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A virtual meeting of the Parks and Wildlife Commission convened at 1:32pm on January 17th, 2023 in Colorado Springs, CO and via Zoom

Chair	Carrie Besnette Hauser
Vice Chair	Dallas May
Secretary	Marie Haskett
	Taishya Adams
	Karen Bailey
	Betsy Blecha
	Gabriel Otero
	Duke Phillips, IV
	Richard Reading
	James Jay Tutchton
	Eden Vardy

Parks and Wildlife Commission Roll Call Attendance Tuesday and Wednesday, January 17<sup>th</sup> & January 18<sup>th</sup>, 2023:

January 17<sup>th</sup>, 2023

Adams - Present  
Bailey - Present  
Blecha - Present  
Haskett - Present  
Besnette Hauser - Present  
May - Present  
Otero - Present  
Phillips - Present  
Reading - Absent  
Tutchton - Present  
Vardy - Present  
Gibbs/Mauck - Absent/Absent  
Greenberg/East -Present/Present

January 18<sup>th</sup>, 2023

Adams - Present  
Bailey - Present  
Blecha - Present  
Haskett - Present  
Besnette Hauser - Present  
May - Present  
Otero-Absent  
Phillips - Present  
Reading - Absent  
Tutchton - Present  
Vardy - Present  
Gibbs/Mauck - Present/Absent  
Greenberg/East - Absent/Present

Acting Director Heather Dugan and Staff.

Others in attendance were: Jake Matter, Lisa Reynolds, Dan Zimmerer, Alice Horgan, and others, as recorded in the visitor log, blue slips and requests to speak.

**OA 23-001**  
Approve Minutes of  
the November 17-18,  
2022 Hybrid Parks and  
Wildlife Commission  
Meeting and December  
9, 2022 Virtual  
Meeting

It was moved by Ms. Bailey and seconded by Mr. Phillips to approve the minutes, as presented by staff.

**Motion Carried by Unanimous Voice Vote 9-0.**  
**Absent: Otero, Reading**

**OA 23-002**  
Chapter W-0 -  
"General Provisions" 2  
CCR 406-0 and those  
related provisions of  
Chapter W-16 ("Parks  
and Wildlife  
Procedural Rules" 2  
CCR 406-16) necessary  
to accommodate  
changes to or ensure  
consistency with  
Chapter W-0

It was moved by Ms. Haskett and seconded by Mr. Phillips to adopt the changes to Chapters W-0 and W-16 as proposed by staff.

**Motion Carried by Unanimous Voice Vote 10-0.**  
**Absent: Reading**

**OA 23-003**  
Chapter W-2 - "Big  
Game" 2 CCR 406-2  
and those related  
provisions of Chapter  
W-3 ("Furbearers and  
small Game, Except  
Migratory Birds" 2 CCR  
406-3) necessary to  
accommodate changes  
to or ensure  
consistency with  
Chapter W-2

It was moved by Ms. Haskett and seconded by Mr. Tutchtton to adopt the annual season date changes for multiple species, the quota changes for bighorn sheep and mountain goats, and the changes to the adult novice hunting program in Chapters W-2 and W-3 as proposed by staff.

**Motion Carried by Unanimous Voice Vote 10-0.**  
**Absent: Reading**

**OA 23-004**  
Chapter W-2 - "Big  
Game" 2 CCR 406-2  
and those related  
provisions of Chapter  
W-3 ("Furbearers and  
small Game, Except  
Migratory Birds" 2 CCR  
406-3) necessary to  
accommodate changes  
to or ensure  
consistency with  
Chapter W-2

It was moved by Mr. Tutchtton and seconded by Ms. Bailey to adopt the changes to Deer and Elk in Chapter W-2 as proposed by staff.

**Motion Carried by Unanimous Voice Vote 10-0.**  
**Absent: Reading**

**OA 23-005**  
Chapter W-2 - "Big Game" 2 CCR 406-2 and those related provisions of Chapter W-3 ("Furbearers and small Game, Except Migratory Birds" 2 CCR 406-3) necessary to accommodate changes to or ensure consistency with Chapter W-2

It was moved by Ms. Haskett and seconded by Mr. Phillips to adopt the changes to pronghorn, moose, bighorn sheep, and mountain goats in Chapter W-2 as proposed by staff.

**Motion Carried by Unanimous Voice Vote 10-0.**  
**Absent: Reading**

**OA 23-006**  
Chapter W-2 - "Big Game" 2 CCR 406-2

It was moved by Mr. Phillips and seconded by Ms. Blecha to adopt the changes to the mountain lion season dates and harvest limits in Chapter W-2 as proposed by staff.

**Motion Carried by Roll Call Vote 9-1.**  
**No: Tutchtton Absent: Reading**

**OA 23-007**  
Chapter W-9 - "Wildlife Properties" 2 CCR 406-9

It was moved by Mr. Phillips and seconded by Ms. Haskett to adopt changes to the Oak Ridge SWA access dates in Chapter W-9 as proposed by staff.

**Motion Carried by Unanimous Voice Vote 10-0.**  
**Absent: Reading**

**OA 23-008**  
Species Conservation Trust Fund

It was moved by Mr. May and seconded by Ms. Haskett to adopt the CPI adjustments, as proposed by staff.

**Motion Carried by Unanimous Voice Vote 10-0.**  
**Absent: Reading**

**OA 23-009**  
Consent Agenda, without Item 30.2

It was moved by Ms. Blecha and seconded by Mr. Tutchtton to adopt the consent Agenda, with the removal of Item 30.2.

**Motion Carried by Unanimous Voice Vote 10-0.**  
**Absent: Reading**

**OA 23-010**  
Consent Agenda Item 30.2 Game Damage Claim 06-Y23-02

It was moved by Mr. Phillips and seconded by Mr. Tutchtton to approve Game Damage Claim 06-Y23-02 as proposed by staff.

**Motion Carried by Unanimous Voice Vote 10-0.**  
**Absent: Reading**

**OA 23-011**  
License Suspension Appeal - SeaQuest Interactive Aquarium, Case# CPW-2022-249

It was moved by Mr. Tutchtton and seconded by Ms. Bailey to accept the stipulation as recited by the parties on record.

**Motion Carried by Roll Call Vote 8-2.**  
**No: Adams, Otero Absent: Reading**

The Parks and Wildlife Commission meeting adjourned at 3:23 on Wednesday, January 18<sup>th</sup>, 2023.

Respectfully submitted,

\_\_\_\_\_, Secretary  
Marie Haskett  
Parks and Wildlife Commission

APPROVED:

\_\_\_\_\_, Chair  
Carrie Besnette Hauser  
Parks and Wildlife Commission

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PARKS AND WILDLIFE COMMISSION MINUTES  
January 19, 2023

A hybrid meeting of the Parks and Wildlife Commission convened at 8:30am on January 19<sup>th</sup>, 2023 in Colorado Springs, and via Zoom

Chair	Carrie Besnette Hauser
Vice Chair	Dallas May
Secretary	Marie Haskett
	Taishya Adams
	Karen Bailey
	Betsy Blecha
	Gabriel Otero
	Duke Phillips, IV
	Richard Reading
	James Jay Tutchton
	Eden Vardy

Parks and Wildlife Commission Roll Call Attendance Thursday, January 19<sup>th</sup>, 2023:

January 19<sup>th</sup>, 2023

Adams - Present  
Bailey - Present  
Blecha - Present  
Haskett - Present  
Besnette Hauser - Present  
May - Present  
Otero - Present  
Phillips - Present  
Reading - Absent  
Tutchton - Present  
Vardy - Present

Acting Director Heather Dugan and Staff.

Others in attendance were: Jake Matter, Lisa Reynolds, Wayne East, and others, as recorded in the visitor log and requests to speak.

The meeting included staff presentation of draft Wolf Plan and Commissioner questions. No action was taken.

The Parks and Wildlife Commission meeting adjourned at 2:30pm on Thursday, January 19<sup>th</sup>, 2023.

Respectfully submitted,

\_\_\_\_\_, Secretary  
Marie Haskett  
Parks and Wildlife Commission

APPROVED:

\_\_\_\_\_, Chair  
Carrie Besnette Hauser  
Parks and Wildlife Commission

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PARKS AND WILDLIFE COMMISSION MINUTES  
January 25, 2023

A hybrid meeting of the Parks and Wildlife Commission convened at 8:00am on January 25<sup>th</sup>, 2023 in Gunnison, CO, and via Zoom

Chair	Carrie Besnette Hauser
Vice Chair	Dallas May
Secretary	Marie Haskett
	Taishya Adams
	Karen Bailey
	Betsy Blecha
	Gabriel Otero
	Duke Phillips, IV
	Richard Reading
	James Jay Tutchton
	Eden Vardy

Parks and Wildlife Commission Roll Call Attendance Thursday, January 25<sup>th</sup>, 2023:

January 25<sup>th</sup>, 2023

Adams - Present  
Bailey - Present  
Blecha - Present  
Haskett - Present  
Besnette Hauser - Present  
May - Present  
Otero - Present  
Phillips - Present  
Reading - Absent  
Tutchton - Present  
Vardy - Present

Acting Director Heather Dugan and Staff.

Others in attendance were: Dan Gibbs, Jake Matter, Lisa Reynolds, Wayne East, and others, as recorded in the visitor log and requests to speak.

The meeting included staff presentation of draft Wolf Plan and Commissioner questions and Public Comment.



OA 23-012  
Executive Session - IN

It was moved by Mr. Phillips and seconded by Mr. Tutchton to enter Executive Session to receive legal advice regarding implementation of Proposition 114, now codified at § 33-2-105.8, CRS, as authorized by the Open Meetings Law, § 24-6-402(3)(a)(III) (allowing executive session to receive legal advice)

Motion Carried by Unanimous Voice Vote 10-0.

Absent: Reading

OA 23-013  
Executive Session -  
OUT

It was moved by Mr. Vardy and seconded by Ms. Adams to exit Executive Session.

Motion Carried by Unanimous Voice Vote 10-0.

Absent: Reading

The Parks and Wildlife Commission meeting adjourned at 3:00pm on Thursday, January 25<sup>th</sup>, 2023.

Respectfully submitted,

\_\_\_\_\_, Secretary

Marie Haskett  
Parks and Wildlife Commission

APPROVED:

\_\_\_\_\_, Chair

Carrie Besnette Hauser  
Parks and Wildlife Commission

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PARKS AND WILDLIFE COMMISSION MINUTES  
February 7, 2023

A hybrid meeting of the Parks and Wildlife Commission convened at 8:00am on February 7<sup>th</sup>, 2023 in Rifle, CO, and via Zoom

Chair	Carrie Besnette Hauser
Vice Chair	Dallas May
Secretary	Marie Haskett
	Taishya Adams
	Karen Bailey
	Betsy Blecha
	Gabriel Otero
	Duke Phillips, IV
	Richard Reading
	James Jay Tutchtton
	Eden Vardy

Parks and Wildlife Commission Roll Call Attendance Tuesday, February 7<sup>th</sup>, 2023:

February 7<sup>th</sup>, 2023

Adams - Present  
Bailey - Present  
Blecha - Present  
Haskett - Present  
Besnette Hauser - Present  
May - Present  
Otero - Present  
Phillips - Present  
Reading - Present  
Tutchtton - Present  
Vardy - Present

Acting Director Heather Dugan and Staff.

Others in attendance were: Dan Gibbs, Kate Greenberg, Jake Matter, Lisa Reynolds, Wayne East, and others, as recorded in the visitor log and requests to speak.

The meeting included staff presentation of draft Wolf Plan and Commissioner questions. No action was taken.

The Parks and Wildlife Commission meeting adjourned at 2:45pm on Tuesday, February 7<sup>th</sup>, 2023.

Respectfully submitted,

\_\_\_\_\_, Secretary  
Marie Haskett  
Parks and Wildlife Commission

APPROVED:

\_\_\_\_\_, Chair  
Carrie Besnette Hauser  
Parks and Wildlife Commission

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PARKS AND WILDLIFE COMMISSION MINUTES  
February 16, 2023

A virtual meeting of the Parks and Wildlife Commission convened at 5:30pm on February 16<sup>th</sup>, 2023 via Zoom

Chair	Carrie Besnette Hauser
Vice Chair	Dallas May
Secretary	Marie Haskett
	Taishya Adams
	Karen Bailey
	Betsy Blecha
	Gabriel Otero
	Duke Phillips, IV
	Richard Reading
	James Jay Tutchton
	Eden Vardy

Parks and Wildlife Commission Roll Call Attendance Thursday, February 16<sup>th</sup>, 2023:

February 16<sup>th</sup>, 2023

Adams - Present  
Bailey - Present  
Blecha - Present  
Haskett - Present  
Besnette Hauser - Present  
May - Present  
Otero - Present  
Phillips - Present  
Reading - Present  
Tutchton - Present  
Vardy - Present

Acting Director Heather Dugan and Staff.

Others in attendance were: Jake Matter, Lisa Reynolds, Wayne East, and others, as recorded in the requests to speak.

The meeting included staff presentation of draft Wolf Plan and Commissioner questions. No action was taken.

The Parks and Wildlife Commission meeting adjourned at 8:30pm on Thursday, February 16<sup>th</sup>, 2023.

Respectfully submitted,

\_\_\_\_\_, Secretary  
Marie Haskett  
Parks and Wildlife Commission

APPROVED:

\_\_\_\_\_, Chair  
Carrie Besnette Hauser  
Parks and Wildlife Commission

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PARKS AND WILDLIFE COMMISSION MINUTES  
February 22, 2023

A hybrid meeting of the Parks and Wildlife Commission convened at 8:30am on February 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2023 in Brighton, CO and via Zoom

Chair	Carrie Besnette Hauser
Vice Chair	Dallas May
Secretary	Marie Haskett
	Taishya Adams
	Karen Bailey
	Betsy Blecha
	Gabriel Otero
	Duke Phillips, IV
	Richard Reading
	James Jay Tutchtton
	Eden Vardy

Parks and Wildlife Commission Roll Call Attendance Wednesday, February 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2023:

February 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2023

Adams - Present  
Bailey - Present  
Blecha - Present  
Haskett - Present  
Besnette Hauser - Present  
May - Present  
Otero - Present  
Phillips - Present  
Reading - Present  
Tutchtton - Present  
Vardy - Present

Acting Director Heather Dugan and Staff.

Others in attendance were: Jake Matter, Lisa Reynolds, Wayne East, and others, as recorded in the requests to speak.

Although no formal votes were taken, the Commission established consensus and provided guidance on the Wolf Plan to Division staff through the use of green, red and yellow paddles. Among other things, the Commission came to a consensus that the plan should be revised to state “At some point in the future, the long term management of wolves in Colorado may need to be considered further than what is outlined in this plan. These discussions would only occur after wolves have successfully been recovered and removed from the State Threatened and Endangered list. The long-term management of wolves should be impact- and science-based, with consideration of biological and social science as well as economic and legal considerations. CPW will defer consideration of and development of specifics for long-term management until the beginning of Phase 3 at the earliest, when better information about wolves and their distribution in Colorado is available. Future management will be guided by the best available biological and social science data provided by CPW.

This plan takes no position as to whether the Parks and Wildlife Commission has the statutory authority to reclassify wolves as a game species or take other appropriate management actions.”

The Parks and Wildlife Commission meeting adjourned at 3:12pm on Wednesday, February 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2023.

Respectfully submitted,

\_\_\_\_\_, Secretary  
Marie Haskett  
Parks and Wildlife Commission

APPROVED:

\_\_\_\_\_, Chair  
Carrie Besnette Hauser  
Parks and Wildlife Commission