



Oregon Fish and Wildlife Commission Agenda

Tour:

Thursday June 25, 2026 8:00 AM
Comfort Suites Redmond
2243 South Yew Ave.
Redmond, OR 97756

Meeting:

Friday, June 26, 2026 - 8:00 AM
Redmond Grange #812
707 SW Kalama Ave
Redmond, OR 97756

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DIRECTOR'S REPORT

FIELD REPORTS – in written form only

COMMISSION FINANCIAL REPORT

Ken Loffink, Chief Operating Officer

CLIMATE & OCEAN CHANGE POLICY REPORT

Building Resilient Landscapes: Oregon's Territorial Sea Plan at Work

Andy Lanier, Department of Land Conservation and Development

ADOPT TEMPORARY RULES

Commission Action: Rule Ratification

Debbie Colbert, Director

1.) 635-016-0500

Set Days for the Recreational Spring Salmon Fishery in the Columbia River

Filed 05/18/2026

This rule allows for angling and harvest of kokanee in Lemolo Reservoir and Hemlock Lake. Anglers may retain up to 10 per day and there is no size limit.

2.) 635-041-0045

Authorize Sales in Yakama Nation Treaty Commercial Spring Tributary Fishery

Filed 05/19/2026

This amended rule authorizes the sale of fish caught in the Drano Lake permit fisheries as enacted by the Yakama Nation from May 19 - June 17, 2026.

3.) 635-023-0125

Set Days for the Recreational Spring Salmon Fishery in the Columbia River

Filed 05/20/2026

This amended rule adds open days for the Columbia River recreational spring salmon/steelhead fisheries downstream and upstream of Bonneville Dam. Modifications are consistent with actions taken by the Departments of Fish and Wildlife for the States of Oregon and Washington on May 19, 2026.

4.) 635-041-0045

Authorize Sales in Treaty Commercial Fisheries Downstream of Bonneville Dam

Filed 05/27/2026

These amended rules authorize the sales of fish caught in Treaty Indian commercial platform and hook-and-line fisheries below Bonneville Dam in the Columbia River starting on May 28.

5.) 635-041-0076

Authorize Sales in Treaty Zone 6 and Yakama Nation Tributary Commercial Fisheries

Filed 05/27/2026

This amended rule authorizes the sale of fish caught in the following treaty fisheries: Platform and hook-and-line fishery in Zone 6 (upstream of Bonneville Dam) from May 28 through June 15, and Yakama Nation tributary fisheries from May 28 through June 15. Modifications are consistent with actions taken by the Departments of Fish and Wildlife for the States of Oregon and Washington at a Columbia River Compact hearing on May 27, 2026.

6.) 635-021-0510

Modifications to Thief Valley, Wolf Creek, and Pilcher Creek Reservoirs in the SE Zone

Filed 05/28/2026

Effective June 1, 2026, through September 30, 2026, minimum and maximum size limits, as well as the daily and possession bag limits for rainbow trout and bass are suspended for the SE Zone water bodies known as Thief Valley Reservoir, Wolf Creek Reservoir, and Pilcher Creek Reservoir, which are located in Union County, Oregon. Harvest will be allowed by hand, dip net, or angling. A person with a valid Two-Rod Validation may use any number of rods.

7.) 635-019-0510

Close Angling for and Retention of Spring Chinook in the Umatilla River

Filed 05/28/2026

This amended rule closes recreational spring Chinook salmon retention in the Umatilla River Basin from May 30, 2026 through June 30, 2026. The closure extends from the Hwy 730 bridge near the mouth of the Umatilla River upstream to the Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation (CTUIR) reservation boundary, and from the upper border of the reservation to the Umatilla headwaters, including all tributaries.

8.) 635-017-0090

Allow Temporary Use of Two Rod Validation in the Willamette River

Filed 06/02/2026

This amended rule allows use of the two-rod validation while fishing for all species, except sturgeon, in the Willamette River and tributaries from June 3 through July 31, 2026.

9.) 635-024-0090

Snake River Chinook Closure

Filed 06/03/2026

Closed for Chinook salmon from the Dug Bar Boat Ramp upstream to Hells Canyon Dam.

10.) 635-023-0125

Set Days for the Recreational Spring Salmon Fishery in the Columbia River

Filed 06/04/2026

This amended rule adds open days for the Columbia River recreational spring salmon/steelhead fisheries downstream and upstream of Bonneville Dam. Modifications are consistent with actions taken by the Departments of Fish and Wildlife for the States of Oregon and Washington on June 3, 2026.

11.) 635-005-0290, 635-005-0355

Implement Adaptive Management Modifications to the Subtidal Yaquina Bay Commercial Clam Fisheries

Filed 06/04/2026

These amended rules will prohibit harvest of commercial subtidal clams Yaquina Bay.

12.) 635-039-0085

Pacific Halibut All-Depth Fishing Days Added to the Columbia River Subarea

Filed 06/05/2026

The proposed rule amendment provides additional Pacific halibut fishing opportunities during the month of June for the Columbia River subarea as quota attainment is low through the month of May.

13.) 635-021-0500

Upper Klamath Lake Area Angling Regulations

Filed 06/10/2026

The angling regulations for Crystal Creek, Fourmile Creek, Fourmile Canal, Harriman Creek, Klamath Lake, Odessa Creek, Recreation Creek, Short Creek, and Thomason Creek are being modified to remove harvest for rainbow trout and the use of bait for all species from June 15 – October 31. Catch-and-release for rainbow trout and flies and artificial lures will be allowed during this time.

14.) 635-023-0128

Set Columbia River Recreational Salmon/Steelhead Summer Season Regulations and Enact Thermal Angling Sanctuaries

Filed 06/12/2026

This amended rule sets the Columbia River recreational salmon and steelhead fisheries from June 16 through July 31 (summer season). This amended rule closes angling in portions of the mainstem Columbia River adjacent to the mouths of Eagle Creek and the Deschutes River, and that portion of Herman Creek and Lagoon within the Columbia River Zone beginning July 15. This amended rule closes angling in the lower portion of Tanner Creek and in a portion of the mainstem Columbia River adjacent to the mouth of Tanner Creek through July 15.

15.) 635-041-0076

Authorize Sales in Treaty Zone 6 and Yakama Nation Tributary Summer-Season Commercial Fisheries

Filed 06/15/2026

This amended rule authorizes the sale of fish caught in the following treaty fisheries: Gillnet fishery in Zone 6 (upstream of Bonneville Dam) from June 16 through June 19; Gillnet fishery in Zone 6 (upstream of Bonneville Dam) from June 22 through June 24; and. Gillnet fishery in Zone 6 (upstream of Bonneville

Dam) from June 29 through July 1. Platform and hook-and-line fishery in Zone 6 (upstream of Bonneville Dam) from June 16 through July 31, and Yakama Nation tributary fisheries from June 16 through July 31. Modifications are consistent with actions taken by the Departments of Fish and Wildlife for the States of Oregon and Washington at a Columbia River Compact hearing on June 10, 2026.

16.) 635-041-0045

Authorize Sales in Treaty Commercial Fisheries Downstream of Bonneville Dam
Filed 06/15/2026

This amended rule authorizes the sale of fish caught in Treaty Indian commercial platform and hook-and-line fisheries downstream of Bonneville Dam in the Columbia River starting on June 16. Modifications are consistent with actions taken by the Departments of Fish and Wildlife for the States of Oregon and Washington at a Columbia River Compact hearing on June 10, 2026.

17.) 635-019-0500

Enact Steelhead Fishery Regulations
Filed 06/15/2026

This amended rule reduces the daily bag limit for hatchery steelhead to one from June 16 through August 31 in the lower portion of the John Day River.

18.) 635-018-0500

Enact Steelhead Fishery Regulations
Filed 06/15/2026

This amended rule reduces the daily bag limit for hatchery steelhead to one from June 16 through July 14 in the lower portion of Eagle Creek and the lower portion of the Deschutes River. It also closes these locations to angling from July 15 through September 15.

19.) 635-004-0585

2026 Commercial Pacific Halibut Fisheries Federal References Corrections
Filed 06/18/2026

The proposed rule amendment regulates the 2026 commercial Pacific halibut fishery by establishing fishery allocation, fishery periods, and fishery period limits for Oregon state-water fisheries, ensuring and promoting consistency with federally adopted regulations, and incorporating housekeeping and technical updates. This amendment incorporates federal regulations that were not available at the time of the original filing and corrects a clerical error on a federal reference.

20.) 635-023-0128

Modify Columbia River Recreational Salmon/Steelhead Summer Season Regulations
Filed 06/18/2026

This amended rule modifies the start date for sockeye retention in the Columbia River summer season recreational salmon/steelhead fisheries.

COMMISSION UPDATES

No Commission Action: Informational Only

OTHER BUSINESS

PUBLIC FORUM

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*Introduction and update on Mule Deer Foundation & Blacktail Deer Foundation of Oregon
Candy Yow, Mule Deer & Blacktail Deer Foundation*

*Columbia River Summer Steelhead
David Moskowitz, Wild Fish and Wild River Advocates*

EXHIBIT A: MEETING MINUTES

The Commission will be asked to approve draft Commission meeting minutes from April 24 and May 15, 2026.

Commission Action: Approval of Minutes

EXHIBIT B: 2027-29 AGENCY REQUESTED BUDGET (ARB)

The Commission will be asked to approve the 2027-29 Agency Request Budget.

Commission Action: Approval

Ken Loffink, Chief Operating Officer
Bernadette Graham Hudson, Wildlife Division Administrator
Mike Harrington, Fish Division Administrator
Sarah Reif, Habitat Division Administrator

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Public Testimony: 48-hour Advance **REGISTRATION** required for virtual participation.

EXHIBIT C: OREGON FURBEARER TRAPPING AND HUNTING REGULATIONS

The commission will be asked to adopt rules for furbearer trapping and hunting for 2027/28.

Commission Action: Rulemaking

Derek Broman, Game Program Manager
Sam Fino, Carnivore and Furbearer Coordinator

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Public Testimony: 48-hour Advance **REGISTRATION** required for virtual participation.

EXHIBIT D: 2026 OREGON COASTAL FALL SALMON SEASONS

The Commission will be asked to adopt rules for coastal fall Chinook and Coho harvest in 2026.

Commission Action: Rulemaking

Cassie Leeman - Salmon Fishery Analyst
Chris Lorion, Native Fish Conservation Coordinator

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Public Testimony: 48-hour Advance **REGISTRATION** required for virtual participation.

EXHIBIT E: COMMERCIAL COASTAL PELAGIC SPECIES FISHERIES RULE AMENDMENTS

The Commission will be asked to adopt rules for Sardine harvest in 2026/27.

Commission Action: Rulemaking

Lynn Mattes - Marine Fisheries Management Section Leader

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Public Testimony: 48-hour Advance **REGISTRATION** required for virtual participation.

EXHIBIT F: OREGON CONSERVATION & RECREATION FUND PROJECT APPROVAL

The Commission will be asked to approve funding for recommended projects.

Commission Action: Approval

Reva Gillman, ORCF Program Coordinator
Sarah Reif, Habitat Division Administrator

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Public Testimony: 48-hour Advance **REGISTRATION** required for virtual participation.

EXHIBIT G: RESTORATION & ENHANCEMENT FUNDING APPROVAL

The Commission will be asked to approve funding for Board recommended projects.

Commission Action: Approval

Marty Olson, R&E/STEP Coordinator

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Public Testimony: 48-hour Advance **REGISTRATION** required for virtual participation.

EXHIBIT H: ACCESS & HABITAT PROJECT FUNDING & CHAIR APPOINTMENT

The Commission will be asked to approve funding for Board recommended projects and appoint a board chair.

Commission Action: Approval & Appointment

Travis Schultz, Access & Habitat Program Coordinator

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Public Testimony: 48-hour Advance **REGISTRATION** required for virtual participation.

EXHIBIT I: 2027 AUCTION RAFFLE TAG ALLOCATIONS

The Commission will be asked to approve allocation of auction and raffle tags for 2027.

Commission Action: Approval

Travis Schultz, Access & Habitat Program Coordinator

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EXECUTIVE SESSION

An Executive Session will be held pursuant to ORS 192.660(2)(f) to consider information or records that are exempt by law from public inspection, as well as to consult with legal counsel concerning legal rights and duties of a public body with regard to current litigation or litigation likely to be filed as authorized by ORS 192.660(2)(h). The executive session is closed to the public. Members of the press should contact ODFW's Director's Office for instructions on how to join the session.

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<u>Date</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Rulemaking Webpage</u>
July 17, 2026	No meeting scheduled	
August 14, 2026	Salem	Rulemaking
September 18, 2026	La Grande	Rulemaking
October 16, 2026	Virtual	Rulemaking
November 13, 2026	No meeting scheduled	
December 11, 2026	Salem	Rulemaking

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