

ACTIONS N.C. WILDLIFE RESOURCES COMMISSION

April 25, 2019 NC Wildlife Resources Commission Headquarters 1751 Varsity Drive Raleigh, North Carolina

Ethics Inquiry and Recusal – Commissioner Landon Zimmer recused himself from discussion and action on **Exhibit E-3**, final approval to proceed with acquisition of the Rhems Depot NCDOT Tract in Craven County.

Approval of February 21, 2019 WRC Meeting Minutes – the Commission approved the February 21, 2019 Wildlife Resources Commission minutes as written in the exhibit and distributed to members (**Exhibit A**).

Approval of March 21, 2019 WRC Special Meeting Minutes – the Commission approved the March 21, 2019 WRC Special Meeting Minutes as written in the exhibit and distributed to members (**Exhibit B**).

Removal of Five Species Conservation Plans from Agenda – Chairman John Coley announced that based on discussion at the meeting of the Committee of the Whole on April 24, 201final adoptions of five species conservation plans in **Exhibits K-1, K-2, K-3, K-4, and K-5** are removed from the agenda.

2019-2020 Wildlife Endowment Fund Annual Interest Allocation – the Commission approved the allocation of Endowment Fund investment returns from January 1, 2018 to December 31, 2018, in the amount of \$2,920,381.81. Of that amount, 100 percent of the interest earned from magazine lifetime subscriptions, in the amount of \$122,287.73, was allocated to the *Wildlife in North Carolina* magazine budget (**Exhibit D**).

Phase II Land Acquisitions – the Commission approved the acquisition of the Little Cedar Tract in Burke County (**Exhibit E-1**) and the acquisition of the Rocky Swamp Tract in Halifax County (**Exhibit E-2**). With Commissioner Landon Zimmer recused, the Commission approved the acquisition of the Rhems Depot NCDOT Tract in Craven County (**Exhibit E-3**).

Other Property Matters – the Commission approved a staff request to demolish one residence at the McKinney Lake Hatchery in Richmond County (Exhibit F-1), and a staff request to release and relocate an easement providing access to the Roberson Tract of Lower Roanoke River Game Land in Martin County (Exhibit F-2).

Town of Wilkesboro Mountain Heritage Trout City Request – the Commission approved designating the Town of Wilkesboro as a Mountain Heritage Trout City and recognizing the Public Mountain Trout Waters within Wilkesboro as Mountain Heritage Trout Waters (**Exhibit G**).

Town of North Wilkesboro Mountain Heritage Trout City Request – the Commission approved designating the Town of North Wilkesboro as a Mountain Heritage Trout City and recognizing the Public Mountain Trout Waters within North Wilkesboro as Mountain Heritage Trout Waters (**Exhibit H**).

Adoption of 2019-2020 Webless Migratory Birds, Resident Canada Geese, Waterfowl, and Falconry Seasons – the Commission approved staff recommendations for the 2019-2020 webless migratory game birds, resident Canada geese and waterfowl gun seasons and the 2019-2020 extended falconry seasons for migratory game bird species (EXHIBITS I-3, I-4).

Season for Take of Migrant Peregrine Falcons for Use in Falconry – the Commission approved the staff recommendation to allow the take of up to six juvenile migrant peregrine falcons from the wild for use in falconry from September 20, 2019 through October 20, 2019 (**EXHIBIT J**).

Rulemaking Notice of Text – **Game Bird Propagators 15A NCAC 10H .0900** – the Commission approved publishing Notice of Text in the *NC Register* for proposed amendments to 10H .0900 Rules and opening the public comment period, as part of the 2016 Periodic Review of Rules (**Exhibit L**).

Rulemaking Notice of Text – Furbearer Propagation 15A NCAC 10H .1100 – the Commission approved publishing Notice of Text in the *NC Register* for proposed amendments to 10H .1100 Rules and opening the public comment period, as part of the 2016 Periodic Review of Rules (**Exhibit M**).

Rulemaking Notice of Text – Reptiles and Amphibians 15A NCAC 10H .1300 – the Commission approved publishing Notice of Text in the *NC Register* for proposed amendments to 10H .1300 Rules and opening the public comment period, as part of the 2016 Periodic Review of Rules (Exhibit N).

Adjournment – Chairman John Coley adjourned the meeting at 10:45 a.m.