

Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife

Fish and Wildlife Commission

JANUARY 13-14, 2022 REVISED AGENDA Via Zoom Webinar

Please note the addition of the Wolf committee on Thursday, January 13. Thank you.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 13, 2022 – COMMITTEE MEETINGS

8:00 AM <u>Wildlife Committee Meeting</u> – Commissioners Thorburn, Smith, Anderson, Linville

Location: Zoom Link (https://us06web.zoom.us/j/85457910259)

Join by telephone: 1-253-215-8782 or 1-888-475-4499 (Toll Free) **Webinar ID**: 854-5791-0259 Agenda topics:

- Season setting update
- Grazing program implementation update
- Cougar Proviso report briefing

10:30 AM Habitat Committee Meeting – Commissioners Carpenter, Smith, Anderson, Linville

Location: Zoom Link (https://us06web.zoom.us/j/83901498353)

Join by telephone: 1-253-215-8782 or 1-888-475-4499 (Toll Free) **Webinar ID**: 839-0149-8353 Agenda topics:

- Fish passage rules update
- Ecosystem Services Division: how WDFW engages in land use planning and implementation to protect species and their habitats

1:00 PM Fish Committee Meeting – Commissioners Carpenter, McIsaac, Anderson, Baker

Location: **Zoom Link** (https://us06web.zoom.us/j/86598553205)

Join by telephone: 1-253-215-8782 or 1-888-475-4499 (Toll Free) **Webinar ID:** 865-9855-3205 Agenda topics:

- Willapa Bay Policy review (continued)
- Sport fishing and shellfish rule amendments
- Commercial guide logbook program

3:00 PM *Wolf Committee Meeting – Commissioners Thorburn, Smith, Anderson, Linville

Location: Zoom Link (https://us06web.zoom.us/j/82334470074)

Join by telephone: 1-253-215-8782 or 1-888-475-4499 (Toll Free) **Webinar ID**: 823-3447-0074 Agenda topic:

Discussion with UW team of metrics used to inform wolf recovery*

FRIDAY, JANUARY 14, 2022 – REGULAR MEETING (The Commission meeting will be held via **Zoom** Webinar.)

If you are interested in providing verbal public comment, please pre-register <u>here</u>. The following pre-registration deadlines are in effect:

- Pre-registration for the Open Public Input closes at 8 am Friday for Friday's comment periods. Open Public Input is for comments on matters not found elsewhere on the agenda with separate public comment periods.
- Registrants will be called upon (no more "raised hands" will be recognized) and have three minutes to speak.

All agenda times are approximate. The Commission may begin agenda items significantly before or after the scheduled time due to public comment, length of Commission discussion or other constraints. The Commission reserves the right to adjust its schedule as necessary throughout the meeting.

• All information entered into the form is subject to public disclosure.

Additional information on verbal and written comment can be found <u>here</u>. To listen to the meeting please access it <u>here</u>, or by phone with the following phone numbers below.

1-253-215-8782 or 1-888-475-4499 (Toll Free) Then you will be prompted to enter the **Webinar ID**: 892-4519-8831

8:00 AM 1. Call to Order

45 min

Commissioner's Discussion Meeting Minutes Approval

December 2-3, 2021, webinar draft meeting minutes

Committee Reports

8:45 AM 2. Open Public Input

60 min

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.

9:45 AM 3. Director's Report

20 min

The Director will brief the Commission on various items.

10:05 AM

4. Governor's Salmon Recovery Package Discussion

30 min

The Commission will discuss the efforts surrounding Governor Inslee's priorities to bolster Washington's leadership in protecting and restoring salmon across the state.

10:35 AM

BREAK

10 min

10:45 AM 5. Forest Health Project Approval Request - Briefing and Decision

20 min

Staff will seek approval from the Commission on forest management projects that involve harvesting timber volumes exceeding one million board feet.

Staff Report: Richard Tveten, Forest Manager Team Lead, Lands Division, Wildlife Program

11:05 AM

6. Sport Fishing and Shellfish Rule Amendments - Decision

30 min

Staff will ask the Commission for a decision on proposed amendments to recreational fish and shellfish regulations. These amendments are proposed for the purpose of meeting conservation objectives as well as to address simplification and clarification of several regulations.

Staff Report: Kirt Hughes, Fish Management Division Manager, Steve Caromile, Inland Fisheries Manager, and Aaron Dufault, Puget Sound Shellfish Manager **LUNCH**

11:35 AM

45 min

12:20 PM 7. WDFW Response to Whale Entanglements in the Coastal Commercial Dungeness Crab Fishery – Briefing

60 min

Staff will brief the Commission on recent whale entanglements in the coastal commercial Dungeness crab fishery and action taken to reduce the risk of future entanglements including the process to develop a Crab Conservation Plan and request an Incidental Take Permit.

Staff Report: Heather Hall, Intergovernmental Ocean Policy Manager

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1:20 PM 8. Columbia River Policy (C-3630) Delegation of Authority – Decision

The Commission will take action to consider director delegation for the Director to work with the Director of ODFW to achieve concurrent implementation of 2022 fishery regulations in jointly managed waters of the Columbia River.

Staff Report: Kelly Susewind, Director, Kelly Cunningham, Fish Program Director, and Charlene Hurst, Columbia River Policy Lead

9. Miscellaneous and Meeting Debrief

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.

3:05 PM 10. Executive Session

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.

5:05 PM ADJOURN

2:20 PM

60 min

45 min

2 hrs

MEMBERS

Contact the Commission office with questions at (360) 902-2267, or by email to commission@dfw.wa.gov

Larry Carpenter, Chair, Mount Vernon (Western Washington position, Skagit County)

Occupation: Retired Business Owner Term: 08/14/2017 - 10/31/2020 **Barbara Baker**, Olympia

(At-large position, Thurston County) Occupation: Attorney/Retired Administrator

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(At-large position, Pierce County)
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Lorna Smith, Port Townsend (Western Washington position, Jefferson County) Occupation: Retired, Executive Director, Western

Wildlife Outreach

Term: 01/01/2021 - 12/31/2026

Molly Linville, Vice-Chair, Palisades

(Eastern Washington position, Douglas County)

Occupation: Cattle Rancher/Farmer

KV Ranch

Term: 07/24/2019 - 12/31/2024

Donald McIsaac, Ph.D., Hockinson

(Western Washington Position, Clark County)
Occupation: Retired Executive Director of the Pacific
Fishery Management Council; Part-time Consultant

Term: 08/14/2017 - 12/31/2022

Kim Thorburn, MD, MPH, Spokane

(Eastern Washington position, Spokane County) Occupation: Retired Public Health Physician

Term: 01/23/2017 - 12/31/2022

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