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## **Council Special Meeting Summary** **September 23-24, 2025** **via Webinar**

This is a summary of the Council's public meeting on September 23-24, 2024. The Council met both days via webinar for a work session on the Fish and Wildlife Program amendment process. The meeting agenda is posted at <https://www.nwcouncil.org/calendar/council-work-session-2025-09-23/>. The meeting recording and a copy of this summary will also be posted on that page.

Fish and Wildlife Division Director Patty O'Toole first provided an update of the process itself. The update included a discussion with Council Members about early December 2025 as the target date for the Council to complete its work on a draft revised program.

Director O'Toole then led the staff through a discussion with the Council Members of draft sections of the new program. Topics covered included, in the order of discussion:

- Program framework and organization
- Non-native and invasive species
- Ocean
- Vision and scientific principles
- Habitat restoration and protection
- Wildlife
- Predator management
- Artificial production
- Protected areas