



## **AGENDA**

### **N.C. WILDLIFE RESOURCES COMMISSION WEBINAR MEETING OCTOBER 22, 2020 9:00 am**

**CALL TO ORDER** - *Chairman David Hoyle, Jr.*

**This electronic meeting is being streamed live and recorded as a public record. The recording of the meeting will be available at [www.ncwildlife.org](http://www.ncwildlife.org).**

**ROLL CALL OF COMMISSIONERS PRESENT** – *Betsy Haywood, Commission Liaison*

**MANDATORY ETHICS INQUIRY** – North Carolina General Statute §163A-159(e) mandates that the Commission Chair shall remind all Commissioners of their duty to avoid conflicts of interest and appearances of conflict under this Chapter, and that the chair also inquires as to whether there is any known conflict of interest or appearance of conflict with respect to any matters coming before the Commission at this time. It is the duty of each Commissioner who is aware of such personal conflict of interest or of an appearance of a conflict, to notify the Chair of the same. *Chairman David Hoyle*

**APPROVAL OF AUGUST 27, 2020 MEETING MINUTES** – Take action on the August 27, 2020 Wildlife Resources Commission meeting minutes as written in the exhibit **(EXHIBIT A)**

**APPROVAL OF SEPTEMBER 10, 2020 MEETING MINUTES** – Take action on the September 10, 2020 Wildlife Resources Commission meeting minutes as written in the exhibit **(EXHIBIT B)**

**FINANCIAL STATUS REPORT** – Receive a financial status report on the Wildlife Operating Fund and Wildlife Endowment Fund – *Dr. DP Singla, Chief Financial Officer (EXHIBIT C)*

## **COMMITTEE MEETING REPORTS**

**Small Game and Wild Turkey Committee Report – September 29, 2020** – John Stone, *Chair*

**Fisheries Committee Report – October 12, 2020** – Tommy Fonville, *Chair*

**Habitat, Nongame, and Endangered Species Report – October 12, 2020** - Mark Craig, *Chair*

**Elk and Alligator Committee Report – October 13, 2020** – Steve Windham, *Chair*

**Finance Committee Report – October 13, 2020** – Landon Zimmer, *Chair*

**Land Acquisition and Property Committee Report – October 19, 2020** – Tom Berry, *Chair*

**Boating Safety Committee Report – October 19, 2020** – Mike Johnson, *Chair*

**Education, Archery, Shooting Committee Report – October 20, 2020** – Kelly Davis, *Chair*

**Big Game Committee Report – October 21, 2020** -John Coley, *Chair*

**Planned Giving Committee Report – October 21, 2020** – Wes Seegars, *Chair*

**Committee of the Whole Report – October 21, 2020** – David Hoyle, Jr., *Chair*

**AGENCY SPOTLIGHT – 2020 BOATING SAFETY LAW ENFORCEMENT UPDATE** –  
*Lieutenant Brad Stoop, District 1, Law Enforcement Division*

**CONSIDERATION OF NONGAME WILDLIFE ADVISORY COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS** – Pursuant to North Carolina General Statute §113-335, consider appointment of members to the Nongame Wildlife Advisory Committee – *Cameron Ingram, Executive Director (EXHIBIT D)*

## **INLAND FISHERIES DIVISION**

**Rulemaking** – Consider staff recommendations for proposed changes in the 2021 – 2022 fishing rules to be presented at statewide public hearings. Review and consider approval of the fiscal note for proposed rule changes – *Christian Waters, Inland Fisheries Division Chief (EXHIBITS E-1, E-2)*

## **WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT DIVISION**

**Rulemaking** – Consider staff recommendations for proposed changes in the 2021-2022 wildlife management rules to be presented at statewide public hearings. Review and consider approval of the fiscal note for proposed rule changes – *Brad Howard, Wildlife Management Division Chief (EXHIBITS F-1, F-2)*

## **LAND AND WATER ACCESS DIVISION**

**Rulemaking** – Consider staff recommendations for proposed changes in the 2021-2022 game land rule proposals to be presented at statewide public hearings. Review and consider approval of the fiscal note for proposed rule changes – *Brian McRae, Land and Water Access Section Chief (EXHIBITS G-1, G-2)*

## **Land Acquisitions and Property Matters**

**Phase II Land Acquisitions** - Consider final approval to proceed with acquisition of the following properties – *Jessie Birckhead, Land Acquisition and Grants Manager (EXHIBITS H-1, H-2, H-3)*

- Riverstone Jenerette Tract – Columbus County (H-1)
- Pitzer Road PFA Tract – Stokes County (H-2)
- North Fork Catawba Tract – McDowell County (H-3)

**Elizabethtown Shed Demolition** – Consider approval for demolition of damaged pole shed at Elizabethtown Depot – *Jessie Birckhead (EXHIBIT I)*

## **WATER SAFETY RULEMAKING**

**Emergency Rulemaking Request – 15A NCAC 10F .0323 Burke County, Lake James** - Consider action to propose text to the Office of Administrative Hearings (OAH) for emergency rulemaking for a no-wake zone for 345 yards in the waters of Mill Creek shore to shore, on Lake James at Lake James State Park, and a safety zone in the remainder of Mill Creek north of the no-wake zone, to mitigate boater safety hazards during a pedestrian bridge construction project – *Betsy Haywood, No-Wake Zone Coordinator (EXHIBIT J-1)*

**Temporary Rulemaking Request – 15A NCAC 10F .0323 Burke County, Lake James** – Consider action to propose text to the Office of Administrative Hearings (OAH) for emergency rulemaking for a no-wake zone for 345 yards in the waters of Mill Creek shore to shore, on Lake James at Lake James State Park, and a safety zone in the remainder of Mill Creek north of the no-wake zone, to mitigate boater safety hazards during a pedestrian bridge construction project. Simultaneous commencement of temporary rulemaking is required when an agency adopts an emergency rule (*See G.S. 150B-21.1A*). – *Betsy Haywood (EXHIBIT J-2)*

**Fiscal Note and Request for Notice of Text – 15A NCAC 10F .0305 Brunswick County** - Consider adoption of Fiscal Note. (**Exhibit I-1**) Consider approval of request by the Town of Ocean Isle Beach to publish Notice of Text in the *NC Register* with open comment period and virtual public hearing, for a no-wake zone in the waters of the AIWW shore to shore on both sides of the Hwy 904 Odell Williamson bridge (**Exhibit I-2**) – *Betsy Haywood (EXHIBITS K-1, K-2)*

## **PERMANENT RULEMAKING**

**Fiscal Note and Request for Notice of Text – 15A NCAC 10H .1500 Wildlife and Alligator Control Agents** – Consider approval to publish Notice of Text in the *NC Register* with an open comment period and virtual public hearing for proposed adoption of rules for licensing and regulating wildlife and alligator control agents – *Daron Barnes, Program Manager, Office of Wildlife Interaction, Regulated Activities & Permits (EXHIBIT L)*

**Fiscal Note and Request for Notice of Text – 15A NCAC 10B .0106 Wildlife Taken for Depredations** – Consider approval to publish Notice of Text in the *NC Register* with an open comment period and virtual public hearing for proposed amendments to the Wildlife Taken for Depredation Rule – *Daron Barnes (EXHIBIT M)*

**2021 STATEWIDE PUBLIC HEARING SCHEDULE** – Consider approval of the January 2021 public hearing schedule for the 2021-2022 Annual Cycle Rules – *Cameron Ingram* (**EXHIBIT N**)

**2021 WILDLIFE RESOURCES COMMISSION MEETING SCHEDULE** - Consider approval of the proposed 2021 Wildlife Resources Commission meeting schedule – *Cameron Ingram* (**EXHIBIT O**)

**COMMENTS BY THE CHAIRMAN** – *Chairman Hoyle*

**COMMENTS BY THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR** – *Executive Director Ingram*

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