

AGENDA N.C. WILDLIFE RESOURCES COMMISSION February 24, 2022, 9:00 a.m. 1751 Varsity Drive NCWRC Conference Room, 5th Floor Raleigh, North Carolina

CALL TO ORDER – Chairman Monty Crump

This electronic 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 www.ncwildlife.org.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Commissioner JC Cole

INVOCATION –Commissioner Kelly Davis

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 Monty Crump*

APPROVAL OF DECEMBER 9, 2021 MEETING MINUTES – Take action on the December 9, 2021 Wildlife Resources Commission meeting minutes as written in the exhibit. **(EXHIBIT A)**

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 B**)

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

2021 THOMAS L. QUAY WILDLIFE DIVERSITY AWARD PRESENTATION – Awarded Posthumously to Duane Raver –*Dr. David Cobb, Research Director & Cameron Ingram, Executive Director*

COMMITTEE MEETING REPORTS

Land Acquisitions and Property Committee Report – February 2, 2022 – Brad Stanback, Vice Chair Fisheries Committee Report – February 2, 2022 – John Stone, Chair Habitat, Nongame, & Endangered Species Committee Report – February 23, 2022 – Mark Craig, Chair Education and Communication Committee Report – February 23, 2022 – Kelly Davis, Chair Rules Committee Report – February 23, 2022 – Wes Seegars, Chair Big Game Committee Report – February 23, 2022 – David Hoyle, Chair Committee of the Whole Report – February 23, 2022 – Monty Crump, Chair

AGENCY SPOTLIGHT – BRINGING THEM BACK –*Brad Howard, Wildlife Management Division Chief*

LAND ACQUISITION AND PROPERTY MATTERS

Phase II Land Acquisitions – Consider final approval to proceed with acquisition of the following properties – *Ben Solomon, Assistant Chief and Land Acquisition Manager* (**EXHIBIT C-1, C-2, C-3, C-4**)

- Pisgah Creek Tract Haywood County (**EXHIBIT C-1**)
- Chowan Swamp Game Land Addition—Hertford and Bertie Counties (**EXHIBIT C-2**)
- Cape Fear D/V Tract Pender County (**EXHIBIT C-3**)
- Donnie Snelson Tract Madison County (**EXHIBIT C-4**)

RULEMAKING

Permanent Rulemaking Adoption – 15A NCAC 10F .0201 Safety Equipment – Review public comments and consider request to adopt changes to boating safety equipment rule – *Major Ben Meyer, Law Enforcement Division* (**EXHIBITS D-1, D-2**)

Permanent Rulemaking Adoption – **2022-2023 Wildlife Management Rules** – Review public comments and consider request to adopt proposed changes to wildlife management rules – *Brad Howard, Wildlife Management Division Chief* (**EXHIBITS E-1, E-2b**)

Permanent Rulemaking Adoption – **2022-2023 Inland Fisheries Rules** – Review public comments and consider request to adopt proposed changes to inland fisheries rules – *Christian Waters, Inland Fisheries Division Chief* (**EXHIBITS F-1, F-2**)

Permanent Rulemaking Adoption – 2022-2023 Land and Water Access Rules – Review public comments and consider request to adopt proposed changes to land and water access rules – *Brian McRae*, *Deputy Director of Operations* (EXHIBITS G-1, G-2b)

Permanent Rulemaking Adoption – **2022-2023 Rehabilitation & License Fees Rules** – Review public comments and consider request to adopt proposed changes to rehabilitation and license fee rule – *Daron Barnes, Office of Wildlife Interaction, Regulation Activities and Permits Program Manager* (**EXHIBITS H-1, H-2b**)

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