



Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife

WDFW Ad-Hoc Coastal Steelhead Advisory Group

Meeting #5 Agenda

Thursday August 11, 2022 | 5:00 to 8:00 p.m.

Meeting Purpose:

- Discuss hatcheries operations and gather input from advisors
- Introduce the topic of habitat and discuss topics of interest

Agenda Topic Goals: I=Information, A=Advise, C=Concurrence

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| 5:00 pm [20 min] | <p>Welcome and Updates – <i>Olivia Smith (Triangle Associates), James Losee (WDFW) & Toby Harbison (WDFW)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Overview of meeting purpose and agenda • Review action items from June 14 meeting • Status of Steelhead Proviso Draft • Update from WDFW Fish Committee Presentation on 8/4 |
| 5:20 pm [90 min] | <p>Hatchery Operations (I & A) – <i>Anja Huff, Toby Harbison, James Losee (WDFW), Advisory Group Members</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Status update on Draft Hatchery Section and white paper • Homework report-out (<i>What did you want to discuss today based on your reading of the Statewide Plan?</i>)– <i>Advisory Group members</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ <i>“Read the artificial production section of the Statewide Steelhead Management Plan [linked here]. Come to the next meeting prepared to discuss.”</i> • Presentation and Discussion on the <i>Timing of Hatchery-Targeted Fisheries</i> (15 min) • Presentation and Discussion on <i>Hatchery Scaling</i> (15 min) • Discussion on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ <i>What is the status of the various hatchery programs on the coast?</i> ○ <i>What has been implemented? What has not?</i> ○ <i>What are the most important hatchery programs to maintain/build on for harvest?</i> ○ <i>What are the major risks from hatchery programs for coastal steelhead (which rivers/programs)?</i> ○ <i>How can WDFW manage/minimize/mitigate hatchery risks to wild steelhead?</i> ○ <i>Can coastal hatcheries be used to support steelhead recovery (e.g., conservation programs)?</i> ○ <i>What are the risks/benefits of segregated vs. integrated programs?</i> |
| 6:50 pm [5 min] | Break |



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| 6:55 pm [40 min] | <p>Habitat (I & A) – (WDFW)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentation on Role of WDFW in Habitat Arena • Questions for discussion: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ <i>What is working well? What is not working well?</i> ○ <i>What habitat restoration is needed for coastal steelhead?</i> ○ <i>How can WDFW support this habitat work (ex. site selection, technical assistance, research, and monitoring)?</i> ○ <i>How does habitat fit into an All-H plan for coastal Steelhead (e.g., how is habitat tied to other management decisions?)</i> |
| 7:35 pm [10 min] | <p>Wrap-up and Next Steps – Olivia Smith (Triangle Associates)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Action Items and Homework • Next Meeting (Monday September 12, 5-8pm) <p>Homework:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <i>Think about the following question and come to the next meeting prepared to discuss: What research is critical to improving coastal steelhead fisheries management?</i> 2. <i>What are the most important next steps in advancing management of coastal steelhead? How might those steps fit in to Regional Management Plans?</i> <p>Post-meeting materials: <i>Future Regional Management Plan, Human Dimensions section, Critical Research topics</i></p> |
| 7:45 pm [15 min] | <p>Public Comment</p> |
| 8:00 pm | <p>Adjourn</p> |