Cascade Red Fox Periodic Status

Review WAC 220-200-100

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Fish and Wildlife Commission Presentation Summary Sheet

Meeting date:	
9/23/2022	
Agenda item:	
Cascade Red Fox Status Report	
Presenter(s):	
Jeff Lewis and Taylor Cotten	

Background summary:

Presenting the Status Report and recommendation to list the Cascade Red Fox as Threatened in WA. Currently the Cascade Red Fox has no special status as either an Endangered, Threatened, or Sensitive species.

Staff recommendation:

To classify the Cascade Red Fox as a Threatened Species under WAC 220-200-100

Policy issue(s) and expected outcome:

This is a new listing which will result in the species being prioritized for conservation actions in the future. It will also trigger the Periodic Status Review process as defined in WAC 220-610-110 which includes drafting and presenting a Periodic Status Review to the commission every five years and the drafting of a recovery plan for Cascade Red Fox.

Fiscal impacts of agency implementation:

Resources will be pointed towards the drafting of a recovery plan and the Periodic Status Review process as well as directly working on recovery and monitoring of the species.

Public involvement process used and what you learned:

The Status Report was reviewed by Department staff and external species experts before a 90-day public comment periods on the document and our findings. There were nine responses to the 90-day public comment period on the Status Report: three clearly support our recommendation to list the Cascade Red Fox as a Threatened Species. Three expressed the need for protection of Cascade Red Foxes through greater predator controls. One reported a Red Fox sighting. One described a decline in seeing Cascade Red Foxes over the years. One expressed a doubt in the Status Report due to seeing red foxes over the years in northeast Oregon.

Action requested and/or proposed next steps:

Conference Call.	
Draft motion language:	
Briefing only.	
Post decision communications plan:	
Briefing only.	

Briefing only. Department staff will ask for a decision on the October 7, 2022, Fish and Wildlife Commission

Form revised 1-20-21

AMENDATORY SECTION (Amending WSR 21-20-010, filed 9/23/21, effective 10/24/21)

WAC 220-200-100 Wildlife classified as protected shall not be hunted or fished. Protected wildlife are designated into three subcategories: Threatened, sensitive, and other.

(1) Threatened species are any wildlife species native to the state of Washington that are likely to become endangered within the foreseeable future throughout a significant portion of their range within the state without cooperative management or removal of threats. Protected wildlife designated as threatened include:

Common Name Scientific Name
western gray squirrel Sciurus griseus
sea otter Enhydra lutris
green sea turtle Chelonia mydas

<u>Cascade red fox</u> <u>Vulpes vulpes cascadensis</u>

Mazama pocket gopher Thomomys mazama

((American white Pelecanus

pelican erythrorhynchos))

(2) Sensitive species are any wildlife species native to the state of Washington that are vulnerable or declining and are likely to become endangered or threatened in a significant portion of their range within the state without cooperative management or removal of threats. Protected wildlife designated as sensitive include:

Common Name Scientific Name

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Gray whale Eschrichtius robustus

Common Loon Gavia immer

Larch Mountain

salamander Plethodon larselli
Pygmy whitefish Prosopium coulteri
Margined sculpin Cottus marginatus

American white pelican Pelecanus erythrorhynchos

Olympic mudminnow Novumbra hubbsi

(3) Other protected wildlife include:

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Cascade goldenmantled

ground

squirrel Callospermophilus saturatus

golden-mantled ground

squirrel Callospermophilus lateralis

Washington ground

squirrel Urocitellus washingtoni
red squirrel Tamiasciurus hudsonicus
Douglas squirrel Tamiasciurus douglasii
northern flying squirrel Glaucomys sabrinus
Humboldt's flying Glaucomys oregonensis

squirrel

wolverine Gulo gulo

painted turtle Chrysemys picta

California mountain

kingsnake Lampropeltis zonata

All birds not classified as game birds, predatory birds or endangered species, or designated as threatened species or sensitive species; all bats, except when found in or immediately adjacent to a dwelling or other occupied building; mammals of the order Cetacea,

including whales, porpoises, and mammals of the order *Pinnipedia* not otherwise classified as endangered species, or designated as threatened species or sensitive species. This section shall not apply to hair seals and sea lions which are threatening to damage or are damaging commercial fishing gear being utilized in a lawful manner or when said mammals are damaging or threatening to damage commercial fish being lawfully taken with commercial gear.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 77.04.012, 77.04.013, 77.04.020, 77.04.055, and 77.12.020. WSR 21-20-010 (Order 21-196), § 220-200-100, filed 9/23/21, effective 10/24/21. Statutory Authority: RCW 77.04.012, 77.04.055, 77.12.047, and 77.12.240. WSR 21-13-032 (Order 21-60), § 220-200-100, filed 6/10/21, effective 7/11/21. Statutory Authority: RCW 77.04.012, 77.04.013, 77.04.055, 77.12.020, and 77.12.047. WSR 18-17-153 (Order 18-207), § 220-200-100, filed 8/21/18, effective 9/21/18. Statutory Authority: RCW 77.04.012, 77.04.055, 77.12.020, and 77.12.047. WSR 17-20-030 (Order 17-254), § 220-200-100, filed 9/27/17, effective 10/28/17. Statutory Authority: RCW 77.04.012, 77.04.013, 77.04.020, 77.04.055, and 77.12.047. WSR 17-05-112 (Order 17-04), recodified as § 220-200-100, filed 2/15/17, effective 3/18/17. Statutory Authority: RCW 77.04.012, 77.04.055, 77.12.020, and 77.12.047. WSR 17-02-084 (Order 17-02), § 232-12-011, filed 1/4/17,

effective 2/4/17; WSR 15-10-021 (Order 14-95), § 232-12-011, filed 4/27/15, effective 5/28/15. Statutory Authority: RCW 77.12.047, 77.12.020. WSR 08-03-068 (Order 08-09), § 232-12-011, filed 1/14/08, effective 2/14/08; WSR 06-04-066 (Order 06-09), § 232-12-011, filed 1/30/06, effective 3/2/06. Statutory Authority: RCW 77.12.047, 77.12.655, 77.12.020. WSR 02-11-069 (Order 02-98), § 232-12-011, filed 5/10/02, effective 6/10/02. Statutory Authority: RCW 77.12.047. WSR 02-08-048 (Order 02-53), § 232-12-011, filed 3/29/02, effective 5/1/02; WSR 00-17-106 (Order 00-149), § 232-12-011, filed 8/16/00, effective 9/16/00. Statutory Authority: RCW 77.12.040, 77.12.010, 77.12.020, 77.12.770. WSR 00-10-001 (Order 00-47), § 232-12-011, filed 4/19/00, effective 5/20/00. Statutory Authority: RCW 77.12.040, 77.12.010, 77.12.020, 77.12.770, 77.12.780. WSR 00-04-017 (Order 00-05), § 232-12-011, filed 1/24/00, effective 2/24/00. Statutory Authority: RCW 77.12.020. WSR 98-23-013 (Order 98-232), § 232-12-011, filed 11/6/98, effective 12/7/98. Statutory Authority: RCW 77.12.040. WSR 98-10-021 (Order 98-71), § 232-12-011, filed 4/22/98, effective 5/23/98. Statutory Authority: RCW 77.12.040 and 75.08.080. WSR 98-06-031, § 232-12-011, filed 2/26/98, effective 5/1/98. Statutory Authority: RCW 77.12.020. WSR 97-18-019 (Order 97-167), § 232-12-011, filed 8/25/97, effective 9/25/97. Statutory Authority: RCW 77.12.040,

77.12.020, 77.12.030 and 77.32.220. WSR 97-12-048, § 232-12-011, filed 6/2/97, effective 7/3/97. Statutory Authority: RCW 77.12.020. WSR 93-21-027 (Order 615), § 232-12-011, filed 10/14/93, effective 11/14/93; WSR 90-11-065 (Order 441), § 232-12-011, filed 5/15/90, effective 6/15/90. Statutory Authority: RCW 77.12.040. WSR 89-11-061 (Order 392), § 232-12-011, filed 5/18/89; WSR 82-19-026 (Order 192), § 232-12-011, filed 9/9/82; WSR 81-22-002 (Order 174), § 232-12-011, filed 10/22/81; WSR 81-12-029 (Order 165), § 232-12-011, filed 6/1/81.]

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WSR 22-11-092

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Title of rule and other identifying information: (describe subject) WAC 220-200-100 Wildlife classified as protected shall not be hunted or fished. This rule's original hearing date was June 24-25, 2022. Due to June's agenda and time constraints, Chair Baker announced that this agenda item would be moved to a future meeting and is part of the official record.			agenda and time constraints, Chair Baker announced
Hearing location(s):			
Date:	Time:	Location: (be specific)	Comment:
September 23-24, 2022	8:00 a.m.	Ocean Shores Convention Center 120 W Chance A La Mer NW Ocean Shores, WA	In person and hybrid: Information on how to register to testify at the public hearing is available at http://wdfw.wa.gov/about/commission/meetings or contact the Commission office at (360) 902-2267.
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For more information, see https://wdfw.wa.gov/accessibility/requests-accommodation			
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Purpose of the proposal and its anticipated effects, including any changes in existing rules: The purpose of the proposed amendments to WAC 220-200-100 if adopted, would classify the Cascade red fox as "threatened" in the state of Washington and reclassify the white pelican from "threatened" to "sensitive".					
American white pe additional regulati initiate work on a	f the proposed amendments are adopted by the Commission, the Cascade red fox would be classified as threatened and the American white pelican would be downlisted to "sensitive". The proposed amendments, if approved, would include the additional regulation and enforcement of wildlife classified as threatened identified in RCW 77.15.120. WDFW would also nitiate work on a recovery plan for the species according to WAC 220-610-110.				
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