

**Idaho Fish and Game Commission
Special Meeting
March 12, 2015
Boise, Idaho**

Present in the Director's Office: Virgil Moore, Sharon Kiefer, Mike Keckler, Dallas Burkhalter, Kathleen Trever, Jeff Dillon, Greg Wooten, and Mary Boyer. Doug Megargle, IDFG; and Jack Oyler, representing SFW participated from the Region 4 office.

A special meeting of the Idaho Fish and Game Commission was held by telephone conference. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Fred Trevey with Commissioners Brad Corkill, Blake Fischer, Mark Doerr, Lane Clezie, Kenny Anderson and Will Naillon participating.

Chairman Trevey asked Vice Chairman Mark Doerr to conduct the meeting due to low cell coverage. Acting Chairman Doerr called the meeting to order.

LEGISLATION

Deputy Director Sharon Kiefer presented a legislative update (Appendix 48, Exhibit 20) to the Commission.

Fish and Game Sponsored Bill Analysis for discussion/Action for Policy Position

HB 32 is still being held by the Chairman in the House Resources and Conservation Committee at the request of the Department with no recent updates.

Ms. Kiefer referenced the bill status table (see exhibit 20) for the status on both Department sponsored bills and other bills the Department is tracking.

New Bill Analysis for Discussion/Action for Policy Position

HB 255 (replaces HB 51) that addresses new dredge mining. The Department is reviewing and will be on the agenda for the next scheduled call.

HJM 005 has passed the House Committee and has passed on the House floor. Continue to monitor.

HB 243 (replaces SB 1090) – Amends existing law to clarify provisions relating to the carrying of concealed weapons. The Department will continue to review.

SB 1134 creates the Office of Public Lands in Idaho Department of Lands. The Department will monitor, answer questions and testify regarding SB 1134.

SCR 116 – Rejects importation of animals rule (meningeal worm). Has passed the Senate and sent to the House. The Department will continue to track.

Review Discount “Price Lock” Order

Deputy Director Kiefer reported that the Commission was briefed in January on the Price Lock Order. A draft Commission Order was provided for review to illustrate to the Commission, sportsmen, the public, and the Legislature, how Price Lock could be implemented if a fee increase is legislatively approved.

15-12 Commissioner Naillon moved and Commissioner Corkill seconded a motion to move forward with the Price Lock Order 15-17. All Commissioners voted in favor.

Boulder White Cloud Letter Update

Kathleen Trever, Deputy Attorney General, provided a short update regarding potential effects to Idaho’s ability to manage the states fish and wildlife resources in the Boulder White Cloud areas proposed for designation as federal wilderness. A copy of the letter sent to Senator Risch and Representative Simpson (Appendix 48, Exhibit 21) was provided to the Commission.

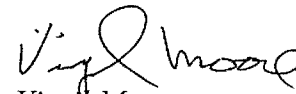
Other Discussion

The Commission OP-Ed regarding Price Lock was sent to media, committee chairs, Governor Otter, stakeholders and sportsmen and women yesterday. Commissioners reported that they are receiving positive responses on the OP-Ed.

Adjournment

The Commission adjourned at 9:15


Fred Trevey
Chairman


Virgil Moore
Secretary