

Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife

Fish and Wildlife Commission

Preliminary Meeting Agenda April 13 – 14, 2012

Natural Resources Building - First Floor, Room 172 - 1111 Washington St SE Olympia WA 98501

FRIDAY, APRIL 13, 2012

8:30 AM 1. Call to Order:

60 min

- a. Commissioners' Discussion
- b. Director's Report (Phil Anderson)
 - Wolf Plan Updates
 - Legislative Update
 - Budget Update (Joe Stohr)

9:30 AM 2. Open Public Input:

30 min

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10:00 AM Break

10:15 AM 3. Capital and Asset Management Program (CAMP) - Briefing

15 min 30 min

Department staff will provide the Commission with an overview that includes the program's organizational structure, personnel makeup, external authorizing environment, budget breakdown, and geographical distribution of staff.

Staff Report: Bill Phillips, Assistant Director, Capital & Asset Management Program

10:45 AM 4. Technology and Financial Management Overview - Briefing

70 min

Department staff will provide the Commission with an overview that includes the program's organizational structure, personnel makeup, external authorizing environment, budget breakdown, and geographical distribution of staff. The briefing will include the Human Resource and Public Affairs programs as well.

Staff Report: David Giglio, Assistant Director, Technology and Financial Management and Michael DeAngelo, Chief Information Officer

11:55 AM 5. Enforcement WAC Expedited Rule Changes - Decision

15 min

The Department will brief the Commission on the current WAC overhaul and

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request technical amendments for the following WACs.

Amend:

WAC 220-12-010 Food Fish - Classification

WAC 220-12-020 Shellfish - Classification

WAC 220-16-211 Geographical definitions – Puget Sound Tributaries

WAC 220-20-015 Lawful and unlawful acts - Salmon

WAC 220-20-051 Vessel designation requirements

WAC 220-20-065 Commercial licensing – Business organizations – Operator designation

WAC 220-88-020 Experimental fishery permits

WAC 220-88-040 Trial commercial fishery permits

Repeal

WAC 232-14-010 Hydraulic code guidelines

Staff Report: Joanna Eide, Administrative Regulations Analyst, Enforcement Program

12:10 PM <u>Lunch Break</u>

60 min

1:10 PM 6. Proposed Land Transactions - Decision

15 min

The Commission will consider approval of various land transactions recommended by the Department for the protection of critical fish and wildlife habitat, enhancement of public recreation opportunities and responsible property management:

Staff Report: Dan Budd, Real Estate Section Manager, Wildlife Program

Public Input - This Item Only

1:25 PM 7. Marijuana Eradication on Agency Lands – Briefing

30 min

The Enforcement Program will brief the Commission on the rise in illegal marijuana cultivation on WDFW and other public lands and the negative impacts to the environment and public safety and what tactics they are using to address the issue.

Staff Report: Captains Rich Mann and Chris Anderson, Enforcement Program

1:55 PM 8. Fish Passage Program - Overview

30 min

Department staff will provide an overview of the fish passage efforts in the Habitat Program.

Staff Report: Julie Henning, Fish Passage Section manager, Restoration Division, Habitat Program

2:25PM Break

15 min

2:40 PM 9. Regional Listing/Delisting of Wolves – Commission Blue Sheet

30 min

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Request - Briefing

Department staff will provide an analysis on what would be needed to make changes to the threatened and endangered WAC in order for the Commission to consider regional delisting of wolves.

3:10 PM 10. Commission's Position Statement "Wolves in Washington" – Decision

60 min

The Commission will discuss a draft wolf position statement.

4:10 PM 11. Executive Session:

50 min

Pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(i), the Commission will meet in executive session to discuss with legal counsel representing the agency litigation or potential litigation to which the agency is, or is likely to become, a party. No action will be taken in executive session, and the public is not permitted to attend the executive session.

5:00 PM Recess

SATURDAY April 14, 2012

8:30 AM 12. Open Public Input:

30 min

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9:00 AM 13. Hunting Practices - Rule Action

40 min

The Commission will consider adoption of permanent rule amendments regarding hunting practices. The Commission held a public hearing on the proposals at its March 9-10, 2012, meeting in Moses Lake.

Amendments:

WAC 232-12-047 Unlawful methods for hunting

WAC 232-12-054 Archery requirements –archery special use permits

WAC 232-12-257 Use of decoys and calls

WAC 232-12-264 Baiting of game birds -unlawful

Staff Report: Dave Ware, Game Division Manager, Wildlife Program
Don Kraege, Waterfowl Section Manager, Wildlife Program

9:40 AM 14. 2012-13, 2013-14, and 2014-15 Small Game Seasons - Rule Action

15 min

The Commission will consider adoption of permanent rule amendments regarding small game seasons. The Commission held a public hearing on the proposals at its March 9-10, 2012, meeting in Moses Lake.

Amend:

WAC 232-28-342 2012-13, 2013-14, and 2014-15 Small game seasons

Staff Report: Dave Ware, Game Division Manager, Wildlife Program Don Kraege, Waterfowl Section Manager, Wildlife Program

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9:55 AM 15. Landowner Hunting Permits - Rule Action

10 min

The Commission will consider adoption of permanent rule amendments regarding landowner hunting permits. The Commission held a public hearing on the proposals at its March 9-10, 2012, meeting in Moses Lake.

Adopt:

WAC 232-28-296 – Landowner hunting permits

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Staff Report: Dave Ware, Game Division Manager, Wildlife Program

10:05 AM 16. 2012-2014 Moose, Bighorn Sheep, and Mountain Goat Seasons and Permit Quotas - Rule Action

20 min

The Commission will consider adoption of permanent rule amendments regarding moose, bighorn sheep, and mountain goat seasons and permit quotas. The Commission held a public hearing on the proposals at its March 9-10, 2012, meeting in Moses Lake.

Amend:

WAC 232-28-273 Moose, bighorn sheep, and mountain goat seasons and permit quotas

Staff Report: Donny Martorello, Ph.D., Carnivore, Furbearer, and Special Species Section Manager, Wildlife Program

10:25 AM 17. 2012-2015 Cougar Seasons and Regulations and Public Safety Cougar Removals - Rule Action

30 min

The Commission will consider adoption of permanent rule amendments regarding cougar seasons and regulations and public safety cougar removals. The Commission held a public hearing on the proposals at its March 9-10, 2012, meeting in Moses Lake.

Amend: WAC 232-12-243 Public safety cougar removal

Adopt: WAC 232-28-297 2012-2013, 2013-2014, and 2014-2015 Cougar hunting

seasons and regulations

Repeal: WAC 232-28-287 2009-2010, 2010-2011, and 2011-2012 Cougar permit

seasons and regulations

WAC 232-28-272 2009 Black bear and 2009-2010, 2010-2011, and 2011-2012 Cougar hunting seasons and regulations.

Staff Report: Donny Martorello, Ph.D., Carnivore, Furbearer, and Special Species Section Manager, Wildlife Program

20 min 10:55 AM **Break**

11:15 AM 18. 2012-2015 Black Bear Seasons and Regulations - Rule Action

30 min

The Commission will consider adoption of permanent rule amendments regarding black bear seasons and regulations. The Commission held a public hearing on the proposals at its March 9-10, 2012, meeting in Moses Lake.

Amend:

WAC 232-28-286 2012-2014 Fall black bear hunting seasons and regulations WAC 232-28-288 2013, 2014, 2015 Spring black bear seasons and regulations

Staff Report: Donny Martorello, Ph.D., Carnivore, Furbearer, and Special Species Section Manager, Wildlife Program

11:45 AM 19. Deer and Elk Boundaries - Rule Action

10 min

The Commission will consider adoption of permanent rule amendments regarding deer and elk boundaries. The Commission held a public hearing on the proposals at its March 9-10, 2012, meeting in Moses Lake.

Amend:

WAC 232-28-337 Deer and elk area descriptions

Staff Report: Jerry Nelson, Ph.D., Deer and Elk Section Manager, Wildlife Program

11:55 AM 20. 2012-2014 Deer General and Special Permit Seasons – Rule Action

30 min

The Commission will consider adoption of permanent rule amendments regarding deer general and special permit seasons. The Commission held a public hearing on the proposals at its March 9-10, 2012, meeting in Moses Lake.

Adopt:

WAC 232-28-357 2012-2014 Deer general seasons and definitions

WAC 232-28-359 2012 Deer special permits

Repeal:

WAC 232-28-351 2009-2011 Deer general seasons and definitions

WAC 232-28-355 Deer special permits

Staff Report: Jerry Nelson, Ph.D., Deer and Elk Section Manager, Wildlife Program

12:25 PM 21. 2012-2014 Elk General and Special Permit Seasons – Rule Action

30 min

The Commission will consider adoption of permanent rule amendments regarding elk general and special permit seasons. The Commission held a public hearing on the proposals at its March 9-10, 2012, meeting in Moses Lake.

Adopt:

WAC 232-28-358 2012-2014 Elk general seasons and definitions

WAC 232-28-360 Elk special permits

Repeal:

WAC 232-28-352 2009-2011 Elk general seasons and definitions

WAC 232-28-356 Elk special permits

Staff Report: Jerry Nelson, Ph.D., Deer and Elk Section Manager, Wildlife Program

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12:55 PM 22. Miscellaneous and Meeting Debrief

The Commission will discuss items that arise immediately before or during the meeting and after the preliminary agenda is published.

1:10 PM Adjourn

Next Meeting: April 20, 2012, Olympia via conference call

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(Western Washington position, Pacific County)

Occupation: Director of the Marine Program, UW Olympic Natural

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Current Term: 01/15/07 - 12/31/2012

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(Western Washington position, Skagit County)

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Term: 01/01/2011 - 12/31/2016

David Jennings, Olympia

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Jay Kehne, Omak

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Occupation: Okanogan outreach associate, Conservation Northwest

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Conrad Mahnken, Ph.D., Bainbridge Island

(At-Large position, Kitsap County)
Occupation: Retired fisheries biologist
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Chuck Perry, Moses Lake

(Eastern Washington position, Grant County)
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