MEETING AGENDA

HUNTER EDUCATION INSTRUCTOR ADVISORY COMMITTEE

July 20, 2013, 9:00AM-3:00PM

Ellensburg DNR Complex (at Airport)

- ❖ Introductions: IAC members & agency staff, including Assistant Director Nate Pamplin and new Division Manager Dave Whipple
- Wildlife Program Vision for Hunter Education
- Role/Structure/Purpose of the IAC
- ❖ Washington Hunter Education Student Manual (3 parts):
 - Identify existing flaws in the Student Manual for immediate redress.
 - "Quick fixes" to implement past legislation & correct inaccurate statistics
 - IAC members not able to attend should provide feedback to Dave Whipple and Mike Kuttel on this topic.
 - Major substantive changes to the Student Manual will be addressed over the next year.
 - The scope of these contemplated changes will require more involvement by staff, the IAC, and Instructor corps to ensure the finished product continues to be one of the best in the nation. Further work by assigned IAC sub-committee members may be necessary.
 - Hunter Education Examinations
 - Finalization of two new Hunter Education Examinations will occur after the overhaul of the manual has occurred.
- Hunter Education Instructor Policy Manual Remaining Concerns
 - Identify major remaining areas of concern with the Hunter Education Policy Manual adopted in September of 2012. This will allow the Wildlife Program Administration to better understand the issues and determine if modifications should be considered.
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- Hunter Education Instructor Policy Manual Proposed Changes
 - Review and comment on proposed changes to the Hunter Education Instructor Policy Manual adopted in September 2012. Possible changes are highlighted in red on the attachment. Time frames for finalization of changes and implementation will be discussed.
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- Agency Request Legislation for 2014
 - Includes minimum age of 8, class fee, accompaniment of hunters younger than 14, etc.
- ❖ Selah IAC Sponsored On-line Field Skills Evaluation Course review results
- Hunter Recruitment and Retention
 - Possible "Hunter Training Clinics" pre- and post- Hunter Education course instruction
 - Re-defining the acceptable scope of work for Instructors
- Live-fire Firearms options to address shortage
- Live-fire Exercise optional vs. mandatory
- Pre-Service-Training (PST) Manual development strategy
- Next IAC meeting