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## **MEDIA ADVISORY**

### **Governor's Salmon Workgroup hosting public meeting in Lewiston, Idaho**

Lewiston, Idaho - The Governor's Salmon Workgroup is hosting a public meeting in Lewiston, Idaho on September 20, 2019. The workgroup will meet at the Idaho Department of Fish and Game Regional Office located at 3316 16<sup>th</sup> St. Lewiston, Idaho 83501 from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. in the Clearwater Room.

The meeting will focus on fish hatcheries in Idaho, hydropower operations along the Lower Snake and Columbia River, and collaborative efforts to meet salmon and steelhead restoration goals. The agenda and call-in number for out-of-town residents to participate, along with additional information about the workgroup is available on the OSC website: <https://species.idaho.gov/governors-salmon-workgroup/>

*The public is invited to provide comments to the workgroup. It is anticipated that more people will want to comment than time allows. **Each member of the public will be limited to three minutes a piece, as time permits. Comments will be taken on a first come, first served basis.** The workgroup will take written comments, all written comments will be distributed to the workgroup.*

Governor Little directed his Office of Species Conservation to establish a workgroup dedicated to addressing salmon issues. The workgroup held meetings in Boise, Idaho on June 28 and Salmon, Idaho on July 30-31 bringing together diverse stakeholders to collaboratively develop a unified policy recommendation to assist Governor Little as he shapes Idaho's policy on salmon recovery.

The workgroup will host several additional meetings throughout Idaho to provide opportunities to share perspectives on salmon policy in Idaho. This is the third meeting in the series, and there will be additional meetings scheduled in 2020. The remaining dates for Salmon Workgroup meetings scheduled in 2019 are listed below.

- October 29-30: Twin Falls, Idaho
- November 19: Boise, Idaho

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