

## Summary Sheet

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**Meeting dates:** April 9<sup>th</sup>, 2020

**Agenda item:** **HATCHERY POLICY REVIEW WORKSHOP**

**Presenter(s):** **Andrew Murdoch**, Eastside Fish Science Manager,  
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### **Background summary:**

At the June 15, 2018 Fish and Wildlife Commission (FWC) meeting, the FWC directed the agency to conduct a review of all sections and aspects of the Hatchery and Fishery Reform Policy (C-3619). Subsequently, the following primary project elements emerged:

- Policy Review (Commission Assignment)
  - Science Update and Synthesis, including Emerging Science (led by WDFW; facilitated by Washington State Academy of Sciences)
  - **Policy Performance Evaluation document (led by WDFW)**
  - Joint Co-manager Hatchery Benefits document – will be authored by tribal and state co-managers examine the socio-ecological role of hatcheries, tribal legal considerations, and the ecosystem services provided by hatcheries.
- Engage Tribal Co-managers in Policy development
- Public Outreach and Engagement (led by consultant and WDFW)
- Commission considers final reports and policy recommendations (synthesizing information from the three documents above, incorporating input from tribes, partners, stakeholders, and the public).

The Commission will participate in a workshop with WDFW Fish Program Science staff. These staff will brief the Commission on the key findings of their draft report titled, “*WDFW Hatchery and Fishery Reform Policy Implementation Assessment; Draft Progress Report, 2009-2019.*” The report includes an assessment of implementation of the 11 policy guidelines relative to defined metrics in a report card format, for the time period since the Commission’s policy (C-3619) was adopted in 2009. There will be an opportunity for public comment toward the end of the workshop.

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### **Staff recommendation:**

None at this time.

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### **Policy issue(s) and expected outcome:**

None at this time.

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### **Fiscal impacts of agency implementation:**

NA

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### **Public involvement process used and what you learned:**

3/15/19 – 3/31/19 – Stakeholder Interviews – conducted by Triangle Associates – thoughts and opinions were collected and summarized by Triangle in a document available on the H&FRP Review webpage.

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4/11/2019 – Open Public Meeting – facilitated by Triangle Associates – this was video recorded and a written summary was provided by Triangle. Both items are available on the H&FRP Review webpage

5/23/2019 – WSAS Science Workshop – a day long workshop for WDFW writers, WSAS' Committee members, supplemental reviewers, and observers. Written summary of workshop available on the webpage.

2/6/2020 – FWC Workshop on the Science Review document – public attended the workshop and had the opportunity to make comments and provide feedback.

H&FRP Review Webpage Link:

<https://wdfw.wa.gov/fishing/management/hatcheries/hatchery-reform-policy-review>

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**Action requested and/or proposed next steps:**

Acceptance or further guidance on the science review report.

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**Draft motion language:**

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**Post decision communications plan:**

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