



Finance, Affordability, Asset Management and
Efficiency Committee

California Department of Fish & Wildlife License Agreement

Item 7-8

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Item 7-8 Overview of License Agreement

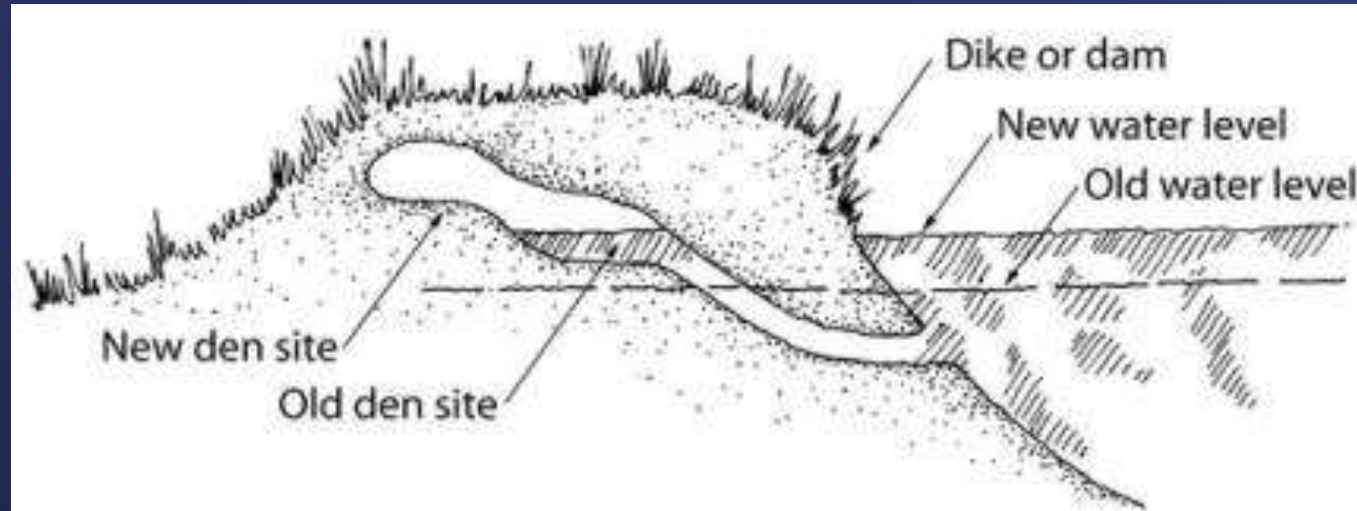
Subject

- Authorize the General Manager to execute a license agreement with the California Department of Fish and Wildlife

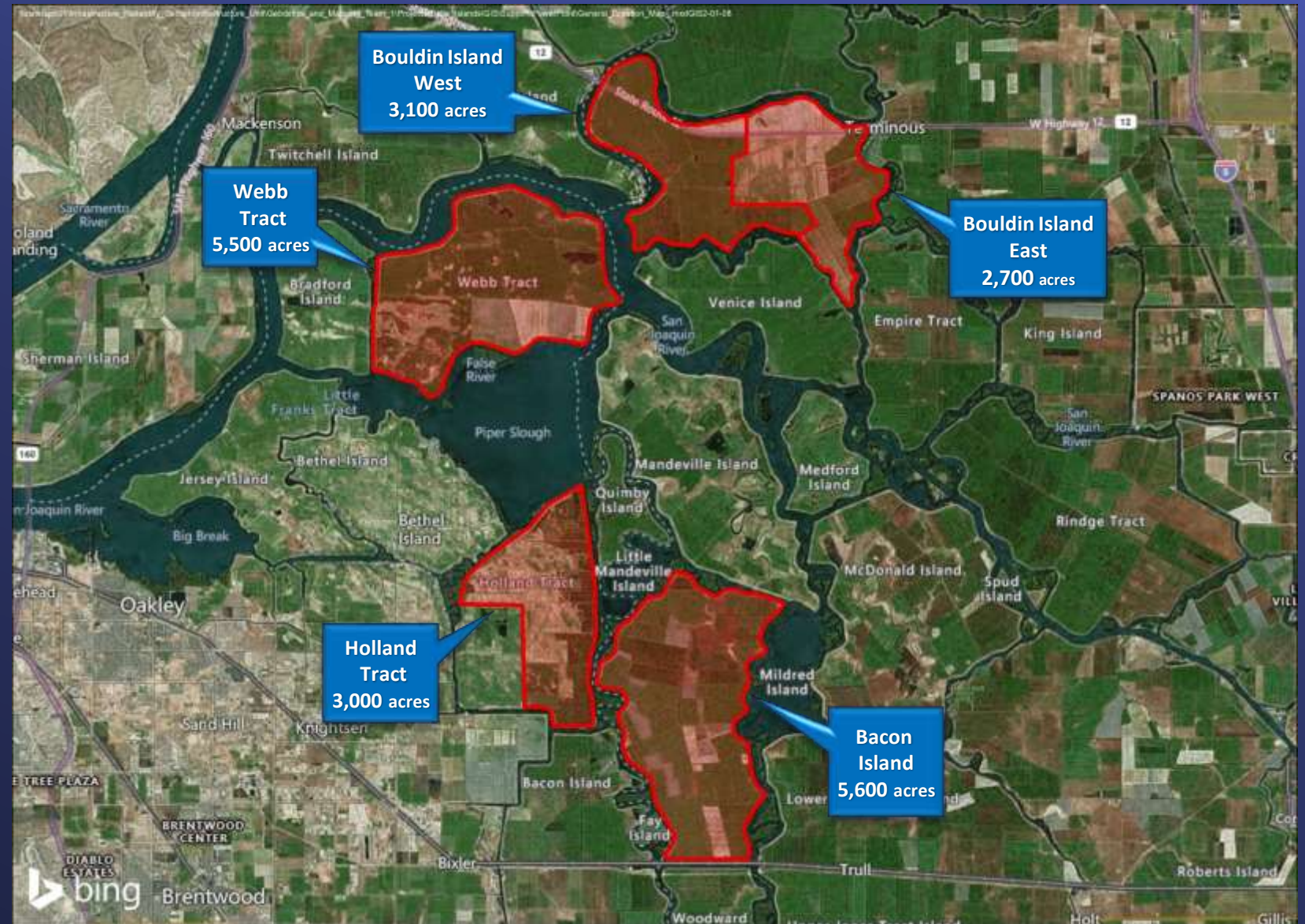
Purpose

- Allow the Department of Fish and Wildlife continued access to the Bay Delta Islands for nutria research and removal activities.

Species Images



Site Map



Proposed License Terms

- Access to all islands (20,161 acres)
- Five-year term with an option to extend for an additional five years
- Early termination by either party with 30 days notice
- Mutual benefit agreement, fees waived
- CDFW's removal of nutria protects levees; benefits exceed fees
- CDFW to share all findings and reports

Board Options

Option No. 1

- Authorize the General Manager to execute a license agreement with the California Department of Fish and Wildlife, thereby allowing the continuation of nutria removal activities for up to an additional ten years comprising Metropolitan's Bay Delta Islands.

Board Options

Option No. 2

- Do not authorize the General Manager to execute a license agreement with the California Department of Fish and Wildlife.

Board Options

Staff Recommendation

- Option 1

