

# **Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife**

# Fish and Wildlife Commission

# Meeting Agenda AUGUST 1, 2013 – SPECIAL MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT AUGUST 2-3, 2013 – REGULAR MEETING

Natural Resources Building - 1111 Washington St SE Olympia WA 98501 First Floor, Room 172

# **THURSDAY, AUGUST 1, 2013**

#### 2:30 PM 1. Executive Session

90 min

Pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(i), the Commission will meet in executive session to discuss with legal counsel representing the agency litigation or potential litigation to which the agency is, or is likely to become, a party. No action will be taken in executive session, and the public is not permitted to attend the executive session.

4:00 PM Recess

# FRIDAY, AUGUST 2, 2013

# 8:00 AM 2. Call to Order

15 min

- a. Commissioners' Discussion
- b. Meeting Minute Approval
  June 21, 2013 conference call

## 8:15 AM 3. Open Public Input

30 min

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## 8:45 AM 4. <u>Director's Report</u>

90 min

The Director will brief the Commission on various items.

#### 10:15 AM Break

15 min

## 10:30 AM 5. 2014 Supplemental Operating Budget Request - Briefing

20 min

Department staff will brief the Commission and answer questions about the agency's operating budget proposals.

Staff Report: Owen Rowe, Budget Officer, Technology and Financial Management

# 10:50 AM 6. Enacted 2013-2015 Capital Budget Request - Briefing

20 min

Department staff will provide an informational brief and answer questions about the agency's 2013-2015 Capital Budget.

Staff Report: Tim Burns, Assistant Director, Capital and Asset Management Program

# 11:10 AM 7. 2014 Legislative Proposals - Briefing

50 min

Department staff will brief the Commission and answer questions about the agency's 2014 legislative proposals.

Staff Report: Ann Larson, Legislative Liaison

#### 12:00 PM Lunch Break

60 min

#### 1:00 PM 8. Giant Pacific Octopus – Decision

30 min

The Commission will consider approval of sportfishing regulations to implement management options for giant pacific octopuses and other species in Puget Sound.

Staff Report: Craig Burley, Fish Management Division Manager, Fish Program

# 1:30 PM 9. Proposed Land Transactions – Decision

30 min

The Commission will consider approval of various land transactions recommended by the Department for the protection of critical fish and wildlife habitat, enhancement of public recreation opportunities, and responsible property management.

- Proposed acquisition of 119 acres in Pacific County
- Proposed acquisition of 191.36 acres in Pacific County
- Proposed acquisition of 116.15 acres in Okanogan County
- Proposed acquisition of 1.13 acres in Okanogan County
- Proposed conservation easement on 66.39 acres in Okanogan County
- Proposed conservation easement on 29.3 acres in Okanogan County
- Proposed acquisition of 100 acres in Okanogan County
- Proposed right of way on 7.4 acres in Grant County

Staff Report: Dan Budd, Real Estate Section Manager, Wildlife Program

# <u>Public Input – This Item Only</u>

# 2:00 PM 10. <u>Wildlife Rehabilitation Structural Improvements and Updates – Decision</u>

20 min

Department staff will brief the Commission and request approval on proposed rule amendments and new WAC sections to split apart the wildlife rehabilitation rule and provide additional detail and direction for wildlife rehabilitators.

Staff Report: Tricia Thompson, Wildlife Rehabilitation Coordinator

#### **Public Input – This Item Only**

# 2:20 PM 11. 2013 - 2014 Waterfowl Season - Briefing, Public Hearing and

Department staff will brief the Commission on Migratory Waterfowl Seasons and Regulations and take public comments on the proposed changes to amend WAC 232-28-436.

Staff Report: Don Kraege, Waterfowl Section Manager, Wildlife Program

# **Public Input – This Item Only**

3:00 PM Break 15 min

#### 3:15 PM 12. Wildlife Interaction Rules – Briefing and Public Hearing

90 min

Department staff will brief the Commission and hold a public hearing on proposed rule amendments to Wildlife Interaction Rules.

#### Amend:

WAC 232-36-030 Definitions

WAC 232-36-040 Wildlife/human interaction and conflict resolution for private property damage

WAC 232-36-051 Killing wildlife causing private property damage

WAC 232-36-060 Director or his/her designee is empowered to grant wildlife control operator certifications

WAC 232-36-110 Application for cash compensation for commercial crop damage—Procedure

WAC 232-36-200 Payment for commercial livestock damage or other domestic animals—Limitations

WAC 232-36-210 Application for cash compensation for livestock damage or other domestic animal—Procedure

WAC 232-36-400 Commercial crop or livestock damage claim--Dispute resolution

#### Adopt:

WAC 232-36-052 Killing wolves attacking domestic animals

Staff Report: Dave Ware, Game Division Manager, Wildlife Program

## <u>Public Input – This Item Only</u>

#### 4:45 PM Recess

# **SATURDAY, AUGUST 3, 2013**

# 8:30 AM 13. Open Public Input

30 min

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9:00 AM 14. Status of Washington Sockeye Salmon – Briefing and Public Hearing

Department staff will brief the Commission on the status and trends, obstacles for recovery, including environmental factors that control abundance and survival of Washington Sockeye Salmon in response to a blue sheet request.

Staff Report: Aaron Default, Fish Program Biologist

9:45 AM **Break** 15 min

10:00 AM 15. Instream Flows - Briefing

> Department staff will brief the Commission on instream flows and the work being done by the Water Science Team.

Staff Report: Hal Beecher, Water Team Section Manager, Habitat Program

10:45 AM 16. Miscellaneous and Meeting Debrief

> The Commission will discuss items that arise immediately before or during the meeting and after the preliminary agenda is published.

11:15 AM Adjourn

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Current Term: 01/01/07 - 12/31/2012

Bradley Smith, Ph.D., Vice Chair, Bellingham (Western Washington position, Whatcom County)

Occupation: Dean Emeritus, Huxley College of the Environment

Western Washington University Current Term: 06/18/09 - 12/31/2014

Larry Carpenter, Mount Vernon

(Western Washington position, Skagit County)

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Conrad Mahnken, Ph.D., Bainbridge Island

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