



ADAAC Committee Meeting Minutes
October 24, 2017
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
Jim Blum, Public Affairs, Website Redesign Project Manager

-Call to Order:

Welcome by Chairman Dan Dickerson

-Quorum Vote:

With 5 out of the 7 members, Quorum Present.

-Note from Jon Snyder, Policy Advisor to Gov. Jay Inslee.

1. Disability legislation questions

Jon Snyder would like to meet with the ADA Advisory Committee. Sam will invite Mr. Snyder to the next meeting. Committee asked to have the contact information for Mr. Snyder, it's listed below:

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Outdoor Recreation & Economic Development Policy Advisor to Gov. Jay Inslee
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-Update on Motions referred to the Commission:

1. Filling the Region 1 vacancy

Motion was signed by Chairman Dan Dickerson (by email) and submitted to the Fish & Wildlife Commission today, October 24, 2017 by Sam Taylor.

Sam and Mary are working on getting the notice out to the Region 1 WDFW ADA customers and local vendors.

2. ADA legislation and evaluate for endorsement

Motion was signed by Chairman Dan Dickerson (by email) and submitted to the Fish & Wildlife Commission today, October 24, 2017 by Sam Taylor.

-Committee Update:

Information about the projects or issues members have been working on or addressing, specifically how your time went with your regional Biologist.

Melissa Espinosa: She is scheduled to meet with her local Biologist on November 20, 2017.

Project: Sportsmen's Shows; Melissa would like to get our committee and services that WDFW offer to the ADA community by working booths at Sportsmen show around the state. She and her husband have done this before for "*Youth Outdoors Unlimited*" group.

Carol Evanoff: She has met her local Biologist. He told Carol that he has a group meeting scheduled for November 7, 2017 with all the regional Biologist and has invited Carol to attend.

Projects: ADA Blind, ADA Access Sites App in Region 6; Carol is working on ADA Hunting, Fishing and Water Access sites App with GIS Maps.

Rick Spring: He already has a working relationship with both his local Biologist and Regional Manager.

Project: ADA Shooting Range; With funding approved in September from Vancouver Wildlife League, Rick is helping to build a ADA shooting range at the Vancouver Lake Trap shooting area. Plans are done, next step is getting the permits and completion by late spring or early summer of 2018.

Chuck Grijalva: He has not meet his Biologist yet but he met Scott McCorquodale, Wildlife Project manager.

Project: Chuck is still determining the project he wishes to undertake.

Dan Dickerson: He met Biologist Devon Comstock who came to a meeting at the Wenatchee Sportsmen's Association.

Project: Counting big horn sheep; Devon Comstock is looking for anyone who can help with counting and tracking (some have radio collars) for the Wildlife department. This is in areas where people with ADA issues can help count.

Project: Fish Lake in Wenatchee; This is a public lake which is stocked with fish by WDFW but access to the lake's boat ramp is through the Forest Service approved concession "*Cove Resort*" which is leased and operated by an 3rd party. Currently the boat ramp surcharge is being increased by this 3rd party. Dan stated that they are talking with the Forest Service and WDFW about a possible 2nd road access boat ramp on the east end of the lake.

Project: Hunting Blinds; No roads to the rivers in his area for blinds. Local Biologist looking into the best locations to build blinds along the Columbia river. Rick Spring asked if access was available to local lakes but Dan stated that the lakes have to many waterfront homes, so no shooting allowed on the lakes.

-Committee's Directions:

1) Future Work Plan:

Chairman Dan would like to prioritization the current projects and assign a completion date, so updates can be given to the Fish & Wildlife Commission on the ongoing work.

-Goals:

Chuck: Will have more information on his projects after he has met with his Biologist meeting next month.

Melissa: Give the committee a list of future projects.

Carol: Work on the new WDFW website with Ryan and Chuck.

Rick: Veteran's Day Hunt. He was working on getting this together for this year, Saturday November 11, 2017 but it's hard to arrange events on the day because the holiday is celebrated more these days, so people were already committed to other projects. He is going to try again for next year, 2018.

-Last Minute Guest:

James Blum, WDFW- IT Systems & App Specialist 6 / Project Manager on our website re-design and making it ADA accessible. Jim spent a few minutes with the committee talking about

mapping, the use of screen readers (for graphs, photos, video and maps) and the need for ADA testing persons. Mr. Snyder will be added to next meeting agenda, giving him more time with the committee. Committee asked to have the contact information for Mr. Blum:

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-New Business:

Rick wanted to encourage committee members to talk with local persons; “Do you use the ADA programs?” Just starting up a conversation and letting people know what’s available to persons with ADA. Most don’t know what programs WDFW offers.

Melissa brought up her recent hunting trip. The area was on private land behind a locked gate. When she arrived, the lock was broken and there were several people in the area. She reported the incident to the owner on Monday.

Chairman Dan talked about the “*Eyes in the Wood*” program. This is similar to a Neighborhood Watch for the woods, citizen volunteers are taught how to observe, document and report natural resource crimes such as; garbage dumping, timber cutting, taking fish or baiting and poaching animals. Eyes in the Woods is a training class for C.O.R.T. (Crime Observation & Reporting Training). The class is conducted by an WDFW Enforcement officers. The classes need to have a minimum of 10 people. See attached news article. Contact information - mailing address: Eyes in the Woods, PO Box 2406, Olympia, WA 98507 - or - website address: www.eyesinthewoods.org

-Next Meeting Date:

Phone conference in late January 2018.

-Next In-person Meeting Date:

Early April date. Would like to match up with Fish & Wildlife Commission meeting if possible. Mary will check the 2018 calendar when available and see if the commission will be in Olympia during that time.

-Motion to Adjourn 2:20 PM

Motion made to close, and approved.