



# Minutes

## Washington Fish & Wildlife Commission Meeting

November 4-5, 2016

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### November 4-5, 2016 Regular Meeting

#### Commission:

Brad Smith, Chair  
Larry Carpenter  
Connie Mahnken  
Dave Graybill  
Kim Thorburn  
Jay Kehne  
Jay Holzmilller  
Bob Kehoe

#### Commission Staff:

Tami Liningier

#### Attendance

##### Department Staff:

Jim Unsworth, Director  
Joe Stohr, Deputy Director  
William Frymire, AGO  
Mike Grossmann, AGO  
Jennifer Quan  
Hannah Anderson  
Eric Gardner  
Julie Sandberg  
Clay Sprague  
Kyle Adicks  
Ryan Lothrop  
Rich Childers  
Dayv Lowry  
Cynthia Wilkerson  
Craig Burley  
Mike Cenci  
Kelly Cunningham

Kirt Hughes  
Jerry Nelson  
Ron Roler  
Mike Cenci  
Jason Wettstein  
Steve Thiesfeld  
Penny Becker  
Mick Cope  
Jeff Lewis  
Jim Scott  
Erik Neatherlin

#### Guests

Bill Richardson, RMEF  
Dave Knutzen  
Brian Murphy

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#### Public:

Wendy Spencer  
Shawn Cantrell  
Brian Fleming  
Nadine Wallace  
Margaret Tudor  
Stacia Tiraahi  
Nan Woodson  
Mark Miller  
Anne Kroeker  
Gregg Williams  
Jerry Lowe  
Kent Martin

Nancy Wood Man  
Brad Wood  
Amaroq Weiss  
Ross Barkhurst  
Jennifer Wolfsong  
Carol Pearsall  
Linda Saunders  
Dave Croonquist  
Amber Mount  
Greg Mueller  
Mark Wallace  
Irene Martin

Sylvia Thorpe  
Maria Ruth  
Zarye Wossene  
Heather Lowe  
Michelle Siedelman  
Norm Reinhardt  
Don Jenkins  
Anne VanSweringer  
Brad Felger  
Rod Harris  
Frank Betrozoff

Dennis Desilvis  
Patrick Pattillo  
Laurence Bucklin  
Chris Bachman  
Miguel Ramirez  
Hoda Sheiku  
Julie Andrzejewski  
Lee Tostevin  
Don Freeman  
Leila Wolfsong  
Robert Sudar

### Friday, November 4, 2016

Vice-Chair Carpenter called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m.

#### 1. Call to Order

##### a. Commissioners' Discussion:

No topics were discussed

##### b. Meeting Minute Approval

October 7, 2016 – conference call

**Commissioner Graybill moved, seconded by Commissioner Thorburn to approve the minutes from the October 7, 2016 conference call as proposed. Motion passed.**

## **2. Open Public Input**

The following people provided input on various topics:

Wendy Spencer – WAG process

Nancy Wood Man - Wolves

## **3. Director's Report**

The Director provided an update on various issues including:

- Wild Future/Legislation/Budget
- Wolf Update
- Mitchell Act Hatcheries
- Wildlife Leaders Co-op
- Data Breach
- Deputy Director Stohr gave an update on Budget
- CAMP – Outstanding work on the Culverts
- Jennifer Quan gave an update on Federal items
- Craig Burley discussed a letter to NOAA regarding the Rockfish Recovery Plan that will be co-signed by the Director and the Chair
- Recruitment for Enforcement Chief

## **4. Land Transactions – Briefing, Public Hearing and Decision**

Julie Sandberg, Real Estate Section Manager, requested approval for various land transactions. Bill Richardson from Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation spoke regarding RMEF's support of the Merrill Lake Natural acquisition.

There was no public input for this item.

**Commissioner Kehne moved to approve the proposed land transactions as presented, seconded by Commissioner Mahnken. All were in favor except Commissioner Holzmilller. Motion passed.**

## **5. Periodic Status Review (Bald Eagle, Peregrine Falcon, American White Pelican, Marbled Murrelet, and Lynx) – Briefing and Public Hearing**

Hannah Anderson, Listing and Recovery Section Manager, and Staff Biologists; Joseph Buchannan, Gerald Hayes, Derek Stinson, Steve Desimone and Jeff Lewis, provided a briefing and heard public input on the Periodic Status Reviews compiled for the state listed species referenced above.

The following people provided public input:

Sylvia Thorpe

Denis Disilva

Shawn Cantrell

Brad Wood

Maria Ruth

## **6. Puget Sound Recreational Enhancement – Briefing**

Laurie Peterson, Ryan Lothrop, and Dave Knutzen, (Chair, PSRFEF Oversight Committee) provided an update on the Puget Sound Recreational Salmon and Marine Fish Enhancement Program's current goals and objectives for purposes of conservation, enhancement, and promotion of recreational fisheries within the Puget Sound and Lake Washington.



The following people public input:

Laurence Bucklin

Ross Barkhurst

**14. Columbia River Basin Salmon Management Policy C-3620 – Briefing**

Ron Roler, Columbia River Policy Coordinator and Kyle Adicks, Intergovernmental Salmon Manager briefed the Commission on the performance of fisheries managed under the Policy through the transition period, including preliminary results for 2016 fisheries, and seek preliminary guidance on potential adaptive management measures for the future.

**15. Charter Stamps Rule – Briefing and Public Hearing**

Deputy Chief, Mike Cenci briefed the Commission on rules needed to clarify the obligations of fishing guides and charter-boat operators in their use of charter stamps.

There was no public input for this item.

**16. King Crab Rule – Briefing and Public Hearing**

Deputy Chief, Mike Cenci briefed the Commission on rules needed to enable Enforcement officers to better regulate illegal importation of King Crab into Washington.

There was no public input for this item.

**17. Miscellaneous and Meeting Debrief**

Commissioner Kehne suggested that a new panel of people be added to the WAG process to include science panels. Now is the time to evaluate what happened and what can be done differently.

The Chair adjourned the meeting at 10:55 a.m.

These minutes plus the audio recordings constitute the full minutes.

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Tami Lininger, Executive Assistant