



*Land Use and Access Committee Meeting Summary
October 29, 2014, 1:30 pm
NCWRC, 5th Floor Commission Room*

Meeting Attendees

• **Committee Members:**

Tom Berry, Chair
John Coley, Vice Chair
Tommy Fonville

Joe Barker
Richard Edwards
Garry Spence

• **Commissioners:**

Joe Budd
Jim Cogdell
Wes Seegars

Mark Craig
Brian White
David Hoyle, Jr.

• **Staff:**

Mallory Martin
Gordon Myers
Erik Christofferson
Bob Curry
George Norris
Jon Evans
Allen Boynton
Brent Spivey
Chad Martin

Betsy Haywood
Jodie Owen
David Cobb
Kyle Briggs
Todd Ewing
Kate Pipkin
Tommy Hughes
Robert Sharpe

• **Guests:**

Dick Hamilton, NC Wildlife Federation
Will Morgan – The Nature Conservancy

Tim Gestwicki – NCWF

Tom Berry, *Land Use and Access Chairman*, called the meeting to order at 1:30 pm.

PHASE I LAND ACQUISITIONS DISCUSSION

Isaac Harrold, *Lands Program Manager*, presented an overview of three Phase I acquisition plans for consideration by the Commission. The Committee recommended that Exhibits **F-1**, Godwin Tract – Scotland County; **F-2**, Gullede Tract – Richmond County; and **F-3**, McEachern Tract – Bladen County be recommended for approval by the Wildlife Resources Commission at the meeting on October 30.

PHASE II ACQUISITION DISCUSSION

Harrold reviewed six Phase II acquisitions. Chairman Jim Cogdell recused himself from discussion and consideration of Exhibit G-6, the Texas Plantation Tract in Tyrrell County. The committee recommended that **Exhibit G-1**, Cow Pen Landing Tract in Craven County; **Exhibit G-2**, Spring Garden Tract in Craven County; **Exhibit G-3**, Sassafras Tract in Scotland County; **Exhibit G-4**, Loflin-Cut Laurel Gap Tract in Ashe County; **Exhibit G-5**, Page Tract in Cleveland County; and **Exhibit G-6**, Texas Plantation Tract in Tyrrell County. The Committee recommended that the Wildlife Resources Commission approve the Phase II acquisitions.

EASEMENT REQUEST

The Committee reviewed an easement request from the NC Department of Transportation for an easement on a portion of Embro Game Land in Warren County to facilitate a bridge replacement project in **Exhibit H**. The Committee recommended adoption of the easement request by the full Commission on October 30.

SURPLUS PROPERTY DISPOSAL

Isaac Harrold reviewed **Exhibit I**, a staff recommendation to sever by demolition a 70 year old building at the Marion Fish Hatchery in McDowell County in preparation for renovations to increase fish production capacity and provide office space. The Committee recommended approval of the request by the entire Commission.

ADJOURN

There being no further business, Chairman Tom Berry adjourned the committee meeting at 2:40 pm.