

REVENUE: No revenue impact

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Meeting Dates:	4/23

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Directs the Oregon Fish and Wildlife Commission to name the Fall Creek research facility the "Lindsay Ball Research Hatchery".

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Recognition of Director Ball's career with fish and wildlife programs
- Director Ball's dedication to construction of the research center
- Purpose of the research hatchery
- Wisdom of naming facilities after living Oregonians

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: No amendment.

BACKGROUND: The \$8 million Oregon Hatchery Research Center is located next to Fall Creek in the Oregon Coast Range near Alsea, between Corvallis and Waldport. Research, using four 200-foot-long parallel artificial streams, is directed at analyzing and improving the effectiveness of fish recovery and hatchery programs.

Former Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife (ODFW) Director Lindsay A. Ball was appointed to head the Oregon Department of Administrative Services effective January 3, 2006. As ODFW Director between 2001 and 2005, "Director Ball was instrumental in bringing fiscal integrity and open budget development processes to ODFW," according to Oregon Fish and Wildlife Commission Chair Marla Rae, quoted in a news release. Ball has led the ODFW through significant changes, noted Rae, including workforce reductions and reorganizations aimed at streamlining operations, budget cuts, and other changes to bring the agency's spending in line with revenues, relocation of the agency's headquarters from Portland to Salem, creation of the Oregon Hatchery Research Center, and development of the state's first Wolf Conservation and Management Plan. "His leadership has transformed what was an embattled agency five years ago into a department that is now held up as a model for other state agencies to follow," Rae added.

Ball holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Wildlife Science from the Oregon State University Department of Fisheries and Wildlife, rose to the rank of captain in the Oregon State Police (OSP), and has held OSP or ODFW jobs in Tillamook, Astoria, Newport, Gilchrist, Summer Lake, John Day, St. Helens, The Dalles and Baker City.

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