

Chapter 5 – Consultation and Coordination  
Response to Comments



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Mr. Don L. Neubacher, Superintendent  
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Dear Mr. Neubacher:

The California Department of Fish and Game (Department) has reviewed the draft Environmental Impact Statement regarding the Non-Native Deer Management Plan. The National Park Service is proposing to remove axis and fallow deer within the Point Reyes National Seashore's boundary through a combination of long-duration contraception and lethal control. The Department has the following comments regarding the proposal:

1. The Department supports control of non-native species in natural areas where management goals are the protection of native ecosystems and species;
2. The Department supports all management actions that will prevent the movement of these non-native deer species outside the Point Reyes National Seashore's boundary;
3. Due primarily to disease concerns, the Department does not support the movement of any live, non-native deer within the State for any purposes.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide these comments. If you have any questions, please contact John Carlson, Jr., Chief, Wildlife Programs Branch, at (916) 445-3555.

Sincerely,

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Deputy Director

cc: John Carlson, Jr., Chief  
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