



Minutes Washington Fish & Wildlife Commission

Conference Call
Friday, November 17, 2017
Olympia, Washington

Attendance

Commission:

Brad Smith, Chair
Larry Carpenter, Vice Chair
Kim Thorburn
Dave Graybill
Jay Holzmiller
Don McIsaac
Barbara Baker
Bob Kehoe
Jay Kehne

Department Staff:

Jim Unsworth, Director
Joe Stohr, Deputy Director
Nate Pamplin
Randi Thurston
Jeff Davis
Mick Cope
Peter Vernie
Evan Yett

Commission Staff

Tami Lininger

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

A. HPA Rule-making – Briefing

Department staff provided a briefing on the objective to initiate rulemaking to permanently adopt a new authorized work time for mineral prospecting in the Sultan River and make a few other minimal changes.

B. Timing for Sale of Special Hunt Permit Applications - Briefing

Department staff are evaluating the logistics of selling special hunt applications during a four-month window starting in December, versus the current one-month mid-April sale, and presented the idea to the Commission for input.

The Commission felt that additional public outreach and communication was needed before this happens. The item will come back at a later date.

C. Meeting Minute Approval – Decision

The Commission considered approval of the October 27-28, 2017 meeting minutes and the November 14, 2017 conference call minutes.

Commissioner Thorburn moved to approve the minutes from the October 27-28, 2017 meeting as presented, Commissioner Smith seconded the motion, the motion passed.

Commissioner Thorburn moved to approve the minutes from the November 14, 2017 Special meeting via conference call as presented, Commissioner Smith seconded the motion, the motion passed. Commissioner Kehne was not at the meeting and abstained.

D. General Discussion

Commissioners and the Director will discuss recent activities and items of interest.

- December meeting agenda approval
 - Postpone committee structure discussion
 - Add baiting and salvage rules briefing
- Retreat/workshop planning topics and timing
- Approval of additional day prior to the January, February, March, April and June meetings
- Update during Director's Report in December on For Heaven's Sake item
- Additional Executive Session by conference call prior to December meeting

Vice Chair Carpenter adjourned the meeting at 8:59 a.m.

These minutes plus the audio recordings constitute the full minutes.

Tami Lininger, Executive Assistant