



## CENCAL BOD MINUTES

DECEMBER 4, 2024

7:30 pm

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### 1.0 Welcome and Introductions

1.1 Present:

### 2.0 Membership: CenCal as of December 1, 2024/Final

CenCal = 48  
USOA = 5

### 3.0 Finances – Larry Ankuda, Treasurer

3.1 Balances as of December 1, 2024 \$ 14,081.32

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|---------------|--------------|
| General Fun   | \$ 854.02    |
| Income        | \$ 769.91    |
| Expenses      | \$ 2,931.64  |
| Skin Spear    | \$ 10,277.30 |
| Legal Defense | \$ 3000.00   |

3.2 Budget 2024 – 2024 Expenses. **All Paid**

3.3 Scholarship – 2025 year, \$2000

3.3.1 info and promotion – See website [cencal.org](http://cencal.org)

### 4.0 UW Hockey –

4.1 Club Puck playing weekly at Fremont High School in Sunnyvale

4.2 available scientific peer reviewed paper supports safety in uwh play.

### 5.0 UW Rugby – playing Mt View, Albany

### 6.0 UW Photography –

6.1 SHOOTOUT BACK!! And Successful !

6.1.1 156 photographers

6.1.2 \$30,000 in prizes

6.1.3 Next Year August 22-24, 2025

### 7.0 Skin Spearfishing – 2025 Nationals - tentatively

7.1 April 11, Lake Pleasant, AZ, boat based

7.2 Fish: striped bass, carp and shad – no limits

### 8.0 Old Business

8.1 **Sea Otter** translocation -NO known/proposed plans/no updates

8.2 **MPAs/Changes** – 124 MPAs in California. There are now some 80+ petitions for changes to the current MPAs. The process is complex.

8.3 **Red Abalone Recovery Plan:** anticipated to take two years (2024-2026). 2014-2016 marine heat wave caused a rapid/massive kelp forest decline: abalone staple food decline, lack of nutrient storage & decline in species diversity.

8.4 **KRMP/Kelp Restoration & Management Plan** – CDFW with the California Ocean Protection Council (OPC), developing a statewide, ecosystem-based, adaptive Kelp Restoration and Management Plan (KRMP) for giant kelp and bull kelp.

### 8.5 **Bodega Marine Laboratory - UC Davis**

A decade after the "Blob" marine heat wave devastated the Pacific, researchers Julieta Gómez, a kelp restoration specialist at the Greater Farallones Association, and Rachael Karm, a Research Technician at Sonoma State University, are cultivating bull kelp in tanks at the UC Davis Bodega Marine Laboratory to restore Northern California's kelp ecosystems, which were decimated by warming waters and a surge in sea urchins.

This year marked a breakthrough with the first successful out-planting of lab-grown kelp, a critical step toward helping marine ecosystems adapt to ongoing climate change.

More: The New York Times: <https://www.nytimes.com/.../california-farallones-ocean..>

### 9.0 **New Business –**

9.1 Coastal Cleanup Day 2024 - 40<sup>th</sup> Annual

9.1.1 28,751 volunteers. 242,312# trash  
12,461# recyclable total 2254,772#/127 tons

9.1.2 750 cleanup sites

9.1.3 2025 Clean Up September 20, 2025

9.2 California Dept Fish & Wildlife Commission Meeting – Sacramento

9.2 The December 11-12 meeting make final decisions affecting the coming year. Of possible interest, see below:

### **PETITIONS FOR ACTION TODAY:**

Consider whether to grant, deny or refer for additional review, petitions for regulation change received at previous meetings except that MPA petitions scheduled for action will be heard under Agenda Item 9. Petitions granted today will be added to the Commission's rule making calendar for development and future consideration. (Pursuant to Section 662)

II. Petition 2024-10: Request to amend recreational fishing regulations to add use of a hookah and airlift system to collect urchins; amend petition 2023-23PMA to use this method as well.

III. Petition 2023-12 – Request to allow unlimited recreational take of purple and red sea urchins in ten counties (Humboldt to Santa Barbara.)

### **10.0 Next meeting – January 29, 2025 7:30 pm (5<sup>th</sup> Wed)**

Carol Rose, Secretary

meet odd months **last** Wednesday

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## December 2024

|               |                                     |
|---------------|-------------------------------------|
| Dec 4         | CenCal BOD – November Meeting       |
| Dec 7         | Pearl Harbor Day                    |
| Dec 11-12     | CDFW Meeting – Sacramento           |
| Dec 21        | Winter Solstice/First Day of Winter |
| <i>Dec 25</i> | <i>Christmas Day Holiday</i>        |
| Dec 26        | Hanukkah                            |
| Dec 26        | Kwanzaa                             |

## January 2025

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| <i>Jan 20</i>    | <i>MLK Jr Holiday</i>                      |
| <b>Jan 24-26</b> | <b>Battle at Altitude UW Hockey Denver</b> |
| Jan 29           | Lunar New Year                             |

## February

|               |                                  |
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| Feb 2         | Ground Hog Day                   |
| Feb 12-13     | Cal Dept Fish & Wildlife Meeting |
| Feb 14        | Valentine's Day                  |
| <i>Feb 17</i> | <i>Presidents Day Holiday</i>    |

## March

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| March 1     | First Night Ramadan  |
| March 5     | Ash Wednesday  |
| March 9     | Daylight Savings   |
| March 13    | Marine Resources Comm Meeting                                      |
| March 14-15 | 25th Annual Championship of the Universe UW Hockey<br>Key Largo FL |
| March 15-16 | Boston Sea Rovers Dive Show  |
| March 17    | St Pats Day  |
| March 28-30 | Beneath the Sea Dive Show  |

## April

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| <b>April 9</b>     | <b>Skindiving Spearfishing Comm &amp; Rules Meeting</b> |
| <b>April 11</b>    | <b>Skin Spearfishing Nationals Lake Pleasant AZ</b>     |
| April 13           | Palm Sunday   |
| April 18           | Good Friday   |
|                    | Paul Revere Ride  |
| April 20           | Easter  |
|                    | Orthodox Easter   |
| April 22           | Earth Day   |
| <b>April 26-27</b> | <b>Lucky Florida Cup, UW Hockey, Orlando FL</b>         |

## May

May 4 May the Fourth Be With You  
May 5 Cinco de Mayo  
May 11 Mothers Day  
**May 23-25 Fin Swimming World Cup Coral Springs FL**  
May 26 *Memorial Day*  
May 31-June 1 Scuba Show, Long Beach

### June

June 8 Oceans Day  
June 14 Flag Day  
June 15 Fathers Day  
June 19 Cal Dept Fish & Wildlife Meeting

### July

*July 4 Independence Day*  
July 14 Marine Resources Committee Meeting

### August

### September

*Sept 1 Labor Day*  
Sept 23 Rosh Hashanah

### October

Oct 2 Yom Kippur  
Oct 4 **USOA Annual Membership Meeting – Virtual**  
Oct 13 *Indigenous People Day*

### November

Nov 2 Daylight Off  
Nov 11 Election Day  
Nov 6 Marine Resources Comm Meeting  
*Nov 11 Veterans Day*  
**Nov 11-14 DEMA – Orlando FL**  
**Nov 21-24 Skindiving Spear Worlds Brazil - tentatively**  
*Nov 27 Thanksgiving Day*

### December

Dec 7 Pearl Harbor Day  
Dec 11 Cal Dept Fish & Wildlife Commission Meeting  
Dec 15 Hanukkah  
*Dec 25 Christmas Day*