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April 16, 2021 ****Revised**

A public meeting of the Wyoming Game and Fish Commission (Commission) will be held on April 19-22, 2021 at the Jackson Hole Conference Center, 920 West Broadway, Jackson, WY 83001. 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.

Monday, April 19, 2021

Tour of the Jackson Area 1:00-5:00 p.m.

The tour will cover the employee housing project at the South Park Wildlife Habitat Management Area (WHMA), feedgrounds, and an overview of the Commission's Teton WHMA. The tour is open to the public. The public will need to provide their own transportation. We will meet in front of The Lodge at Jackson Hole, 80 Scott Lane, Jackson, WY at 1:00 p.m.

Tuesday, April 20, 2021

Wildlife Tourism for Tomorrow Field Trip (sponsored by the The Wyldlife Fund) 7:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Game and Fish Commissioners and Department leadership will tour the Jackson area with the guides of EcoTour Adventures. We will meet in front of The Lodge at Jackson Hole, 80 Scott Lane, Jackson, WY at 7:00 a.m.

Executive Session begins at 1:00 p.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 2021 Commission Meeting.

Open Session begins at approximately 2:45 p.m.

This meeting will be conducted in-person and via ZOOM video conferencing. To participate via ZOOM please click on the link below. Please note there are different links for each day. If you wish to speak to the Commission and comment on an agenda item, you must submit an Advanced Agenda Item Comment Form. This form is attached to the agenda.

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1. **Presenters: Wyoming Game and Fish Commissioners. Election of Officers.** The Commission will elect a new Commission President and Vice President. 15 min 2:45-3:00 p.m.
2. **Presenter: Commission President. Approval of Commission Meeting Minutes.** The Commission will be asked to vote to approve the minutes from the January 2021 Commission meetings. 5 min. 3:00-3:05 p.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. 3:05-3:20 p.m.
4. **New Commissioner Orientation.** The Commission will be provided with general information regarding the Department, legal issues, and damage claims. 90 min. 3:20-4:50 p.m.
 1. Overview of the Department - Director's Office
 2. Legal Overview - Jenny Staeben, Attorney General's Office
 3. Damage Claim Process - Scott Edberg, Deputy Chief, Wildlife Division
5. **Presenter: Angi Bruce, Deputy Director. Legislative Update.** The Commission will be briefed on the 2021 Legislative Session. Informational presentation. 15 min. 4:50-5:05 p.m.
6. **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 and will be presented with a short video called "Kid's Corner". Informational presentation. 15 min. 5:05-5:20 p.m.
7. **Call to the public.**

Adjourn for the day

Wednesday, April 21, 2021

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

Open Session begins at 8:00 a.m.

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8. ~~Presenter: Scott Edberg, Deputy Chief, Wildlife Division. Damage Claim Appeal #21031.~~ **This agenda item has been postponed to a later Commission meeting.**
13. **Presenter: Sean Bibbey, Lands Branch 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: Asbell Conservation Easement Donation, Fremont County. 10 min. 8:00-8:10 a.m.
14. **Presenter: John Kennedy, Deputy Director. Cody Regional Office Project.** The Commission will be provided with an update on the construction of the new Cody Regional Office. Informational presentation. 20 min. 8:10-8:30 a.m.
15. **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. 20 min. 8:30-8:50 a.m.
9. **Presenter: Rick King, Chief, Wildlife Division. Special Allocation of Antelope Licenses - One Shot Antelope Hunt and Women's Antelope Hunt.** The Commission will be presented with the Department's recommendation on the allocation of antelope licenses for the One-Shot Antelope Hunt and Women's Antelope Hunt. Informational presentation. 20 min. 8:50-9:10 a.m.

- 10. 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. (Breaks/lunch as needed) 9:10 a.m.-3:00 p.m.
- 11. Presenter: Millissa Raner, General Accounting Manager, Fiscal Division. Preliminary Approval of the Commission's FY 2022 Budget.** The Commission will be asked to vote to provide preliminary approval of the FY 2022 budget. 45 min. 3:00-3:45 p.m.
- 12. Presenter: Meredith Wood, Chief Fiscal Officer, Fiscal Division. FY 2021 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 the sale of alternative enterprise merchandise during the fiscal year into the Commission's operating fund. 10 min. 3:45-3:55 p.m.
- 16. Presenter: Greg Phipps, Chief, Fiscal Division. License Selling Agent Appointments.** The Commission will be asked to vote to approve two new license selling agents, and the renewal of two agents. 10 min. 3:55-4:05 p.m.
- 17. Call to the Public.**

Adjourn for the day.

Thursday, April 22, 2021

Open Session begins at 7:00 a.m.

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18. Awards and Recognition

Jennifer Doering, License Section Manager, Fiscal Division will be presented with her 20-year Service Award. 5 min. 7:00-7:05 a.m.

Todd Graham, Green River Wildlife Supervisor, Wildlife Division will be presented with his 30-year Service Award. 5 min. 7:05-7:10 a.m.

Director Nesvik will present the Industry Wildlife Stewardship Award to Williams. 5 min. 7:10-7:15 a.m.

Kyle Lash, South Jackson Game Warden, Wildlife Division will be presented with the 2020 Shikar-Safari Club International Wildlife Officer of the Year Award. 5 min. 7:15-7:20 a.m.

19. Presenter: Scott Edberg, Deputy Chief, Wildlife Division. Feedground Public Engagement Process. The Commission will be provided with an update on the Department's feedground public engagement process. Informational presentation. 90 min. 7:20-8:50 a.m.

20. Presenters: Dan Thompson, Supervisor, Large Carnivore Section, Wildlife Division 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. 8:50-9:35 a.m.

21. Presenter: Rick King, Chief, Wildlife Division. Damage Claim Process. Representative Rodriguez-Williams and Jim Magagna, Executive Vice President, Wyoming Stock Growers Association, will provide input to the Commission on the Damage Claim process. 45 min. 9:35-10:20 a.m.

Tentative Break 10:20-10:35 a.m.

22. Presenter: Kevin Gelwicks, Assistant Fisheries Management Coordinator. Flaming Gorge Invasive Mussel Rapid Response Plan. The Commission will be asked to vote to approve the Flaming Gorge Invasive Mussel Rapid Response Plan. 30 min. 10:35-11:05 a.m.

23. Presenter: Doug Brimeyer, Deputy Chief, Wildlife Division. Translocation of Black-tailed Prairie Dogs in Wyoming. The Commission will be asked to vote to approve the translocation of Black-tailed prairie dogs in Wyoming. 20 min. 11:05-11:25 a.m.

24. Presenter: Doug Brimeyer, Deputy Chief, Wildlife Division. Golden Eagle Relocation. The Commission will be asked to vote to approve a proposal to relocate golden eagles to alleviate conflicts with domestic livestock. 15 min. 11:25-11:40 a.m.

25. Call to the Public.

Adjourn.



WYOMING GAME AND FISH COMMISSION MEETING
April 20th, 21st and 22nd, 2021

ADVANCED AGENDA ITEM COMMENT FORM

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Please complete a separate comment form for each agenda item.

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2. You can join either using your computer or a phone, or both **
 - 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.
 - c. If you wish to watch the meeting on your computer, but you do not have a microphone on your computer (and you plan to speak to the Commission), you can also use the phone number provided to listen in.
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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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