



Natural Resources Commission

Meeting Agenda

Date: April 10, 2025

Time: 9:30 a.m.

Location: Lansing Community College

West Campus Rooms M119-121

5708 Cornerstone Drive

Lansing, Michigan 48917

Committee of the Whole Agenda

- I. Call to Order
- II. Roll Call
- III. Approval of Agenda
- IV. Approval of Minutes
 - a. [March 13, 2025](#)
- V. Election of Vice-Chair
- VI. Director's Report
 - a. Lifesaving Award – DNR Ranger Joel Collinson (*Ron Olson, Chief, Parks and Recreation Division*)
 - b. [Chronic Wasting Disease Monitoring and Surveillance Report](#) (*Melinda Cosgrove, Wildlife Division*)
 - c. [Bovine Tuberculosis Surveillance Report](#) (*Mitch Marcus and Emily Sewell, Wildlife Division & Dr. Mike Vanderklok, Michigan Department of Agriculture and Rural Development*)
 - d. [Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza Update](#) (*Dr. Scott Larsen, Wildlife Division*)
 - e. [Small Game Regulations](#) (*Adam Bump, Wildlife Division*)
 - f. [Fall Turkey Regulations](#) (*Adam Bump, Wildlife Division*)
 - g. [Deer Regulations](#) (*Chad Fedewa, Wildlife Division*)
 - h. [Legislative Report](#) (*Informational Item*)

BREAK FOR LUNCH

- VII. Public Comment – [NRC Public Appearance Guidelines](#)
 - a. 5 Minute Comment
 - i. Nichole Biber – Habitat Connectivity

- ii. Karen Stamper
- iii. Bob Jones, Michigan Bow Hunters – Deer Regulations
- iv. Marcie Terwilliger – Coyote Season
- v. Bee Friedlander, Attorneys for Animals – Coyote Season
- vi. Thad Dickinson – Coyote Season
- vii. George Lindquist, UP Whitetails of Marquette County – Deer Regulations
- viii. Bryan Reynolds, President, UP Whitetails of Marquette County – Deer Regulations
- ix. Mike Taylor, UP Whitetails of Marquette County – Deer Regulations
- x. Mitchell Nelson, Humane World – Coyote Season
- xi. George Graves – Deer Regulations
- xii. Elliott Hubbard – Deer Regulations
- xiii. Rashel Hubbard – Deer Regulations
- xiv. John Kurkowski – Deer Regulations
- xv. Jordan Hoover – Deer Regulations
- xvi. Justin Tomei, Michigan United Conservation Clubs – Deer Regulations
- xvii. Keith Shafer, President, Michigan Bear Hunters Association – Coyote Season
- xviii. Merle Jones, Michigan Trappers and Predator Callers – Coyote Season

b. 3 Minute Comment

- i.

VIII. New Business

a. Director Matters

- i. [Proposed May 1, 2025 Oil and Gas Lease Auction](#) (*Action Item*)

b. Land Transactions

- i. [Land Exchange](#)
[Forest Resources Division, Missaukee and Dickinson Counties](#)
[Land Transaction Case #20230187](#)
- ii. [Land Exchange](#)
[Forest Resources Division, Iron County](#)
[Land Transaction Case #20240061](#)

c. NRC/Director Orders

- i. [Wildlife Conservation Order Amendment No. 6 of 2025](#)
[Small Game Regulations](#)
- ii. [Wildlife Conservation Order Amendment No. 7 of 2025](#)

[Fall Turkey Regulations](#)

- iii. [Wildlife Conservation Order Amendment No. 8 of 2025](#)
[Deer Regulations](#)

IX. Old Business

- a. Director Matters
 - i. [Land Use Order of the Director Amendment No. 5 of 2025](#)
[Pointe Mouillee State Game Area](#)
- b. NRC/Director Orders
 - i. [Wildlife Conservation Order Amendment No. 3 of 2025](#)
[Waterfowl Regulations](#)
 - ii. [Wildlife Conservation Order Amendment No. 4 of 2025](#)
[Coyote Hunting Season Dates](#)
 - iii. [Wildlife Conservation Order Amendment No. 5 of 2025](#)
[Dog Training Limit on Bears](#)

X. Commissioner Reports

XI. Adjournment

Meeting notes

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