

Wolf Advisory Group Meeting (Virtual)

Washington Department of Fish & Wildlife (WDFW)

January 9-10, 2024

Zoom Webinar—Public Link:

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Individual Zoom links will be provided separately on Monday, January 8 to all WAG members and to WDFW staff involved in the meeting.

Mission of the WAG

To promote equitable, inclusive, and respectful dialogue and decision-making among diverse people to foster durable peace by transforming the root causes of social conflict and providing high quality recommendations on wolf recovery, conservation, and management.

Meeting Objectives

- Discuss additional information gathered in response to outstanding questions raised by WAG members for the draft Oregon-Washington Cross-Boundary Advice introduced at the November WAG meeting, and determine if there is sufficient consensus to move forward with developing this advice.
- Build foundational understanding about Washington State’s compensation program for direct and indirect losses due to wolf depredation, and begin exploring what an “ideal” compensation program would look like and accomplish.
- Provide opportunities for WAG members and WDFW staff to build collaborative capacity, promote conflict transformation, and strengthen their relationships with one another.

Tuesday, January 9

Time	Topic	Purpose	Reference Materials
9:30 AM	Opening – <i>Facilitation Team</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Welcome to public observers• Meeting purpose and agenda• Introductions	Establish expectations for the meeting, and introduce WAG and WDFW participants.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Agenda• WAG Guidelines¹• November WAG Meeting Summary
9:50 AM	WDFW Announcements — <i>WDFW Staff</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>PSR comment timeline</i>• <i>Miscellaneous</i>	Information-sharing	Gray Wolf Updates ² <i>(WAG: Please review published updates and bring any</i>

¹ All web addresses for reference material links can be found at the end of the agenda.

² A new update will be posted Friday, January 5, 2024

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			<i>questions to the meeting.)</i>
10:10 AM	Stretch Break		
10:15 AM	Compensation Program-Part 1 Introduction (5) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Goals/outcomes/indicators (brainstorm—15min) • WA Compensation 101 (WDFW)—presentation and clarifying questions 	Information: The compensation program as currently administered by WDFW	WDFW Slide Presentation
11:30 AM	Lunch		
12:30 PM (incl. 15 min break)	OR-WA Cross-Boundary Topic <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discussion of responses to questions collected at the November meeting 	Decision: Whether to move forward with advice development	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • WDFW information-sharing • ODFW Non-Lethal Measures (state.or.us)
3:15 PM	Public Comment (up to three minutes per person)	Information-sharing	---
3:45 PM	Closing Reflections— <i>WAG members and WDFW Staff</i>	Build relationships and collaborative-capacity.	---
4:30 PM	Day 1 Adjourn		

Wednesday, January 10

Time	Topic	Purpose	Reference Materials
8:45 AM	Opening and Agenda Review— <i>Facilitation Team</i>	Review information for today’s sessions, and provide opportunity for announcements.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Agenda • WAG Guidelines
9:00 AM	Compensation Program-Part 2 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Envisioning the “ideal” program 	For potential future advice: If WAG could design a program to achieve desired goals, what would this look like?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Day 1 list of goals, outcomes, and indicators • Exploring Compensation Programs and Depredation Reporting for Wolf-Livestock Conflict Across the North

			American West (Nickerson, 2021) • Literature Review of Livestock Compensation Programs: Considering Ways to Assist Livestock Producers with Grizzly Bear Conservation Efforts in Montana (Harris, 2020)
10:00 AM	Break		
10:15 AM	WAG Calendar of Topics	Confirm the calendar and April and June meeting topics	Proposed WAG Calendar of Topics
10:45 AM	Public Comment (up to three minutes per person)	Information-sharing	---
11:15 AM	Next Steps and Closing Reflections— <i>WAG members and WDFW Staff</i>	Build relationships and collaborative-capacity.	---
12:00 PM	Day 2 Adjourn		

To keep current on Wolf Advisory Group’s progress, visit the WAG website at: <https://wdfw.wa.gov/about/advisory/wag#>
To contact the WAG Facilitation Team, email at: wagfacilitationteam@rossstrategic.com

Web Addresses for Reference Material Links

(in the event you are unable to open the document by clicking the link in the agenda)

- WAG Guidelines - <https://wdfw.wa.gov/sites/default/files/about/advisory/wag/member-handout-2022-10-12.pdf>
- November 2023 WAG Meeting Summary - <https://wdfw.wa.gov/sites/default/files/about/advisory/wag/wag-meeting-summary-nov2023-final.pdf>
- Gray Wolf Updates - <https://wdfw.wa.gov/species-habitats/at-risk/species-recovery/gray-wolf/updates>
- ODFW Non-Lethal Measures - https://dfw.state.or.us/Wolves/non-lethal_methods.asp