

Washington Fish & Wildlife Commission Web Conference

Friday, June 11, 2021

Olympia, Washington

Attendance

Commission Staff:

Commission: Department Staff: Larry Carpenter, Chair Amy Windrope, Deputy Director Nikki Kloepfer

Barbara Baker, Vice Chair Joe Panesko, AGO

Don McIsaac Anis Aoude Fred Koontz Tim Burns Lorna Smith Morgan Stinson Molly Linville Tom McBride Kim Thorburn Eric Gardner

James R. Anderson

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

A. 2022 Supplemental Budget- Briefing

Morgan Stinson, Chief Financial Officer and Tim Burns, CAMP Program Director briefed the Commission on the 2022 supplemental operating and capital budget proposals for the 2022 legislative session.

Staff will meet with the commissioners who had additional questions and provide additional information at the June 24-26, 2021, meeting.

B. 2022 Agency Request Legislation – Briefing

Tom McBride, Legislative Director briefed the Commission on draft agency request legislation for the 2022 legislative session.

C. 3-Year Hunting Season Setting WAC Update - Briefing

Anis Aoude, Game Division Manager and Eric Gardner, Wildlife Program Director briefed the Commission on the status of remaining 3-year hunting season setting WACs.

D. Future Meeting Planning

The Commission reviewed the draft June 24-26 agenda and the current year-at-a-glance.

Commissioners McIsaac suggested adding another supplemental budget briefing to the June 24-26 agenda to provide additional information on questions that arose during this web conference and adding a Big Tent committee meeting in September to include 2022 meeting dates and venues. Amy Windrope also suggested an agenda item to address the Governor's Office of Equity and the Equity Inclusion Survey and Listening Session. There were no objections to these suggestions.

E. General Discussion

The Commissioners discussed the following recent activities and items of interest.

Commissioner Smith and Thorburn asked for the status of the internal culture audit. Amy Windrope reported that the information should be public in the fall. Amy will follow up with Commissioner Smith and Thorburn with any additional questions.

Commissioner Koontz asked Commissioner Thorburn on behalf of the Wildlife committee for consideration to discuss the Elk Survival and Mortality Factors in the Blue Mountains of Washington.

Vice Chair Baker gave an update on the concurrency efforts with the Joint State Columbia River Salmon Fishery Policy Committee.

Commissioner Smith suggested adding a constituent response procedure to the retreat agenda and Vice Chair Baker noted this would be consistent with an administrative-issues-only purpose of the retreat; there were no objections.

Vice Chair Baker adjourned the meeting at 11:55 a.m.

Nichola Kloepfer 6/25/2021 Nichole Kloepfer, Executive Assistant