

**Idaho Fish and Game Commission  
Special Meeting - February 1, 2024  
Idaho Department of Fish and Game  
Legislative Conference Call  
Boise, Idaho**

A meeting of the Idaho Fish and Game Commission was held by telephone conference, attended by Commissioners Don Ebert, Tim Murphy, Greg Cameron, Jordan Cheirrett, Brody Harshbarger, and Ron Davies.

IDFG staff present: Director Jim Fredericks, Deputy Director Amber Worthington, Deputy Director Jon Rachael, Ellary Tucker Williams, Owen Moroney, Deputy Attorney General, Shane Roberts, and Tricia Hebdon. IDFG staff participating via phone: Carson Watkins, JJ Teare, Josh Royce, Craig White, Dan Garren, Matt Pieron, Ryan Hilton, Kenzie Baratti, and Terry Thompson.

Members of the public in attendance: Michael Gibson, Garrett Visser, and Kyle Mackie.

Chairman Ebert called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. MST.

### **LEGISLATION**

Amber Worthington, Deputy Director provided the updates on legislation.

#### **Update about Commissioner Confirmation**

Commissioner Don Ebert's re-appointment was Wednesday, January 25, 2024, in the Senate Resources & Environment Committee. The vote to confirm the re-appointment of Commissioner Ebert is pending. Commissioner Brody Harshbarger's paperwork has been submitted to the Governor's Office. Deputy Director Amber Worthington will work with the Secretary of the Senate Resources and Environment Committee to schedule the confirmation hearing.

#### **Update on Fish and Game Legislative Presentations (JFAC, Bills, other) and Budget**

The Departments JFAC Budget hearing was presented on Monday, January 29, 2024. The presentation went very well.

Rules will be heard in House Resources and Environment Committee on February 7, 2024.

#### **New Bill Analysis for Discussion/Update on Pending Legislation / Action for Policy Position**

HB 404 is intended to prevent individuals from obtaining the precise location of wildlife through a public records request for purposes of hunting, hunter harassment, or other inappropriate uses. It has passed the House Resources and Environment Committee.

There are two routing slips in the House Resources and Environment Committee scheduled for a print hearing today. One is for Rangland Improvement Act and the other is regarding IDFG muzzleloader seasons. If these two routing slips are printed, Ellary Tucker Williams will prepare new bill analyses and an updated bill tracker for the Commission.

**Other Discussion**

There was no further discussion.

Adjourn



Don Ebert  
Chairman



Jim Fredericks  
Secretary