



AGENDA

N.C. WILDLIFE RESOURCES COMMISSION

December 8, 2016 at 9:00 a.m.

1751 Varsity Drive

NCWRC Conference Room, 5th Floor

Raleigh, North Carolina

CALL TO ORDER - *Chairman John Litton Clark*

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PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – *Commissioner Tom Berry*

INVOCATION - *Commissioner Garry Spence*

RECOGNITION OF VISITORS

MANDATORY ETHICS INQUIRY - North Carolina General Statute 138A-15(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 inquire 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 Clark*

APPROVAL OF MINUTES - Take action on the October 8, 2016 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 – *Lindsey Riddick, Budget Analyst (EXHIBIT B)*

RECOGNITION – EMPLOYEE SERVICE AWARDS – Recognize and present service awards to Wildlife Resources Commission Employees - *Executive Director Gordon Myers*

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Education Committee – *Tommy Fonville and Joe Budd, Co-Chairs*

Land Use and Access Committee Report 10-18-16 – *Tom Berry, Chair*

Land Use and Access Committee Report 12-7-16 – *Tom Berry, Chair*

Boating Safety Committee Report – *Ray Clifton, Chair*

Habitat, Nongame and Endangered Species Committee Report – *Mark Craig, Chair*

Committee of the Whole Report – *John Litton Clark, Chair*

AGENCY SPOTLIGHT – Sandhills Game Land – The Forestry and Fauna –*Brady Beck, Southern Piedmont Management Biologist*

INLAND FISHERIES DIVISION

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

WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT DIVISION

Wildlife Management Division Update – Receive an update on the activities of the Wildlife Management Division – *Dr. David Cobb, Wildlife Management Division Chief*

EDUCATION DIVISION

Education Division Update – Receive an update on the activities of the Education Division – *Kris Smith, Education Division Chief*

LAND AND WATER ACCESS SECTION

Land Acquisitions and Property Matters

Consider approval for staff to work with State Property Office and funding partners to develop acquisition plans for the following properties – *Brian McRae, Land and Water Access Section Chief* (EXHIBITS C-1, C-2, C-3, C-4, C-5, C-6, C-7)

- Galloway Tract (revised) - Rockingham County
- Godwin Bear Garden Tract – Pender County
- Godwin II Tract – Scotland County
- Herrin Tract – Ashe County
- Range 17 Tract – Camden County
- Usher Tract – Scotland County
- Waccamaw Campbell Tract (revised) – Columbus County

Phase II Land Acquisitions - Consider final approval to proceed with acquisition of the following properties – *Brian McRae* EXHIBITS D-1, D-2)

- Cunningham Tract – Swain County
- Melton Tract – McDowell County

WATER SAFETY RULEMAKING

No Wake Zone Fiscal Note and Notice of Text, Yeopim Creek, Perquimans County - Approve Fiscal Note review and consider agency request to publish Notice of Text in the *NC Register* and hold one public hearing for an amendment to 15A NCAC 10F. 0355 to establish a no-wake zone shore to shore, in a portion of Yeopim Creek at Heritage Shores Subdivision in Perquimans County – *Betsy Haywood, No Wake Zone Coordinator* (EXHIBITS E-1, E-2)

No Wake Zone Fiscal Note and Notice of Text, Shooting Creek, Clay County – Approve Fiscal Note review and consider request from Clay County to publish Notice of Text in the *NC Register* and hold one public hearing for an amendment to 15A NCAC 10F. 0308, to extend the length of the no-wake zone in Shooting Creek on Lake Chatuge in Clay County – *Betsy Haywood* (EXHIBITS F-1, F-2)

No Wake Zone Request, Lake James, Burke County – Consider request from Burke County to publish Notice of Text in the *NC Register* and hold one public hearing for an amendment to 15A NCAC 10F .0323, for a no-wake zone in Sherman’s Hollow Cove and within 50 yards of the shoreline of Linville Point on Lake James- *Betsy Haywood* (EXHIBIT G)

No Wake Zone Request, Town of Surf City, Pender County – Approve Fiscal Note review and consider request from the Town of Surf City in Pender County to publish Notice of Text in the *NC Register* and hold one public hearing for an amendment to 15A NCAC 10F .0321, for a no-wake zone in the channel known as Deep Creek along the town waterfront – *Betsy Haywood* (EXHIBITS H-1, H-2)

OUTDOOR HERITAGE TRUST FUND PLAN – Consider approval of the Outdoor Heritage Trust Fund Plan developed by the Joint Plan Development Committee – *Gordon Myers*
(EXHIBIT I)

COMMENTS BY CHAIRMAN – *John Litton Clark*

COMMENTS BY EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR – *Gordon Myers*

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