



AGENDA

N.C. WILDLIFE RESOURCES COMMISSION

August 29, 2019, 9:00 a.m.

1751 Varsity Drive

NCWRC Conference Room, 5th Floor

Raleigh, North Carolina

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

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PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – *Commissioner Ray Clifton*

INVOCATION - *Commissioner Hayden Rogers*

RECOGNITION OF VISITORS – *Chairman David Hoyle*

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 July 18, 2019 MINUTES – Take action on the July 18, 2019 Wildlife Resources Commission meeting minutes as written in the exhibit and distributed to members **(EXHIBIT A)**

ADMINISTRATION

Financial Status Report - Receive a financial status report on the Wildlife Operating Fund and Wildlife Endowment Fund –*Melissa Earp, Finance Office Chief (EXHIBIT B)*

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Boating Safety Committee Report – *Mike Johnson, Chair*

Migratory Birds and Waterfowl Committee Report – *Richard Edwards, Chair*

Finance Committee Report – *Landon Zimmer, Chair*

Land Acquisitions and Property Report – *Tom Berry, Chair*

Fisheries Committee Report – *Tommy Fonville, Chair*

Big Game Committee Report – *John Coley, Chair*

Committee of the Whole Report – *Chairman David Hoyle*

AGENCY SPOTLIGHT – Back to the Woods, Back to the Water – NCWRC’s R3 Program (Recruitment, Retention, and Reactivation) – *Chet Clark, R3 manager, Wildlife Education Division*

WILDLIFE EDUCATION DIVISION UPDATE – Receive an update on the activities of the Wildlife Education Division – *Kris Smith, Wildlife Education Division Chief*

LAND AND WATER ACCESS SECTION

Land and Water Access Section Update – Receive an update on the activities of the Land and Water Access Section – *Brian McRae, Land and Water Access Section Chief*

Land Acquisitions and Property Matters

Field Trial Schedule – Consider approval of the 2019-2020 Running Schedule for the J. Robert Gordon Sandhills Field Trial Area – *Chris Jordan, Game Land and Forest Resource Manager (EXHIBIT C)*

Bladen Lakes State Forest Game Land – Review and consider approval of the proposed Archery Zone at Bladen Lakes State Forest Game Land – *Brian McRae (EXHIBIT D)*

INLAND FISHERIES DIVISION

Fisheries Division Update - Receive an update on activities of the Inland Fisheries Division – *Christian Waters, Inland Fisheries Division Chief*

Draft Inland and Coastal Waters Delineation Map – Consider approval of proposed boundary line changes between Inland and Coastal fishing waters based on salinity zones modeled using a salinity threshold of 2.6 ppt and initiating a thorough review and assessment of the potential impacts of these changes. – *Christian Waters (EXHIBIT E)*

WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT DIVISION UPDATE - Receive an update on the activities of the Wildlife Management Division – *Brad Howard, Wildlife Management Division Chief*

RULEMAKING

Temporary Rulemaking Request 15A NCAC 10L .0101 Wildlife Reserve – Consider request to approve publishing Notice of Text for a temporary Rule addressing the activities required for land to qualify for present-use value taxation as wildlife conservation land that creates and is actively and regularly used as a reserve for hunting, fishing, shooting, wildlife observation or wildlife activities – *Brad Howard, Wildlife Management Division Chief (EXHIBIT F)*

Final Adoption - Game Bird Propagators – 15A NCAC 10H .0900 – Consider readoption of 15A NCAC 10H .0901,.0903, and .0904 and adoption of amendments to .0905 - .0907 – *Michael Smallwood, JD, Policy Analyst for Rules (EXHIBIT G)*

Final Adoption - Furbearer Propagation – 15A NCAC 10H .1100 – Consider readoption of 15A NCAC 10H .1106 and adoption of amendments to .1101, .1104, .1107 and repeal of 10H .1102, .1103, .1105, and .1108 – *Michael Smallwood (EXHIBIT H)*

Final Adoption - Reptiles & Amphibians – 15A NCAC 10H .1300 – Consider adoption of amendments to 15A NCAC 10H .1301 and .1302 - *Michael Smallwood (EXHIBIT I)*

WATER SAFETY RULEMAKING

Approval of Fiscal Note and Request to Publish Notice of Text – 15A NCAC 10F .0306 Carolina Beach – Consider approval of the Fiscal Note and consider an application by the Town of Carolina Beach for approval to publish Notice of Text in the *NC Register*, hold one public hearing, and open the public comment period for a proposed amendment to 15A NCAC 10F .0306, for a no-wake zone within a portion of the Intracoastal Waterway in the vicinity of Oceana Marina and Carolina Beach Yacht Club and Marina - *Betsy Haywood, No-Wake Zone Coordinator (EXHIBITS J-1, J-2)*

Approval of Fiscal Note and Request to Publish Notice of Text – 15A NCAC 10F .0340 Carova Beach, Currituck County – Consider approval of the Fiscal Note and consider an application by Currituck County for approval to publish Notice of Text in the *NC Register*, hold one public hearing, and open the public comment period for a proposed amendment to 15A NCAC 10F .0340, for a no-wake zone within the canals at Wild Horse Estates Subdivision at Carova Beach - *Betsy Haywood (EXHIBITS K-1, K-2)*

Request to Publish Notice of Text – 15A NCAC 10F .0327 Montgomery County Designated Swim Area – Consider approval to publish Notice of Text in the *NC Register*, hold one public hearing, and open the public comment period for a proposed amendment to 15A NCAC 10F .0327, for a restricted swimming area where no vessel entry is permitted at Pinehaven Village on Badin Lake in New London- *Betsy Haywood (EXHIBIT L)*

PUBLIC HEARING SCHEDULE

2020 Statewide Public Hearing Schedule – Consider approval of the January 2020 public hearing schedule for the 2020-2021 Annual Rule Cycle – *Gordon Myers, Executive Director (EXHIBIT M)*

OCTOBER 2019 WILDLIFE RESOURCES COMMISSION MEETING DATES AND LOCATION CHANGE – Consider a change of meeting date and location for the October 2019 WRC meetings, from Wednesday and Thursday, October 9 and 10, 2019 in Raleigh to Wednesday and Thursday, October 23 and 24, 2019 in Wilmington – *Gordon Myers*

COMMENTS BY CHAIRMAN – *Chairman David Hoyle*

COMMENTS BY EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR – *Gordon Myers*

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