

Idaho Fish and Game Commission
Idaho Department of Fish and Game
May 6-7, 2026
Panhandle Regional Office
2885 W. Kathleen Ave.
Coeur d’Alene, Idaho 83815

Note: Times on the agenda are approximate and subject to change. All Times listed Pacific.

May 6

- 9:00 a.m. Commission Field Tour –
Tour of the Farragut Shooting Range, located at 33644 N. Shooters Rd., Athol, ID 83801
Discussion of Forest Management Practices
- 5:30 p.m. Dinner
- 7:00 p.m. Public Meeting

May 7

- 8:00 a.m. 1. Opening Comments
–Chairman Bobbitt
- 8:10 a.m. 2. Agenda Changes (Action)
–Chairman Bobbitt
- 8:15 a.m. 3. Review of Public Comment
–Chairman Bobbitt and Director Fredericks
- 8:30 a.m. 4. Consent Calendar (Action)
a. Meeting Minutes
b. Financial Report
5. Action Items for Commission Approval (Action Requested by Department)
- 8:45 a.m. A. Commission Direction for Animal Damage Control Board Funds (Action)
–Tricia Hebdon, Assistant Chief, Wildlife Bureau
- 9:05 a.m. B. Commission Direction for Wolf Depredation Control Board Funds (Action)
–Tricia Hebdon, Assistant Chief, Wildlife Bureau
- 9:25 a.m. C. FY27 Shooting Range Grants (Action)
–Sarah VanAcker, Statewide Range Manager
- 10:00 a.m. Break

- 10:15 a.m. **D. 2026 – 2027 Migratory Bird Season-Setting (Action)**
–Jeff Knetter, Migratory Bird Program Coordinator
- 10:55 a.m. **E. Helmick Conservation Easement Part II (Action)**
–Casey Pozzanghera, Lands/Mitigation Program Coordinator
- 11:15 a.m. **F. Elk Landowner Permission Hunt Season Adjustment Unit 14 (Action)**
–Rick Ward, State Wildlife Manager
- 11:35 p.m. 6. FY28 Budget Forecast
–Jon Oswald, Chief, Administration Bureau
- 11:50 a.m. 7. IFWF Update
–Hilarie Engle, Executive Director, Idaho Fish & Wildlife Foundation (IFWF)
- 12:00 p.m. Lunch
- 1:00 a.m. 8. Improving Wildlife Management Planning
–Shane Roberts, Wildlife Bureau Chief
- 1:30 p.m. 9. White-nose Syndrome Update
–Rita Dixon, State Wildlife Action Plan Coordinator
- 2:00 p.m. 10. Fish and Game Conservation Officer Discretion and Decision Making
–Jacob Berl, Senior Conservation Officer
- 2:30 p.m. 11. Lake Pend Oreille Rainbow Trout Management and Angler Science Program
–Jeff Strait, Fishery Research Biologist
- 2:45 p.m. 12. History and Conservation Impact of the Clark Fork Settlement Agreement in
Northern Idaho
–Rob Ryan, Fishery Mitigation Staff Biologist
–Eric Oldenburg, License Manager, Avista Utilities
- 3:00 p.m. Break
- 3:15 p.m. 13. Election of Commission Chair and Vice Chair (Action)
–Chairman Bobbitt
- 3:25 p.m. 14. Director’s Report
–Director Fredericks
- 3:35 p.m. 15. Commissioner Reports
–Commissioners
- 3:45 p.m. 16. Planning for Next Meeting
–Chairman Bobbitt

17. Executive Session I.C. 74-206 (1) (b) (c) (f) (Action Item—votes for convening/ending session; no final action will occur in executive session.)

4:00 p.m.

18. Litigation Position (Action)

4:30 p.m.

19. Authorizing Chairman Bobbitt to Provide Performance Evaluation Feedback to Governor's Office (Action)

5:00 p.m.

Adjourn

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