



Oregon Fish and Wildlife Commission Agenda

Meeting:
August 6, 2010 - 8:00 am
Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife
Commission Room
3406 Cherry Avenue NE
Salem, Oregon 97303

Friday, August 6, 2010

Exhibit B: GOOSE TASK FORCE RECOMMENDATIONS

The Commission will be briefed and asked to approve the final recommendations drafted by the Oregon Goose Control Task Force.

Ron Anglin, Wildlife Division Administrator

Public Testimony

Approval

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Field Reports

Craig Ely, Chip Dale, Larry Cooper, Chris Wheaton, Roger Fuhrman, Caren Braby, Captain Jeff Samuels, Andrea Hansen

Wolf Update

Craig Ely, Northeast Region Manager

Expenditure Report

Debbie Colbert, Deputy Director for Administration

Adopt Temporary Rules

Roy Elicker, Director

1. 635-041-0076

Columbia River Treaty Tribes Summer Salmon Gillnet Fisheries Above Bonneville Dam Extended

Adopted July 19, 2010; effective July 20, 2010 through July 31, 2010.

This amended rule extends the allowed sales of fish caught in the Columbia River summer Treaty Indian gillnet fisheries above Bonneville Dam. One additional 60-hour (2.5 days) fishing period was authorized for the commercial gillnet season in all of Zone 6. This period is from 6:00 a.m. Tuesday, July 20 through 6:00 p.m. Thursday, July 22, 2010. Revisions are consistent with action taken by the Columbia River Compact agencies of Oregon and Washington, in cooperation with the Columbia River Treaty Tribes on July 19, 2010.

2. 635-004-0017

Second Allocation Period of the Directed Commercial Sardine Fishery Closes July 22, 2010

Adopted July 20, 2010; effective July 22, 2010 through September 14, 2010.

This amended rule closes the second allocation period of the directed commercial sardine fishery, effective July 22 through September 14, 2010. This modification conforms to federal

rule changes announced July 20, 2010 to be published in the Federal Register on July 22, 2010.

3. 635-019-0090

Sport Chinook Fisheries Close On the Imnaha and Wallowa Rivers

Adopted July 20, 2010; effective July 25, 2010 through September 1, 2010.

This amended rule closes the recreational Chinook fisheries in the Imnaha and Wallowa rivers effective 11:59 p.m. Sunday, July 25, 2010. The original ending date for this fishery was Sunday, July 11, 2010. The fishery was extended to give sport anglers an opportunity to harvest returning adipose fin-clipped adult and jack Chinook salmon which were in excess of the Department's hatchery production needs.

4. 635-018-0090

Hood River Chinook Salmon and Steelhead Sport Fishery Opens August 1

Adopted July 20, 2010; effective August 1, 2010 through December 31, 2010.

Amended rule opens the Hood River to angling for salmon and steelhead effective August 1 and establishes a new angling deadline as a result of the removal of Powerdale Dam.

5. 635-039-0090

In-season Modifications to Ocean Sport Rockfish and Other Marine Species Seasons

Adopted July 21, 2010; effective July 23, 2010 through December 31, 2010.

Amended rule prohibits fishing in the Pacific ocean outside the 20-fathom curve to fishing for: lingcod, flatfish, and rockfish; cabezon; skates and other marine species listed under "Marine Fish:" on page 5 of the **2010 Oregon Sport Ocean Regulations for Salmon, Halibut and Other Marine Fish Species**; and on pages 100-101 of the **2010 Oregon Sport Fishing Regulations**, effective July 24, 2010. Modifications also close the sport ocean boat and estuary boat fisheries to retention of cabezon due to attainment of the 2010 statewide landing cap of 15.8 metric tons previously adopted by the Oregon Fish and Wildlife Commission.

6. 635-041-0076

Additional Gillnet Fishing Period Above Bonneville Dam For Columbia River Treaty Tribes

Adopted July 23, 2010; effective July 26, 2010 through July 31, 2010.

This amended rule authorizes an extension for allowed sales of fish caught in the Columbia River summer Treaty Indian gillnet fisheries above and Bonneville Dam. One additional 60-hour (2.5 days) fishing period was authorized for the commercial gillnet season in all of Zone 6. This period is from 6:00 a.m. Tuesday, July 27 through 6:00 p.m. Thursday, July 29, 2010. Revisions are consistent with action taken by the Columbia River Compact agencies of Oregon and Washington, in cooperation with the Columbia River Treaty Tribes on July 23, 2010.

7. 635-023-0134

Recreational Spring Chinook Fishery Closes In the Snake River Below Hells Canyon Dam

Adopted July 23, 2010; effective July 31, 2010 through August 4, 2010.

Amended rule closes the recreational spring Chinook salmon fishery on the Snake River in the area from the Dug Bar Boat Ramp upstream to the deadline below Hells Canyon Dam effective at 11:59 p.m. on August 4, 2010 to coincide with the state of Idaho's closure of this fishery.

8. 635-004-0019

In-season Actions Implemented by the Federal Government for Commercial Groundfish Fisheries

Adopted July 28, 2010; effective July 30, 2010 through November 30, 2010.

The amended rule adopts in-season actions implemented by the federal government for Pacific ocean commercial groundfish fisheries, including changes to cumulative trip limits.

9. 635-073-0090

Controlled Antlerless Deer and Elk Youth Hunting Regulations

Adopted July 29, 2010. Effective dates Aug. 1, 2010 through Aug 27, 2010.

This rule will expand the hunt area for the Flat Creek Youth Elk Hunt 246T2 to include approximately 25 square miles of the Malheur National Forest. This expansion will allow hunters possessing tags for hunt 246T2 to also camp and hunt on an adjacent portion of the Malheur National Forest. Because of un-anticipated road construction on the Phillip W. Schneider Wildlife Area (the only public land within the original hunt boundary) this amendment is necessary to allow the youth hunters possessing Flat Creek Youth Hunt tags an opportunity to hunt and camp on public lands on weekdays when the road accessing the Wildlife Area is closed.

10. 635-041-0075

Treaty Indian Fall Fisheries for Columbia River Above Bonneville Dam Implemented

Adopted July 29, 2010; effective August 1, 2010 through October 31, 2010.

Amended rule allows the commercial sales, in Oregon, of fish caught during the Treaty Indian Fall salmon platform and hook-and-line fishery in the Columbia River, both above and below Bonneville Dam. The fall platform and hook-and-line Chinook and steelhead fishery begins at 12:01 a.m. Sunday, August 1, 2010 and runs through Sunday, October 31, 2010.

Implementation is consistent with action taken July 29, 2010 by the State of Oregon in cooperation with the Columbia River Treaty Tribes.

11. 635-042-0031

Fall Commercial Drift Gill Net Seasons Set for Columbia River Mainstem

Adopted July 29, 2010; effective August 3, 2010 through August 31, 2010.

Amended rule sets the 2010 fall commercial salmon drift gill net seasons for the Columbia River mainstem in zones 1 thru 5. A new modification to the rule this year, requested by Oregon State Police, Fish and Wildlife Division, requires that lighted buoys be placed on both ends of the fishing net, unless one end of the net is attached to the fishing boat, in which case a lighted buoy placed on the end of the net opposite from the boat is required. Modifications are consistent with action taken July 29, 2010 by the Columbia River Compact agencies of Oregon and Washington.

12. 635-042-0145, 635-042-0160, 635-042-0170 and 635-042-0180

2010 Fall Commercial Seasons Set for Columbia River Select Area Fisheries

Adopted July 29, 2010; effective August 4, 2010 through October 31, 2010.

Amended rules set the 2010 fall commercial salmon seasons for the Columbia River Select Areas. Fall Select Area fisheries implemented include: Youngs Bay; Blind and Knappa sloughs; Tongue Point/South Channel and Deep River. Modifications are consistent with action taken by the Columbia River Compact agencies of Oregon and Washington.

13. 635-004-0033

Periods 4-6 Cumulative Trip Limits Increased for Black and Blue Rockfish Combined and Greenling Species

Adopted July 30, 2010; effective August 1, 2010 through December 31, 2010.

This amended rule increases the cumulative trip limits for black rockfish and blue rockfish combined by 200 pounds and for greenling species by 50 pounds in periods 4-6.

Pride Award Recognitions (to begin at 11:00 a.m.)

Roy Elicker, Director

Curt Melcher, Deputy Director

Debbie Colbert, Deputy 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.

Gary Willis
Oregon City, OR

Crossbow Hunting

Exhibit A: COMMISSION MINUTES

Approve March 11 and 12; and June 3, 2010 Commission meeting minutes.

Exhibit C: 2010-2011 OREGON GAME BIRD REGULATIONS

The Commission will be asked to review and approve the proposed 2010-2011 Oregon Game Bird Regulations.

Dave Budeau, Upland Game Bird Program Coordinator

Brad Bales, Migratory Bird Program Coordinator

Public Testimony

Rulemaking

Exhibit D: AMEND RULES RELATED TO WILDLIFE TAXONOMY AND WILDLIFE INTEGRITY RULES – Deferred to December 3, 2010 meeting.

Exhibit E: 2011 OREGON SPORT FISHING REGULATIONS

The Commission will be asked to review and approve the proposed 2011 Oregon Sport Fishing Regulations for finfish, shellfish and marine invertebrates.

Rhine Messmer, Recreational Fisheries Program

Public Testimony

Rulemaking

Exhibit F: OREGON'S LOWER COLUMBIA CONSERVATION AND RECOVERY PLAN APPROVAL

The Commission will be asked to review and approve the Lower Columbia River Conservation and Recovery Plan for Oregon and associated rules.

Kevin Goodson, Conservation Plan Coordinator

Public Testimony

Rulemaking

Exhibit G: RESTORATION AND ENHANCEMENT PROGRAM PROJECT APPROVALS

The Commission will be asked to review and approve the Restoration and Enhancement (R&E) Board's May 21, 2010 recommendations for project funding.

Laura Tesler, R&E Program Coordinator

Public Testimony

Approval

Exhibit H: SURPLUS EGGS AND FISH IN ODFW HATCHERY PROGRAMS – Deferred to September 2, 2010 meeting.

Exhibit I: PUBLIC ACCESS TO DEPARTMENT FISH HATCHERIES

The Commission will be asked to review and approve restrictions for public access to Department hatcheries.

John Thorpe, Assistant Fish Propagation Program Manager

Public Testimony

Rulemaking

Exhibit J: COMMERCIAL DUNGENESS CRAB GEAR REQUIREMENTS

The Commission will be asked to review and approve a proposed administrative rule regarding modifications which will clarify the intent of the gear requirements rule, to aid in interpretation by industry and enforcement.

Caren Braby, Marine Resources Program Manager

Public Testimony

Rulemaking

ADJOURN

FUTURE PROPOSED COMMISSION MEETINGS & TOPICS

September 2, 2010 (Thursday) – Hillsboro (Congressional Dist. 1)

- Shikar Safari International Award
- Salmon and Trout Enhancement Program Annual Report
- Clackamas River Bull Trout
- Bass Tournament Rules
- Restoration and Enhancement Projects
- Access and Habitat Projects
- Agency Representation by an Officer or Employee for Contested Case Hearings
- Sauvie Island Wildlife Area Plan
- Oregon Wolf Management Plan Update
- Furbearer Regulations Housekeeping

October 1, 2010 – Bend (Congressional Dist. 2)

- 2011 Big Game Regulations
- Hunter Orange
- Greater Sage-Grouse Conservation Assessment and Strategy for Oregon Informational Briefing
- Oregon Wolf Plan Update
- Surplus Eggs and Fish in ODFW Hatchery Programs

November – No meeting scheduled

December 3, 2010 – Portland Area (Congressional Dist. 3)

- Access and Habitat Projects
- Dog Training Rules
- Amend Rules related to Wildlife Taxonomy and Wildlife Integrity Rules
- Greater Sage-Grouse Conservation Assessment and Strategy for Oregon

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.

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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