



Fish and Wildlife Commission Presentation Summary Sheet

Meeting date:

8/6/2021

Agenda item:

Update on Governor's Salmon Recovery Priorities

Presenter(s):

Jeff Davis, Director of Conservation Policy

Background summary:

The Governor's Salmon Recovery Strategy ("Extinction is NOT an Option") has been recently updated after a 2-year stakeholder and tribal process. The updated plan has highlighted the key priorities and strategies with an eye on really making a more effective difference in our collective efforts to recovery natural origin salmon. Building from the update, Governor Inslee is leaning into the actions necessary to change the trajectory of salmon populations by placing salmon recovery as one of his top 3 priorities for the remainder of this term of his administration.

He has tasked his policy staff with leading further development of executive and legislative approaches to tackle this ongoing and daunting challenge. Such discussions are early in the process and are expected to continue over the next 3 years.

Staff recommendation:

This presentation was an update requested by the Commission

Policy issue(s) and expected outcome:

Recovery of natural origin salmon populations will make watersheds healthy, support SRKW food supply, and result in maintenance/restoration of non-treaty and treaty fisheries.

Fiscal impacts of agency implementation:

Unknown

Public involvement process used and what you learned:

This effort is being led by the Governor's Office with support from the state agencies and tribes.

Action requested and/or proposed next steps:

Nothing. We will seek input from the Commission and keep you updated on progress, needs and potential impacts.

Draft motion language:

NA

Post decision communications plan:

NA
