



# Natural Resources Commission

## Meeting Agenda

Date: October 10, 2024

Time: 9:00 a.m.

Location: Northern Michigan University

Northern Center, Peninsula II

1401 Presque Isle Avenue

Marquette, MI 49855

### **Coffee with Commissioners – 8:00-9:00 a.m.**

### **Committee Agendas – 9:00 a.m.**

#### I. Wildlife Committee

- a. [State Forest Management Plan Update](#) (*Dan Heckman, Forest Resources Division & Kristie Sitar, Wildlife Division*)
- b. Bottlenecks, Barriers and Opportunities: Sustaining Mesic and Lowland Conifers on an Ever-Changing Landscape (*Dr. Christopher R. Webster & Dr. Rodney A. Chimner, Michigan Technological University*)
- c. Deer Habitat, Nutrition, and Northern Hardwoods (*Dr. Gary Roloff, Michigan State University Department of Fisheries and Wildlife*)

#### **BREAK FOR LUNCH 12:00-12:45**

- d. White-tailed Deer Predation in the Upper Peninsula of Michigan (*Dr. Jerrold Belant, Michigan State University*)
- e. [Wolf Abundance Project](#) (*Tyler Petroelje, Wildlife Division*)

#### II. Fisheries Committee

- a. [Bays de Noc Walleye Research and Management](#) (*Darren Kramer & Troy Zorn, Fisheries Division*)

### **Committee of the Whole Agenda**

- I. Call to Order
- II. Roll Call
- III. Approval of Agenda

IV. Approval of Minutes

- a. [September 12, 2024](#)

V. Director's Report

- a. [White-Nose Syndrome in Bats](#) (*John DePue, Wildlife Division*)
- b. [Legislative Report](#) (*Informational Item*)

VI. Public Comment – [NRC Public Appearance Guidelines](#)

- a. 5 Minute Comment
  - i. Tom Solka, WUPCAC Chair
  - ii. Tom Buckingham, EUPCAC Chair
  - iii. Marcie Terwilliger – Regulations
  - iv. Jack Thomas – UP Deer
  - v. George Lindquist, UP Whitetails of Marquette County – UP Deer
  - vi. Bryan Reynolds, UP Whitetails of Marquette County – UP Deer and Predators
  - vii. Mike Taylor, UP Whitetails of Marquette County – UP Deer and Predators
  - viii. Jordan Hoover
- b. 3 Minute Comment
  - i.

VII. New Business

- a. Director Matters
  - i. [Proposed October 22, 2024, Oil and Gas Lease Auction](#) – ACTION ITEM
- b. Land Transactions
  - i. [Sale of Surplus DNR-Managed Land  
Wildlife Division, Allegan County  
Land Transaction Case #20230168](#)
  - ii. [Sale of Surplus DNR-Managed Land  
Parks and Recreation Division, Lapeer County  
Land Transaction Case #20240052](#)
  - iii. [Acquisition of State Land  
Wildlife Division, Manistee County  
Land Transaction Case #20230201](#)
  - iv. [Acquisition of State Land  
Wildlife Division, Manistee County](#)

- [Land Transaction Case #20230202](#)
- v. [Acquisition of State Land](#)  
[Forest Resources Division, Wexford County](#)  
[Land Transaction Case #20240151](#)
- vi. [Acquisition of State Land](#)  
[Forest Resources Division, Cheboygan County](#)  
[Land Transaction Case #20240152](#)

c. NRC/Director Orders – None

VIII. Old Business

- a. Director Matters
  - i. [Land Use Order of the Director Amendment No. 5 of 2024](#)  
[Windsor Township State Game Area – Restrict Firearm Use](#)
- b. NRC/Director Orders
  - i. [Fisheries Order 202.25](#)  
[Special Hook Size Fishing Regulations](#)
  - ii. [Fisheries Order 205.25](#)  
[Michigan-Wisconsin Boundary Waters](#)
  - iii. [Fisheries Order 206.25](#)  
[Special Fishing Regulations for Warmwater Species on Select Waters](#)
  - iv. [Fisheries Order 219.25](#)  
[Bow, Spear, and Crossbow Fishing Regulations](#)
  - v. [Fisheries Order 240.24A](#)  
[Sturgeon Regulations](#)
  - vi. [Wildlife Conservation Order Amendment No. 9 of 2024](#)  
[Resident Canada Goose Program Changes](#)
  - vii. [Wildlife Conservation Order Amendment No. 10 of 2024](#)  
[Windsor Township State Game Area – Restrict Firearm Use](#)

IX. Committee Reports

X. Commissioner Reports

XI. Adjournment

## Meeting notes

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