

## ACTIONS N.C. WILDLIFE RESOURCES COMMISSION

## May 7, 2020 10:00 am N.C. Wildlife Resources Commission Webinar Meeting Raleigh, North Carolina

Roll Call of Commissioners – Pursuant to NCGS §166A-19.24 (Public Bodies/Remote Meetings During Declared Emergencies), the roll call of Commissioners attending the webinar meeting was taken. Commissioner Landon Zimmer recused himself from discussion and action on Exhibit H-2, Temporary Rulemaking final adoption of 15A NCAC 10F .0317 Stanly County and Exhibit I-2, Temporary Rulemaking final adoption of 15A NCAC 10F .0327 Montgomery County.

Approval of February 27, 2020 Wildlife Resources Commission (WRC) Meeting Minutes – the Commission approved the February 27, 2020 WRC minutes as written in the exhibit. (Exhibit A)

Motion from Committee of the Whole for Two Duck Zones – the Commission approved a motion from the Committee of the Whole to notify the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) by July 1, 2020 of its intention to establish two state duck hunting zones beginning in the 2021-2022 hunting season. Interstate 95 will form the boundary between the Coastal and Inland duck zones. Up to three season segments are allowed within each zone. The number of season segments, up to the allowable, and season dates within zones can change annually. Federal frameworks require these duck hunting zones to remain in place through the 2025-2026 season.

2020-2021 Webless Migratory Birds, Resident Canada Geese, Extended Falconry and Waterfowl Seasons – the Commission adopted the 2020-2021 season dates and bag limits for migratory birds, resident Canada Geese, extended falconry and waterfowl. (Exhibits C-3, C-4)

**2020 Migrant Peregrine for Falconry** – the Commission adopted a season for the take of up to 6 juvenile migrant peregrine falcons for use in falconry in 2020. (Exhibit D)

**Temporary Rulemaking Notice of Text** – **15A NCAC 10B .0202 Bear** – the Commission approved publishing Notice of Text on the website of the Office of Administrative Hearings (OAH) for a temporary rule amendment correcting the open season dates for bear in Camden, Chowan, and Pasquotank counties. (Exhibit E)

Temporary Rulemaking Consideration of Final Adoption – 15A NCAC 10H .1501 Controlled Rabbit Hunting Preserves – the Commission declined to vote on final adoption of temporary rulemaking for licensing and regulation of controlled rabbit hunting preserves. Staff will engage the public and stakeholders for input before further consideration. (Exhibit F-2)

**Permanent Rulemaking Final Adoption – 15A NCAC 10A .1601 License Fee Rule –** the Commission adopted 15A NCAC 10A .1601 to establish license fees in rule and adjust those fees by the Consumer Price Index for all Urban Consumers (CPI-U.) (**Exhibit G-2**)

**Temporary Rulemaking Final Adoption** – **15A NCAC 10F .0317 Stanly County** – with Commissioner Landon Zimmer recused, the Commission adoption temporary rule amendments to 15A NCAC 10F .0317 for a no-wake zone on Lake Tillery within 50 yards of fuel docks at the Boathouse and Marina and for a no-wake zone on Lake Tillery 85 yards north and 85 yards south of the NC Hwy 24/27/73 James B. Garrison bridge spans. (**Exhibit H-2**)

**Temporary Rulemaking Final Adoption – 15A NCAC 10F .0327 Montgomery County –** with Commissioner Landon Zimmer recused, the Commission adopted a temporary rule for Lake Tillery in Montgomery County, 85 yards north and 85 yards south of the NC Hwy 24/27/73 James B. Garrison Bridge spans. (Exhibit I-2)

Temporary Rulemaking Notice of Text – 15A NCAC 10F .0359 Cherokee County – the Commission approved publishing Notice of Text on the website of the Office of Administrative Hearings (OAH) for a temporary rule amendment on Hiwassee Lake in Cherokee County, to correct the coordinates for a no-wake zone within 50 yards of the Harbor Cove Marina boundary extension, shore to shore. (Exhibit J)

**Adjournment** – Chairman David Hoyle, Jr. adjourned the webinar meeting at 10:46 a.m.