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Re: Commission hopes for multiyear fishing licenses

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Squairetail wrote:

Had a post on the wvangler website I visit. It seemed that it was a quick money boost for a few years. When the licenses finally paid for themselves to the angler, naturally the money was used up by the outdoor commissions down there, and cuts were made.

The folks on that website herald our commission on a pretty consistant basis if that tells you anything. If its implemented I'll probably buy one, but I actually vote no.

I have the same concerns as Squairetail. There would be a windfall of revenue during the 1st year, and a significant drop-off the following years. Will the Commish have the discipline to control their spending based on a projection of less revenue in future years? Don't know.

Secondly, the anglers most likely to buy a multi-year license are the ones that have in the past and will likely in the future purchase a license every year anyway. The casual angler is a casual angler and would not likely to tie up \$100 +/- for a 3 year license he may or may not use.

BTW, while fishing license sales ARE down, but I believe the most significant factor in fewer license sales is the selling lifetime license for seniors. Many/most seniors take advantage of this and are not counted in the total when making comparisons to past years. Sorta like the counting of the unemployed when the unemployment rate is calculated; after benefits are exhausted, the gov. loses track of unemployed workers. Same for lifetime licensed anglers.

I would buy a multi-year license, as long as I have a way to print extras if I happen to lose it....lol. But I have my doubts the program will have a any significant positive net effect on revenue for the FBC in the long term.