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A public meeting of the Wyoming Game and Fish Commission (Commission) will be held on November 5-6, 2026, in Cody at the Regional Office, 2 Tilden Trail. 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.

Thursday, November 5, 2026

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 personnel and the purchase or disposal of real estate.

Open Session begins at 9:00 a.m.

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- 1. Presenter: Commission President. Approval of Commission Meeting Minutes.** The Commission will be asked to vote to approve the minutes from the September Commission meeting. 5 minutes. 9:00-9:05 a.m.
- 2. Presenter: Eric J. Wiltanger, Interim Director. Director's Report.** The Interim Director will provide an agency update to the Commission. Informational presentation. 15 minutes. 9:05-9:20 a.m.
- 3. Presenter: Dan Smith, Interim Deputy Director. Commission Meeting Dates and Locations.** The Commission will be asked to vote to approve dates and locations for Commission meetings in 2027 and January 2028. 15 minutes. 9:20-9:35 a.m.

4. Presenter: Rhiannon Jakopak, State Wildlife Action Plan Coordinator and Wildlife Policy and Legislative Affairs Manager, Director's Office. State Wildlife Action Plan Review and Approval. The Commission will be asked to vote to approve Wyoming's 2027 State Wildlife Action Plan. 20 minutes. 9:35-9:55 a.m.

5. Presenter: Alan Osterland, Chief, Fish Division. Speas Warm and Cool Water Facility Update. The Commission will be presented with an update on the Speas Facility Project. Informational presentation. 15 minutes. 9:55-10:10 a.m.

6. Presenter: Justin Binfet, Deputy Chief, Wildlife Division. Multi-Year Season Setting (MYSS) Update. The Commission will be provided with an update on the MYSS proposal. Informational presentation. 45 minutes. 10:10-10:55 a.m.

7. Presenter: Joshua Moulton, License Section Manager, Fiscal Division. Conditional Renewal of License Selling Agents. The Commission will be asked to vote to conditionally renew the following license selling agents and allow them to continue selling licenses on behalf of the Department: Alta Convenience #6225 in Green River; Fast Stop 1134 in Rock Springs; Wyoming Embroidery and Sporting Goods in Green River; National Bighorn Sheep Center, Inc., in Dubois; Country Inn/Siesta Motel in Kaycee; and Jim Bridger Trading Post in Fort Bridger. 20 minutes. 10:55-11:15 a.m.

8. Awards, Recognition, and Donations. The Department will present service awards to staff. Three Department employees will be recognized for special achievements, and the Commission will formally recognize Chris McBarnes, past president of the WYldlife Fund. Informational presentation. 45 minutes. 11:15-12:00 p.m.

LUNCH (Commissioners, Award Recipients, and Department Staff) 12:00-1:00 p.m.

9. Presenter: Ray Bredehoft, Deputy Chief, Services Division. Wheatland Reservoirs #1 and #3 Cooperative Agreement. The Commission will be asked to vote to approve a 10-year cooperative agreement with Wheatland Irrigation District for public access on Wheatland Reservoir #3 and vote to approve a 3-year cooperative agreement with Wheatland Irrigation District for public access on Wheatland Reservoir #1. 15 minutes. 1:00-1:15 p.m.

10. Presenter: Brock Anderson, Lands Branch Chief, Services Division. Approval to Acquire or Dispose of Fee Title or Less than Fee Title Property Rights. The Commission will be asked to vote to approve the acquisition or disposal of fee title and/or less than fee title property rights on the following properties: A 10-year Special Use Permit to Jay Dugan for access across the Soda Lake WHMA in Sublette County and a 3-year cooperative agreement renewal with Pioneer Canal-Lake Hattie Irrigation District for public recreational access at Lake Hattie in Albany County. 20 minutes. 1:15-1:35 p.m.

11. Presenter: Justin Rhine, Lander Habitat & Access Biologist, Services Division. Ocean Lake WHMA Grazing Plan and Lease Approval. The Commission will be asked to vote to approve the Ocean Lake Grazing Lease for a 5-year term. 20 minutes. 1:35-1:55 p.m.

12. Presenter: Eric Shorma, Lovell Habitat & Access Biologist, Services Division. Yellowtail Wildlife Habitat Management Area (WHMA) North Farming Lease. The Commission will be asked to vote to approve the farming lease for 10 years on the north farm fields at Yellowtail WHMA. 20 minutes. 1:55-2:15 p.m.

13. Presenter: Spencer Carstens, Cody Region Access Yes Coordinator, Wildlife Division. Cody Region Access Yes Updates. The Commission will be provided with a brief overview of Cody Region Access Yes areas and the statewide Access Yes Program. Informational presentation. 20 minutes. 2:15-2:35 p.m.

14. Presenter: Adam Stephens, Habitat Biologist, Wildlife Division. Beaver Translocation Program Update. The Commission will be provided with an update on the Beaver Translocation Program within the Cody Region. Informational presentation. 15 minutes. 2:35-2:50 p.m.

15. Presenter: Erin Leonetti, Statewide Fish Passage Biologist, Fish Division. Dick Creek Barrier and Diversion. The Commission will be presented with information on a project in the Upper Greybull River watershed. Informational presentation. 20 minutes. 2:50-3:10 p.m.

16. Presenter: Jake Hanson, President, The WYldlife Fund. The WYldlife Fund Update. The Commission will be provided with an update from The WYldlife Fund. Informational presentation. 15 minutes. 3:10-3:25 p.m.

17. Presenters: Tim Barry, Board Member, and Bruce Salzman, Secretary, Wyoming Outdoorsmen. Introduction of the Wyoming Outdoorsmen Organization. The Commission will be provided with an introduction to the Wyoming Outdoorsmen organization. Informational presentation. 20 minutes. 3:25-3:45 p.m.

18. Call to the Public.

Adjourn for the day.

Friday, November 6, 2026

Executive Session begins at 7:30 a.m.

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19. Presenter: Dave Zafft, Deputy Chief, Fish Division. Story Hatchery Water Source. The Commission will be given information on a potential project at the Story Fish Hatchery. Informational presentation. 15 minutes. 8:00-8:15 a.m.

20. Presenter: Lee Knox, Wildlife Management Coordinator, Wildlife Division. Chronic Wasting Disease Update. The Commission will be provided with an update on Chronic Wasting Disease. Informational presentation. 60 minutes. 8:15-9:15 a.m.

21. Presenter: Benjamin Wise, Jackson Regional Wildlife Disease Biologist, Wildlife Division. Understanding the Spatial Dynamics of Fed and Unfed Elk; Implications for CWD Prevalence. The Commission will be presented with an update on the work the Wildlife Division is conducting related to winter elk movements and spatial use. Informational presentation. 30 minutes. 9:15-9:45 a.m.

22. Presenter: Craig Smith, Interim Chief, Wildlife Division. Progress on Feedground Management Action Plans (FMAPs). The Commission will be provided a brief update on the Department's progress developing FMAPs for elk herds in the Jackson and Pinedale Regions. Informational presentation. 10 minutes. 9:45-9:55 a.m.

23. Presenter: Andy Gygli, Small Carnivore Biologist, Wildlife Division. Wolverine Monitoring Program. The Commission will be provided with an overview on wolverine monitoring. Informational presentation. 30 minutes. 9:55-10:25 a.m.

24. Call to the public.

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