

## **SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION**

**HB 5009**

**Department of Fish and Wildlife**

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To: Ways and Means Full Committee  
From: Natural Resources Subcommittee  
Carrier: Senator Frederick

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HB 5009 is the budget bill for the Department of Fish and Wildlife.

The recommended budget for the agency is \$431,738,907 total funds, which is an 8.7% increase from the legislatively approved budget for the 2019-21 biennium. General Fund in the budget is 38% higher, including investments in water planning issues, the Willamette Basin water reallocation effort, and the establishment of a new Habitat Division.

Measure 76 Lottery Funds has increased 5% above current service level while Federal Funds are 7% higher due to increased use of Pittman-Robertson funds to purchase a portion of the Minam property in Wallowa County.

The budget includes a budget note for the Department to report on its due diligence and analysis related to potentially taking ownership of the Leaburg Hatchery and rebuilding the Rock Creek Hatchery.

The Natural Resources Subcommittee recommends HB 5009 be amended by the –1 amendment and be reported out do pass, as amended.