoard shall appoint a successor to serve until the position next becomes vacant under subsection A of this section.

D. The provisions of Chapter 5.12 of the County Code shall not apply to the eCommission.

**SECTION 5.** Section 3.26.060 of Title 3 is hereby amended to read as follows:

# 3.26.060 Chairmanperson and sSecretary.

The fish and game c<u>C</u>ommission shall elect a chairmanperson and secretary from its membership, each of whom shall serve for a period of one year and thereafter until their successors are elected.

**SECTION 6.** Section 3.26.070 of Title 3 is hereby amended to read as follows:

## 3.26.070 Compensation.

Unless otherwise provided in the current salary ordinance, the members of the fish and game cCommission shall serve without compensation.

**SECTION 7.** Section 3.26.080 of Title 3 is hereby amended to read as follows:

## 3.26.080 Rules and rRegulations.

The fish and game c<u>C</u>ommission also may prepare and adopt rules and regulations for the internal government of its business, subject to the approval of the bBoard.

**SECTION 8.** Section 3.26.090 of Title 3 is hereby amended to read as follows:

# 3.26.090 Meetings.

Meetings shall be held by the fish and game cCommission at least four times a year and at the time and place to be provided or selected by the cCommission for the purpose.

**SECTION 9.** Section 3.26.100 of Title 3 is hereby amended to read as follows:

## 3.26.100 Duties.

The members of the fish and game cCommission shall devote their time and thought to the best methods for the propagation and protection of fish and gamewildlife in the state of California and cCounty of Los Angeles. The fish and game cCommission shall be an advisory body and make such recommendations to the bBoard of supervisors at least two times a year and to the fFish and gGame wWarden, as it may deem to be reasonable or necessary or advisable.

**SECTION 10.** Section 6.44.175 of Title 6 is hereby amended to read as follows:

6.44.175 Fish and GameWildlife Commission—Additional iInformation.

No person shall be appointed to a position under Item 9471 (Deputy Fish and Game Warden, Without Compensation) who does not hold either a position in the

e<u>C</u>ounty of Los Angeles or a position in one of the County Fire Protection Districts of the e<u>C</u>ounty of Los Angeles.

**SECTION 11.** Section 6.44.180 of Title 6 is hereby amended to read as follows:

#### 6.44.180 Fish and gameWildlife cCommission—Meetings.

Each member of the f<u>F</u>ish and <u>gameWildlife</u> e<u>C</u>ommission (Item No. 9415) shall receive \$25.00 per meeting for each meeting attended by said person, not to exceed \$50.00 in any one month.

**SECTION 12.** Section 10.84.020 of Title 10 is hereby amended to read as follows:

#### 10.84.020 Feeding a<u>Animals pPermitted wWhen</u>.

A person may feed or provide food to a nondomesticated rodent or a nondomesticated mammalian predator under the following instances:

A. When the person is the owner of such a rodent or mammalian predator, and such rodent or predator is kept under a valid certificate or permit issued by the State of California Department of Fish and Game<u>Wildlife;</u>

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**SECTION 13.** Section 20.92.030 of Title 20 is hereby amended to read as follows:

20.92.030 Fishing <u>rR</u>estrictions.

A person shall not fish in the waters of any reservoir, debris basin or spreading grounds owned by or under the control of the Los Angeles County Flood Control

District, except that fishing will be permitted from the banks of Puddingstone Reservoir, San Dimas Reservoir, San Gabriel No. 1 Reservoir, and Cogswell Reservoir (unless such reservoirs are posted to the contrary by signs plainly visible from the banks thereof), and from boats on Puddingstone Reservoir, San Dimas Reservoir, Big Tujunga Reservoir, San Gabriel No. 1 Reservoir and Cogswell Reservoir by persons having valid boat permits under Section 20.92.020 of this chapter, all within the regularly designated fishing season as established by the California State <u>Department of</u> Fish and-Game <u>CommissionWildlife</u>, or by other competent authority, and in compliance with the terms and conditions and during the hours specified in the boat permit hereinabove referred to.

**SECTION 14.** Section 22.44.142 of Title 22 is hereby amended to read as follows:

22.44.142 Baldwin Hills Community Standards District.

E. Oil Field Development Standards.

The following provisions shall apply throughout the oil field portion of the district:

7. Biological Resources. All oil operations on the oil field shall be conducted in a manner that minimizes impacts to biological resources and shall comply with the following provisions:

e. Listed Plant or Wildlife Species. If federal- or State-listed plant or wildlife species are found, then the operator shall comply with all applicable United States Fish and Wildlife and California Department of Fish and Game<u>Wildlife</u> rules and regulations.

g. Tree and Riparian Scrub Removal. Removal of native or non-native trees and riparian scrub vegetation shall be scheduled, as possible, for removal outside the nesting season to avoid impacts to nesting birds. If avoidance of removal of trees or riparian scrub during the recommended periods is not possible, a e<u>C</u>ounty-approved biologist shall perform a survey to ensure that no nesting birds are present prior to removal. If for any reason a nest must be removed during the nesting season, the operator shall provide written documentation to the d<u>D</u>irector demonstrating concurrence from the United States Fish and Wildlife Service and California Department of Fish and <u>GameWildlife</u> authorizing the nest relocation and a written report documenting the relocation efforts.

**SECTION 15.** Section 22.44.940 of Title 22 is hereby amended to read as follows:

#### 22.44.940 Administrative Coastal Development Permit.

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A. Applicability. The provisions of this section shall apply to the principal permitted use and other permitted uses for each zone as set forth in this LIP, that:

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3. Do not disturb plants and/or animals found on the following resource lists, as updated:

b. Special Animals and Special Vascular Plants, Bryophytes and Lichens, by the California Department of Fish and Game<u>Wildlife</u>.

**SECTION 16.** Section 22.46.470 of Title 22 is hereby amended to read as follows:

22.46.470 Flora and f<u>F</u>auna.

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D. Prior to alteration of any streambeds, the applicant shall enter into an agreement with the California State Department of Fish and Game<u>Wildlife</u>, pursuant to Chapter 6 of Division 2 of the State Fish and Game Code to protect fish or wildlife resources.

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G. Development in those areas designated as significant ecological areas (SEA's) by the Los Angeles County general plan, defined in Chapter 22.08 of this code, and in Catalina Harbor, Cottonwood Canyon and Sweetwater Canyon shall be subject to all pertinent standards and conditions set forth in this Title 22, except that the exemption provisions contained in Section 22.56.215(C) shall not apply. All vegetation removal or grading affecting an area of greater than 400 square feet within an acre of land or cumulatively, 800 square feet within an individual SEA shall also comply with these provisions. Rare plants shall be protected by a requirement to construct and

maintain fences around them, to leave the areas undeveloped to use other measures devised as a result of biological information prepared by the applicant, the Department of Fish and GameWildlife or otherwise obtained during the permit process. The SEA's shown on the special management areas map of the general plan are based on "Areas of Special Botanical Significance" prepared by Dr. R. F. Thorne for the Center for Natural Areas in 1976. These areas are shown on the maps contained in Appendix D; more precise boundaries will be obtained during the individual studies of the natural resources done by the applicant when development is proposed within an SEA.

H. Development shall avoid conflicts with the reintroduction programs for the endangered bald eagle and peregrine falcon by coordinating with the State of California Department of Fish and Game<u>Wildlife</u>. Developers shall submit evidence that the Department of Fish and Game<u>Wildlife</u> has reviewed the site plans for the proposed development and has no objection to them. Applications for helistops and heliports shall also design the approach and departure routes to avoid conflicts with endangered and native bird populations.

**SECTION 17.** Section 22.46.690 of Title 22 is hereby amended to read as follows:

# 22.46.690 Shoreline a<u>A</u>ccessways.

The following provisions pertain to shoreline accessways which are dedicated or otherwise guaranteed in conformance with the requirements of this specific plan and for which a public agency or private association, approved by the e<u>E</u>xecutive <u>dD</u>irector, has

accepted the responsibility for construction, maintenance and liability of said accessways:

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F. The State of California Department of Fish and Game<u>Wildlife</u> shall review all new shoreline access locations to avoid conflicts with the reintroduction programs for the endangered bald eagle and peregrine falcon. Access sites must be thoroughly investigated because these birds are coastal cliff nesters and will not generally tolerate human disturbance.

**SECTION 18.** Section 22.56.510 of Title 22 is hereby amended to read as follows:

22.56.510 Imposition of <u>aA</u>dditional <u>eC</u>onditions <u>aA</u>uthorized <u>wW</u>hen.

The dDirector or eCommission, in approving an application for an animal permit:

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B. Shall impose the following conditions on applications for rehabilitation facilities for small wild animals:

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6. The facilities shall only be authorized for as long as the applicant maintains a continuously valid permit and Memorandum of Understanding from the California Department of Fish and GameWildlife, or in the case of wild migratory birds, a valid permit from the U.S. Department of Fish and Wildlife.

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