

WYOMING GAME AND FISH DEPARTMENT

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A public meeting of the Wyoming Game and Fish Commission (Commission) will be held on March 12-13, 2024 in Pinedale in the Board Room of the Sublette County School District #1 Administration Building, 665 N. Tyler Avenue. The meeting will be conducted in person and via Zoom video conferencing. As authorized by W.S. § 23-1-301 through § 23-1-303, the Commission will discuss, and may vote to take action on, several matters. For informational presentations, the Commission may vote to take action on, or provide the Department direction on, items covered in the presentation.

Tuesday, March 12, 2024

Executive Session begins at 8:00 a.m.

A representative from the Attorney General's Office will update the Commission on matters concerning litigation. A representative from the Department may update the Commission on matters concerning the purchase or disposal of real estate.

Open Session begins at approximately 9:00 a.m.

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- **1. Presenters: Wyoming Game and Fish Commissioners. Election of Officers.** The Commission will elect a new Commission President and Vice President. 15 minutes. 9:00-9:15 a.m.
- 2. Presenter: Commission President. Approval of Commission Meeting Minutes. The Commission will be asked to vote to approve Open Session and Executive Session minutes from the January 16-17, 2024, Commission meeting. 5 minutes. 9:15:-9:20 a.m.
- **3. Presenter: Brian R. Nesvik, Director. Director's Report.** The Director will brief the Commission on current issues, challenges, and opportunities. 15 minutes. 9:20-9:35 a.m.

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4. Awards and Recognition. 10 minutes. 9:35-9:45 a.m.

Presenter: Rick King, Chief, Wildlife Division. Shikar-Safari Club Wildlife Officer of the Year Award. The Shikar-Safari Wildlife Officer of the Year Award will be presented to Kim Olson, Baggs Senior Game Warden.

- 5. Presenter: Meredith Wood, Chief Financial Officer, Fiscal Division. Preliminary Approval of the Commission's FY 2025 Budget. The Commission will be asked to vote to provide preliminary approval of the Commission's FY 2025 standard budget and already-approved projects. 20 minutes. 9:45-10:05 a.m.
- 6. Presenter: Sean Bibbey, Deputy Chief, Services Division. Chapter 23, Lands and Waters Acquired or Administered by the Wyoming Game and Fish Commission. The Commission will be asked to vote to approve the revised Chapter 23, Lands and Waters Acquired or Administered by the Wyoming Game and Fish Commission. 15 minutes. 10:05-10:20 a.m.
- 7. Presenter: Jill Randall, Big Game Migration Coordinator, Wildlife Division; Doug Brimeyer, Deputy Chief, Wildlife Division; and Will Schultz, Habitat Protection Program Supervisor. Sublette Antelope Migration Corridor. The Commission will be presented with information on the identification process for the Sublette Antelope Migration Corridor and asked to vote to have the Department continue the designation process for this corridor. 1 hour. 10:20-11:20 a.m.
- 8. Presenter: Dan Thompson, Large Carnivore Supervisor, and Brian DeBolt, Large Carnivore Conflict Coordinator, Wildlife Division. Large Carnivore Update. The Commission will be provided with an update on activities related to large carnivore conservation and management in Wyoming. Informational presentation. 1 hour. 11:20 a.m.-12:20 p.m.

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- 9. Presenters: Dr. Embere Hall, Science, Research, and Analytical Support Supervisor, Wildlife Division; Gary Fralick, South Jackson Wildlife Biologist, Wildlife Division; and Dr. Kevin Monteith, Professor, University of Wyoming, Haub School of Environment and Natural Resources. Mule Deer Research Updates. The Commission will be provided with information on the current status of mule deer research efforts. Informational presentation. 75 minutes. 1:30-2:45 p.m.
- 10. Presenter: John Lund, Pinedale Regional Wildlife Supervisor, and Cheyenne Stewart, Jackson Wildlife Management Coordinator, Wildlife Division. Department Feedground Management Plan. The Commission will be asked to vote to approve the Department Feedground Management Plan. 2 hours. 2:45-4:45 p.m.
- **11. Call to the Public.**

Adjourn for the day.

Wednesday, March 13, 2024

Executive Session (if needed) begins at 7:00 a.m.

Open Session begins at 8:00 a.m.

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- 12. Presenter: Jennifer Doering, License Section Manager, Fiscal Division. License Selling Agent Cancellation. The Commission will be briefed on the cancellation of license selling agent, Wea Market of Meeteetse, in Meeteetse. The agent has requested a hearing before the Commission. 20 minutes. 8:00-8:20 a.m.
- 13. Presenter: Jennifer Doering, License Section Manager, Fiscal Division. License Selling Agent Cancellation. The Commission will be briefed on the cancellation of license selling agent, City Market #412, in Rawlins. The agent has requested a hearing before the Commission. 20 minutes. 8:20-8:40 a.m.
- 14. Presenter: Jennifer Doering, License Section Manager, Fiscal Division. License Selling Agent Appointment. The Commission will be asked to vote to approve one new license selling agent: Gold Spur Outfitters, Laramie. 5 minutes. 8:40-8:45 a.m.
- 15. Presenter: Jennifer Doering, License Section Manager, Fiscal Division. Conditional Renewal of License Selling Agents Update. The Commission will be briefed on agents who have not met the \$1,000.00 minimum requirement in sales for 2023 as of October 11, 2023, as stated in W.S. § 23-1-701. The Commission will be asked to vote to renew or cancel these license selling agents. 5 minutes. 8:45-8:50 a.m.
- **16. Presenter:** Angi Bruce, Deputy Director. Legislative Update. The Commission will be provided with a legislative update. Informational presentation. 20 minutes. 8:50-9:10 a.m.
- **17. Presenter:** Nish Goicolea, Chief, Communications and Education Division. Communications Programs Update. The Commission will be presented with an update on the Department's communication programs. Informational presentation. 20 minutes. 9:10-9:30 a.m.

- **18. Presenter:** Nish Goicolea, Chief, Communications and Education Division. Website Update. The Commission will be presented with an update on the Department's website project. Informational presentation. 15 minutes. 9:30-9:45 a.m.
- 19. Presenter: Sean Bibbey, Deputy Chief, Services Division. Acquisition and/or Disposal of Fee Title and/or Less than Fee Title Property Rights. The Commission will be asked to vote to approve the disposal of the Saratoga Game Warden Station located at 902 West Rochester, Carbon County. 5 minutes. 9:45-9:55 a.m.
- **20. Presenter: Sean Bibbey, Deputy Chief, Services Division. Employee Housing Project in** Jackson. The Commission will be provided with an update on the employee housing project in Jackson. Informational presentation. 15 minutes. 9:55-10:10 a.m.
- **21. Presenter: Chris McBarnes, President, The WYldlife Fund. The WYldlife Fund Update.** The Commission will be provided with an update from The WYldlife Fund. Informational presentation. 15 minutes. 10:10-10:25 a.m.

22. Call to the public

Adjourn

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