

Dear Senators BURTENSHAW, Adams, Semmelroth, and
Representatives MENDIVE, Shepherd, Burns:

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 (P1)
- Adoption of Proclamation (Docket No. 13-0000-2300P1).

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 01/26/2023. 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 02/23/2023.

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.



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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: January 05, 2023

SUBJECT: Department of Fish and Game

IDAPA 13.00.00 - Establishing Seasons and Limits for Hunting, Fishing, and Trapping in Idaho (P1) - Adoption of Proclamation (Docket No. 13-0000-2300P)

Summary and Stated Reasons for the Rule

The Fish and Game Commission submits notice of Proclamations for calendar year 2023 establishing seasons and limits for hunting, fishing, and trapping in Idaho. The Commission notes that current/scheduled proclamations of the Commission include:

- The proclamation adopted by the Commission for 2022 season includes black bear, mountain lion seasons through July 2023 and gray wolf seasons through June 2023. 2023-2024 season setting is scheduled for Commission action at its quarterly meeting on March 16, 2023 (public hearing March 15, 2023).
- Big Game: moose, bighorn sheep, mountain goat (once-in-a-lifetime big game species) 2023-2024 season setting is scheduled for Commission action at its quarterly meeting on January 26, 2023 (public hearing January 25, 2023).
- Migratory Game Birds: The proclamation adopted by the Commission for 2022-2023 seasons include waterfowl seasons through March 2023. 2023-2024 season setting is scheduled for Commission action at a conference call on April 13, 2023 (public hearing March 15, 2023).
- Upland Game, Furbearer, Falconry, Upland (non-migratory) Game Birds: turkey, pheasant, grouse (except sage grouse), quail, partridge. The proclamation adopted by the Commission for 2022-23 includes upland game bird seasons through January 2024, upland game animal and falconry seasons through March 2024, and furbearer seasons through June 2024. 2024-2025 season setting is scheduled for Commission action at its quarterly meeting in January 2024.
- Sage Grouse: 2023 season setting is scheduled for Commission Action on July 27, 2023 (public hearing July 26, 2023).
- Fishing (except for spring/summer chinook salmon): The proclamation adopted for 2022-2024 seasons includes fishing seasons (except for spring/summer chinook salmon) through December 31, 2024.
- Spring/Summer Chinook Salmon: Spring chinook salmon season setting is scheduled for Commission action at its quarterly meeting on March 16, 2023 (public hearing March 15, 2023). Summer chinook salmon season setting may occur at the Commission's quarterly meeting on May 11, 2023, or at later conference call, depending on the availability of information on summer salmon returns (public hearing May 10, 2023).

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- Peregrine Falcon Capture (for falconry use): The proclamation adopted by the Commission for the 2022-2024 Peregrine Falcon capture season includes a season scheduled through August of 2024.

Negotiated Rulemaking / Fiscal Impact

Not applicable.

Statutory Authority

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
Amber Worthington

***** 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. 13-0000-2300P1
NOTICE OF ADOPTION OF PROCLAMATION FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2023

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 to the Commission generally scheduled at its January, March, May, July, and November meetings. The Idaho Department of Fish and Game also provides various informal opportunities for public input for season setting proposals before developing staff recommendations for seasons.

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 2022 season includes black bear, mountain lion seasons through July 2023 and gray wolf seasons through June 2023.

2023-2024 season setting is scheduled for Commission action at its quarterly meeting on March 16, 2023 (public hearing March 15, 2023).

- **Big Game:** moose, bighorn sheep, mountain goat (once-in-a-lifetime big game species)

2023-2024 season setting is scheduled for Commission action at its quarterly meeting on January 26, 2023 (public hearing January 25, 2023).

- **Migratory Game Birds:**

The proclamation adopted by the Commission for 2022-2023 seasons include waterfowl seasons through March 2023.

2023-2024 season setting is scheduled for Commission action at a conference call on April 13, 2023 (public hearing March 15, 2023).

- **Upland Game, Furbearer, Falconry, Upland (non-migratory) Game Birds:** turkey, pheasant, grouse (except sage grouse), quail, partridge

The proclamation adopted by the Commission for 2022-23 includes upland game bird seasons through January 2024, upland game animal and falconry seasons through March 2024, and furbearer seasons through June 2024.

2024-2025 season setting is scheduled for Commission action at its quarterly meeting in January 2024.

- **Sage Grouse:**

2023 season setting is scheduled for Commission Action on July 27, 2023 (public hearing July 26, 2023).

- **Fishing (except for spring/summer chinook salmon):**

The proclamation adopted for 2022-2024 seasons includes fishing seasons (except for spring/summer chinook salmon) through December 31, 2024.

- **Spring/Summer Chinook Salmon:**

Spring chinook salmon season setting is scheduled for Commission action at its quarterly meeting on March 16, 2023 (public hearing March 15, 2023).

Summer chinook salmon season setting may occur at the Commission's quarterly meeting on May 11, 2023, or at later conference call, depending on the availability of information on summer salmon returns (public hearing May 10, 2023).

- **Peregrine Falcon Capture (for falconry use):**

The proclamation adopted by the Commission for the 2022-2024 Peregrine Falcon capture season includes a season scheduled through August of 2024.

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.