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****Revision #2**

A public meeting of the Wyoming Game and Fish Commission (Commission) will be held on April 19-20, 2022, at the Lander Community and Convention Center, 950 Buena Vista Drive, Lander, Wyoming. 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, April 19, 2022

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. The Commission will be asked to approve the Executive Session Minutes from the March 2022 Commission Meeting.

Open Session begins at approximately 9:30 a.m.

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- 1. Presenter: Commission President. Approval of Commission Meeting Minutes.** The Commission will be asked to vote to approve minutes from the March 2022 Commission meeting. 5 min. 9:30-9:35 a.m.

2. **Presenter: Brian R. Nesvik, Director. Director's Report.** The Director will brief the Commission on current issues, challenges and opportunities. Informational presentation. 15 min. 9:35-9:50 a.m.
3. **Presenters: Hank Edwards, Wildlife Health Laboratory Supervisor, Dr. Samantha Allen, State Wildlife Veterinarian, and Justin Binfet, Casper Wildlife Management Coordinator, Wildlife Division. 2021 Chronic Wasting Disease Surveillance.** The Commission will be presented with information on the Department's 2021 CWD surveillance efforts. Informational presentation. 90 min. 9:50-11:20 a.m.
4. **Presenter: Doug Brimeyer, Deputy Chief, Wildlife Division. General Hunting Regulation, Big Game, Wild Bison, Wild Turkey, Upland Game Bird, Small Game and Migratory Game Bird Hunting Seasons and Light Goose Conservation Order.** The Commission will be asked to vote to approve Chapters 2, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 11, 14, 15 and 20 as proposed. 11:20 a.m.-12:20 p.m.

Lunch 12:30-1:20 p.m.

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5. **Call to the public.**

Adjourn for the day.

Reception 6:00-8:00 p.m.

Lander Community and Convention Center
950 Buena Vista Drive
Lander, WY

The Commission and The WYldlife Fund will host a reception for the public and conservation organizations. Please join the Commission and Department Staff at this informal gathering. Food and beverages will be provided.

Wednesday, April 20, 2022

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

Open Session begins at 8:00 a.m.

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- 6. Presenter: Dan Smith, Interim Deputy Chief, Wildlife Division. Josh Longwell, HD Ranch, Damage Claim Appeal #22125.** The Commission will be asked to vote to approve the Department's partial payment recommendation for Damage Claim #22125. 45 min. 8:00-8:45 a.m.
- 7. Presenter: John Kennedy, Deputy Director. Employee Housing Project in Jackson.** The Commission will be provided with an update on the employee housing project in Jackson. Informational presentation. 15 min. 8:45-9:00 a.m.
- 8. Presenter: Eric Wiltanger, Chief, Services Division. Cody Regional Office Project.** The Commission will be provided with an update on the Cody Regional Office project. Informational presentation. 15 min. 9:00-9:15 a.m.
- 9. Presenter: Meredith Wood, Chief Financial Officer, Fiscal Division. FY 2022 Budget Adjustment.** The Commission will be asked to vote to approve the addition of funds to the FY 2022 budget. 15 min. 9:15-9:30 a.m.
- 10. Presenter: Meredith Wood, Chief Financial Officer, Fiscal Division. FY 2022 Revenue Transfers.** The Commission will be asked to vote to approve the transfer of 6% of the lifetime license fund balance and the net revenue earned from sale of alternative enterprise merchandise during the fiscal year into the Commission's operating fund. 10 min. 9:30-9:40 a.m.

11. Presenter: Jennifer Doering, License Section Manager, Fiscal Division. License Selling Agent Appointments. The Commission will be asked to vote to approve one new license selling agent Bellwood Boats, Glendo, and the transfer of ownership for KB Hardware and Lumber (former Lovell Building Center), Lovell and Top of the World Store, Cody. 10 min. 9:40-9:50 a.m.

12. Presenter: Dirk Miller, Deputy Chief, Fish Division. Warm and Cool Water Fish Importation. The Commission will be provided with information on the challenges associated with warm and cool water fish importation. Informational presentation. 20 min. 9:50-10:10 a.m.

Tentative Break 10:10-10:25 a.m.

13. Presenter: Hall Sawyer, Research Biologist, Western Ecosystems Technology, Inc. Solar Development and Ungulates on Western Rangelands. Dr. Sawyer will provide the Commission with an overview of potential impacts of utility-scale solar development on big game in southwest Wyoming. Informational presentation. 30 min. 10:25-10:55 a.m.

14. Presenters: Dan Thompson, Supervisor, Large Carnivore Section and Brian DeBolt, Conflict Coordinator, Large Carnivore Section, Wildlife Division. Large Carnivore Update. The Commission will be presented with information on current research, monitoring, management and conflict activities of large carnivores within Wyoming. Informational presentation. 45 min. 10:55-11:40 a.m.

15. Presenter: Nish Goicolea, Director of Communication, Education and Public Relations. The Commission will be provided with an update on the Department's Education and Outreach Program. Informational presentation. 15 min. 11:40-11:55 a.m.

16. Presenter: Kyle Bernis, District Manager, Wyoming State Parks and Cultural Resources. Sinks Canyon State Park Master Plan/Proposed Via Ferrata. The Commission will be briefed on the Sinks Canyon State Park Master Plan and the proposed via ferrata. 15 min. 11:55 a.m.-12:10 p.m.

17. Call to the public.

Adjourn

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