"SUMMARY SHEET"

Meeting dates: February 8, 2014 Commission Meeting

Agenda item #14. Grays Harbor Salmon Management- Decision

Presenter(s): Ron Warren, Fish Program

Background summary:

The department will brief the Commission on Grays Harbor Salmon Management challenges, describe the public process, refine the draft policy as requested, and seek adoption of this policy.

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

The department is presenting the Grays Harbor Basin Salmon Management Policy to the Commission for adoption consideration.

Public involvement process used and what you learned:

- 5 Advisory Group Meetings (Oct. 21 & 28, Nov. 13 & 18, 2013 and Jan. 13, 2013
- 3 Public Workshops (Nov. 1 & 26, 2013 and Jan. 15, 2014)
- 3 Fish and Wildlife Commission Meetings (Nov. 9, 2013; Dec. 7, 2013, and Jan. 11, 2014) Public Comment
 - verbal testimony 45 (during FWC meetings Dec. 7, 2013 & Jan. 11, 2014)
 - written testimony 374 (comment periods Dec. 10, 2013 – Jan. 9, 2014 & Jan. 16-31, 2014)

To date the department has held three public workshops and 5 meetings with Grays Harbor Salmon Advisory Committee members. All meetings were open to the public with an open public comment session following both meetings.

Action requested:

Consider policy adoption

Draft motion language:

.I move to adopt the policy as written

I move to adopt the policy with the floor amendments

Justification for Commission action:

This action is justified under RCW 77. 12 .047

Communications Plan

On October 17, 2013 WDFW issued a news release announcing the intent to develop a draft for Grays Harbor salmon management which the Commission is scheduled to consider for adoption in mid-February.

That news released announced a combination of eight meetings of the Grays Harbor Salmon Advisory Committee and public workshops intended to develop a draft policy for the Commission to consider adopting prior to the

- Oct. 21 Grays Harbor Advisory Committee, from 6-8 p.m.; public input from 8-9 p.m.
- Oct. 28 Grays Harbor Advisory Committee, from 6-8 p.m.; public input from 8-9 p.m.
- Nov. 1 Public Workshop from 6-8 p.m.
- Nov. 13 Grays Harbor Advisory Committee, from 6-8 p.m.; public input from 8-9 p.m.
- Nov. 18 Grays Harbor Advisory Committee, from 6-8 p.m.; public input from 8-9 p.m.;
- Nov. 26 Public Workshop from 6-8 p.m.
- Jan. 13 Grays Harbor Advisory Committee, from 6-8 p.m.; public input from 8-9 p.m.;
- Jan. 15 Public Workshop from 6-8 p.m.

Upon completion of the draft policy WDFW will send out a press release notifying the public of its availability and process for commenting.