

Minutes

Washington Fish & Wildlife Commission Hybrid Meeting

Friday, August 18, 2023

Olympia, Washington

Attendance

Commission Staff: Commission: Department Staff: Guests: Scott Schuyler Barbara Baker, Chair Kelly Susewind, Nikki Kloepfer Lorna Smith Director Joe Peters Joe Panesko, AGO Tim Ragen Lisa Wilson John Lehmkuhl Kelly Cunningham Mike Crews Jim Anderson Ken Warheit Tom Chance Melanie Rowland Joe Anderson Jason Gobin Eric Kinne Bob McClure Woody Myers

Steve Parker

Chair Baker called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

A. Introductions

The Commission and participating tribes provided introductions.

B. Tribal Policy

Bob McClure provided a handout and an overview of tribal policy.

C. Alignment of HGMP's w/ Co-manager Hatchery policy

Tom Chance, with Lummi Natural Resources, provided a <u>presentation</u> on Hatchery and Genetic Management Plans (HGMPs) and discussed the purpose and alignment of the Joint Agreement for the Management of Anadromous Salmon and Steelhead Hatcheries.

D. <u>Tulalip Tribes' contributions to improved hatchery management best available</u> science recovery efforts

Mike Crewson, with the Tulalip Tribes, provided a <u>presentation</u> on the tribe's contributions to improving hatchery management, science, and salmon recovery.

Working Lunch

E. Question and Answer

The Commission asked follow-up questions from the presentations provided.

F. Policy Wrap Up

The Commission and participating tribal groups discussed having 1-2 more meetings and having a small group of staff from both the agency and the tribes provide some additional changes to the draft policy with the intent of finalizing it in October.

Chair Baker adjourned the meeting at 3:00 p.m.

Nichole Kloepfer, Executive Assistant