



**Minutes**  
**Washington Fish & Wildlife Commission**  
Conference Call  
Friday, May 10, 2019  
Olympia, Washington

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Attendance

Commission:  
Larry Carpenter, Chair  
Barbara Baker, Vice Chair  
Don McIsaac  
Kim Thorburn  
Jay Holzmilller

Department Staff:  
Kelly Susewind  
Joe Stohr  
Nate Pamplin  
Eric Gardner  
Taylor Cotten  
Kyle Adicks

Commission Staff:  
Tami Lininger

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Vice Chair Baker called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

**B. Petition – Listing Status of Douglas and Red Squirrels**

Taylor Cotten briefed the Commission on a petition to change the listing status of the Douglas and Red Squirrels.

Commissioners discussed the availability of other small game hunting opportunity, the enjoyment of Douglas and Red Squirrels as watchable wildlife, the “other protected species” rule, and management of nuisance wildlife before finalizing the decision.

**Commissioner Thorburn made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Baker to deny the petition as presented by staff to amend WAC 220-200-100 to remove Douglas Squirrel and Red Squirrel from the other protected wildlife classification. All were in favor and the motion carried.**

**C. Meeting Minute Approval**

Commissioners considered the minutes of the April 4-6, 2019 meeting.

**Commissioner Thorburn made a motion, seconded by Commissioner McIsaac to approve the minutes as proposed. All were in favor and the motion carried.**

#### **D. Future Meeting Planning**

Commissioners and staff discussed the upcoming conference call and meeting.

- HPA Suction Dredging Rules back on for May 31<sup>st</sup> conference call.
- Recommendation that a portion of the Fish Committee be open to the public and Willapa Policy and Hatchery Reform Policy be added as topics.
- Cougar plan outline in writing by June.
- Recommendation to move budget and legislative items up in the day of the June meeting.

#### **E. General Discussion**

Commissioners and the Director discussed the following items:

- Nate Pamplin provided an overview on the outcome of the budget.
- Surveillance of Northern Pike in Lake Roosevelt with co-managers, Kalispell Tribe and PUDs.
- Hatchery Review Policy plan and information will be on website soon.
- Notice of when and where the BPAG meetings are.
- Big Tent Committee will review the agenda planning process.
- Recommendation to attend a WAG meeting.
- New operating system that will help with our calls – so wait until it is ready for roll out.
- Reminder of the webinar on Monday evening.

Vice Chair Baker adjourned the meeting at 10:08 a.m.

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These minutes plus the audio recordings constitute the full minutes.

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Tami Lininger, Executive Assistant