



## Fish and Wildlife Commission Presentation Summary Sheet

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**Meeting date:**

6/23/2023

**Agenda item:**

8. 2024 Agency Request Legislation – Briefing

**Presenter(s):**

Tom McBride, Legislative Director

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**Background summary:**

Staff will brief the Commission on the agency's requests for the 2024 legislative session. Legislative policy proposals were solicited from programs and regions; reviewed by EMT and proposed for review by the FWC.

1. Protecting the confidentiality of other states' fisheries information.
  2. Allow concurrent application for habitat recovery pilot project (HRPP) permits and cultural resources reviews.
  3. Expand recreational land management authority to better utilize non-profits and volunteers.
  4. Increase state funding of crop damage.
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**Staff recommendation:**

Review the proposals.

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**Policy issue(s) and expected outcome:**

Improved operations and policy advancement.

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**Fiscal impacts of agency implementation:**

1. Protecting the confidentiality of other states' fisheries information: This will not have significant fiscal impact upon agency.
  2. Allow concurrent application for habitat recovery pilot project (HRPP) permits and cultural resources reviews. Will not have significant fiscal impact upon agency: This will allow streamlined permits pilot project to better assess utility.
  3. Expand recreational land management authority to better utilize non-profits and volunteers: This will not have significant fiscal impact upon agency and may provide for better operation and upkeep at agency wildlife areas and water access sites.
  4. Increase state funding of crop damage: This will not have significant fiscal impact upon agency.
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**Public involvement process used and what you learned:**

We are targeting select outreach to involved partners and state agencies. We are engaged in having the agency Budget and Policy Advisory Group (BPAG) provide input, next meeting occurring on July 25, 2023.

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**Action requested and/or proposed next steps:**

Schedule for FWC vote in August.

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**Draft motion language:**

N/A

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**Post decision communications plan:**

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