



**Meeting Summary  
BIG GAME COMMITTEE**

**January 11, 2012, 9:00 – 10:00 a.m.  
Centennial Campus, Raleigh**

**Attendees:**

John Clark (Chair,BGC)  
Dell Murphy  
Durwood Laughinghouse  
Wes Seegars  
John Coley  
Steve Windham  
Mark Craig  
Thomas Berry  
Dalton Ruffin  
David Hoyle  
Joe Barker  
Ray White  
Mitch St. Clair  
Gordon Myers  
Mallory Martin  
David Cobb  
Perry Sumner  
Dave. Butts  
Brad Howard

David Sawyer  
Kate Pipkin  
Isaac Harrold  
Carolyn Rickard  
Chris Dillon  
Betsy Foard  
Todd Kennedy  
Brad Gunn  
Lisa Hocutt  
Dale Caveny  
T. Jerry Williams  
Joe McClees  
Mark Beason  
Russell Poole  
J. R. Stone  
Mickey Strader  
Scott Robertson  
Fred Harris

9:00 a.m.                   The Big Game Committee (BGC) convened with introductory comments by Committee Chairman John Litton Clark

9:05 a.m.                   **Update on revisions of rules pertaining to “wild boar”.** Dr. David Cobb provided an update on changes in statute and rules as they pertain to wild boar, including revisions to NCAC 10B.0204 approved by the WRC in December 2010, establishment of permits for trapping and night hunting swine, and proposals for three additional rule changes as presented in Exhibit H.

9:30

**Night hunting feral swine and coyote.** Dr. Cobb presented options for changes to permanent rules that would allow for the hunting of coyotes and feral swine at night. Three options were presented and the BGC voted to recommend to the full WRC taking rules to public hearings in March 2012 that would allow for the hunting of coyotes and feral swine at night, with lights, year-round. In addition, staff recommended taking two other rule changes to public hearing to remove references to “wild boar” from NCAC 10 B.0113 and 10B.0116. The BGC also approved these recommendations. Finally, staff was directed to evaluate all current statutes and rules pertaining to use of lights at night and to determine if changes in any of these are needed and to compile and provide to the public clear information on the use of lights at night relative to hunting.

10:00 a.m.

The BGC meeting was adjourned to a joint meeting with the Habitat, Nongame and Endangered Species Committee.