

Minutes

Washington Fish & Wildlife Commission Webinar

Friday, August 21, 2020

Olympia, Washington

Attendance

Commission:

Larry Carpenter, Chair

Barbara Baker, Vice Chair

Don McIsaac Bob Kehoe Dave Graybill Kim Thorburn Brad Smith

James R. Anderson

Department Staff:

Kelly Susewind, Director

Amy Windrope, Deputy Director

Joe Panesko, AGO Hannah Anderson Nate Pamplin Morgan Stinson Commission Staff: Nikki Kloepfer

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Vice Chair Baker called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

A. Mazama Pocket Gopher - Decision

Hannah Anderson, Diversity Division Manager, Wildlife Program asked the Commission for a decision to maintain the threatened status of the Mazama Pocket Gopher.

Commissioner Smith made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Anderson to maintain the threatened status of the Mazama Pocket Gopher. Commissioner Thorburn was not present for the vote. All in favor. Motion passed.

B. 2021-23 Operating Budget – Multiple Decisions

Nate Pamplin, Director of Budget and Government Affairs and Morgan Stinson, Budget Officer requested approval of the performance level portion of the 2021-23 operating budget for the 2021 legislative session, asked for a decision regarding the 2021-23 operating budget, and requested approval of a SFY21 Second Supplemental budget request that is in addition to the items that were approved on July 31, 2020.

For the State Fiscal Year 2021 second supplemental operating budget: Commissioner Linville, seconded by Commissioner Kehoe, moved to approve the additions to the second supplemental operating budget request as presented by staff, with allowance for minor adjustments as staff prepare final documents for submittal to the Governor's Office. All in Favor. Motion Passed.

For the maintenance level portion of the 2021-23 operating budget:

Commissioner Kehoe made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Anderson to approve the additions to the maintenance level portion of the 2021-23 operating budget request as presented by staff, with allowance for minor adjustments as staff prepare final documents for submittal to the Governor's Office. All in favor. Motion passed.

For the performance level portion of the 2021-23 operating budget: Commissioner Anderson made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Thorburn to approve the performance level portion of the 2021-23 operating budget request as presented by staff, with allowance for minor adjustments as staff prepare final documents for submittal to the Governor's Office. Commissioner Smith was not present for the vote. All in favor. Motion passed.

Staff presented a draft position statement for the Commission's consideration. The Commissioners discussed and modified the draft position statement.

Commissioner Anderson made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Linville to approve the position statement on the 2021-23 operating budget as edited by the Commission. All in favor. Motion passed.

C. Future Meeting Planning

The Commission discussed the upcoming meeting agenda. Commissioner McIsaac requested that item #8 on the September draft agenda be switched with item #12. The Commission supported his request.

The Commissioners agreed that the September and October meeting should be via webinar but will continue to evaluate physical meetings on a case-by-case basis.

D. General Discussion

There were no items of interest for the Commissioners and the Director to discuss.

Vice Chair Baker adjourned the meeting at 9:43 a.m.

Nichole Diane Kloepfer 9/11/2020 Nichole Kloepfer, Executive Assistant