From: NorthofFalcon (DFW)

Subject: Notice of Special Meetings – June 25 and June 26 – North of Falcon Rule-Making

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Notice of special meetings to conduct North of Falcon Rule-Making under the Administrative Procedures Act.

The Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife is proposing rule changes for recreational salmon fishing. The agency developed these changes through a pre-season planning process known as "North of Falcon" that includes a series of public meetings with federal, state, tribal and industry representatives and other concerned citizens. Rules based on the North of Falcon planning process change from year to year to reflect resource availability and achieve conservation goals. In addition to the North of Falcon rule-making these hearing will include the opportunity to provide testimony on rule-making activities of the Fish and Wildlife Commission for steelhead regulations in the Humptulips River, fishing regulations for Pass Lake, and for the voluntary use of barbless hooks in the Columbia Basin. Testimony for these ancillary rule-making activities will be included in association with the North of Falcon hearings identified below.

The CR-102 and proposed WAC can be viewed and downloaded at: https://wdfw.wa.gov/about/regulations/development#19-03-137a
Additional information related to North of Falcon rule-making can be found on the NOF webpage at: https://wdfw.wa.gov/fishing/management/north-falcon

In accordance with RCW 34.05.320, a public hearing will be held on:

Tuesday, June 25, 2019, at 9:00 a.m., at the Natural Resources Building, Room 682, 1111 Washington St., SE, Olympia, WA, 98504 (Puget Sound Marine and Freshwater; including proposed changes to fishing regulations for Pass Lake in Skagit Co.)

Tuesday, June 25, 2019, at 1:00 p.m., at the Region 5 Office, Room 102, 5525 S 11th Street, Ridgefield, WA, 98642 (Columbia River Basin; including proposed changes for voluntary use of barbless hooks.)

Wednesday, June 26, 2019, at 9:00 a.m., at the Region 6 Office, Large Conference Room, 48 Devonshire Road, Montesano, WA, 98563 (Coastal Marine)

Wednesday, June 26, 2019, at 11:00 a.m., at the Region 6 Office, Large Conference Room, 48 Devonshire Road, Montesano, WA, 98563 (Coastal Freshwater; including proposed changes to steelhead fishing regulations in the Humptulips River in Grays Harbor Co.)

In case you are unable to or do not wish to attend the public hearing, you may submit written comments to WDFW's rules coordinator, Scott Bird, at PO Box 43152, Olympia, WA 98501; via e-mail at Rules.Coordinator@dfw.wa.gov; or via fax at (360)

WDFW must receive comments by June 24, 2019.

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