# Blue Mountains Wildlife Areas Wooten Wildlife Area Advisory Committee

**Thursday, October 25, 2018** 1:00 pm – 2:00 pm *The Last Resort* 

## AGENDA

Blue Mountains Wildlife Area Plan – Presentation and Q/A

### NOTES

#### Attendees

Jason Towery, Jim Kirkpatrick, Joanne Kirkpatrick, Bill Dowdy, Sarah Brandy

WDFW Staff: Kari Dingman, Patricia Jatczak

#### Wildlife Area Draft Plan Introduction

- Patricia provided an overview of the Draft Blue Mountains Wildlife Areas Management Plan. The planning process and outline of plan were briefly discussed, and most time was spent on the Goals and Objectives.
- Meetings were held at the beginning of the process with WDFW staff, the public, and the Advisory committee to scope the plan and to draft goals and objectives. The Draft Plan was produced.

<u>NOTE:</u> The plan is draft. After incorporating committee comments, we will prepare the Public Review Draft. After public comments, the plan will be formatted, edited, and pictures inserted.

- Now is the window of opportunity for the advisory committees to submit comments on the plan.
  - You can provide general or specific comments.
  - Provide them in any written way that works for you write/type on the document; email thoughts, etc.

# <u>Comments are due on November 21, 2018.</u>

Send comments either to Kari Dingman (<u>Kari.dingman@dfw.wa.gov</u>) or Patricia Jatczak (<u>patricia.jatczak@dfw.wa.gov</u>)

#### **Comments from the Meeting**

- Nez Perce and Umatilla tribes are doing river restoration work.
- Forest Service is planning on working on the Sourdough Gulch fish barrier removal. Bill will talk with Bob Dice about it.
- There should be a law not to just purchase land, but to also include funds for management; management is underfunded,
- Hunters are using mountain bikes to access Cummings Creek; unclear if there is other mountain biking occurring.
- Need more ADA fishing opportunities.
- Look into garbage disposal options in campgrounds.
- Need to work with other law enforcement jurisdictions. This is happening, but good to put into plan.