



**ADAAC Committee Meeting Minutes  
January 8, 2018  
Phone Conference - Olympia, WA**

Committee Members in Attendance:

Region 2: Dan Dickerson-Chairman  
Region 5: Rick Spring  
At Large: Melissa Espinosa

Region 3: Chuck Grijalva  
Region 6: Carol Evanoff

Absent:

Ryan Troyer (Region 4)

Vacant (Region 1)

DFW Staff in Attendance:

Sam Taylor, High Risk Manager  
Mary Fitzgerald, HR Administrative Assistant  
Dolores Noyes, ADA Program Manager

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**-Call to Order:**

Welcome by Chairman Dan Dickerson

**-Quorum Vote:**

With 5 out of the 7 members, Quorum Present.

**1. Committee Project Update:**

• **Committee Members:**

- **Rick - Region 5:** He worked with Dolores and got his plans approved for a pavilion. For Region 3, he is working with Chuck to replace one duck blind that was lost due to fire and they plan to add one additional duck blind.
- **Carol - Region 6:** She is working with a local hatchery to find funding to build ADA access for disable anglers at the hatchery.
- **Melissa - At Large:** She helped get her brother-in-law, who is blind, in contact with the WDFW website group. She is planning to attend both the Portland and Puyallup sport shows this

year and has created a project list for a “2019 Road Show” (see attachment). She is interviewing hunters and anglers, and has made some good contacts. She spoke with Darren Hauswald, Bio 3, and he is concerned about the budget and is trying to find grant money.

- **Chuck – Region 3:** He is in contact with his local biologist. Working on blinds for Yakima, moving current blinds to better locations. Finding money for his projects, fund raising is going quite well.
- **Dan – Region 2:** Working to get a second public access to Fish Lake. Contacted WDFW, and U.S. Forest Service regarding the only access to the lake. Fees have doubled this past year by the land tenant who has the only access. He plans to meet with U.S. Ranger in the future.
- Dan wanted to encourage the members to attend “**Public Workshops**”, one will be held in each region. The WDFW Director is looking for feedback on hunting & fishing in Washington. All area Biologist, Enforcement Officers and the Director will be at these meetings.

## 2. ADA Legislation:

- **Guess Speaker: Dolores Noyes**

- Updating our language in our current RCW’s and WAC’s. We are cleaning up the language because our most ticketed violation is for “*shooting from vehicle*”. In addition, we created a new enforcement WAC to suspend Special Use Permits (SUP), for those breaking the rules. This is the last of clean-up language needed, the end of a five-year plan. Please sign-up for the Public Hearing to comment on current bill before the legislation.

**WAC 220-413-140** We requested to remove the “*Shoot from a Vehicle*” language from the current statement. If a person needs to shoot from their vehicle due to their disability creating a hardship, they will now complete a SUP application and their physician will certify their need for accommodation. Green placards would be issued so enforcement offices can easily identify SUP users who can shoot from a vehicle and Orange placards would no longer be used.

**WAC 220-200-180** Allows for the Suspension of a Special Use Permit. The enforcement officers and the department may suspend a person's special use permit. Under the new WAC, the Department may suspend a person’s special use permit for a number of years or for life, if the person fails to abide by the terms or conditions of the special use permit issued to that person.

**Committee Comments:** The committee endorses the changes but has some concerns about the removal of the Orange placards, and they expect some pushback.

Plans to get the news out about the Orange placards are: Hold Regional meetings have a page in the 2018 Regulations booklets and through DFW news releases. It will be a full on press to lessen the public pushback.

### **3. Update on Region 1 Vacancy:**

- **Speaker: Sam Taylor**
  - We received five (5) applications for the Region 1 vacancy and the applications are with the Fish & Wildlife Commission for the interview process.

### **4. Reimbursement:**

- **Speaker: Sam Taylor**
  - Budget for the ADA Advisory Committee comes from the Fish & Wildlife Commission. They have given us a budget of \$500.00 per quarter, which covers our meeting cost, by phone or in-person. If you are planning anything that will require reimbursable expense, you will need to request approval in advance from Tami Lininger, Executive Assistant, at (360) 902-2267.

### **5. Next Meeting Date:**

- **Chairman Dan**
  - Committee would like to meet with Fish & Wildlife Commission, so would like to schedule next meeting for March, in Wenatchee or April, in Olympia.

### **-Update on Motions referred to the Commission:**

NONE

### **-New Business:**

1. Approving Special Use Permits general language in the future. Currently no public process to discuss these items, need the Commission to open these up for public input.

### **-Goals:**

#### **1) ALEA Grant Application:**

Chairman Dan has a new goal: his suggesting everyone apply for a ALEA grant to help fund their projects and get to know your Regional Director and support staff. **NOTE:**

The application for ALEA is a website only application, so I am unable to send out to the committee. Please see instructions below for find the application online.

PLEASE SEE THE WDFW WEBSITE ([wdfw.wa.gov/grants/](http://wdfw.wa.gov/grants/)): Grants & Incentives

You can find the Aquatic Lands Enhancement Account (ALEA) at the top of the list, just click and it will take you to the ALEA page. You will also find both State, local, & Tribal government funding and Federal Aid websites listed on the bottom of this first page.

The “Grant Application Manual” listed on the right side of the website page. I talked with Christine Redmond, Volunteer Manager, who said the number 1 tip for filling out the ALEA form is to “*answer every question and make it short and sweet, and to the point.*” Christine is available should you have any questions, (360) 902-8303.

**-Next Meeting Date:**

April 12, 2018 in Olympia, WA

- **UPDATE:** Mary spoke with Tami Lininger and she can schedule a time for the committee to meet with the Commission on **Thursday, April 12, 2018, in Olympia.**
- *Tami will need an agenda as soon as possible to confirm the amount of time needed.*

**-Motion to Adjourn 10:30 AM**

Motion made to close, and approved.