



Oregon Fish and Wildlife Commission Agenda

Tour:
April 16, 2009 – 8:00 am
Depart Salbasseon Suites
1730 N.W. 9th Street
Corvallis, OR 97330

Meeting:
April 17, 2009 - 8:00 am
Salbasseon Suites and Conference
Center - *McKenzie Center*
1730 N.W. 9th Street
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DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Field Reports

Staff: Craig Ely, Chip Dale, Chris Wheaton, Russ Stauff, Caren Braby, Walt Markee, Roger Fuhrman, Holly Michael

Annual Reports for the North Umpqua Fish Passage

Staff: Russ Stauff, Acting Southwest Region Manager

Expenditure Report

Staff: Tom Ruddiman, Deputy Director for Administration

American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) – Oregon Economic Recovery Efforts

Staff: Steven Marx, South Willamette Watershed District Manager

Adopt Temporary Rules

Staff: Roy Elicker, Director

PUBLIC FORUM

Note: This part of the agenda is for comments on topics not scheduled elsewhere on the agenda. Please contact the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife Office of the Director at least 24 hours prior to the meeting to be included in the public forum. If you bring written summaries or other materials to the meeting please provide the Commission Assistant with 20 copies prior to your testimony. The Commission is unable to take action on items brought to their attention in this forum.

Exhibit A: COMMISSION MINUTES

Approve March 20, 2009 Commission meeting minutes

Action: Approval

Exhibit B: WILDLIFE AREA PLAN ADOPTION: LOWER DESCHUTES, RIVERSIDE, AND BRIDGE CREEK WILDLIFE AREAS

The Commission will be asked to review and adopt the goals and objectives of the Wildlife Area Plans.

Staff: Nancy Breuner, Habitat Biologist

Public Testimony

Action: Approval

Exhibit C: ADOPT ANNUAL REGULATIONS FOR SARDINE FISHERY AND CONSIDER CHANGES TO STATE PERMITTING REQUIREMENTS AND FISHERY PRACTICES

The Commission will be asked to review and adopt the rules for the 2009 Commercial Sardine Fishery concurrent with federal regulations; consider waivers for permit renewals; and rule changes for permit renewals, permit transfers, and vessel tendering.

Staff: Gway Kirchner, Marine Fisheries Section Manager

Public Testimony

Action: Rulemaking

Exhibit D: 2009 REGULATIONS FOR GROUND FISH, HALIBUT, AND OCEAN STURGEON FISHERIES; REVIEW OF THE 2008 NEARSHORE LOGBOOK REPORT

The Commission will be asked to review and adopt the 2009 regulations for Groundfish, Halibut, and Ocean Sturgeon Fisheries, and review the annual 2008 Commercial Nearshore Logbook Report.

Staff: Gway Kirchner, Marine Fisheries Section Manager

Public Testimony

Action: Rulemaking

FUTURE PROPOSED COMMISSION MEETINGS & TOPICS

May 15, 2009 – ODFW HQ, Salem

- Diamond Lake Management Plan Briefing
- Restoration and Enhancement Project Approvals
- 2009 Regulations for Ocean Salmon Season
- Reconsider Rule to Authorize Ceremonial Wildlife Harvest Permits for use by the Tribes of the Grand Ronde Indian Reservation
- Wildlife Area Plan Adoption: Fern Ridge

June 5, 2009 – ODFW HQ, Salem

- 2010 Big Game Regulations
- Big Game Raffle/Auction Tags
- Access and Habitat Projects
- Wildlife Area Planning Update: Sauvie Island Wildlife Area Plan
- Cervid Disease Surveillance List
- 2009 Coastal Fall Chinook and Coho Regulations for Terminal Fisheries
- Fish Screen Task Force Member Appointment

July 17, 2009 – Baker City

- 2010 Commission Schedule
- Restoration and Enhancement Project Approvals

August 7, 2009 – ODFW HQ, Salem

- 2009-2010 Oregon Game Bird Regulations
- Diamond Lake Management Plan Approval

September 4, 2009 – Grants Pass

- Access and Habitat Projects

October 2, 2009 – ODFW HQ, Salem

- 2010 Big Game Regulations
- Restoration and Enhancement Project Approvals

November 13, 2009 – Portland Airport

December 11, 2009 – ODFW HQ, Salem

- Access and Habitat Projects
- Wildlife Area Plan Adoption; Sauvie Island Wildlife Area

PLEASE NOTE

AGENDA

The Commission meeting will begin at 8:00 AM, and proceed chronologically through the agenda. If you wish to receive written materials prepared for any of the agenda items, please contact the Director's Office in Salem at 503.947.6044 to request a packet for those items, which interest you or see the agency's website at <http://www.dfw.state.or.us/agency/commission/minutes/>.

A recess will be taken at 12:00 Noon, when the Commission will have lunch and may discuss matters of general interest. The public is welcome to attend, and an announcement will be made of the location of the lunch.

PUBLIC TESTIMONY

If you wish to give testimony on any item scheduled on this agenda, please sign up on the sheets provided the day of the meeting. You will be called to testify by the Commission Chair. The Commission places great value on information received from the public, and wants to avoid arbitrary limits on the time or attention allocated to each witness. Therefore, persons desiring to testify or otherwise present information to the Commission are encouraged to:

- (1) Provide written summaries of information to the Commission twenty (20 sets);
- (2) Limit testimony to five (5) minutes, recognizing that substance, not length, determines the value of testimony or written information;
- (3) Endorse rather than repeat testimony of other witnesses; and
- (4) Groups or organizations wishing to testify should designate one spokesperson whenever possible.

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Thank you for taking the time to present your views.

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