



Fish Restoration & Enhancement Program Board Meeting Minutes

Date: September 23, 2020

Location: Teleconference – Zoom Meeting
Hosted by Josh Metzler, Program Coordinator
Center for Public Service
Mark O. Hatfield School of Government
College of Urban and Public Affairs
Portland State University

Current Fish Restoration & Enhancement Program (R&E) Board Members

Board Member	Board Member
Dave Grosjacques – Representing Recreational Fisheries	Ray Monroe – Representing Commercial Troll Fisheries
Rich Heap – Representing Recreational Fisheries	Kay Brown – Representing the Public
Cary Johnson – Representing Gillnet Fisheries	Susan Chambers - Representing Fish Processing Industry
Yancy Lind – Representing Recreational Fisheries	

Call to Order & Introductions

Chair Rich Heap called the Fish Restoration and Enhancement (R&E) Program Board meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. Today’s meeting is being hosted by Josh Metzler, Program Coordinator with the Center for Public Service at Portland State University. An overview was given to members on using Zoom.

Meeting Agenda Approval

Revised agenda distributed. Typo noticed on Project Requests/Modifications.

Meeting Minute Approval

The Board reviewed the May 8, 2020 meeting minutes.

Motion: Y. Lind motioned to approve the May 8, 2020 meeting minutes. The motion was seconded by K. Brown and approved by the Board 7-0.

Program Budget & Administrative Updates

Kevin Herkamp provided a budget update to the Board (handout). License sales have increased but budgets are still slim. This is the last meeting of the biennium with a total of \$38,000 in requests.

Mike Gauvin provided an update on the Hatchery Bundle (Willamette Falls) project and impacts from the fires. (Handout). Scott Patterson is requesting a modification of the budget to assist with the impacts from the fires. After some discussion, the Board agreed to revisit this request later.

Project Review & Recommendations

The Board reviewed the following project requests.

Emergency Requests

Pelton Ladder Spring Chinook Monitoring

The applicant is requesting emergency funds in the amount of \$9,690 to purchase equipment and install PIT tag detection infrastructure at the outlet of the Pelton Ladder juvenile holding cells.

The Board asked why this is an emergency. KH replied it was due to timelines.

Motion: Y. Lind motioned to deny the emergency request. The motion was seconded by D. Grosjacques and denied by the Board 7-0.

Ironhead Property Line Survey

The applicant is requesting emergency funds in the amount of \$3,000 to pay for a property line survey so a fence can be built.

Motion: S. Barnes motioned to approve the emergency request for \$3,000. The motion was seconded and approved by the Board 5-2 (N=Brown, Lind)

Project Amendment

19-016 Port of Bandon ADA Fishing Pier

The applicant is requesting an increase of \$50,000 due to funding shortfalls due to the pandemic.

Motion: K. Brown motioned to postpone action on the project until the applicant receives more information on funding shortfalls. The motion was seconded by R. Monroe and approved by the Board 6-1 (N=Lind).

Project Proposals & Recommendations

The Board reviewed the following projects.

19-025 Distribution of the Parasite C. Shasta in the LCR

Motion: D. Grosjacques motioned to recommend R&E Project 19-025 for funding in the amount of \$8,494 as a sport/restoration project. The motion was seconded by K. Brown and approved by the Board 7-0.

19-026 Wyeth River Access Enhancement

Motion: Y. Lind motioned to deny funding R&E Project 19-026. The motion was seconded by D. Grosjacques and denied by the Board 7-0.

Public Comment

None

Climate Change Presentation

Davia Palmeri, Conservation Strategy Coordinator provided an overview of the Climate and Ocean Change Policy. The purpose of this policy is to ensure that the Department prepares for and responds appropriately to the impacts of a changing climate and ocean on fish, wildlife, their habitats, and their use and enjoyment by current and future Oregonians.

Rich Heap provided an overview of PFMC's 20-year vision.

Board Business

- Kevin Herkamp provided a Board recruitment update
- Chair & Vice Chair Elections – it was agreed that the Chair would continue through this biennium.
- Kevin Herkamp & Bryce Hansen provided an update to the work at EE Wilson. The Board shared several concerns on the recent delays and errors at EE Wilson and if it has improved use of the facility. Bryce was able to come in and get the project on track again. (handout)
- Bryce Hansen, Project Manager presented a 2021-2023 Conceptual Fishing Facility Projects overview (handout). These would be next biennium.
- 2021-2023 Hatchery Bundle – no updates

- Field Tours – No meeting. Some members would like to fish. Would members be willing to camp if lodging were an issue? Maybe visit the proposed projects in John Day.
- D. Grosjacques requests that meeting materials be distributed ahead of time and he would prefer hard copies. C. Johnson also prefers hard copies.

Board Reports

Board members reported on various projects in their area.

Meeting Adjourned

Meeting adjourned at 12:00 p.m.