



Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife

Fish and Wildlife Commission

FEBRUARY 25 – FEBRUARY 27, 2021

REVISED AGENDA

Via [Zoom Webinar](#)

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 2021 – COMMITTEE MEETINGS

8:00 AM **Wildlife Committee Meeting** – Commissioners Thorburn, Baker, Anderson, Linville
Location: [Zoom Link \(https://zoom.us/j/96265851447\)](https://zoom.us/j/96265851447)
Join by telephone: 1-253-215-8782 or 1-888-475-4499 (Toll Free) **Webinar ID:** 962-6585-1447

Agenda topics:

- Proposed CR-102, season setting 3-year package preview
- General discussion – current events

10:00 AM **Habitat Committee Meeting** – Commissioner Baker
Location: [Zoom Link \(https://zoom.us/j/95199008659\)](https://zoom.us/j/95199008659)
Join by telephone: 1-253-215-8782 or 1-888-475-4499 (Toll Free) **Webinar ID:** 951-9900-8659

Agenda topics:

- Fish Passage Rulemaking update
- Mid-session update on habitat related legislation
- Preview of the shrub steppe video

3:00 PM **Big Tent Committee Meeting** – Commissioners Baker, Thorburn, McIsaac
Location: [Zoom Link \(https://zoom.us/j/97794037328\)](https://zoom.us/j/97794037328)
Join by telephone: 1-253-215-8782 or 1-888-475-4499 (Toll Free) **Webinar ID:** 977-9403-7328

Agenda topics:

- Strategic plan update
- Science/policy
- Commission conservation policy
- Mission statement

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 2021 – REGULAR MEETING (The Commission meeting will be held via [Zoom Webinar](#).)

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8:00 AM	1. <u>Call to Order</u> Commissioner's Discussion Meeting Minutes Approval <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • January 28-30, 2021 Draft Minutes • February 12, 2021 Draft Minutes Committee Reports	<i>45 min</i>
8:45 AM	2. <u>Open Public Input</u> The Commission is a direct link between the citizens of Washington and the Department of Fish and Wildlife. Comments on Department programs and topics of concern are welcome during this portion of the meeting. NOTE: During this portion of the meeting, the public is encouraged to comment on issues that do not already have public input time on the agenda.	<i>60 min</i>
9:45 AM	3. <u>Director's Report</u> The Director will brief the Commission on various items, including an update on Covid-19 matters.	<i>30 min</i>
10:15 AM	4. <u>Scatter Creek Wildlife Area – Briefing</u> Staff will provide a briefing on the new director approved wildlife area management plan. Staff Report: Cynthia Wilkerson, Wildlife Program Lands Division Manager; Lauri Vigue, Wildlife Area Planner and Darric Lowery, Wildlife Area Manager	<i>45 min</i>
11:00 AM	<u>Break</u>	<i>15 min</i>
11:15 AM	5. <u>Gray and Humpback Whale PSR – Briefing, Public Hearing, Decision</u> Staff will seek approval from the Commission on Periodic Status Review for the Gray and Humpback Whale. Staff Report: Chris Sato, Wildlife Biologist; Taylor Cotten, Wildlife Program	<i>45 min</i>
<u>Public Hearing – This Item Only</u>		
12:00 PM	<u>Lunch</u>	<i>30 min</i>
12:30 PM	6. <u>Coastal Commercial Dungeness Crab Whale Entanglement and Conservation Plan Development – Briefing, Public Comment</u> Staff will brief the Commission on the progress of the conservation plan development and next steps. Staff Report: Heather Hall, Intergovernmental Ocean Policy Coordinator	<i>60 min</i>
<u>Public Comment – This Item Only</u>		
1:30 PM	7. <u>Office of the Attorney General Training</u>	<i>90 min</i>
3:00 PM	8. <u>Executive Session</u> Pursuant to RCW 42.30.110, the Commission will meet in executive session. No action will be taken during executive session and the public is not permitted to attend.	<i>2 hrs</i>
5:00 PM	<u>Recess</u>	

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| 9:00 AM | 10. <u>Willapa Bay Policy (C-3622) Review – Briefing, Public Comment</u>
The Commission will receive an annual briefing on Willapa Bay Policy C-3622 from Department staff including performance of salmon fisheries within Willapa Bay. The Commission will consider interim policy guidance for the 2021 fisheries.

Staff Report: Ron Warren, Director of Fish Policy, and Marlene Wagner, South Coast Policy Lead

<u>Public Comment – This Item Only</u> | <i>70 min</i> |
| 10:10 AM | 11. <u>Miscellaneous and Meeting Debrief</u>
The Commission will discuss items that arise immediately before, during, or after the meeting and after the preliminary agenda is published and consider future agenda planning. | <i>15 min</i> |
| 10:25 AM | 12. <u>Executive Session</u>
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| 12:25 PM | <u>Adjourn</u> | |

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