

AGENDA N.C. WILDLIFE RESOURCES COMMISSION October 20, 2022, 9:00 a.m. 123 Harrahs Service Drive Cherokee Convention Center, Hickory Room Cherokee, North Carolina

CALL TO ORDER – Chairman Monty Crump

This meeting is being streamed live for the public to attend and recorded as a public record. The recording of the meeting will be available at <u>www.ncwildlife.org</u>.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Commissioner Brad Stanback

INVOCATION – Commissioner Hayden Rogers

ROLL CALL OF COMMISSIONERS PRESENT – Margo Minkler, Commission Liaison

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 Crump*

APPROVAL OF AUGUST 11, 2022 MEETING MINUTES – Take action on the August 11, 2022 Wildlife Resources Commission meeting minutes as written in the exhibit. **(EXHIBIT A)**

APPROVAL OF AUGUST 18, 2022 MEETING MINUTES – Take action on the August 18, 2022 Wildlife Resources Commission meeting minutes as written in the exhibit. **(EXHIBIT B)**

APPROVAL OF SEPTEMBER 13, 2022 MEETING MINUTES – Take action on the September 13, 2022 Wildlife Resources Commission meeting minutes as written in the exhibit. **(EXHIBIT C)**

FINANCIAL STATUS REPORT – Receive Financial Status Report on the Wildlife Resources Commission General Fund, Capital Improvement Fund, and the Endowment Fund. – *Dr. DP Singla, Chief Financial Officer* (EXHIBIT D)

COMMITTEE MEETING REPORTS

Rules Committee Report-September 13, 2022– Wes Seegars, Chair Migratory Birds and Waterfowl Committee Report- October 19, 2022– Wes Seegars, Vice Chair Fisheries Committee Report – October 19, 2022 – John Stone, Chair Finance Committee Report – October 19, 2022 – Landon Zimmer, Chair Big Game Committee Report – October 19, 2022 – David Hoyle, Chair Committee of the Whole Report – October 19, 2022 – Monty Crump, Chair

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

2022 THOMAS L. QUAY WILDLIFE DIVERSITY AWARD PRESENTATION – Present the 2022 Thomas L. Quay Wildlife Diversity Award to Jean Beasley – *Cameron Ingram, Executive Director*

2022 SPORT FISH RESTORATION AWARD – Present the 2022 Sport Fish Restoration Award for Research and Surveys to the Inland Fisheries Division for the project "Exotic-Invasive Trout Pathogens in North Carolina." – *Lynn Quattro, President-Elect, American Fisheries Society, Fisheries Administration Section*

BREAK FOR PHOTOGRAPHS

AGENCY SPOTLIGHT – THE HISTORY OF PUBLIC MOUNTAIN TROUT WATERS: LOOKING BACK AT 75 YEARS OF TROUT MANAGEMENT IN NORTH CAROLINA– Jacob Rash, Coldwater Research Coordinator

RULEMAKING

Permanent Rulemaking Notice of Text – 2023-2024 Annual Cycle Rules – Inland Fisheries – Consider request to publish Notice of Text with an open comment period and public hearings for proposed changes to inland fisheries rules. Review and consider approval of fiscal note. – *Christian Waters, Inland Fisheries Division Chief* (EXHIBIT E-1, E-2)

Permanent Rulemaking Notice of Text – 2023-2024 Annual Cycle Rules – Land and Water Access – Consider request to publish Notice of Text with an open comment period and public hearings for proposed changes to land and water access rules. Review and consider approval of fiscal note. – Daron Barnes, Land and Water Access Division Chief (EXHIBIT F-1, F-2)

Permanent Rulemaking Notice of Text – 2023-2024 Annual Cycle Rules – Wildlife Management – Consider request to publish Notice of Text with an open comment period and public hearings for proposed changes to wildlife management rules. Review and consider approval of fiscal note. – *Brad Howard, Wildlife Management Division Chief* (EXHIBIT G-1, G-2)

Temporary Rulemaking Adoption – 15A NCAC 10D .0503 Surveillance Areas – Review public comments and consider adoption for proposed temporary changes to temporary surveillance areas regarding deer excretions. – *Brad Howard* (EXHIBIT H-1, H-2)

COMMENTS BY THE CHAIRMAN – Chairman Crump COMMENTS BY THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR – Executive Director Ingram ADJOURN