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A public meeting of the Wyoming Game and Fish Commission (Commission) will be held on January 26-27, 2022 at the Wyoming Game and Fish Department, Elk Room, 5400 Bishop Blvd., Cheyenne. 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.

Wednesday, January 26, 2022

Open Session begins at 1:00 p.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 November 16-17, 2021, November 30, 2021 and January 3, 2022 Commission meetings. 5 min. 1:00-1:05 p.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. 1:05-1:20 p.m.

- 3. Presenters: Scott Edberg, Deputy Chief, Wildlife Division and Dan Thompson, Large Carnivore Section Supervisor, Wildlife Division. Livestock Damage Research and Damage Multiplier. The Commission will be provided with an update on cattle-trophy game damage and an analysis of other cattle-trophy game based damages. The Commission will be presented with a recommendation on cattle-trophy game damage multipliers. Informational presentation. 45 min. 1:20-2:05 p.m.
- **4. Presenter: Doug Brimeyer, Deputy Chief, Wildlife Division. Elk Management Issues.** The Commission will discuss elk management issues in Wyoming. Informational presentation. 30 min. 2:05-2:35 p.m.
- 5. Presenter: John Kennedy, Deputy Director. November 2022 Commission Meeting Location. The Commission will be asked to vote to approve the location for the November Commission Meeting. 5 min. 2:35-2:40 p.m.
- **6.** Presenter: John Kennedy, Deputy Director. Volunteer Projects for 2022. The Commission will be asked to vote to approve the list of volunteer projects for 2022. 10 min. 2:40-2:50 p.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. 2:50-3:05 p.m.

Tentative Break 3:05-3:20 p.m.

- 8. 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. 3:20-4:05 p.m.
- 9. 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 and provide direction to the Department on the following project: Former North Gillette Warden Station in Campbell County. 10 min. 4:05-4:15 p.m.
- 10. 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, the transfer of one agent, and the late bond renewal of six agents. 10 min. 4:15-4:25 p.m.
- 11. Call to the public.

Adjourn for the day.

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Thursday, January 27, 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 November 16 and November 30, 2021 Commission Meetings.

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

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12. Awards, Recognition, Donations

Service Awards:

Mark Smith, Assistant Fisheries Management Coordinator, Fish Division will be presented with his 20-year service award.

Kevin Gelwicks, Assistant Fisheries Management Coordinator, Fish Division will be presented with his 25-year service award.

Recognition:

South Pinedale Game Warden Jordan Kraft will be presented with the 2021 Shikar-Safari Club International Wildlife Officer of the Year Award.

15 min. 9:30-9:45 a.m.

- **13. 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. 9:45-10:00 a.m.
- **14. Presenter:** Eric Wiltanger, Chief, Services Division. North Glendo Land Transfer. The Commission will be asked to vote to approve the North Glendo land transfer in Platte County. 15 min. 10:00-10:15 a.m.
- 15. Presenters: Doug Brimeyer, Deputy Chief, Wildlife Division and Daryl Lutz, Wildlife Management Coordinator, Wildlife Division. Sweetwater Rocks Bighorn Sheep. The Commission will be provided with an update on the Sweetwater Rocks bighorn sheep public input process. Informational presentation. 20 min. 10:15-10:35 a.m.
- **16. Presenter: John Lund, Pinedale Regional Supervisor, Wildlife Division. Feedground Collaborative Public Process.** The Commission will be provided with an update on phase II of the Feedground Collaborative Public Process. Informational presentation. 20 min. 10:35-10:55 a.m.

Tentative break 10:55-11:10 a.m.

- 17. Presenter: Ian Tator, Wildlife and Habitat Supervisor, Wildlife Division. Statewide Mule Deer Initiative Projects FY 2022. The Commission will be asked to vote to approve project applications for the Statewide Mule Deer Initiative Program. 30 min. 11:10-11:40 a.m.
- 18. Presenter: Mike Choma, Law Enforcement Program Supervisor, Wildlife Division. Wyoming Game and Fish Department Law Enforcement Program Overview. The Commission will be provided with an overview of the Department's Law Enforcement Program. Informational presentation. 20 min. 11:40 a.m.-12:00 p.m.
- 19. Presenter: Guy Campbell, Fish Culture Supervisor, Fish Division. Fish Culture Section Overview. The Commission will be provided with an overview of the fish culture section. Informational presentation. 25 min. 12:00-12:25 p.m.
- **20.** 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. 10 min. 12:25-12:35 p.m.
- 21. Presenter: Scott Edberg, Deputy Chief, Wildlife Division. The 2021 Wyoming Hunting Seasons A Look Back. The Commission will be provided with a summary of the 2021 Hunting Season. Informational presentation. 15 min. 12:35-12:50 p.m.

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22. Call to the public.

Adjourn



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 - a. On the computer, you can watch and listen to the live video. If you have a microphone on your computer, you can also use your computer's microphone to speak to the Commission if you have a comment (and if you have submitted the appropriate *Advanced Comment Form*. Comment form instructions are below).
 - b. You can also join via phone using one of the phone numbers provided in the agenda.
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 - b. During the meeting, at the end of each agenda item, we will allow those who submitted comment forms to speak to the Commission.
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