

# **Agenda # 13**

## **Landowner Hunting Permits**

WAC 232-28-296

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# LHP Background

## Commission Policy C-6002:

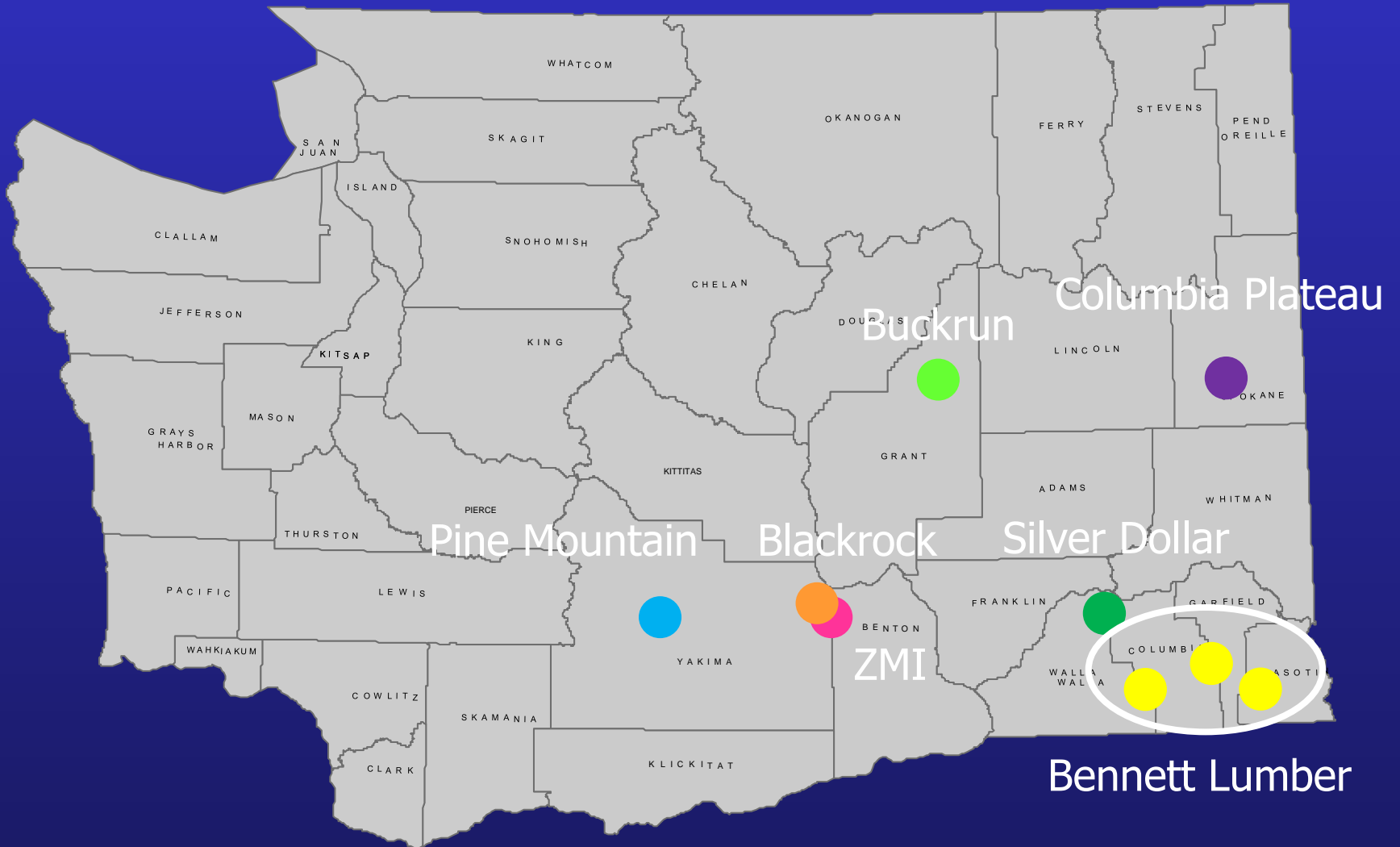
- LHP Permits authorized only by the Commission
- Customized Seasons
- Permit Allocation:
  - 50% of antlerless
  - 25% of bull or buck
  - Exceptions only by Commission
- Equal opportunity for all hunters with permits
- Owners charging access fees waive damage claims

# LHP Background

## Commission Policy C-6002:

- Landowners shall make provisions for significant public benefit.
- General hunting season opportunity is encouraged.
- Landowner incentives may include the following:
  - Customized hunting seasons
  - Second tag opportunity
  - Technical services to the landowner

# LHP Participation



# Public Comment

## Forty-two comments received from the public:

- 60% support the proposed changes.
- 40% have concerns about the program only benefitting a select group of hunters and landowners selling permits.

# Proposed Changes

## Minor date and hunt name adjustments:

- Recommended adjustments:
  - Pine Mountain Ranch date changes
  - ZMI date changes and hunt name changes



# Pine Mountain Ranch

LHP:

Pine Mtn Ranch Nov. ~~(7)~~6-Dec. 31 any buck

Pine Mtn Ranch Aug. 1 – Nov. ~~(6)~~5 antlerless  
(elk)

Special Permits:

Pine Mtn Ranch Nov. ~~(7)~~6-Dec. 31 any buck

Pine Mtn Ranch Aug. 1 – Nov. ~~(6)~~5 antlerless  
(elk)

# ZMI Ranch

LHP:

ZMI A Oct. ~~((26-30))~~ 25-29 3 pt. min.

Special Permits:

ZMI ~~((A))~~-C Nov. ~~((2-6))~~ 1-5 3 pt. min.

ZMI ~~((B))~~-D Dec. ~~((3-11))~~ 2-10 Antlerless



# Direction and Rationale

- Implement Fish and Wildlife Commission policy C-6002.
- Continue to work with landowners to gain hunting access on private lands.
- Continue to provide private land access that hunters otherwise wouldn't enjoy.

# Questions



# **Small Game and Other Wildlife Seasons and Regulations**

WAC 232-28-342

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# Background

- In 1997 the South L.T. Murray Wildlife Area name was changed to Wenas Wildlife Area.
- This name change occurred due to different funding sources:
  - L.T. Murray Wildlife Area is funded by wildlife state money.
  - South L.T. Murry Wildlife Area (Wenas) is funded by BPA money.

# Public Comment

**Fourteen comments received from the public:**

- 86% support proposed change, no comments submitted.
- None opposed the proposed change, no comments submitted.
- 14% were neutral about the proposed change.

# Proposed change

Change the Wildlife Area name South L.T. Murray to Wenas.

# Direction and Rationale

The name change is to be consistent with WDFW publications including signs, website pages, pamphlets, and brochures.

# Questions

