

**Idaho Fish and Game Commission  
Special Meeting  
February 4, 2009  
Boise, Idaho**

Present in the Director's Office: Director Groen, Deputy Director Moore; Deputy Director Unsworth; Bill Hutchinson, Special Assistant to the Director; Dallas Burkhalter, Deputy Attorney General; Kathleen Trever, Deputy Attorney General; Sharon Kiefer, Assistant Director - Policy; Lance Hebdon, Inter-Governmental Policy Coordinator; Mary Boyer, Executive Assistant; and Bonnie Butler, Governor's Office.

A special meeting of the Idaho Fish and Game Commission was held by telephone conference. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Wayne Wright with Commissioners McDermott, Trevey, Barowsky, Budge, Wheeler and Power participating.

**LEGISLATION**

**Legislative Updates**

Commissioners were provided via email bill analysis sheets and discussion handouts (Appendix 42, Exhibit 12).

**Revised Revenue Proposal Review and Discussion**

Ms. Kiefer presented the revised revenue proposal to the Commission. Ms. Kiefer referenced exhibits showing a cash flow forecast with a 15% revenue increase in FY2010 and no CEC in FY2010 and a revised revenue proposal to increase revenue from the estimated base of \$34 million and increased by 15% which is about \$5.1 million and revised some of the proposed revenue under the new 15% column. She stated that not all fees were adjusted just a selected few.

Ms. Kiefer will work with DFM on the process needed to submit the new legislative proposal.

**09-10 Commissioner Barowsky moved and Commissioner McDermott seconded a motion TO PROCEED WITH THE NEW LEGISLATIVE PROPOSAL AT THE 15% LEVEL ALLOWING SHARON KIEFER TO FOLLOW THE PROCESS TO FACILITATE THE PROPOSAL. The motion carried in a unanimous vote.**

Ms. Kiefer stated that staff is asking for Commission direction to add bonus points to the revised revenue proposal. By adding to the proposal it would authorize the Commission to prescribe rules if the Commission would choose to pursue and would allow the Commission to scope constituents for a future decision on bonus points.

**09-11 Commissioner Budge moved and Commissioner Power seconded a motion TO AUTHORIZE STAFF TO PROCEED WITH THIS PROPOSAL TO ADD BONUS POINTS TO THE REVISED REVENUE PROPOSAL. The motion carried in a unanimous vote.**

**Update About Department Sponsored Bills:**

SB 1008 Disabled veterans hunt program

**Bill Analysis and Discussion**

SB 1015 – Directs IDFG to contact states to solicit interest in getting wolves

**09-12 Commissioner Barowsky moved and Commissioner Power seconded a motion TO MONITOR SB1015. Commissioners Wright, Trevey, Barowsky, Budge, Wheeler and Power voting yes Commissioner McDermott voting nay.**

SB 1020 – Prohibits offenders convicted of unlawful wildlife possession from buying back their seized wildlife.

**09-13 Commissioner Power moved and Commissioner Barowsky seconded a motion TO MONITOR SB1020. The motion carried in a unanimous vote.**

SB 1022 – Increase the penalty to cover meat processing assessed to violators.

**09-14 Commissioner Barowsky moved and Commissioner Budge seconded a motion TO SUPPORT SB1022. The motion carried in a unanimous vote.**

Commissioner Budge left the call at 9:45 a.m.

SB 1035 – Authorizes collection of reasonable fees for services

**09-15 Commissioner Power moved and Commissioner McDermott seconded a MOTION TO MONITOR SB1035. The motion carried in a unanimous vote.**

**Additional Bill Discussion:**

HB 16 – Restrict SuperHunt tag issuance to no more than 10% nonresidents. Analysis for this bill still in progress, will be prepared for the 2/12 conference call.

HB 31 – Increase assessment to landowners for fire protection costs.

HB – 7 Priority designation for electric transmission projects.

**Other Legislative Action**

Confirmation Votes for Commissioner Wright and Power are in the Senate 10<sup>th</sup> order.

Senate Resources and Environment Committee wolf briefing held on February 2<sup>nd</sup>.  
JFAC presentation is February 5<sup>th</sup>.

### **MISCELLANEOUS**

#### **Adjournment**

The Commission meeting adjourned at 9:00 a.m.

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Wayne Wright  
Chairman

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Cal Groen  
Secretary