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A public meeting of the Wyoming Game and Fish Commission (Commission) will be held on January 24, 2019, at the Wyoming Game and Fish Department Headquarters, Elk Room, 5400 Bishop Blvd., Cheyenne, WY. As authorized by W.S. § 23-1-301-303 and W.S. § 23-1-401, 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, January 24, 2019

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 2018 Commission Meeting.

Open Session begins at approximately 9:45 a.m.

- 1. Presenter: Commission President. Approval of Commission Meeting Minutes.** The Commission will be asked to vote to approve the November 2018 Commission Meeting Minutes.
- 2. Presenter: Scott Talbott, Director. Director's Report.** The Director will provide an update to the Commission on his activities since the last Commission meeting and other items of importance. Informational presentation.
- 3. Awards and Recognition**

Recognition:

The Director will recognize outgoing Commissioners for their service.

Service Awards:

Debra Vincent, Office Manager, Wildlife Division, will be presented with her 25-year service award.

4. **Presenter: Sean Bibbey, Lands Branch Chief, Services Division. Approval to Acquire or Dispose of Fee Title and/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 projects: A) Public Access Easement adjacent to the Rawhide Wildlife Habitat Management Area in Goshen County; B) Game Warden Station in Elk Mountain, Carbon County; C) Game Warden Station in Newcastle, Weston County; and D) Land Trade Spence and Moriarity Wildlife Management Area in Fremont County.
5. **Presenter: Sean Bibbey, Lands Branch Chief, Services Division. Authorization to Proceed with Negotiations for Acquiring or Disposing of Fee Title and/or Less than Fee Title Property Rights.** The Commission will be asked to vote to authorize the Department to proceed with negotiations for fee title and/or less than fee title property rights on two projects: A) Purchase or a long term lease of 19 acres associated with the Tom Thorne/Beth Williams Wildlife Habitat Management Area, Albany County, and B) Resolution of land management disputes at the Wigwam Fish Hatchery, Washakie County.
6. **Presenter: Scott Edberg, Deputy Chief, Wildlife Division. Damage Claim Appeal #19004.** The Commission will be asked to vote to approve the Department's recommendation to pay Donald Rawhouser's damage claim appeal #19004.
7. **Presenter: Brian Nesvik, Chief, Wildlife Division. New Technologies for Hunting Equipment.** The Commission will be provided with an update on new technologies for hunting and possible regulatory action to consider regarding their use. Informational presentation.
8. **Presenter: Scott Edberg, Deputy Chief, Wildlife Division. Damage Claim Appeal #19012.** The Commission will be asked to vote to approve the Department's recommendation to deny payment for Russ Boardman's damage claim appeal #19012.
9. **Presenter: Leslie Schreiber, Statewide Sagebrush/Sage-Grouse Biologist, Wildlife Division. North Dakota Request for Sage-Grouse Translocations.** The Commission will be asked to vote to approve the continuation of sage-grouse translocations to North Dakota.
10. **Presenter: Scott Edberg, Deputy Chief, Wildlife Division. Policy VII X, Use of Naloxone.** The Commission will be asked to vote to approve Policy VII X, Use of Naloxone.
11. **Presenter: Mike Schmid, Commissioner. Update on Work to Support a Wildlife Foundation.** The Commission will discuss recent efforts to support a new wildlife foundation. Informational presentation.

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

The Commission will be asked to vote to approve the renewal of license selling agent Rooch's Marina in Glendo, Blair's Market - Greybull in Greybull, Gannett Sports in Pinedale and Wind River Gear in Dubois.

13. Presenter: John Kennedy, Deputy Director, Director's Office. 2019 Commission Meeting Dates and Locations. The Commission will be asked to approve dates and locations for the April, July, September and November 2019 meetings.

14. Presenter: Rebekah Fitzgerald, Acting Communications Director, Director's Office. 2019 Volunteer Projects. Eligible Volunteer Projects for 2019. The Commission will be asked to vote to approve the list of eligible volunteer projects for 2019.

15. Presenter: Scott Edberg, Deputy Chief, Wildlife Division. The 2018 Wyoming Hunting Seasons – A Look Back. The Commission will be provided with a summary of hunter harvest success and participation during the Wyoming's 2018 hunting seasons. Informational presentation.

16. Presenter: Scott Smith, Deputy Director, Director's Office. Migration Corridors. The Commission will be provided with an update on the Department's work on migration corridors. Informational presentation.

17. Call to the public.

Adjourn

Open House 5:30-7:00 p.m.

The public is invited to an open house, hosted by Pheasants Forever, with the Commission and Department staff at the Wyoming Game and Fish Department Headquarters, 5400 Bishop Blvd., Cheyenne, WY. Youth guests are encouraged to attend. Refreshments will be provided.

The order of agenda items is subject to change. The State of Wyoming supports the Americans with Disabilities Act. Anyone needing auxiliary aids should contact the Wyoming Game and Fish Department at 307-777-4501. Every effort will be made for reasonable accommodations.