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**“SUMMARY SHEET”**

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**Meeting dates:** March 15, 2013 Commission Conference Call

**Agenda item:** 2013 Triploid Trout Stocking Plan

**Staff Contact:** Chris Donley, Inland Fish Manager

**Presenter(s):** Chris Donley, Inland Fish Manager

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**Background:**

In 1999 the Legislature gave the department the authority to purchase triploid rainbow trout from private growers to supplement existing departmental hatchery trout production (RCW 77.18.050 Planting privately produced trout). This popular program has continued since.

RCW 77.18.060 Determination of appropriate waters states:

“The fish and wildlife commission in consultation with the department is authorized to determine which waters of the state are appropriate for this use. In making this determination, the commission shall seek geographic distribution to assure opportunity to fishers statewide...”

Attached is the 2013 Triploid Trout Stocking Plan with the proposed lakes to be stocked this spring (Tables 2 and 3). The lakes in the stocking plan are the result of WDFW area and district fish biologists working with the public and advisors over the past thirteen years to provide diverse fishing opportunities and geographic balance that complements the mix of fry plants, catchable, and jumbo trout produced by WDFW hatcheries. The proposed list of lakes in the 2013 stocking plan (Table 2) is similar to the list of lakes stocked in 2012 with minor changes in regions 2, 4 and 6 to address local fish management goals. In addition to the allotment of 42,000 fish, an additional 10,000 fish will be allotted by the Inland Fish Policy Advisory Group (IFPAG) for a Father’s Day promotion (Table 3). IFPAG was asked to choose from a list of 30 lakes statewide (Table 3) and allot fish to lakes close to population centers with good public access and a high likelihood of good return rate to the creel.

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**Policy issue(s) you are bringing to the Commission for consideration:**

Approval of 2013 triploid trout stocking plan.

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**Public involvement process used and what you learned:**

The 2013 Triploid Trout Stocking Plan is the result of staff working with constituents and advisors over the past t years. This list has been refined based on this input and additional biological information regarding performance of these fish in specific waters. The Plan was shared with the Inland Fish Policy Advisory Group (IFPAG). The IFPAG had some questions on specifics of the plan that were answered by WDFW staff and WDFW staff incorporated input from the IFPAG in forming the final recommendations for both the standard 42,000 stocking and the additional 10,000 fish.

A post-decision communication plan to inform the public of the 2013 Triploid Trout Stocking Plan will include posting the final stocking plan on the Agency web page, and incorporating the plan in the publicity package provided to key media outlets in the spring prior to Opening Day for lowland lakes.

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**Action requested:**

Approval of the proposed 2013 Triploid Trout Stocking Plan.

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**Draft motion language:**

Recommend adoption of the 2013 Triploid Trout Stocking Plan as presented (Table 2 and 3).

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**Justification for Commission action:**

Approval of the proposed 2013 Triploid Trout Stocking Plan will continue the popular program of enhancing recreational opportunities for larger trout in lowland lakes.

**Table 1.** Year, purchase budget, number of fish purchased, number of lakes stocked, and price per fish for the triploid trout program 2000-2012 and the proposed 2013 purchase. The budget column figures are for purchase price only and do not include sales tax, administrative and trucking costs.

Year	Budget	Number of Fish	Number of Lakes	Price per Fish
2000	\$90,320	45,008	43	\$2.01
2001	\$175,160	84,001	74	\$2.09
2003	\$117,660	51,522	73	\$2.28
2004	\$114,420	49,268	78	\$2.32
2005	\$124,000	51,311	80	\$2.42
2006	\$151,800	61,968	91	\$2.45
2007	\$190,000	60,703	95	\$2.63
2008	\$395,000	115,019	104	\$2.75
2009	\$125,000	42,196	95	\$2.92
2010	\$125,000	42,196	94	\$2.92
2011	\$147,000	50,000	96	\$2.75
2012	\$166,998	51,384	109	\$3.25
2013	\$163,800	52,000	108	\$3.15

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2013 Triploid Trout Stocking Plan

Region	Lakes	County	Surface Acres	Current Manage	Season & Special Regs.	April Total	May Total	2013 Total	2012 Total	2013 Regional Percentage
<b>Region 1</b>	Sprague Lake	Adams/Lincoln	1,860	Mixed	Y-R	0	0	0	0	19.3%
	Fishtrap Lake	Lincoln	196	Trout	O. D.	900	0	900	900	
	Diamond Lake	Pend Oreille	754	Mixed	O. D.	1,100	0	1,100	1,000	
	Fish Lake	Spokane	47	Trout	O.D.	500	0	500	0	
	Badger Lake	Spokane	244	Trout	O. D.	0	0	0	900	
	Clear Lake	Spokane	401	Mixed	O. D.	1,292	0	1,292	1,000	
	West Medical Lake	Spokane	235	Trout	O. D.	900	0	900	900	
	Williams Lake	Spokane	319	Trout	O. D.	1,000	0	1,000	1,000	
	Deer Lake	Stevens	1,163	Mixed	O. D.	1,200	0	1,200	1,200	
	Loon Lake	Stevens	1,119	Mixed	O. D.	700	0	700	758	
	Bennington Lake	Walla Walla	52	Trout	Y-R	500	0	500	500	
<b>R1 Total</b>	10 lakes					<b>8,092</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>8,092</b>	8,158	
<b>Region 2</b>	Roses Lake *	Chelan	131	Trout	Y-R	400	0	400	500	11.6%
	Beehive Lake	Chelan	60	Trout	O. D.	173	0	173	180	
	Wapato Lake	Chelan	186	Trout	O. D.	500	0	500	400	
	Jameson Lake *	Douglas	388	Trout	O. D.	600	0	600	600	
	Deep Lake *	Grant	107	Trout	O. D.	300	0	300	300	
	Heart Lake	Grant	26	Trout	Y-R	0	0	0	175	
	Windmill Lake	Grant	37	Trout	Y-R	0	263	263	270	
	Caliche (upper)	Grant	13	Trout	01-Mar	150	0	150	0	
	Canal Lake	Grant	92	Trout	Y-R	0	270	270	250	
	Corral Lake	Grant	80	Trout	Y-R	0	0	0	250	
	Martha	Grant	13	Trout	01-Mar	150	0	150	0	
	Perch Lake	Grant	15	Trout	O.D.	150	0	150	100	
	Vic Meyers	Grant	12	Trout	O.D.	150	0	150	100	
	Conconully Lake	Okanogan	313	Trout	O.D.	357	0	357	0	

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<b>Region 2</b>	Conconully Reservoir	Okanogan	450	Trout	O.D.	357	0	357	0	
	Spectacle Lake	Okanogan	315	Trout	O.D.	0	0	0	600	
	Pearrygin Lake	Okanogan	192	Trout	O.D.	357	0	357	400	
	Alta Lake	Okanogan	187	Trout	O.D.	357	0	357	400	
	Patterson Lake	Okanogan	143	Trout	Y-R	0	0	0	400	
	Wannacut Lake	Okanogan	412	Trout	O.D.	357	0	357	0	
<b>R2 Total</b>	20 lakes					<b>4,358</b>	<b>533</b>	<b>4,891</b>	4,925	
<b>Region 3</b>	Columbia Park Pond	Benton	7	Mixed	Y-R, YF	150	0	150	150	14.1%
	Dalton Lake	Franklin	60	Mixed	Y-R	300	0	300	300	
	Powerline Lake	Franklin	50	Mixed	Y-R	420	0	420	420	
	N. Fio Rito Lake	Kittitas	39	Mixed	Y-R	740	0	740	740	
	Lost Lake	Kittitas	145	Trout	Y-R, 1>14"	0	514	514	514	
	Copper Lake	Kittitas	120	Trout	Y-R	0	500	500	500	
	Mattoon Lake	Kittitas	27	Mixed	Y-R	491	0	491	491	
	Clear Lake	Yakima	265	Trout	Y-R	1333	0	1,333	1,377	
	Dog Lake	Yakima	60	Trout	Y-R; 1>14"	0	427	427	427	
	Leech Lake	Yakima	40	Trout	Y-R, F, 1>14"	0	725	725	725	
	Mud Lake	Yakima	4	Trout	Y-R, S-1	88	0	88	88	
	Myron Lake	Yakima	13	Mixed	Y-R, S-1	206	0	206	206	
	Tim's Pond *	Yakima	1	Trout	Y-R	25	0	25	25	
<b>R3 Total</b>	13 Lakes					<b>3,753</b>	<b>2,166</b>	<b>5,919</b>	5,963	
<b>Eastside Totals</b>						<b>16,203</b>	<b>2,699</b>	<b>18,902</b>	19,046	45.0%

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Region 4	Lone Lake	Island	92	Trout	Y-R S-1	0	0	0	204	28.6%
	Deer Lake	Island	82	Trout	OD	204	0	204	0	
	Angle Lake	King	102	Mixed	Y-R	294	0	294	400	
	Beaver Lake	King	63	Mixed	Y-R	261	0	261	261	
	Green Lake	King	255	Mixed	Y-R	442	442	884	884	
	Meridian Lake	King	150	Mixed	Y-R	442	212	654	654	
	Rattlesnake Lake	King	112	Trout	Y-R S-C&R	204	0	204	204	
	Sawyer Lake	King	279	Mixed	Y-R	490	212	702	702	
	Egg Lake	San Juan	7	Trout	Y-R	100	0	100	100	
	Hummel Lake	San Juan	36	Mixed	Y-R	400	0	400	400	
	Mountain Lake	San Juan	198	Trout	Y-R	0	463	463	463	
	Campbell Lake	Skagit	370	Mixed	Y-R	525	296	821	821	
	Clear Lake	Skagit	223	Mixed	Y-R	718	0	718	718	
	Heart Lake	Skagit	61	Trout	O.D.	850	0	850	600	
	Lake Erie	Skagit	111	Trout	O.D.	600	0	600	850	
	Pass Lake	Skagit	98	Trout	Y-R F-C&R	0	162	162	162	
	Vogler Lake	Skagit	4	Trout	O. D. F-C&R	0	59	59	59	
	Cassidy Lake	Snohomish	125	Mixed	Y-R	458		458	458	
	Flowing Lake	Snohomish	135	Mixed	Y-R	398	0	398	398	
	Gissburg Ponds	Snohomish	37	Mixed	Y-R	0	409	409	409	
	Howard Lake	Snohomish	27	Trout	O.D.	500	0	500	500	
	Martha Lake (Warm Beach)	Snohomish	58	Mixed	Y-R	291	0	291	291	
Roesiger Lake	Snohomish	297	Mixed	Y-R	517	0	517	517		
Silver Lake (Everett)	Snohomish	102	Mixed	Y-R	409	180	589	589		
Tye Lake	Snohomish	40	Trout	Y-R	212	0	212	212		
Squalicum Lake	Whatcom	33	Mixed	Y-R, F-2	0	178	178	178		
Toad Lake	Whatcom	30	Trout	O.D.	250	0	250	250		
Terrell Lake	Whatcom	438	Mixed	Y-R	569	267	836	836		
<b>R4 Total</b>	22 lakes					<b>9,134</b>	<b>2,880</b>	<b>12,014</b>	12,120	

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<b>Region 5</b>										
	Battle Ground Lake	Clark	30	Trout	Y-R;	250	0	250	256	12.2%
	Klineline Pond	Clark	11	Trout	Y-R	246	0	246	256	
	Horseshoe Lake	Cowlitz	80	Mixed	Y-R	608	0	608	608	
	Kress Lake	Cowlitz	30	Mixed	Y-R	352	0	352	352	
	Merill Lake	Cowlitz	344	Trout	Y-R, F-2	224	0	224	224	
	N. Rowland Lake	Klickitat	40	Trout	O. D.	928	0	928	928	
	Spearfish Lake	Klickitat	22	Mixed	O.D.	256	0	256	256	
	Kidney Lake	Skamania	12	Trout	O. D.	224	0	224	224	
	Wahkiakum Co. Ponds	Wahkiakum	6	Trout	Y-R	86	0	86	96	
	Carlisle Lake	Lewis	20	Trout	O. D.	315	0	315	315	
	Fort Borst Park Pond	Lewis	5	Trout	O.D., YF	372	0	372	372	
	Mineral Lake	Lewis	277	Trout	O.D.	687	0	687	687	
	S Lewis Co. Park Pond	Lewis	17	Mixed	Y-R	284	0	284	294	
	Plummer Lake	Lewis	12	Mixed	O.D.	294	0	294	294	
<b>R5 Total</b>	14 lakes					<b>5,126</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>5,126</b>	5,161	
<b>Region 6</b>										
	Aberdeen Lake	Grays Harbor	64	Trout	O.D.	120	0	120	122	14.2%
	Failor Lake	Grays Harbor	65	Trout	O.D.	180	0	180	189	
	Sylvia Lake	Grays Harbor	31	Trout	Y-R	115	0	115	119	
	Vance Creek Pond #1	Grays Harbor	10	Mixed	O.D., YF	36	0	36	36	
	Gibbs Lake	Jefferson	37	Trout	Y-R, S, C&R	70	0	70	70	
	Teal Lake	Jefferson	15	Trout	Y_R,S	30	0	30	30	
	Kitsap Lake	Kitsap	238	Mixed	Y-R	482	0	482	493	
	Mission Lake	Kitsap	88	Trout	O.-D.	190	0	190	190	
	Panther Lake	Kitsap	100	Trout	O.D.	220	0	220	220	
	Benson Lake	Mason	82	Trout	O.D.	170	0	170	170	
	Haven Lake	Mason	69	Trout	O.D.	150	0	150	150	

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<b>Region 6</b>	Island Lake	Mason	108	Trout	Y-R	225	0	225	230	
	Phillips Lake	Mason	110	Trout	O.D.	230	0	230	230	
	Trails End	Mason	74	Trout	Y-R	160	0	160	160	
	Tiger	Mason	111	Trout	O.-D.	100	0	100	100	
	Wooten Lake	Mason	70	Trout	O.D.	150	0	150	150	
	Bradley Lake	Pierce	13	Mixed	Y-R	0	100	100	98	
	Clear Lake	Pierce	155	Mixed	O.D.	100	0	100	187	
	Lake Kapowsin	Pierce	512	Mixed	Y-R	200	0	200	98	
	Ohop Lake	Pierce	236	Mixed	O.D.	1,330	0	1,330	304	
	Rapjohn Lake	Pierce	56	Mixed	O.D.	100	0	100	98	
	Silver Lake	Pierce	138	Trout	O.D.	100	0	100	98	
	Spanaway Lake	Pierce	262	Mixed	Y-R	0	0	0	196	
	Steilacoom Lake	Pierce	313	Mixed	Y-R	0	0	0	98	
	Tanwax Lake	Pierce	173	Mixed	O.D.	200	0	200	417	
	Clear Lake	Thurston	173	Mixed	O.D.	200	0	200	344	
	Lawrence Lake	Thurston	330	Mixed	Y-R	0	200	200	344	
	Long's Pond	Thurston	10	Mixed	Y-R, YF	0	200	200	295	
	McIntosh Lake	Thurston	116	Mixed	O.D.	0	200	200	196	
	Offutt Lake	Thurston	200	Mixed	Y-R	0	200	200	295	
Ward Lake	Thurston	68	Mixed	O.D.	0	200	200	275		
<b>R6 Total</b>	29 lakes					<b>4,858</b>	<b>1,100</b>	<b>5,958</b>	6,002	
<b>Westside Totals</b>						<b>19,118</b>	<b>3,980</b>	<b>23,098</b>	23,284	55.0%
<b>Statewide Totals</b>						<b>35,321</b>	<b>6,679</b>	<b>42,000</b>	42,330	100.0%

O. D. = April 28, 2012

Y-R = Year-round

S = Selective Gear Rules (-limit)

F = Fly Fishing Only (-limit)

FF = Family Fishing

YF = Youth Fishing (and handicapped)

C&R = Catch and Release

1>14" = 5 fish, no more than 1>14"

**Table 3.** Recommendations incorporating Inland Fish Policy Advisory Group input for stocking an additional 10,000 triploid trout as a Father's Day promotional opportunity are as follows:

<b>Lake</b>	<b>Region</b>	<b>Acres</b>	<b>Number of fish</b>
West Medical	1	205	1250
Williams Lake	1	320	400
Diamond Lake	1	755	600
Park Lake	2	345	400
Conconully Res.	2	450	750
Alta Lake	2	187	350
Cooper Lake	3	120	250
Clear Lake	3	265	500
Green Lake	4	255	1500
Gissburg Ponds	4	10	250
Padden Lake	4	152	250
Blackmans Lake	4	140	250
Campbell Lake	4	391	250
Horseshoe Lake	5	80	250
American Lake	6	1125	1500
Hicks Lake	6	160	250
Clear Lake	6	173	250
Vance Creek Pond	6	3	100
Sandy Shore	6	36	150
Mason Lake	6	965	500



