

### **AGENDA**

# N.C. WILDLIFE RESOURCES COMMISSION WEBINAR MEETING February 25, 2021 9:00 am

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

This electronic meeting is being streamed live and recorded as a public record. The recording of the meeting will be available at <a href="https://www.ncwildlife.org">www.ncwildlife.org</a>.

ROLL CALL OF COMMISSIONERS PRESENT – Margo Minkler, Executive Assistant

**INVOCATION** – Commissioner Kelly Davis

MANDATORY ETHICS INQUIRY – North Carolina General Statute §138A-15 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, Jr.* 

**APPROVAL OF December 10, 2020 MEETING MINUTES** – Take action on the December 10, 2020 Wildlife Resources Commission meeting minutes as written in the exhibit (**EXHIBIT A**)

**FINANCIAL STATUS REPORT** – Receive a financial status report on the Wildlife Operating Fund and Wildlife Endowment Fund – *Dr. DP Singla, Chief Financial Officer* (**EXHIBIT B**)

#### **COMMITTEE MEETING REPORTS**

Big Game Committee Report – February 10, 2021 – John Coley, Chair Elk and Alligator Committee Report – February 17, 2021 – Steve Windham, Chair Land Acquisitions and Property Committee Report – February 23, 2021 – Tom Berry, Chair Migratory Birds/Waterfowl Committee Report – February 24, 2021 – Richard Edwards, Chair Finance Committee Report – February 24, 2021 – Landon Zimmer, Chair Committee of the Whole Report – February 24, 2021 – David Hoyle, Jr., Chair **AGENCY SPOTLIGHT – Digging for the Root of the Problem** – Andrew Helton, Wildlife Law Enforcement Captain

#### INLAND FISHERIES DIVISION

**Public Comments and Rulemaking for 2021 – 2022 Inland Fishing Rules** – Receive public comments on proposed changes to inland fishing rules received from virtual public hearing, internet portal, and correspondence. Review and consider for adoption proposed changes to the 2021-2022 inland fishing rules – *Christian Waters, Inland Fisheries Division Chief* (**EXHIBITS C-1, C-2**)

## WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT DIVISION

**Public Comments and Rulemaking for 2021 – 2022 Wildlife Management Rules** – Receive public comments on proposed changes to wildlife management rules received from virtual public hearing, internet portal, and correspondence. Review and consider for adoption proposed changes to the 2021-2022 wildlife management rules – *Brad Howard, Wildlife Management Division Chief* (**EXHIBITS D-1, D-2**)

## LAND AND WATER ACCESS DIVISION

Public Comments and Rulemaking for 2021 – 2022 Property, Game Land, and Wildlife Conservation Area Rules – Receive public comments on proposed changes to Property, Game Land, and Wildlife Conservation Area rules received from virtual public hearing, internet portal, and correspondence. Also review and consider adoption of proposed changes in the 2021-2022 Property, Game Land, and Wildlife Conservation Area rules – *Brian McRae, Land and Water Access Division Chief* (EXHIBITS E-1, E-2)

## **Land Acquisition and Property Matters**

**Phase II Land Acquisitions** – Consider final approval to proceed with acquisition of the following properties – *Jessie Birckhead, Land Acquisition and Grants Manager* (**EXHIBITS F-1, F-2, F-3, F-4, F-5**)

- Jewel Davenport Tracts Camden County (F-1)
- Pasquotank River Tract Camden County (F-2)
- Myrtle Head Simmons Tract Brunswick County (F-3)
- Old Dock Simmons Tract Columbus County (F-4)
- Tuckertown Tracts Davidson, Montgomery Counties (F-5)

#### WATER SAFETY RULEMAKING

Review Comments and Consider Final Adoption –15A NCAC 10F .0305 –Town of Ocean Isle Beach, Brunswick County – Consider public comments and final adoption of an amendment to 15A NCAC 10F .0305 for a no-wake zone in the ICW at the Hwy 904 causeway bridge in the Town of Ocean Isle Beach – *Betsy Haywood, No-Wake Zone Coordinator* (EXHIBITS G-1, G-2)

#### OTHER RULEMAKING

**Wildlife and Alligator Control Agents – 15A NCAC 10H .1500** – Review public comments and consider adoption of proposed amendments to rules for licensing and regulation of wildlife and alligator control agents – *Daron Barnes, Program Manager, Office of Wildlife Interaction, Regulated Activities & Permits* (Exhibits H-1, H-2)

Wildlife Take for Depredations – 15A NCAC 10B .0106 – Review public comments and consider adoption of proposed amendments to rules for wildlife taken for depredations – *Daron Barnes* (Exhibits I-1, I-2)

**COMMENTS BY THE CHAIRMAN** – Chairman Hoyle

**COMMENTS BY THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR** – Executive Director Ingram

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