## N.C. WILDLIFE RESOURCES COMMISSION COMMITTEES - 2023/24

NORTH CAROLINA

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## **SUMMARY OF COMMITTEE PURPOSES**

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Big Game	The Big Game Committee provides guidance, oversight, policy recommendations, and regulation review on all issues
	related to deer, elk, and black bear. The Committee provides recommendations to staff for public forums on big game
	species, hunting methods, and surveys to develop rules that meet both management needs and constituent expectations.
Small Cama 9	The Committee also provides recommendations on proposed rules to the full Commission.
Small Game &	The Small Game and Wild Turkey Committee provides guidance, oversight, policy recommendations, and regulation
Wild Turkey	review on all issues related to small game and wild turkeys. The Committee also provides recommendations on proposed rules and for recipients of the Lawrence G. Diedrick Small Game Awards to the full Commission.
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Migratory Birds &	view on all issues related to migratory game birds and waterfowl. The Committee also reviews public comments from the
Waterfowl	survey on the annual migratory game bird hunting seasons, within the federal frameworks, provides recommendations on
	annual seasons and bag limits to the full Commission, and reviews Zoning and Split options for waterfowl seasons every
	five years and makes recommendations to the full Commission.
Education 0	The Education and Communication Committee provides oversight and guidance on R3, education centers, hunter edu-
Education &	cation, archery/NASP, shooting ranges, and Wildlife in North Carolina. The Committee ensures all WRC outreach efforts
Communication	facilitate engagement-related initiatives on a statewide scale, that the agency promotes to a diverse constituency and that
	programs and evaluation efforts align with the agency's legislative purpose.
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Fisheries	The Fisheries Committee provides guidance, oversight, policy recommendations, and regulation review on all issues
	related to inland fisheries. The Committee provides recommendations on proposed rules to the full Commission and oversight for interjurisdictional fisheries managed in conjunction with NC Marine Fisheries Commission, NC Division of Marine
	Fisheries, and the Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission.
Finance Audit	
Finance, Audit	The Finance, Audit and Compliance Committee provides guidance, oversight, policy recommendations, and financial review on all issues related to Wildlife Resources Commission's Endowment Fund and oversees the internal audit func-
and Compliance	tion, which includes collaboration with the internal auditor and WRC management in the areas of risk management and
	development of the annual internal audit plan. The Committee also reviews and makes recommendations to the full
	Com-mission on allocation of Expendable Investment Income of the Endowment Fund, investment strategy for the Endow-
	ment Fund, and other financial matters.
Land	The Land Acquisition and Property (LAP) Committee provides guidance, oversight, policy recommendations, and reg-ula-
Acquisitions &	tion review on all issues related to the acquisition of land and other Commission property matters. The Committee pro-
l -	vides the initial, Phase I, approval and makes recommendations to the full Commission for final approval, Phase II, in the
Property	land acquisition process. The Committee also reviews other property requests, such as easements, and rules relating to
	Commission property and makes recommendations to the full Commission for consideration.
Habitat,	The Habitat, Nongame, and Endangered Species (HNGES) Committee provides guidance, oversight, policy recommen-
Nongame and	da-tions, and regulation review on all issues related to nongame fish and wildlife. The Committee approves the stocking
Endangered Endangered	of listed species and makes recommendations to the full Commission on revisions to the North Carolina Wildlife Action
1	Plan and the State Protected Animal Lists. The Committee also serves as the link between the Commission and the Non-
Species	game Wildlife Advisory Committee and recommends recipients of the Thomas L. Quay Wildlife Diversity Award.
Rules	The Rules Committee provides oversight and guidance on the rulemaking process, and review and input on all Agen-
	cy rules, excluding water safety. The Committee ensures regulatory impacts to constituents are thoroughly considered
	throughout the rulemaking process by providing input on stakeholder engagement plans; ensures rule proposals are
	clearly written, explained, and necessary; reviews all public comments on proposed rules; and recommends any neces-
	sary changes to rules before they proceed to the full Commission for vote.
Boating Safety	The Boating Safety Committee provides guidance, oversight, and policy recommendations on all issues related to Chap-
	ter 75A, Boating and Water Safety. The Committee also reviews and makes recommendations to the full Commission on
	water safety regulations, abandoned and derelict vessels, and other matters of statewide interest in the public trust waters
	of the State.
Executive	The Executive Committee provides guidance and oversight to the Executive Director as well as annual per-
	for-mance reviews of the Executive Director. The Committee is also charged with the employment search
	of the Executive Director position. The committee shall act as appropriate when necessary on behalf of the
	Com-mission on matters that arise outside the normal course of action of standing committees. Any and all
	such actions shall be reported to the full commission for review and or concurrence if required.