



IDAHO FISH AND GAME GOLDSHEET

July 2025 Commission Meeting

Agenda Item: Kootenai River Fish Research

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Position/Title: Principal Fisheries Research Biologist

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Supervisor Approval: LH

Background:

This agenda item will provide an overview of the IDFG Fisheries Research Projects on the Kootenai River focusing on burbot and Kootenai River White Sturgeon. Program includes significant coordination with the Kootenai Tribe of Idaho.

Statutory Authority and/or Policy Issues:

2025-2030 Fisheries Management Plan Direction

Public Involvement Process:

Public input on the Management Direction for the Kootenai River was part of the 2024 Fisheries Management Plan which was open for 22-day public comment period. Outreach included news releases, emails and social media posts

Justification:

This agenda item is to update the Commission on Kootenai River fisheries research.

Staff Recommendation:

NA. This agenda item is for Commission information.

Suggested Motion:

NA.