

2019-21 Legislative Priorities

2019 LEGISLATIVE REQUEST



HB 1230

\$534,000 Fiscal Impact – Broadening Discounts for Disabled Hunters and Fishers

- Broaden definition of disabled
- Expand eligibility for disability discount on hunting and fishing licenses to anyone with a permanent disability
- Set consistent discount for hunting and fishing licenses at 50% off

SB 5696/HB 1662

\$17.3M Revenue – Recreational License Fee Increase, Recruitment, Columbia River Salmon and Steelhead Extension

- Increase all recreational fishing and hunting licenses by 15%
- Align youth age to provide free license until age 16
- Create a discounted bundled packages for families and avid sportsmen
- Create a hunter education graduate coupon of \$20 off first license
- Eliminate a temporary license restriction on popular lowland lake trout opener
- Provide Fish and Wildlife Commission the authority to adjust fees for costs approved by Legislature, effective 2021
- Extend the endorsement four years, to expire June 30th, 2023

Typical 15% license increase effects

	CURRENT Out-the-door Price	PROPOSED Out-the-door Price	Price Difference
Trout Angler - Freshwater License	\$29.50	\$33.63	\$4.13
3-Day Razor Clam	\$9.70	\$10.53	\$0.83
Salmon Angler Combination - Freshwater, Saltwater, Shellfish & Seaweed Columbia River Salmon & Steelhead Endorsement	\$64.10	\$72.34	\$8.24
Fish Washington Combination - Freshwater, Saltwater, Shellfish & Seaweed Puget Sound Crab Endorsement Two Pole Endorsement Columbia River Salmon-Steelhead Endorsement	\$79.62	\$86.62	\$7.00
Turkey Hunter- Small Game License and Turkey Tag	\$56.40	\$64.49	\$8.09
Big Four with Small Game- Deer, Elk, Bear, Cougar and Small Game	\$117.50	\$132.50	\$15.00

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2019-21 Budget Priorities

2019 BUDGET REQUEST



\$7.7M – Maintenance Level

Funding for essentials such as cost of living adjustments, mass markings of hatchery fish, and pension rate changes

\$30.8M – Maintain Current Services, Performance Level

Wildlife Conflict – **\$4.4M** General Fund
Public Health and Safety – **\$2.5M** General Fund
Land Management – **\$2.6M** General Fund
Hunting – **\$3.1M** Wildlife Fund
Customer Service – **\$1.9 M** General Fund
Conservation – **\$3.4M** General Fund
Fishing and Hatchery Production – **\$9.4M** General Fund, Wildlife Fund

\$22.6M – Enhance Services, Performance Level

Fund Regional Fisheries Enhancement Groups – **\$700,000** General Fund
Enhance Conservation – **\$1.2M** General Fund
Enhance Fishing Opportunities – **\$6.9M** General Fund, Wildlife Fund
Enhance Hunting Opportunities – **\$3.9M** General Fund, Wildlife Fund
Southern Resident Killer Whale Recovery – **\$12.7** General Fund
Global Wildlife Trafficking – **\$300,000** General Fund
Wolf Conservation and Management – **To be determined**

Capital Funding Needs

\$50M – Fish Passage Barrier Removal
\$20M – Estuary Salmon Restoration Program
\$145M – Hatchery Upgrades

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