

Minutes

Washington Fish & Wildlife Commission Meeting November 1-3, 2018 - Vancouver

Attendance

<u>W A</u>	WA Department	Cont.	OR Commission
Commission:	<u>Staff:</u>		<u>and Staff</u>
Brad Smith, Chair	Kelly Susewind, Director	Craig Burley	Michael Finley, Chair
Larry Carpenter	Joe Stohr, Deputy Director	Kelly Cunningham	Holly Akenson
Kim Thorburn	William Frymire, AGO	Dan Rawding	Bruce Buckmaster
Barbara Baker	Nate Pamplin	Myrtice Dobler	Jim Bittle
Dave Graybill	Ron Warren	Chad Herring	Gregory Wolley
Don McIsaac	Bill Tweit	Cynthia Wilkerson	Bob Webber
Bob Kehoe	Raquel Crosier	Cindy LeFleur	James Lawonn
Jay Holzmiller	Julie Sandberg	Pat Anderson	Davia Palmeri
	Ryan Lothrop	Captain Wickersham	Dale Ballard
Commission Staff:	Kessina Lee	Kyle Adicks	Phil Simpson
Tami Lininger	Penny Becker	Bryce Glaser	Michelle Donnely
	Chris Donley	Elliot Johnson	Floyd Vance
	Megan Zarzycki	Lisa Harlan	Jay Remy

<u>Public:</u>

Dennis Kenna	Marlene Fox	Ray Youngren
Bob Krueger	Bruce Polley	Taren Weigandt
Susan Duckhoff	Tim Cloe	Roy Gaul
Mike Nelson	Joe Edwards	Cyndie Boldue
Clair Klock	Jason Miner	Lori Steele
Dean Finnerty	Steve Fick	Brian McLachlan
Joseph Sagemiller	Kent Martin	Irene Martin
Bernadette Graham Hudson	Chad Price	Terry Otto
Ryan Howell	Jeff Samuels	Thomas Cuomo
Brad Halverson	Robert Sudar	Bryce Divine
Jim Wells	Ilene Kaplan	Leon Stevenson
Bryce Meisner	Paul Larson	Ross Barkhurst
Gary Wise	Heath Heikkila	Jim Coleman
Ron Pockrus	Perry Walsh	Bill Ritchie
Frank Linge	Richard Robertson	Donald Peterson
Mike O'Bryant	Greg Johnson	David Moskowitz
Bill Chapman	Dale Scott	Kathy Scott
Sristi Kamal	Mindy Sass	Rod Evers
George Larson	Robert Peterson	Mark Linhart
David Linn	JR	Karen Turner
Bob Cannon	Bruce Barnes	Ed Wickersham
Paul Larson	Dian Gallegos	Nick Chambers
Andrew Gregor	Mike Backman	Cary Johnson
Gene Elliott	Brian Love	Allen Thomas
Dan Walsh		
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Thursday, November 1, 2018

Joint Washington and Oregon Commission Workshop

Chair Smith called the meeting to order at 9:06 a.m.

1. Call to Order and Opening Remarks

Commissioners from Washington and Oregon provided introductions and opening remarks.

2. <u>Columbia River Fishery Management Policies – Briefing/Workshop</u>

Bill Tweit, Special Assistant, Ryan Lothrop, Columbia River Fishery Manager, WDFW; Tucker Jones, Ocean Salmon/Columbia River Program Manager; and Chris Kern, Fish Division Deputy Administrator, ODFW reviewed the matrix of concurrency between state policies and consequences of non-concurrence, and discussed the WDFW 5-year performance review, and the concurrent regulations for 2019.

3. Continued - Columbia River Fishery Management Policies - Briefing/Workshop

Further discussion of the Columbia River Policies.

4. <u>Guide Licenses for Columbia River Recreational Fisheries – Briefing</u>

Craig Burley, Fish Management Division Manager, WDFW; and Chris Kern, Fish Division Deputy Administrator, ODFW provided a report on licensing authority and limitations by State and reviewed the history of numbers of guide licenses and guide boat catch.

5. <u>Updates on Predation, Pinnipeds and Killer Whales – Briefing</u>

Nate Pamplin, Policy Director, Dr. Penny Becker, Killer Whale Policy Lead, and Dan Rawding, Columbia River Salmon Resource Policy Manager WDFW; and Dr. Shaun Clements, Senior Policy Analyst, and James Lawonn, Avian Predation Specialist, ODFW provided an overview of predation issues, and an update on pinniped management as it relates to the Bonneville program, the status of the Willamette application, and any updates on federal legislation. The staff also provided an update from the Southern Resident Killer Whale Task Force.

6. Closing Remarks

Commissioners thanked staff and provided closing remarks.

Chair Smith recessed the meeting at 4:51 p.m.

Friday, November 2, 2018 – Regular WDFW Commission Meeting

7. Open Public Input

The following people provided input on various topics:

Joe Sagmiller – save the fish David Linn – wolves JR – hoof rot Bruce Barnes – hoof rot

Ed Wickersham – gillnet bycatch Dr. Ilene Kaplan – data/stakeholder engagement

Greg King – CR policy Robert Sudar – CR policy Shawn Cantrell – wolves Don Kinsey -CR policy

Larry Carey – CR policy

8. Director's Report

The Director provided a written report and briefly discussed various topics including: Update from Region 5 Director Kessina Lee Southern Resident Killer Whale Task Force update Meeting with Makah Tribe Wolves
Tulalip lawsuit

9. <u>Land Transactions – Briefing, Public Hearing and Decision</u>

Julie Sandberg, Real Estate Section Manager briefed the Commission and requested approval for two acquisitions.

No one signed up to provide testimony.

Commissioner Carpenter moved, seconded by Commissioner Holzmiller to approve the transactions as presented. Motion passed.

10. Delegation of Authority - Discussion and Possible Decision

Commissioners and the Director discussed the Delegation of Authority and options for adding or removing items.

Commissioner Kehoe moved, seconded by Commissioner Carpenter to approve the November 2, 2018 Delegation of Authority as discussed. Motion passed.

11. 2109-20 North of Falcon Policy Review C-3608 - Briefing and Public Hearing

Kyle Adicks, Intergovernmental Salmon Manager provided a briefing of the Commission's North of Falcon Policy C-3608 (currently in effect through December 31, 2018) setting guidelines for salmon management and proposed modifications for the Commission's consideration of the January 2019 through December 2020 policy.

The following people provided testimony:
Greg King Robert Sudar

12. Columbia River Fisheries above Bonneville Dam - Briefing and Public Hearing

Captain Jeff Wickersham and Bill Tweit, Special Assistant provided a briefing on changes to rules regarding Columbia River Fisheries above Bonneville Dam.

No one signed up to provide testimony.

13. Willapa Bay Policy C-3622 - Briefing, Discussion and Public Hearing

Chad Herring, South Coast Fishery Policy Analyst briefed the Commission on the proposed process, and the Commissioner's provided feedback on the Willapa Bay Salmon Management Policy C-3622 comprehensive review.

The following people provided testimony: Greg King

14. Executive Session

Pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(g), the Commission will met in executive session to review the performance of a public employee. No action was taken during the executive session. The public was not permitted to attend the executive session.

Chair Smith recessed the meeting at 4:00 p.m.

Saturday, November 3, 2018

Chair Smith called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m.

Added item Columbia River Fisheries above Bonneville Dam - Decision

Bill Tweit, Special Assistant requested approval from the Commission on changes to sections in WAC 220-359 regarding rules to Columbia River Fisheries above Bonneville Dam.

Commissioner Thorburn moved, seconded by Commissioner McIsaac to amend the proposed sections of WAC 220-359 regarding the Columbia River Fisheries for white sturgeon, gear identification and personal identification requirements above Bonneville Dam as presented by staff to be consistent with Oregon and tribal rules. Motion passed.

15. Future Meeting Planning - Discussion

Commissioners and staff discussed upcoming meetings and conference calls.

16. <u>Columbia River Basin Salmon Management Policy C-3620 – Commission Discussion, Next Steps and Possible Guidance</u>

Bill Tweit, Special Assistant and Ryan Lothrop, Columbia River Policy Coordinator reviewed with the Commission the discussions from the joint meeting with Oregon on the performance of the 2013-2017 Columbia River basin salmon fisheries, managed through an extended transitional period of guiding principles and actions within policy C-3620.

The Commission accepted the Columbia River Basin Salmon Management Policy Executive Report as final upon completion of the items discussed at this meeting.

Item 18 was discussed before item 17.

17. Open Public Input

The following people provided input on various topics:

Kent Martin – Columbia River
Irene Martin – Columbia River
David Moskowitz – Orcas, sea lions, hatcheries
Jim Wells – Columbia River
Lori Steele – Columbia River
Steve Fick – Columbia River
Mike Backman – Help from local counties

Nathan Rogel – Columbia River
Brian Love – Columbia River
Jim Coleman – Columbia River
Dan Walsh – Columbia River
Robert Sudar – Columbia River
Greg Johnson – Columbia River
Cary Johnson – Columbia River

18. Miscellaneous and Meeting Debrief

The Commissioners and staff discussed the following items:

Commissioner Thorburn moved, seconded by Commissioner Graybill to approve the October 5, 2018 minutes as presented. Motion passed. The minutes from the October 15, 2018 meeting were tabled until the next conference call.

Commissioner Graybill moved seconded by Commissioner Thorburn requesting staff to provide an assessment of non-concurrent regulations with Oregon concerning night-time recreational fishing for salmon, steelhead and sturgeon in the Columbia. Provide

a review of the benefits and concerns of adopting regulations that would be concurrent with the Oregon regulations, with respect to conservation objectives, management implications and regulatory simplification.

Also provide an inventory of fisheries in the Columbia that are exclusively WA state managed that currently open to night-time recreational fishing for salmon, steelhead and sturgeon, with particular focus on the mainstem Columbia upstream of the Oregon border, Drano Lake, and the White Salmon. Include a review of the implications of changing regulations in those areas in terms of conservation, management and regulation simplification. All were in favor and the motion passed

Chair Smith adjourned the meeting at 11:03 a.m.

These minutes plus the audio recordings constitute the full minutes.	

Tami Lininger, Executive Assistant