



AGENDA
N.C. WILDLIFE RESOURCES COMMISSION
December 4, 2025 9:00 a.m.
1751 Varsity Drive
NCWRC Conference Room, 5th Floor
Raleigh, North Carolina

CALL TO ORDER – *Chairman Mark Craig*

This meeting is being streamed live for the public to attend and recorded as a public record. The recording of the meeting will be available at www.ncwildlife.gov.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – *Commissioner Ray Clifton*

INVOCATION – *Commissioner John Coley*

ROLL CALL OF COMMISSIONERS PRESENT – *Margo Minkler, Commission Liaison*

MANDATORY ETHICS INQUIRY – North Carolina General Statute §138A-15 mandates that the Commission Chair shall remind all Commissioners of their duty to avoid conflicts of interest and appearances of conflict under this Chapter, and that the chair also inquires as to whether there is any known conflict of interest or appearance of conflict with respect to any matters coming before the Commission at this time. It is the duty of each Commissioner who is aware of such personal conflict of interest or of an appearance of a conflict to notify the Chair of the same. *Chairman Craig*

APPROVAL OF OCTOBER 16, 2025 MEETING MINUTES – Take action on the October 16, 2025 Wildlife Resources Commission meeting minutes as written in the exhibit. **(EXHIBIT A)**

FINANCIAL STATUS REPORT – Receive Financial Status Report on the Wildlife Resources Commission General Fund, Capital Improvement Fund, and the Endowment Fund. – *Jason Cottle, Chief Financial Officer (EXHIBIT B)*

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

2025 THOMAS L. QUAY WILDLIFE DIVERSITY AWARD PRESENTATION – Present the 2025 Thomas L. Quay Wildlife Diversity Award to Dr. Bill McLarney – *Kyle Briggs, Executive Director*

BREAK FOR PHOTOGRAPHS

COMMITTEE MEETING REPORTS

Boating Safety Committee – December 3, 2025 – J.C. Cole, Chair

Habitat Nongame & Endangered Species Committee – December 3, 2025 – Brad Stanback, Chair

Fisheries Committee – December 3, 2025 – Monty Crump, Vice Chair

Migratory Birds & Waterfowl Committee – December 3, 2025 – John Coley, Chair

Wild Turkey Committee – December 3, 2025 – Steve Windham, Chair

Executive Committee – December 3, 2025 – Mark Craig, Chair

Committee of the Whole – December 3, 2025 – Mark Craig, Chair

AGENCY SPOTLIGHT – Beavers in North Carolina – Falyn Owens, Extension Wildlife Biologist, Wildlife Management Division

LAND ACQUISITIONS AND PROPERTY MATTERS

Other Property Matters – Consider approval of the following other property matters – *Ben Solomon, Land and Water Access Division Assistant Chief and Land Acquisition Manager*

- Memorial request for former staff member Clay Allen (**EXHIBIT C-1**)
- Request from Fairfield Drainage District #7 for an easement on Gull Rock Game Land in Hyde County (**EXHIBIT C-2**)
- Request from RPLS Family Farms, LLC for a right-of-way access easement on Mitchell River Game Land in Surry County (**EXHIBIT C-3**)

WATER SAFETY RULEMAKING

Permanent Rulemaking Adoption – 15A NCAC 10F .0307 Catawba, Iredell, Lincoln, and Mecklenburg Counties – Review public comments and consider request to adopt amendments for vessel livery requirements on Lake Norman – *Betsy Haywood, Water Safety Rulemaking Coordinator* (**EXHIBITS D-1, D-2**)

Permanent Rulemaking Adoption – 15A NCAC 10F .0324 Davidson County – Review public comments and consider request to adopt amendments to 10F .0324 – *Betsy Haywood* (**EXHIBITS E-1, E-2**)

Permanent Rulemaking Adoption – 15A NCAC 10F .0338 Caldwell County – Review public comments and consider request to adopt amendments to 10F .0338 – *Betsy Haywood* (**EXHIBITS F-1, F-2**)

Permanent Rulemaking Notice of Text 15A NCAC 10F .0305 Brunswick County – Consider request to notice proposed rule text with an open comment period and public hearing for amendments to 10F .0305 – *Betsy Haywood* (**EXHIBIT G**)

RULEMAKING

Temporary Rulemaking Notice of Text – 10C .0314 Striped Bass – Consider request to notice proposed rule text with an open comment period and public hearings for temporary amendments to 10C .0314 – *Corey Oakley, Inland Fisheries Division Chief* (**EXHIBIT H**)

Permanent Rulemaking Notice of Text – 10A .1601 License Fees – Consider request to notice proposed rule text with an open comment period and public hearings for amendments to License Fees. Review and consider approval of fiscal note – *Will Casola, Policy Analyst* (**EXHIBITS I-1, I-2**)

Permanent Rulemaking Notice of Text – 10H .1801 Commercial Activity Permitting – Consider request to notice proposed rule text with an open comment period and public hearings for amendments to Commercial Activity Permitting. Review and consider approval of fiscal note – *Will Casola* (**EXHIBIT J**)

Permanent Rulemaking Adoption – 10D .0295 Paynes Branch Game Land – Review public comments and consider request to adopt 10D .0295 – *Will Casola* (**EXHIBITS K-1, K-2**)

Permanent Rulemaking Adoption – Rule Readoption: 10G .0400 Wildlife Service Agents – Review public comments and consider request to adopt amendments to 10G .0400 Rules – *Will Casola* (**EXHIBITS L-1, L-2**)

Permanent Rulemaking Adoption – 10H .1100 Furbearer Propagation – Review public comments and consider request to adopt amendments to 10H .1100 Rules – *Will Casola* (**EXHIBITS M-1, M-2**)

North Carolina Wildlife Resources Commission Strategic Plan, 2026-2035 – Consider approval of the strategic plan for 2026-2035 – *Christian Waters, Chief Deputy Director* (**EXHIBIT N**)

COMMENTS BY THE CHAIRMAN – *Chairman Craig*

COMMENTS BY THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR – *Executive Director Briggs*

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