

Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife

Fish and Wildlife Commission

Preliminary Meeting Agenda NOVEMBER 7-8, 2014 — REGULAR MEETING

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

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 2014

8:30 AM 1. Call to Order

- a. Commissioners' Discussion
- b. Meeting Minute Approval

8:45 AM 2. Open Public Input

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9:15 AM 3. <u>Director's Report</u>

75 min

30 min

The Director will brief the Commission on various items.

10:30 AM Break

10:45 AM 4. Proposed Land Transactions – Briefing, Public Hearing and Decision

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.

Staff Report: Julie Sandberg Real Estate Section Manager, Wildlife Program

Public Input – This Item Only

11:15 AM 5. Grazing Program Update – Briefing

30 min

Department staff will brief the commission on the department's grazing program and the results of a recent study conducted by Washington State University regarding grazing on department lands.

Staff Report: Clay Sprague, Lands Division Manager and Jeff Burnham, Range Ecologist, Wildlife Program

11:45 AM Lunch *75 min*

1:00 PM 6. Coastal Commercial Dungeness Crab Rules – Briefing

55 min

Revisions to coastal commercial Dungeness crab rules are needed to improve the intent and enforceability of rules for issuing replacement buoy tags and submitting coastal Dungeness crab logbooks. New provisions are needed to implement gear retrieval requirements to improve enforceability and minimize derelict crab gear. Changes to the pre-season gear set period are also proposed based on recommendations from the Tri-State Dungeness Crab Committee.

Staff Report: Heather Reed, Coastal Marine Policy Coordinator and Mike Cenci, Deputy Chief, Enforcement

1:55 PM 7. <u>HPA Rules Update - Briefing and Decision</u>

90 min

Department staff will provide a briefing on the recommended adjustments to the CR-102 rules and request repeal of Chapter 220-110 WAC and adoption of Chapter 220-660 WAC.

Staff Report: Jeff Davis, Habitat Program Assistant Director and Randi Thurston, Protection Division Manager, Habitat Program

3:25 PM Break

15 min

3:40 PM 8. <u>Director Recruitment Discussion – Briefing and Public Input</u>

20 min

Commissioners will discuss the Director's recruitment.

Public Input – This Item Only

4:00 PM 9. Executive Session

60 min

Pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(g), the Commission will meet in executive session to evaluate the qualifications of an applicant for public employment or to review the performance of a public employee. No action will be taken in executive session, and the public is not permitted to listen to the executive session.

5:00 PM Recess

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2014

8:30 AM 10. Open Public Input

30 min

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9:00 AM 11. <u>Willapa Bay Salmon Management Policy – Briefing and Public Hearing</u>

90 min

The Department will brief the Commission on Willapa Bay Salmon Management challenges, describe the public process, and seek guidance on draft policy sideboards.

Staff Report: Steve Thiesfeld, Region 6 Fish Program Manager

10:30 AM 12. Open Public Meeting Act - Briefing

30 min

Bill Frymire, Assistant Attorney General will provide training on open public meeting requirements.

Staff Report: Bill Frymire, Assistant Attorney General

11:00 AM 13. Miscellaneous and Meeting Debrief

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

11:15 AM Adjourn

MEMBERS

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Miranda Wecker, Chair, Naselle

(Western Washington position, Pacific County)

Occupation: Director of the Marine Program, UW Olympic Natural

Resources Center

Current Term: 07/08/13 - 12/31/2018

Bradley Smith, Ph.D., Vice Chair, Bellingham (Western Washington position, Whatcom County)

Occupation: Dean Emeritus, Huxley College of the Environment

Western Washington University

Current Term: 06/18/09 - 12/31/2014

Larry Carpenter, Mount Vernon

(Western Washington position, Skagit County)

Occupation: Business owner, Master Marine Services, Inc.

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

Jay Holzmiller, Anatone

(Eastern Washington position, Asotin County)

Occupation: Equipment Operator, Asotin County Public Works, Rancher

Term: 06/10/2013 - 12/31/2018

Jay Kehne, Omak

(At-large position, Okanogan County) Occupation: Conservationist Term: 04/16/2013 - 12/31/2018

Robert Kehoe, Seattle

(At-large position, King County)

Occupation: Executive Director, Purse Seine

Vessel Owners' Association

Current Term: 07/08/2013 - 12/31/2018

Conrad Mahnken, Ph.D., Bainbridge Island (At-Large position, Kitsap County)
Occupation: Retired fisheries biologist

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Rolland Schmitten, Lake Wenatchee

(Eastern Washington position , Chelan County) Occupation: Marine resources consultant Current Term: 06/18/2009 - 12/31/2014

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