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**\*\* Revised**

A public meeting of the Wyoming Game and Fish Commission (Commission) will be held on November 16-17, 2021 at the Holiday Inn, 900 East Sunset Blvd., Riverton. 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, November 16, 2021

**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 September 2021 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 September 2021 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. **Presenter: John Kennedy, Deputy Director. The Commission's FY2022 One-time Budget.** The Commission will be asked to vote to approve an increase to the FY2022 one-time budget to cover unanticipated, high-priority projects. 20 min. 9:50-10:10 a.m.
4. **Presenter: John Kennedy, Deputy Director. Commission Meeting Dates and Locations.** The Commission will be asked to vote to approve dates and locations for Commission meetings in 2022 and January 2023. 15 min. 10:10-10:25 a.m.
5. **Presenters: Rick King, Chief, Wildlife Division and Wyoming State Parks and Cultural Resources. Sinks Canyon State Park Master Plan.** The Commission will be briefed on the Sinks Canyon State Park Master Plan and the proposed via ferrata. Informational presentation. 90 min. 10:25-11:55 a.m.

Lunch for Commissioners and Department Staff 12:00-1:00 p.m.

6. **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. 1:00-1:15 p.m.
7. **Presenter: Eric Wiltanger, Chief, Services Division. Cody Regional Office Project.** The Commission will be asked to approve a change order for construction of the regional office. The Commission will also be provided with an update on the project. Informational presentation. 15 min. 1:15-1:30 p.m.
8. **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 an easement exchange at the Tongue River Canyon Public Access Area, Sheridan County; a donation of a conservation easement at Munger Mountain, Teton County; disposal of the Gillette Game Warden Station, Campbell County; and disposal of the Green River Warden Station, Sweetwater County. 20 min. 1:30-1:50 p.m.
9. **Awards, Recognition, Donations**

Service Awards:

Bill Yaracz, Senior Fish Culturist, Dubois Hatchery will be presented with his 20-year service award.

Stan Harter, Wildlife Biologist, Wildlife Division will be presented with his 20-year service award.

Andrea Orabona, Nongame Bird Biologist, Wildlife Division will be presented with her 35-year service award. 20 min. 1:50-2:10 p.m.

**10. Presenter: Jennifer Doering, License Section Manager, Fiscal Division. Chapter 44, Regulation for Issuance of Licenses, Permits, Stamps, Tags, Preference Points and Competitive Raffle Chances.** The Commission will be asked to vote to approve Chapter 44, Regulation for Issuance of Licenses, Permits, Stamps, Tags, Preference Points and Competitive Raffle Chances. 20 min. 2:10-2:30 p.m.

**11. Presenter: Rick King, Chief, Wildlife Division. Chapter 70, Regulation Governing Possession of Road Killed Wildlife.** The Commission will be asked to vote to approve Chapter 70, Regulation Governing Possession of Road Killed Wildlife. 20 min. 2:30-2:50 p.m.

**12. Presenter: Scott Edberg, Deputy Chief, Wildlife Division. Meghan Lally, Damage Claim Appeal #21031.** The Commission will be asked to vote to approve the Department's partial payment recommendation for Damage Claim #21031. 45 min. 2:50-3:35 p.m.

**13. Presenter: Scott Edberg, Deputy Chief, Wildlife Division. Chapter 28, Regulation Governing Big or Trophy Game Animal or Game Bird or Gray Wolf Damage Claims Update.** The Commission will be provided with an update on potential changes to Chapter 28, Regulation Governing Big or Trophy Game Animal or Game Bird or Gray Wolf Damage Claims. Informational presentation. 15 min. 3:35-3:50 p.m.

**14. Call to the public.**

**Adjourn for the day.**

**Reception ~ 100 Years of the Wyoming Game and Fish Commission**

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

**The Holiday Inn**

**900 E. Sunset Blvd.**

**Riverton, WY**

**Wednesday, November 17, 2021**

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

**Open Session begins at 8:00 a.m.**

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**15. Awards, Recognition, Donations**

Joe Gillis, Senior Fish Culturist, Boulder Hatchery will be presented with his 20-year service award. 10 min. 8:00-8:10 a.m.

**16. Presenter: Greg Phipps, Chief, Fiscal Division. License Selling Agent Appointments.**

The Commission will be asked to vote to approve one new license selling agent and the transfer of two agents. 10 min. 8:10-8:20 a.m.

**17. Presenter: Greg Phipps, Chief, Fiscal Division. Conditional Renewal of License Selling Agents.**

The Commission will be asked to vote to conditionally renew license selling agents who have not met the \$1000.00 minimum requirement in sales for 2021. 10 min. 8:20-8:30 a.m.

**18. Presenter: Angi Bruce, Deputy Director. Legislative Update.**

The Commission will be provided with a presentation on the Department's work in regards to the Legislative Interim Session. Informational presentation. 30 min. 8:30-9:00 a.m.

**19. Presenter: Angi Bruce, Deputy Director. I25 Kaycee to Buffalo Wildlife Crossing Project.**

The Commission will be presented with information on the Wildlife Crossing Initiative and an update on the I25 Kaycee to Buffalo Wildlife Crossing Project. Informational presentation. 20 min. 9:00-9:20 a.m.

- 20. Presenters: Dr. Dan Thompson, Large Carnivore Management Section Supervisor and Dan Bjornlie, Large Carnivore Biologist, Wildlife Division. Grizzly Bear Monitoring.** The Commission will be provided with an update on grizzly bear monitoring and capture techniques. Informational presentation. 25 min. 9:20-9:45 a.m.
- 21. Presenters: Dr. Dan Thompson, Large Carnivore Management Section Supervisor and Joe Kondelis, President, Western Bear Foundation. Western Bear Foundation Update.** The Commission will be presented with an update from the Western Bear Foundation. Informational presentation. 10 min. 9:45-9:55 a.m.
- 22. Presenter: Ray Bredehoft, Habitat and Access Branch Chief, Services Division. Renner Wildlife Habitat Management Area Farming and Grazing Plan.** The Commission will be asked to vote to approve the Department's proposal for farming and grazing for 10 years with the option to renew for an additional 10 years on the Renner Wildlife Habitat Management Area to improve wildlife habitat. 20 min. 9:55-10:15 a.m.

Tentative Break 10:15-10:30 a.m.

- 23. Presenter: Brian Parker, Lander Region Habitat and Access Supervisor, Services Division. Ocean Lake and Sand Mesa Wildlife Habitat Management Areas.** The Commission will be provided with information on the Ocean Lake and Sand Mesa Wildlife Habitat Management Areas. Informational presentation. 30 min. 10:30-11:00 a.m.
- 24. Presenter: Zack Walker, Statewide Nongame Bird and Mammal Supervisor, Wildlife Division. Black-footed Ferret Update.** The Commission will be provided with an update on the current status, monitoring, and management of black-footed ferrets in Wyoming. Informational presentation. 20 min. 11:00-11:20 a.m.
- 25. Presenter: Chris McBarnes, Executive Director, The WYldlife Fund. Update from The WYldlife Fund.** The Commission will be provided with an update from The WYldlife Fund. Informational presentation. 15 min. 11:20-11:35 a.m.

**26. Call to the public.**

**Adjourn**

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November 16 – 17, 2021**

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