

Dear Senators VICK, Johnson, Stennett, and  
Representatives GIBBS, Lickley, Rubel:

The Legislative Services Office, Research and Legislation, has received the enclosed rules of the  
Department of Fish and Game:

IDAPA 13.00.00 - Establishing Seasons and Limits for Hunting, Fishing, and Trapping in Idaho -  
Notice of Adoption of Proclamation (Docket No. 13-0000-2100P1).

Pursuant to Section 67-454, Idaho Code, a meeting on the enclosed rules may be called by the  
cochairmen or by two (2) or more members of the subcommittee giving oral or written notice to Research  
and Legislation no later than fourteen (14) days after receipt of the rules' analysis from Legislative  
Services. The final date to call a meeting on the enclosed rules is no later than 02/19/2021. If a meeting is  
called, the subcommittee must hold the meeting within forty-two (42) days of receipt of the rules' analysis  
from Legislative Services. The final date to hold a meeting on the enclosed rules is 03/19/2021.

The germane joint subcommittee may request a statement of economic impact with respect to a  
proposed rule by notifying Research and Legislation. There is no time limit on requesting this statement,  
and it may be requested whether or not a meeting on the proposed rule is called or after a meeting has  
been held.

To notify Research and Legislation, call 334-4854, or send a written request to the address on the  
memorandum attached below.



Eric Milstead  
Director

# Legislative Services Office

## Idaho State Legislature

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### MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Rules Review Subcommittee of the Senate Resources & Environment Committee and the House Resources & Conservation Committee

**FROM:** Deputy Division Manager - Katharine Gerrity

**DATE:** February 03, 2021

**SUBJECT:** Department of Fish and Game

IDAPA 13.00.00 - Establishing Seasons and Limits for Hunting, Fishing, and Trapping in Idaho - Notice of Adoption of Proclamation (Docket No. 13-0000-2100P1)

The Department of Fish and Game submits notice of adoption of proclamation for calendar year 2021 establishing seasons and limits for hunting, fishing, and trapping in Idaho. The proclamations of the commission include Big Game: elk, deer (mule and white-tailed), mountain lion, black bear, pronghorn, gray wolf; Big Game: moose, bighorn sheep, mountain goat (once-in-a-lifetime big game species); Migratory Game Birds; Upland Game, Furbearer, Falconry, Upland (non-migratory) Game Birds: turkey, pheasant, grouse (except sage grouse), quail, partridge; Sage Grouse; Fishing (except for chinook and coho salmon); Chinook Salmon; Coho Salmon; and Peregrine Falcon Capture (for falconry use).

Section 36-105(3), Idaho Code, provides that the Department of Fish and Game shall be excepted from the requirements of rulemaking when adopting, repealing, or amending any proclamations relating to the setting of various seasons and limits, provided it publishes notice of such proposed proclamations in the Idaho Administrative Bulletin and provides notice to Legislative Services for review by the germane joint subcommittees as soon as possible after adoption by the commission.

cc: Department of Fish and Game  
Paul Kline

**\*\*\* PLEASE NOTE \*\*\***

Per the Idaho Constitution, all administrative rules may be reviewed by the Legislature during the next legislative session. The Legislature has 3 options with this rulemaking docket: **1)** Approve the docket in its entirety; **2)** Reject the docket in its entirety; or **3)** Reject the docket in part.

**IDAPA 13 – IDAHO FISH AND GAME COMMISSION**  
**ESTABLISHING SEASONS AND LIMITS FOR HUNTING, FISHING, AND TRAPPING IN IDAHO**  
**DOCKET NO. 13-0000-2100P1**  
**NOTICE OF ADOPTION OF PROCLAMATION FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2021**

**AUTHORITY:** As authorized by Section 36-104, Idaho Code, and in compliance with Sections 36-105(3), Idaho Code, the Commission adopts proclamations establishing seasons and limits for hunting, fishing, and trapping in Idaho.

**AVAILABILITY OF OFFICIAL PROCLAMATIONS:** Hunters, anglers, and trappers are advised to consult the text of the Commission’s official proclamation before hunting, fishing, or trapping. Current versions of Commission proclamations are available on-line at <https://idfg.idaho.gov/rules>, with print versions available at Idaho Department of Fish and Game offices and license vendors.

**DESCRIPTIVE SUMMARY AND PUBLIC MEETING SCHEDULE:**

The Commission meeting schedule and meeting agendas are available on-line at [Commission Meeting Schedule](#), with opportunities for public comment generally scheduled at its January, March, May, July, and November meetings.

Current/scheduled proclamations of the Commission include:

- **Big Game: elk, deer (mule and white-tailed), mountain lion, black bear, pronghorn, gray wolf**
  - The proclamation adopted by the Commission for 2019-2020 seasons includes black bear, mountain lion seasons through July 2021 and gray wolf seasons through June 2021.
  - 2021-2022 season setting is scheduled for Commission action on March 18, 2021 (public hearing March 17, 2021).
- **Big Game: moose, bighorn sheep, mountain goat (once-in-a-lifetime big game species)**
  - On January 28, 2021 (after public hearing on January 27, 2021), the Commission adopted 2021-2022 seasons and limits for moose, bighorn sheep, and mountain goat.
- **Migratory Game Birds**
  - The proclamation adopted by the Commission for 2020-2021 seasons include waterfowl seasons through March 2021. A swan season was adopted separately for the inaugural 2020 season, but will be included along with other waterfowl in 2021 and later year migratory bird proclamations.
  - 2021-2022 season setting is scheduled for Commission action on April 15, 2021 (public hearing March 17, 2021).
- **Upland Game, Furbearer, Falconry, Upland (non-migratory) Game Birds: turkey, pheasant, grouse (except sage grouse), quail, partridge**
  - The proclamation adopted by the Commission for 2020-21 includes upland game bird seasons through January 2022, upland game animal and falconry seasons through March 2022, and furbearer seasons through June 2022.
  - 2022-2023 season setting is scheduled for Commission action at its quarterly meeting in January 2022.
- **Sage Grouse**
  - 2021 season setting is scheduled for Commission Action on August 19, 2021 (public hearing July 14, 2021).
- **Fishing (except for chinook and coho salmon)**
  - The proclamation adopted for 2019-2021 seasons (most recently amended November 20, 2020, with changes for spring 2021 steelhead fishing seasons) includes fishing seasons (except for salmon) through December 31, 2021.
  - 2022-2024 season setting is scheduled for Commission action on November 16, 2021 (public hearing November 15, 2021).

- **Chinook Salmon**
  - Spring/summer chinook salmon season setting is scheduled for Commission action on March 18, 2021 (public hearing March 17, 2021) and May 6, 2021 (public hearing May 5, 2021).
  - 2021 fall chinook salmon season setting is scheduled for Commission action on July 15, 2021 (public hearing July 14, 2021).
- **Coho Salmon**
  - Fall coho salmon 2021 season setting is scheduled for Commission action on July 15, 2021 (public hearing July 14, 2021).
- **Peregrine Falcon Capture (for falconry use)**
  - The proclamation adopted for 2019-2021 peregrine falcon capture seasons included seasons through August 31, 2021.
  - 2022-2025 season setting for peregrine capture is scheduled for the quarterly Commission meeting in March 2022.

As provided in Sections 36-104 and 36-105, Idaho Code, the Commission retains authority to issue proclamations for additional species, amend existing proclamations, and adjust the above schedule as circumstances warrant. As provided in Section 36-106, Idaho Code, the Director has authority to close seasons or reduce bag or possession limits as circumstances may warrant and to open seasons to protect property from wildlife damage or for salvage.

**ASSISTANCE ON TECHNICAL QUESTIONS:** For assistance on technical questions concerning the proclamation, contact Owen Moroney at (208) 334-3715.