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A public meeting of the Wyoming Game and Fish Commission (Commission) will be held on March 19-20, 2020, at the Holiday Inn of Cody, 1701 Sheridan Avenue, Cody, WY. 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.

Thursday, March 19, 2020

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 January 2020 Commission Meeting.

Open Session begins at approximately 9:45 a.m.

- 1. Presenters: Wyoming Game and Fish Commissioners. Election of Officers.** The Commission will elect a new Commission President and Vice President. 15 min 9:45-10:00 a.m.
- 2. Presenter: Commission President. Approval of Commission Meeting Minutes.** The Commission will be asked to vote to approve the January 2020 Commission Meeting Minutes. 5 min. 10:00-10:05 a.m.
- 3. Presenter: Brian R. Nesvik, Director. Director's Report.** The Director will brief the Commission on current issues, challenges and opportunities. Informational presentation. 15 min. 10:05-10:20 a.m.
- 4. Presenter: Rick King, Chief, Wildlife Division. Shikar-Safari Club Wildlife Officer of the Year Award.** The 2019 Shikar-Safari Club International Wildlife Officer of the Year award will be presented to Buffalo Game Warden Jim Seeman. 10 min. 10:20-10:30 a.m.
- 5. Presenter: Mike Schmid, Commissioner. The Wyldlife Fund.** The Commission will be provided with an update on The Wyldlife Fund. Informational presentation. 10 min. 10:30-10:40 a.m.

6. **Presenter: Doug Brimeyer, Deputy Chief, Wildlife Division. Mule Deer and Pronghorn Research in Wyoming.** The Commission will be presented with an update on Mule Deer and Pronghorn research in Wyoming. Informational presentation. 40 min. 10:40-11:10 a.m.
7. **Presenters: Meredith Wood, CFO, and Millissa Raner, General Accounting Manager, Fiscal Division. Preliminary Approval of the Commission's FY 2021 Budget.** The Commission will be asked to vote to provide preliminary approval of the FY 2021 budget. 60 min. 11:10 a.m.-12:10 p.m.

Lunch Break 12:10-1:00 p.m.

8. **Presenter: John Kennedy, Deputy Director. WGFHD Housing in Jackson.** The Commission will be provided with an update on the Department's work to address employee housing in Jackson. 30 min. 1:00-1:30 p.m.
9. **Presenter: Sean Bibbey, Lands Branch Chief, Services Division. Approval to Acquire or Dispose of Fee Title and/or Less than Fee Title Property Rights.** The Commission will be presented with the following project: Acquisition of water rights at Bump Sullivan, Goshen County. 10 min. 1:30-1:40 p.m.
10. **Presenter: Hank Edwards, Wildlife Health Laboratory Supervisor, Wildlife Division. 2019 Chronic Wasting Disease Surveillance Update.** The Commission will be presented with information on the Department's 2019 Chronic Wasting Disease surveillance efforts. Informational presentation. 30 min. 1:40-2:10 p.m.
11. **Presenter: Scott Edberg, Deputy Chief, Wildlife Division. Damage Claim Appeal #20078.** The Commission will be asked to vote to approve the Department's partial payment recommendation for Damage Claim #20078. 30 min. 2:10-2:40 p.m.

Tentative Break 2:40-2:55 p.m.

12. **Presenter: Jennifer Doering, License Section Manager, Fiscal Division. License Selling Agent Appointments.** The Commission will be asked to vote to approve the transfer of one license selling agent Joe's Food Center in Upton, WY. 5 min. 2:55-3:00 p.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, Rooch's Marina, in Glendo. The agent has requested a hearing before the Commission. 15 min. 3:00-3:15 p.m.
14. **Presenter: Rick King, Chief, Wildlife Division. Petition to Amend Chapter 4, Furbearing Animal Trapping Regulation.** The Commission will be briefed on the petition to amend Chapter 4, Furbearing Animal Trapping Regulation. 30 min. 3:15-3:45 p.m.

- 15. Presenter: Doug Brimeyer, Deputy Chief, Wildlife Division. 2020 Winter Conditions Update.** The Commission will be provided with an overview of the current statewide winter conditions. Informational presentation. 20 min. 4:05-4:25 p.m
- 16. Presenters: John Kennedy, Deputy Director and Plan One Architects. Cody Regional Office Project.** The Commission will be provided with an update on the new Cody Regional Office project. The Commission will be asked to approve funding for the design team and the commissioning agent. 20 min. 3:45-4:05 p.m.
- 17. Presenter: Rebekah Fitzgerald, Communications Director, Director's Office. Wyoming Outdoor Expo Location.** The Commission will be presented with information on locations for the Wyoming Outdoor Expo. Informational presentation. 15 min. 4:25-4:40 p.m.
- 18. Presenter: Rebekah Fitzgerald, Communications Director, Director's Office. Wildlife Crossing Initiative.** The Commission will be presented with information regarding the Wildlife Crossing Initiative. Informational presentation. 15 min. 4:40-4:55 p.m.
- 19. Call to the Public.**

Adjourn for the day.

Friday, March 20, 2020

Executive Session begins at 8:00 a.m. (if needed)

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 9:15 a.m.

- 20. Presenter: Scott Edberg, Deputy Chief, Wildlife Division. Scott Edberg, Deputy Chief, Wildlife Division. Chronic Wasting Disease Management Plan.** The Commission will be asked to approve the Department's Chronic Wasting Disease Management Plan. 3 hours 9:15 a.m.-12:15 p.m.

Lunch Break 12:15-1:30 p.m.

- 21. Presenter: Doug Brimeyer, Deputy Chief, Wildlife Division. Wyoming Wolverine Management Plan.** The Commission will be asked to vote to approve the Wyoming Wolverine Management Plan. 20 min. 1:30-1:50 p.m.

- 22. Presenter: Dustin Shorma, Dayton Game Warden, Wildlife Division. Lambdin Deer Case.** The Commission will be presented with information on a law enforcement case involving the illegal killing of 36 deer. Informational presentation. 20 min. 1:50-2:10 p.m.
- 23. 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. 2:10-2:55 p.m.
- 24. Presenter: Eric Maichak, Wildlife Biologist, Wildlife Division. Bighorn Basin and Bighorn Mountains Brucellosis Update.** The Commission will be presented with information on current research, monitoring and management of brucellosis within the Bighorn Basin and Bighorn Mountains. Informational presentation. 20 min. 2:55-3:15 p.m.

Tentative Break 3:15-3:30

- 25. Presenters: Brian Nesvik, Director and Shane Mahoney. Wildlife Harvest Initiative.** The Commission will be presented with information regarding the Wildlife Harvest Initiative. Informational presentation. 30 min. 3:30-4:00 p.m.
- 26. Presenter: Rebekah Fitzgerald, Communications Director, Director's Office. Wyoming Wildlife Photos.** The Commission will be provided with a presentation showing photos of Wyoming's Wildlife. Informational presentation. 10 min. 4:00-4:10 p.m.
- 27. Call to the public.**

Adjourn

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