

**Idaho Fish and Game Commission  
Conference Call  
June 6, 2018  
Director's Office  
600 S Walnut  
Boise, ID**

Present: Deputy Directors Kiefer and Schriever, James Stoll, Mary Boyer, Scott Reinecker, Alan Kahn, Chris Sullivan, Roger Phillips and Lance Hebdon.

Director Moore and Joe Dupont participated via conference phone.

A special meeting of the Idaho Fish and Game Commission was held by telephone conference. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Derick Attebury with Commissioners Brad Corkill, Dan Blanco, Blake Fischer, Greg Cameron, and Jerry Meyers participating. Commissioner Clezie was absent.

### **MISCELLANEOUS**

#### **Request to Amend the Agenda**

Because this agenda item was proposed less than 24 hours before the meeting began, the Commission had to vote to amend the agenda for a report on the licensing system.

**18-41** Commissioner Corkill moved and Commissioner Clezie seconded a motion to amend the agenda to include an update on performance of the licensing system and controlled hunt application extension.

### **SEASON SETTING**

#### **Season Setting: 2018 Summer Chinook Salmon**

Lance Hebdon, Anadromous Fishery Manager, presented the proposal (Appendix 51, Exhibit 38).

For all proposed fishing areas, staff is forecasting a sufficient number of hatchery salmon returning in 2018 to provide sport fisheries on the non-tribal harvestable share after brood stock targets are considered.

**18-42** Commissioner Meyers moved and Commissioner Corkill seconded a motion to approve the proposed 2018 chinook salmon fishing seasons for South Fork Salmon River, Upper Salmon River and Lochsa River. All Commissioners voted in favor.

#### **Season Modification: 2018 Spring Chinook Salmon**

Lance Hebdon, Anadromous Fishery Manager, presented the proposal (Appendix 51, Exhibit 39).

The Spring Chinook salmon season was opened by the Commission on April 28 in the lower Salmon and Little Salmon rivers. Chinook returns to these areas remain sufficient to provide a harvest fishery but lower than forecasted returns lead staff to propose continued fishing under reduced bag limits and area restrictions to provide for longer fisheries and better manage the smaller harvest share.

**18-43** Commissioner Blanco moved and Commissioner Corkill seconded a motion to approve the proposed 2018 season bag and limit modifications for the lower Salmon and little Salmon rivers. All Commissioners voted in favor.

## **REPORT**

### **Licensing System Update**

Michael Pearson, Chief of Administration, provided the update. The licensing system went down on June 4<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Pearson is working closely with the contractor JMT to address and fix the issues and ensure that there is not a repeat of this failure in the future.

The Director's office has approved extending the controlled hunt application period for Big Game to Midnight, June 7 MDT. The Communications Bureau is preparing a news release to let the public know.

Adjourn



Derick Attebury  
Chairman



Virgil Moore  
Secretary