



Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife

Fish and Wildlife Commission

Preliminary Meeting Agenda MARCH 15-17, 2018 – REGULAR MEETING

Red Lion Hotel Wenatchee – 1225 N. Wenatchee Avenue, Wenatchee WA 98801
Wenatchee & Chelan Rooms

THURSDAY, MARCH 15, 2018

- 10:00 AM** **1. Commission Workshop** *2 hrs*
Commission workshops are held to allow informal discussion among Commissioners and Department staff. The meeting is open to the public who wish to observe however, public input is generally not taken. Times on the agenda are approximate and the Commission may adjust the agenda to meet scheduling needs.
- 12:00 PM** **Lunch** *60 min*
- 1:00 PM** **2. Commission Workshop** *60 min*
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- 2:00 PM** **3. Wildlife Conservation Principles – Briefing** *60 min*
Chris Smith will present his governance models
- 3:00 PM** **4. 2017-19 Proviso Update and Workshop** *90 min*
Department staff and Commissioners will discuss next steps for the development of the long-term revenue plan; including discussing the revenue target for 2019-21 biennium and discussing principles around pursuing new revenue proposals.

Staff Report: Nate Pamplin, Policy Director
- 4:30 PM** **Recess regular meeting**
- 4:45 PM** Fish Committee meeting – Commissioners Carpenter, Graybill, Thorburn, Kehoe
Agenda topics
• Columbia River Policy review – next steps

FRIDAY, MARCH 16, 2018

- 8:00 AM** **Call to Order** *15 min*
a. Commissioners' Discussion
b. Meeting Minute Approval
c. Committee Reports if available

8:15 AM	<p><u>Open Public Input</u></p> <p>The Commission is a direct link between the citizens of Washington and the Department of Fish and Wildlife. Comments on Department programs and topics of concern are welcome during this portion of the meeting. NOTE: During this portion of the meeting, the public is encouraged to comment on issues that do not already have public input time on the agenda.</p>	<i>30 min</i>
8:45 AM	<p><u>Director's Report</u></p> <p>The Director will brief the Commission on various items.</p>	<i>30 min</i>
9:15 AM	<p><u>HPA Rules – Briefing and Public Hearing</u></p> <p>Department staff will brief the Commission on the proposed amendments to the Hydraulic Code (Chapter 220-660 WAC).</p> <p>Staff Report: Randi Thurston, Habitat Program Protection Division Manager</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Public Input – This Item Only</u></p>	<i>20 min</i>
9:35 AM	<p><u>Land Transaction – Briefing, Public Hearing and Decision</u></p> <p>The Commission will consider approval of a land transaction recommended by the Department for the protection of critical fish and wildlife habitat and for the enhancement of public recreation opportunities.</p> <p>Staff Report: Julie Sandberg, Real Estate Section Manager</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Public Input – This Item Only</u></p>	<i>15 min</i>
9:50 AM	<p><u>Forest Management Update – Briefing</u></p> <p>Department staff will brief the Commission on management of forests on WDFW Wildlife areas.</p> <p>Staff Report: Richard Tveten, Forest Management Team Lead. Lands Division</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Public Input – This Item Only</u></p>	<i>20 min</i>
10:00 AM	<p><u>Break</u></p>	<i>10 min</i>
10:10 AM	<p><u>Migratory Waterfowl Seasons and Regulations - Briefing and Public Hearing</u></p> <p>Department staff will brief the Commission on migratory waterfowl seasons and regulations.</p> <p>Staff Report: Kyle Spragens, Waterfowl Section Manager, Game Division</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Public Input – This Item Only</u></p>	<i>30 min</i>
10:40 AM	<p><u>Hunting Boundaries – Briefing and Public Hearing</u></p> <p>Department staff will provide the Commission with a briefing on hunting boundaries.</p> <p>Staff Report: Jerry Nelson, Ph.D., Deer and Elk Section Manager, Game Division</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Public Input – This Item Only</u></p>	<i>25 min</i>

- 11:05 AM** **Hunting Equipment – Briefing and Public Hearing** *30 min*
Department staff will brief the Commission on hunting equipment.

Staff Report: Jerry Nelson, Ph.D., Deer and Elk Section Manager, Game Division

Public Input – This Item Only
- 11:35 AM** **Appreciation Award - Rich Landers** *15 min*
The Commission and Department will recognize the 40-plus year career of Rich Landers, recently retired outdoor editor of the Spokane Spokesman Review.

Presenters: Commissioner Kim Thorburn, Acting Director Joe Stohr and Regional Director Steve Pozzanghera
- 11:50 AM** **Lunch** *70 min*
- 1:00 PM** **Deer General Seasons and Special Permits – Briefing and Public Hearing** *40 min*
Department staff will brief the Commission on deer general seasons and special permits.

Staff Report: Jerry Nelson, Ph.D., Deer and Elk Section Manager, Game Division

Public Input – This Item Only
- 1:40 PM** **Elk General Seasons and Special Permits – Briefing and Public Hearing** *40 min*
Department staff will brief the Commission on elk general seasons and special permits.

Staff Report: Jerry Nelson, Ph.D., Deer and Elk Section Manager, Game Division

Public Input – This Item Only
- 2:20 PM** **Requirements for Sealing Pelts – Briefing and Public Hearing** *15 min*
Department staff will brief the Commission on the requirements for sealing pelts.

Staff Report: Stephanie Simek, Carnivore Section Manager, Game Division

Public Input – This Item Only
- 2:35 PM** **Black Bear Seasons – Briefing and Public Hearing** *35 min*
Department staff will brief the Commission on black bear seasons.

Staff Report: Stephanie Simek, Carnivore Section Manager, Game Division

Public Input – This Item Only
- 3:05 PM** **Break** *10 min*

- 3:15 PM** **Cougar Seasons – Briefing and Public Hearing** *30 min*
Department staff will brief the Commission on cougar seasons.

Staff Report: Stephanie Simek, Carnivore Section Manager, Game Division

Public Input – This Item Only
- 3:45 PM** **Public Safety Removal for Cougars- Briefing and Public Hearing** *35 min*
Department staff will brief the Commission on public safety removal for cougars.

Staff Report: Dan Brinson, Conflict Section Manager, Game Division

Public Input – This Item Only
- 4:20 PM** **Moose Seasons - Briefing and Public Hearing** *25 min*
Department staff will brief the Commission on moose seasons.

Staff Report: Richard Harris, Ph.D., Bighorn Sheep, Mountain Goat, and Moose Section Manager, Game Division

Public Input – This Item Only
- 4:45 PM** **Mountain Goat Seasons - Briefing and Public Hearing** *20 min*
Department staff will brief the Commission on mountain goat seasons.

Staff Report: Richard Harris, Ph.D., Bighorn Sheep, Mountain Goat, and Moose Section Manager, Game Division

Public Input – This Item Only
- 5:05 PM** **Big Horn Sheep Seasons - Briefing and Public Hearing** *15 min*
Department staff will brief the Commission on bighorn sheep seasons.

Staff Report: Richard Harris, Ph.D., Bighorn Sheep, Mountain Goat, and Moose Section Manager, Game Division

Public Input – This Item Only
- 5:20 PM** **Small Game and Hunter Orange Requirements – Briefing and Public Hearing** *35 min*
Department staff will brief the Commission on small game seasons.

Staff Report: Anis Aoude, Game Division Manager

Public Input – This Item Only
- 5:55 PM** **Landowner Hunting Permits – Briefing and Public Hearing** *20 min*
Department staff will brief the Commission on landowner hunting permits.

Staff Report: Anis Aoude, Game Division Manager

Public Input – This Item Only

6:15 PM **Recess**

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2018

7:00 AM **Executive Session**
Pursuant to RCW 42.30.110 the Commission will meet in executive session. No action will be taken in executive session, and the public is not permitted to listen to the executive session.

9:00 AM **Open Public Input** *60 min*
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10:00 AM **2018 Farm Bill Reauthorization - Briefing** *30 min*
Department staff will brief the Commission on reauthorization of the federal 2018 Farm Bill.

Staff Report: Mike Kuttel, Jr., Farm Bill Coordinator, Diversity Division

10:30 AM **Columbia River Policy Review Next Steps – Briefing and Public Hearing** *2 hrs*
Department staff will provide a briefing on the 2017 Columbia River fishery and

Staff Report: Bill Tweit, Special Assistant and Ryan Lothrop, Columbia River Policy Coordinator

Public Input – This Item Only

12:30 PM **Miscellaneous and Meeting Debrief** *30 min*
The Commission will discuss items that arise immediately before or during the meeting and after the preliminary agenda is published.

- April 6 conference call planning
- April 12-14 meeting planning
- Year at a glance review

1:00 PM **Adjourn**

MEMBERS

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Bradley Smith, Ph.D., Chair, Bellingham
(Western Washington position, Whatcom County)
Occupation: Dean Emeritus, Environmental Science
Western Washington University
Current Term: 01/01/2015 - 12/31/2020

Larry Carpenter, Vice-chair, Mount Vernon
(Western Washington position, Skagit County)
Occupation: Retired Business Owner
Term: 08/14/2017 - 12/31/2018

Barbara Baker, Olympia
(At-large position, Thurston County)
Occupation: Attorney/Retired Administrator
Term: 01/17/2017 - 12/31/2022

David Graybill, Leavenworth
(Eastern Washington position, Chelan County)
Occupation: Owner FishingMagician.com LLC
Term: 03/23/2015 – 12/31/2020

Jay Holzmillier, Anatonie
(Eastern Washington position, Asotin County)
Occupation: Equipment Operator, Asotin County Public Works, Rancher
Term: 06/10/2013 – 12/31/2018

Jay Kehne, Omak
(At-large position, Okanogan County)
Occupation: Okanogan Outreach Associate, Conservationist
Term: 04/16/2013 - 12/31/2018

Robert Kehoe, Seattle
(At-large position, King County)
Occupation: Executive Director, Purse Seine
Vessel Owners' Association
Current Term: 01/01/2015 – 12/31/2020

Don McIsaac, Ph.D., Hockinson
(Western Washington Position, Clark County)
Occupation: Retired Executive Director of the Pacific Fishery
Management Council; Part-time Consultant
Current Term: 08/14/2017 – 12/31/22

Kim Thorburn, MD, MPH, Spokane
(Eastern Washington position, Spokane County)
Occupation: Retired Public Health Physician
Current Term: 01/23/2017 - 12/31/2022

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