

ACTIONS N.C. WILDLIFE RESOURCES COMMISSION

April 26, 2018 NC Wildlife Resources Commission Headquarters 1751 Varsity Drive Raleigh, North Carolina

Commissioner Recusal – Commissioner Landon Zimmer recused himself from discussion and action on Right of Way Easements, **Exhibits H and I.**

Approval of Minutes – the Commission approved the February 28, 2018 Wildlife Resources Commission minutes as written in the exhibit and distributed to members. **Exhibit A**

Finance Committee Actions— the Commission approved a motion from the Finance Committee to move \$10 million in the Wildlife Endowment Fund from the Bond Index Fund to the Equity Index Fund. The Commission approved a motion from the Finance Committee to change the Wildlife Endowment Fund interest allocation method from the 3-year average return on investment to a single calendar year calculation of actual net earnings, and to move the Commission approval of the allocation from October to April annually.

2018-2019 Wildlife Endowment Fund Annual Interest Allocation – the Commission approved the allocation of Endowment Fund investment returns from July 1, 2017 to December 31, 2017, in the amount of \$1,288,944.80. Of that amount, 100 percent of the interest earned from magazine lifetime subscriptions, in the amount of \$53,904.86, was allocated to the *Wildlife in North Carolina* magazine budget. **Exhibit C**

Adoption of 2018-2019 Webless Migratory Birds, Resident Canada Geese, Waterfowl, and Falconry Seasons – the Commission approved staff recommendations for the 2018-2019 webless migratory game birds, resident Canada geese and waterfowl gun seasons and the 2018-2019 extended falconry seasons for migratory game bird species. Exhibits D-3, D-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 five juvenile migrant peregrine falcons from the wild for use in falconry from September 20, 2018 through October 20, 2018. **Exhibit E**

Phase I Land Acquisitions – the Commission approved development of acquisition plans for five properties: Church Tract – Haywood County; Parker Tract – Haywood County; Winslow Tract – Perquimans County; Duck Creek Tract – Craven County; McKnitt Tract – Granville County. **Exhibits F-1, F-2, F-3, F-4, F-5**

Phase II Land Acquisitions – the Commission approved the acquisition of three properties: Warren Neck Tract donation – Martin County; Waccamaw Campbell Tract – Columbus County; NFWF Tracts donation – McDowell, Rutherford, and Burke counties. **Exhibits G-1, G-2, G-3**

NCDOT Right of Way Easements – with Commissioner Landon Zimmer recused, the Commission approved a permanent right of way request by NCDOT at Sandhills Game Land in Richmond County, and a permanent right of way request by NCDOT at Hunting Creek Swamp in Davie County. **Exhibits H, I**

2016 Periodic Review - Final Adoption of Water Safety Rules – the Commission adopted amendments to 48 water safety rules and readopted two water safety rules for an effective date of October 1, 2018, as part of the 2016 Periodic Review of Rules. **Exhibit J**

Final Adoption – No Wake Zone, Lake Hickory, City of Hickory – Caldwell County – the Commission adopted an amendment to 15A NCAC 10F .0338 Caldwell County, for a no-wake zone at Lake Hickory Marina on Lake Hickory. **Exhibit K**

Final Adoption – No Wake Zone, Intracoastal Waterway, Sunset Beach – Brunswick County – the Commission adopted an amendment to 15A NCAC 10F .0305 Brunswick County, for a nowake zone on the Intracoastal Waterway shore to shore, near the Sunset Beach Boating Access Area and bridge. Exhibit L-2

Final Adoption – No Wake Zone Extension, Falls Lake – Durham and Wake Counties – the Commission adopted an amendment to 15A NCAC 10F .0350 Durham and Wake Counties, for an extension of the no-wake zone at Holly Point Boating Access Area on Falls Lake in Wake County. **Exhibit M**

Rulemaking Application – **Lake Glenville, Jackson County** – the Commission denied the application by Jackson County for a no-wake zone at the northern end of Lake Glenville between the west shore of the lake and two islands east of the west shore. **Exhibit N-1**

Notice of Text – **No-Wake Zone Extension, Pembroke Creek** – **Chowan County** – the Commission approved publishing Notice of Text in the *NC Register*, holding one public hearing, and opening the public comment period for a proposed amendment to 15A NCAC 10F .0325 Chowan County, to extend the no-wake zone on Pembroke Creek in Edenton shore to shore from the W. Queen Street bridge to a line 200 yards southeast. **Exhibit O**

2016 Periodic Review – Water Safety Rules Notice of Text – 15A NCAC 10F .0100 Motorboat Registration and 10F .0200 Safety Equipment and Accident Reports – the Commission approved publishing Notice of Text in the *NC Register*, holding one public hearing, and opening the public comment period for proposed amendments to 15A NCAC 10F .0100 Motorboat Registration and 10F .0200 Safety Equipment and Accident Reports. **Exhibit P**

2016 Periodic Review Water Safety Rule Notice of Text – 15A NCAC 10F .0301 General Provisions – the Commission approved publishing Notice of Text in the *NC Register*, holding one public hearing, and opening the public comment period for proposed amendment to 15A NCAC 10F .0301 General Provisions. **Exhibit Q**

2016 Periodic Review Delayed Repeal – 15A NCAC 10H .0300 Holding Wildlife in Captivity - the Commission approved the delayed repeal of 15A NCAC 10H .0301, 10H .0302, 10H .0303, and 10H .0304 to keep them in the NC Administrative Code until a new section of subchapter 15A NCAC 10H .1400 - Wildlife Captivity and Rehabilitation, becomes effective. **Exhibit R**

2017 Periodic Review of Rules Readoption Schedule – the Commission adopted the 2017 Periodic Review of Rules Readoption Schedule for 15A NCAC 10B – Hunting and Trapping; 10C – Inland Fishing; and 03Q .0100 -Marine Fisheries – Classification of Joint Waters. **Exhibits S-1**, **S-2**

2018 Periodic Review of Rules Initial Determinations – the Commission approved the initial classification reports for 15A NCAC 10A – Wildlife Resources Commission; 10D – Game Lands Regulations; 10E – Fishing and Boating Access Areas; 10G – Distribution and Sale of Hunting: Fishing: and Trapping License; 10I – Endangered and Threatened Species; 10J – Wildlife Conservation Area Regulations; and 10K – Hunter Education Course rules, pursuant to G.S. 150B-21.3A. **Exhibit T**

Adoption of Technical Amendment for Address Change – 15A NCAC 10A .0401 – the Commission adopted a technical amendment to 15A NCAC 10A .0401 to update the Commission's physical address, pursuant to G.S. 150B - 21.5. **Exhibit U**

Adjournment – Chairman John Coley adjourned the meeting at 11:05 a.m.