



Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife

Fish and Wildlife Commission

MARCH 25 – MARCH 27, 2021

REVISED AGENDA

Via [Zoom Webinar](#)

THURSDAY, MARCH 25, 2021 – COMMITTEE MEETINGS

8:00 AM Wildlife Committee Meeting – Commissioners Thorburn, Smith, Anderson, Linville

Location: [Zoom Link \(https://zoom.us/j/96665351866\)](https://zoom.us/j/96665351866)

Join by telephone: 1-253-215-8782 or 1-888-475-4499 (Toll Free) **Webinar ID:** 966-6535-1866

Agenda topics:

- Chronic Wasting Disease Plan
- **Update on disabled hunting points question**
- **Lands 20/20**
- **Preview of Predator-Prey Research Project video**
- General discussion – current events

10:00 AM Big Tent Committee Meeting – Commissioners Baker, Thorburn, McIsaac, Koontz

Location: [Zoom Link \(https://zoom.us/j/95596340205\)](https://zoom.us/j/95596340205)

Join by telephone: 1-253-215-8782 or 1-888-475-4499 (Toll Free) **Webinar ID:** 955-9634-0205

Agenda topics:

- Conservation policy
- DFWs education curriculum
- Mission statement
- General discussion – current events

1:00 PM Fish Committee Meeting – Commissioners Carpenter, McIsaac, Anderson, Baker

Location: [Zoom Link \(https://zoom.us/j/96325835499\)](https://zoom.us/j/96325835499)

Join by telephone: 1-253-215-8782 or 1-888-475-4499 (Toll Free) **Webinar ID:** 963-2583-5499

Agenda topics:

- Hatchery reform
- General discussion – current events

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| 8:00 AM | 1. <u>Call to Order</u>
Commissioner's Discussion
Meeting Minutes Approval <ul style="list-style-type: none">• February 25-27, 2021 Draft Minutes• March 12, 2021 Draft Minutes Committee Reports | <i>45 min</i> |
| 8:45 AM | 2. <u>Open Public Input</u>
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| 9:45 AM | 3. <u>Director's Report</u>
The Director will brief the Commission on various items. | <i>15 min</i> |
| 10:00 AM | 4. <u>Lands 20/20 – Briefing and Public Comment</u>
Staff will provide a briefing on the Lands 20/20 process and seek funding for projects approved through this process.

Staff Report: Cynthia Wilkerson, Lands Division Manager, and Lisa Coffman, Lands 20/20 Coordinator

<u>Public Comment – This Item Only</u> | <i>45 min</i> |
| 10:45 AM | <u>BREAK</u> | <i>15 min</i> |
| 11:00 AM | 5. <u>Sage Grouse Periodic Status Review – Briefing and Public Hearing</u>
Staff will brief the Commission on the Periodic Status Review of the Sage Grouse.

Staff Report: Derek Stinson, Wildlife Biologist, and Taylor Cotten, Conservation Assessment Section Manager

<u>Public Hearing – This Item Only</u> | <i>60 min</i> |
| 12:00 PM | 6. <u>Hunting Boundaries– Briefing and Public Hearing</u>
Staff will brief the Commission on rule changes and updates regarding Hunting Boundaries.

Staff Report: Brock Hoenes, Ungulate Section Manager, Game Division

<u>Public Hearing – This Item Only</u> | <i>20 min</i> |
| 12:20 PM | <u>Lunch</u> | <i>40 min</i> |

- 1:00 PM **7. Hunting Restrictions and Equipment– Briefing and Public Hearing** *15 min*
Staff will brief the Commission on rule changes and updates regarding Hunting Restrictions and Equipment.

Staff Report: Brock Hoenes, Ungulate Section Manager, Game Division

Public Hearing – This Item Only
- 1:15 PM **8. Furbearers, Small Game and Upland Game Birds– Briefing and Public Hearing** *40 min*
Staff will brief the Commission on rule changes and updates regarding Furbearers, Small Game and Upland Game Birds.

Staff Report: Stephanie Simek, Carnivore, Furbearer, Small Game and Upland Bird Section Manager, Game Division

Public Hearing – This Item Only
- 1:55 PM **9. Fall Black Bear Hunting Seasons and Regulations – Briefing and Public Hearing** *10 min*
Staff will brief the Commission on rule changes and updates regarding Fall Black Bear Hunting Seasons and Regulations.

Staff Report: Stephanie Simek, Carnivore, Furbearer, Small Game and Upland Bird Section Manager, Game Division

Public Hearing – This Item Only
- 2:05 PM **10. Waterfowl Equipment and Regulations– Briefing and Public Hearing** *15 min*
Staff will brief the Commission on rule changes and updates regarding Waterfowl Equipment and Regulations.

Staff Report: Kyle Spragens, Waterfowl Section Manager, Game Division

Public Hearing – This Item Only
- 2:20 PM **11. Migratory Game Bird Seasons and Regulations– Briefing and Public Hearing** *30 min*
Staff will brief the Commission on rule changes and updates regarding Migratory Game Bird Seasons and Regulations.

Staff Report: Kyle Spragens, Waterfowl Section Manager, Game Division

Public Hearing – This Item Only
- 2:50 PM **12. Landowner Hunting Permits – Briefing and Public Hearing** *15 min*
Staff will brief the Commission on rule changes and updates regarding Landowner Hunting Permits.

Staff Report: Ciera Strickland, Private Lands Access Program Manager

Public Hearing – This Item Only

3:05 PM 13. **Bighorn Sheep, Moose and Mountain Goat– Briefing and Public Hearing** 20 min
Staff will brief the Commission on rule changes and updates regarding Bighorn Sheep, Moose and Mountain Goat.

Staff Report: Brock Hoenes, Ungulate Section Manager, Game Division

Public Hearing – This Item Only

3:25 PM 14. **Deer General Seasons and Special Permits – Briefing and Public Hearing** 40 min
Staff will brief the Commission on rule changes and updates regarding Deer General Seasons and Special Permits.

Staff Report: Brock Hoenes, Ungulate Section Manager, Game Division

Public Hearing – This Item Only

4:05 PM 15. **Elk General Seasons and Special Permits – Briefing and Public Hearing** 40 min
Staff will brief the Commission on rule changes and updates regarding Elk General Season and Special Permits.

Staff Report: Brock Hoenes Ungulate Section Manager, Game Division

Public Hearing – This Item Only

4:45 PM 16. **Game Reserves – Waterfowl Closures – Briefing and Public Hearing** 15 min
Staff will brief the Commission on rule changes and updates regarding Game Reserves – Waterfowl Closures.

Staff Report: Kyle Spragens, Waterfowl Section Manager, Game Division

Public Hearing – This Item Only

5:00 PM **Recess**

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- 9:00 AM** **18. C-3619 Hatchery and Fishery Reform Policy – Briefing and Public Comment** *2 hrs*
Staff will provide a briefing on the current state of the policy review process for Policy C-3619. The Commission will take public comment as part of the public hearing process and schedule final action.
- Staff Report: Ron Warren, Director of Fish Policy, and Ken Warheit, Supervisor, Genetic and Fish Health Laboratories
- Public Comment – This Item Only**
- 11:00 AM** **19. Miscellaneous and Meeting Debrief** *15 min*
The Commission will discuss items that arise immediately before, during, or after the meeting and after the preliminary agenda is published and consider future agenda planning.
- 11:15 PM** **20. Executive Session** *2 hrs*
Pursuant to RCW 42.30.110, the Commission will meet in executive session. No action will be taken during executive session and the public is not permitted to attend.
- 1:15 PM** **Adjourn**

*Times on the agenda are approximate, the Commission may adjust the agenda to meet scheduling needs. *

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Occupation: Cattle Rancher/Farmer
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