



Natural Resources Commission

Meeting Agenda

Date: February 9, 2023

Time: 9:00 a.m.

Location: Lansing Community College

West Campus Rooms M119-121

5708 Cornerstone Drive

Lansing, Michigan 48917

Committee Agendas – 9:00 a.m.

- I. Wildlife Committee
 - a. [Bear Population Estimates](#) (*Sarah Mayhew, Wildlife Division*)
 - b. Michigan Trapping Overview (*Mark Spencer, Mark Earl & Dale Hendershot, Michigan Trappers & Predator Callers Association*)

Committee of the Whole Agenda – 10:00 a.m.

- I. Call to Order – Chair Tom Baird
- II. Roll Call
- III. Approval of Agenda
- IV. Approval of Minutes
 - a. [January 12, 2022](#)
- V. Director's Report
 - a. Law Enforcement Division Awards (*David Shaw, Chief, Law Enforcement Division*)
 - Distinguished Service Award and Lifesaving Award – Lt. Vence Woods
 - Distinguished Service Award – Det. Chris Bowen
 - b. [Bear Regulations](#) (*Cody Norton, Wildlife Division*)
 - c. [Use of Electronic Trap Monitors by Wildlife Damage and Nuisance Animal Control Businesses](#) (*Sgt. Todd Thorn, Law Enforcement Division*)
 - d. [Legislative Report](#) (*Informational Item*)
- VI. Public Comment – [NRC Public Appearance Guidelines](#)

- a. 5 Minute Comment
 - i. Joe DeKorne, Michigan Commercial Beekeepers Association – Black Bear Population
 - ii. Mike Thorman, Michigan Hunting Dog Federation – Bear Population
 - iii. Thomas Gilpin, Michigan Anishinaabek Caucus – Bear Population and Regulations
 - iv. Justin Tomei, Michigan United Conservation Clubs – Bear Regulations
 - v. Beatrice Friedlander, President, Attorneys for Animals – Michigan Trapping Overview/Bear Regulations
- b. 3 Minute Comment
 - i. Neil Wallace, Anglers of the AuSable – Camp Grayling Expansion
 - ii. Dean Hall – State of Michigan Deer Donation Statistics
 - iii. Trish Marie – Wildlife Killing Contests
 - iv. Dan Ulfig, National Deer Association – Strategies to Address Whitetail Overpopulation in Zone 3
 - v. Joe Hemming, President, Anglers of the Au Sable – Camp Grayling Expansion
 - vi. Amy Trotter, Michigan United Conservation Clubs – Camp Grayling Expansion
 - vii. Paul Sikkenga – Deer Population
 - viii. Jim Sweeney – Deer Harvest Regulations
 - ix. Molly Tamulevich, Michigan State Director, Human Society of the United States – Trapping
 - x. Dave Buikema – Antler Point Restrictions

VII. New Business

- a. Director Matters
 - i. [State Land Review Group 6 \(Action Item\)](#)
 - ii. [Wildlife Conservation Order Amendment No. 3 of 2023](#)
[Use of Electronic Trap Monitors by Wildlife Damage and Nuisance Animal Control Businesses](#)
- b. Land Transactions
 - i. [Exchange of State Forest Land](#)
[Forest Resources Division, Roscommon County](#)
[The Collini Exchange](#)
[Land Transaction Case #20220132](#)
 - ii. [Gift of State Forest Land](#)

[Forest Resources Division, Grand Traverse County](#)
[The Boyd Family Gift](#)
[Land Transaction Case #20220247](#)

- c. NRC/Director Orders
 - i. [Wildlife Conservation Order Amendment No. 2 of 2023](#)
[Bear Regulations and License Quotas](#)

VIII. Old Business

- a. Director Matters
 - i. [Land Use Order of the Director Amendment No. 1 of 2023](#)
[Public Act 288 of 2016; Forest Road Inventory Statewide Proposed Changes](#)
- b. NRC/Director Orders – None

IX. Committee Report

X. Commissioner Reports

XI. Closed Session

XII. Adjournment

Meeting notes

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