

**MINUTES**  
**WASHINGTON FISH AND WILDLIFE**  
**SPECIAL MEETING**  
**November 3, 2011**

Airport Ramada - Spokane, Washington

ATTENDANCE

COMMISSION:

Miranda Wecker, Chair  
Gary Douvia, Vice Chair  
David Jennings  
Chuck Perry  
Rolland Schmitt

COMMISSION STAFF:

Tami Lininger  
Erin Gariépy

Harriet Allen  
Dave Ware  
Donny Martorello  
Steve Pozzanghera  
and other department staff

DEPARTMENT STAFF:

Phil Anderson, Director  
Joe Stohr, Deputy Director  
Nate Pamplin

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Public:

Al Stover, *Washington for Wildlife*  
Fred Moyer  
Kaye Adkins  
Barrett Lindsey  
Susann Stone, *Defenders of Wildlife*  
Linda Saunders, *Wolf Haven International*  
Tami Williams  
Bob McCoy  
Jim De Tro, *Okanogan County*  
Harris Emmons, *Safari Club International Northwest Chapter*  
Diane Gallegos, *Wolf Haven International*  
George Halekas  
Niki Sibley  
Dallas Bolen  
Mary Jokela  
Ardell Kingler  
Derrick Knowles, *Wolf Working Group*  
Mark Pidgeon, *Hunters Heritage Council, WWC, WA Trappers Association*  
Melinda F. Pidgeon

Melinda Hirsch  
David Graves, *National Parks Conservation Association*  
Jim Sutton  
Mike Petersen, *Lands Council*  
Steve Llewellyn, *Lands Council*  
Cathy Barron, *Northwest Sportsman's Club*  
Frank Blough, *Washington for Wildlife*  
Don Jackson, *Columbia County*  
Hal Meenach, *Meenach Farms*  
John Eliason  
Laura Ackerman  
Lori Butterfield, *Oregon Wolf Education*  
Kerry Tienhaara, *Oregon Wolf Education*  
Jessica Walz, *Gifford Pinchot Task Force*  
Matthew Weaver, *Capitol Press*

Larry Olberding, *Washington Cattlemen's Association*  
Jack Field, *Washington Cattlemen's Association*  
Daryl Asmusser, *Washington Cattlemen's Association & Public Lands Council*  
Jerry Barnes, *Washington Cattlemen's Association*  
Ray Schueler  
Kit McGurn, *Conservation Northwest*  
Dick Moore, *Cattle Producers of Washington*  
LD Green, *Washington Cattlemen's Association, GC Farm Bureau, Cattle Producers of Washington*  
Herb Troxel  
Mark Iksic  
Crystal Gartner  
Gary Koehler  
Kerry Musters, *Animal Advocate for the Inland Northwest*  
Perry Huston, *Okanogan County*

Joe Peone, *Colville Tribes*  
Larry Sanderson,  
*Sanderson Farms*  
Kerry Skoog  
David McGuire  
Rob Wielgus, *Washington*  
*State University –*  
*Carnivore Lab*  
Bill Mattse  
Chad McCrea, *Spokane*  
*Tribe*  
Larry Whitsitt  
Leland Alkipe  
Jasmine Minbashian,  
*Conservation Northwest*  
Travis Colletti  
Dave Dashiell, *Cattle*  
*Producers of Washington*  
Don Dashiell, *Stevens*  
*County BOCC*  
Patrick Tonasket, *Colville*  
*Tribes*  
Seth Cool  
Michael Kesten  
Jeff Dawson  
Steve Bentjen  
Glenn Paul, *Ellensburg FFA*  
Bethany Paul  
Torrey Burke-Weeks  
Axel Thurman Saunders  
Chantel Thurman  
Kristen Angell  
Randell Friedlauder  
Greg Kennedy  
Larry Carey

James Doyle McClure  
Donald Dow  
Rea Davis  
Wanda Cliffords, *Inland*  
*Northwest Wildlife Council*  
Muri Hussey  
Harad Sawyer  
Don Jacobs, *Farm Bureau*  
Dave Gordon  
Becky Kramer, *Spokesman*  
*- Review*  
Mike Pealson, *Congress*  
*Woman Cathy McMorris*  
*Rodgers*  
Harvey L. Brown  
Randy Greyerbiehl  
Kane Eaton, *Spokane Tribe*  
*of Indians*  
Duane Cocking, *WWP*  
Lee G. Kramer  
Craig Grub, *Spokane*  
*County Cattlemen*  
Tim Coleman, *Kettle*  
*Range*  
Dave Taylor Sr.  
Lauren R. Ruff  
Jim Huntzinger  
Phil Stephens  
Lawrence Schoen  
Patty Gates, *Community*  
*Building Foundation*  
Darrin Griechen  
Matt Cohen  
Barbara Arenal  
Craig Englin

Heather Coreene-Beloit  
Mark Rhodes  
Rosemarie Bisiar  
Nick Geramos  
Chris Chisholm, *Wolf Camp*  
*& Wolf College*  
Kim Chisholm, *Wolf Camp*  
*& Wolf College*  
Cam Heusser, *Coeur*  
*d'Alene Tribe*  
Marian Hennings,  
*Conservation Northwest*  
*Defenders of Wildlife*  
Hilary Cooley, *WFWS*  
Paula Fowler  
Lyane Cooper  
Renee C.M. Brune  
Mary Eldridge  
Tracy Morgan  
Rob Chase  
Ron Reed  
Helen Bonaseea  
Connie Connelly  
Arcana  
Jan Carlson  
Randy Ziegler  
Steve Barratt  
Fred Zitterkopt  
Ron Stepchuk  
Jane Beaven  
Dan Finn  
Christy Andersen  
Walt Kloefkorn  
Paul Decker

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## THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2011

Chair Wecker called the meeting to order at 8:59 a.m.

### **Briefing and Discussion – Wolf Conservation and Management Plan:**

Nate Pamplin, Harriet Allen and Rocky Beach briefed the Commission on the Department's final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS)/Recommended Wolf Conservation and Management Plan (Plan). The briefing included an overview of the content of the EIS/Plan, a description of the planning process used to develop the EIS/Plan, and a summary of comments received from public and scientific peer reviews and the Wolf Working Group.

**Colville Tribe Wolf Management Presentation:**

Joe Peone of the Colville tribe gave a presentation to the Commission displaying the cultural importance of the wolf and the management concerns for the Colville Reservation and its seated lands.

**Briefing and Discussion – Wolf Conservation and Management Plan:** Continued

**Open Public Input:**

The following individuals provided testimony on the final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS)/Recommended Wolf Conservation and Management Plan during this portion of the meeting:

Dale Denny	John Elisason	Harvey Brown
Al Stover	Laura Ackerman	Rosemarie Bisiar
Frank Blough	Jessica Walz	Torrey Burke-Weeks
Fred Moyer	Larry Olberding	Chris Chisholm
Greg Yonemura	Jack Field	Axel Thurman-
Kaye Adkins	Kerry Tienhaara	Saunders
Barrett Lindsey	Lori Butterfield	Chantel Thurman
Commissioner Larry	Craig Grubb	Crystal Gartner of
Schoen	Lee Hemmer	behalf of Colleen
Suzanne Stone	Duane Cocking	McShane
Linda Saunders	Daryl Asmusser	Kim Chisholm
Jim De Tro	Jerry Barnes	Randy Greyerbieal
Tami Williams	Kit McGurn	Paul Lindholdt
Bob McCoy	Herb Troxel	Diane Gallegos
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David Graves	Leland Alkire	
Mike Peterson	Dave Dashiell	
Steve Llewellyn	Don Dashiell	
Hal Meenach	Travis Coletti	
Don Jackson	Michael D. Kester	
Mark Pidgeon	Jeff Dawson	

Chair Wecker adjourned the meeting at 6:11.

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These minutes plus the audio recordings constitute the full minutes.

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Erin Gariépy, Administrative Assistant

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Dave Ware  
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Brian Trickel  
Jeff Tayer  
John Whalen  
Davey Robison  
and other department staff

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Public:

Bill Robinson, *The Nature  
Conservancy*

Rance Block, *Rocky  
Mountain Elk Foundation*

Laurence R. Ruff

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## FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2011

Chair Wecker called the meeting to order at 7:30 a.m. and went directly into Executive Session. Open Session resumed at 8:46 a.m.

### Executive Session:

Pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(i), the Commission will meet in executive session to discuss with legal counsel representing the agency litigation or potential litigation to which the agency is, or is likely to become, a party. No action is taken in executive session, and the public is not permitted to attend the executive session.

### Call to Order:

a. Approval of Minutes:

**Commissioner Jennings moved, seconded by Commissioner Schmitt, to amend October 7-8 minutes. The motion carried unanimously.**

**Commissioner Douvia moved, seconded by Commissioner Perry, to move the second sentence in 1b to a separate sentence. The motion carried unanimously.**

**Commissioner Jennings moved, seconded by Commissioner Douvia, to approve minutes as presented and amended as discussed:**

- **August 4, 2011, meeting;**
- **August 5-6, 2011, meeting;**
- **September 2, 2011, conference call;**
- **October 6, 2011, meeting**
- **October 7-8, 2011, meeting; and**
- **October 21, 2011, conference call**

**The motion carried unanimously.**

b. Commissioners Discussion:

- Cattle Producers of Washington Meeting
- Suggestions for production of future Conservation and Management Plans
- Record Correction: A member of the public made an incorrect statement at the November 3, 2011 Work Session pertaining to Diffuse Knapweed. The Department did not plant Diffuse Knapweed in Okanogan County. Diffuse Knapweed came into Washington in the early 1900's with Alfalfa seed. In the 1950's the Department gave out Bitterbrush seed packets. Bitterbrush is a native plant and winter forage for Mule Deer.
- Spokane Tribe willing to work with WDFW on development of their Wolf Plan

c. Director's Report / Operations Review:

- Governor Gregoire's office contacted Secretary Clinton recommending the replacement of Jeff Koenig on the Pacific Salmon Commission
- Positive results for the beginning of hunting season
- Puget Sound Dungeness Crab projections
- Salmon Virus - ISAV
- Trip to Washington D.C. to meet with US Fish and Wildlife and NOAA
- Budget – Revenue Forecast

**Proposed Land Transaction – Decision:**

Dan Budd, Real Estate Section Manager, Wildlife Program proposed to the Commission the acquisition of 7,711.2 acres in Kittitas County.

The Commission heard presentations from Bill Robinson, The Nature Conservancy and Rance Block, Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation.

Jeff Tayer, Regional Director, was recognized by the Commission for his work with various groups to help the acquisition come to fruition.

Public Input: No one signed up to provide testimony during this portion of the meeting.

**Commissioner Jennings moved, seconded by Commissioner Perry, to approve the proposed land transaction as presented. The motion carried unanimously.**

**Importation and Retention of Dead Non-resident Wildlife:**

Dave Ware briefed the Commission on the proposed amendments to WAC 232-12-021 Retention of Dead Nonresident Wildlife.

No one signed up to provide public testimony during this portion on the meeting.

**Commissioner Douvia moved, seconded by Commissioner Jennings, to approve the proposed amendment to WAC 232-12-012 as presented. The motion carried unanimously.**

**Open Public Input:**

The following individuals provided oral testimony on items of interest of concern during this portion of the meeting:

Don Dashielle – Fishing rules on Kettle River, Lake Roosevelt, Hunting regulations

**Detecting Ungulate Population Declines:**

Dave Ware briefed the Commission on the strategies used by the Department to monitor and maintain ungulate populations.

**Habitat Program Overview:**

Lisa Veneroso, Assistant Director, Habitat Program briefed the Commission on the current structure, expertise, collaboration and proactive approach to protecting, conserving and restoring fish and wildlife and the ecosystems they depend on.

**Miscellaneous and Meeting Debrief:**

Wolf Management and Conservation Plan

- second trapper
- possible vote coordination

**Open Public Input**

No one signed up to provide testimony during this portion of the meeting.

Chair Wecker adjourned the meeting at 3:47 p.m.

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Erin Gariepy, Administrative Assistant