



AGENDA
PARKS AND WILDLIFE COMMISSION MEETING
March 15 & 16, 2023
Aurora Public Schools
Professional Learning & Conference Center
15771 E 1st Avenue
Aurora, CO 80011

Wednesday: March 15th

<u>#</u>	<u>Time</u>		<u>AGENDA ITEM</u>
1	8:30	(I) Carrie Hauser, Chair	Welcome, Pledge of Allegiance and Roll Call
2	8:35	(A) Carrie Hauser, Chair	Approve Minutes of the January 17-18, 2023 Hybrid Parks and Wildlife Commission Meeting and the January and February Wolf Plan meetings
3	8:40	(I) Carrie Hauser, Chair	Corrections to Agenda Corrections/Removal of Consent Agenda Topics
4	8:45	(I) Carrie Hauser, Chair	Commissioner's Questions and Comments
5	9:00	(I) Carrie Hauser, Chair	Comments from the Chair
6	9:05	(I) Dan Gibbs, DNR Executive Director	Department of Natural Resources Update
7	9:15	(I) Kate Greenberg, Dept. of Ag. Commissioner	Department of Agriculture Update
8	9:25	(I) Heather Dugan, Acting CPW Director	Director's Comments
9	9:40	(I) Justin Rutter, AD of Financial Services	Financial Update
10	9:55	(I) Dan Zimmerer, Parks & Wildlife Program Manager, GOCO	GOCO Update
	10:10		Break

Final Regulations

11	10:25	(A) Hilary Hernandez, Regulations Manager	Chapter W-3 - "Furbearers and Small Game, except Migratory Birds" 2 CCR 406-3 (Step 2 of 2)
			Open for final consideration of annual changes to game bird seasons, excluding turkey, and other small game seasons and related provisions, including season dates, bag and possession limits and manner of take provisions. Specific regulatory changes include the following:

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- Modification of the Harvest Information Program (HIP) to no longer require sportspersons only pursuing furbearers to register with the HIP.
- Creation of a white-tailed ptarmigan, greater sage-grouse, and Columbian sharp-tailed grouse permit that would be required in addition to a small game license, to take these species.

12 10:30 (A) Hilary Hernandez,
Regulations Manager

Chapter W-5 - "Small Game - Migratory Game Birds" 2 CCR 406-5 (Step 2 of 2)

Open for annual review and final consideration of regulations related to waterfowl and migratory bird hunting seasons and related provisions, including season dates, bag and possession limits manner of take provisions, and the closure of the crow, Sora and Virginia rail seasons statewide.

13 10:50 (A) Hilary Hernandez,
Regulations Manager

Chapter W-9 - "Wildlife Properties" 2 CCR 406-9 and those related provisions of Chapter W-0 ("General Provisions" 2 CCR 406-0) necessary to accommodate changes to or ensure consistency with Chapter W-9 (Step 2 of 2)

Open for annual review and final consideration of regulations related to generally applicable and property-specific requirements for, or restrictions on use of, wildlife properties controlled by the Division of Parks and Wildlife, including State Trust Lands leased by the Division. Specific considerations include the following:

- Adoption of permanent regulations for the new SKCK fishing access easement on the Yampa River.

14 10:55 (A) Hilary Hernandez,
Regulations Manager

Chapter W-13 - "Wildlife Possession, Scientific Collecting and Special Licenses" 2 CCR 406-13 and those related provisions of Chapter W-0 ("General Provisions" 2 CCR 406-0) necessary to accommodate changes to or ensure consistency with Chapter W-13 (Step 2 of 2)

Open for annual review of the entire chapter including, but not limited to, regulations pertaining to wildlife possession, scientific collecting, and special licenses. Specific regulatory changes include the following:

- Modifications to authorize aquatic management.

Issues Identification

15 11:00 (I) Katie Lanter,
Policy and Planning Supervisor
Matt Eckert,
Terrestrial Programs Supervisor
Danielle Isenhardt,
License, Reservations and
Customer Operations Manager

Chapter W-2 - "Big Game" - 2 CCR 406-2 and those related provisions of Chapter W-0 ("General Provisions" - 2 CCR 406-0) necessary to accommodate changes to or ensure consistency with Chapter W-2 (Step 1 of 2)

Open for consideration of changes to big game license distribution, including preference point banking, averaging group points, an
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				across-the-board allocation, and/or updating the high-demand hunt code split, such as from 80% for residents and 20% for nonresidents to 90% for residents and 10% for nonresidents.
16	11:30	(I)	Hilary Hernandez, Regulations Manager Mark Lamb, Area Wildlife Manager Adrian Archuleta, Area Wildlife Manager Kirk Oldham, Area Wildlife Manager Sean Shepherd Area Wildlife Manager	Chapter W-9 - "Wildlife Properties" - 2 CCR 406-9 and those related provisions of Chapter W-0 ("General Provisions" - 2 CCR 406-0) and Chapter P-1 ("Parks and Outdoor Recreation Lands" - 2 CCR 405-1) necessary to accommodate changes to or ensure consistency with Chapter W-9 (Step 1 of 3) Open for review of the entire chapter including, but not limited to, generally applicable and property-specific requirements for, or restrictions on the use of wildlife properties controlled by the Division of Parks and Wildlife.
17	12:10			Awards and Presentations
	12:30			Lunch
18	1:30	(I)	Hilary Hernandez, Regulations Manager Ty Petersburg, Acting Assistant Director Perry Boydstun, Backcountry Search and Rescue Program Coordinator	Backcountry Search and Rescue Program update and Chapter W-16 - "Parks and Wildlife Procedural Rules" - 2 CCR 406-16 and those related provisions of Chapter W-0 ("General Provisions" - 2 CCR 406-0) and Chapter P-7 ("Passes, Permits and Registrations" - 2 CCR 405-7) necessary to accommodate changes to or ensure consistency with Chapter W-16 (Step 1 of 2) Open for consideration of any necessary changes to implement and administer the Search and Rescue program.
19	2:15	(I)	Karlyn Armstrong, PE, Sr. Water Resource Engineer and Water Project Mitigation Coord. City of Ft. Collins, Staff	Overview of the City of Fort Collins' Halligan Water Supply Project
20	2:45	(A)	Fletcher Jacobs, State Trails Program Manager	2023 Non-Motorized Trail and Land and Water Conservation Fund Grant Funding Recommendations
	3:05			Break
21	3:20	(I)	Travis Black, NW Region Manager David Warsh, Habitat Stamp Committee Chairman	Habitat Stamp Committee Updates
22	3:40	(I)	Todd Farrow, Park Manager	Golden Gate Canyon State Park Management Plan
23	4:00	(A)	Carrie Hauser, Chair	Consent Agenda
24a	4:05	(I)	Amanda Nims, Land Protection Specialist Kim Rogers, Real Estate Section Manager	Colorado Wildlife Habitat Program - 2022 Recommended Proposals Overview

24b	4:10	(I/A)	Jake Matter, Assistant Attorney General Kim Rogers, Real Estate Section Manager	Executive Session pursuant to Open Meetings Law, §§ 24-6-402(3)(a)(I), (II) and (III), CRS for the Commission to consider the RFP Recommended Projects. The purpose of Executive Session is to consider the purchase of private property for public purposes, to receive legal advice, and to maintain the confidentiality of analyses and maps compiled or maintained by CPW related to private lands as required by § 24-72-204(3)(a)(XXI), CRS.
24c	4:55	(A)	Amanda Nims, Land Protection Specialist Kim Rogers, Real Estate Section Manager	Colorado Wildlife Habitat Program - 2022 Recommended Proposals Vote

5:00

Recess

Thursday, March 16th

25	8:00	(I)	Carrie Hauser, Chair	Welcome and Roll Call
26	8:05	(I)	Reid DeWalt, Asst Director Aquatic, Terrestrial and Natural Resources Brian Dreher, Terrestrial Section Manager	Wolverine Update
27	8:35	(I)	Mark Vieira, Carnivore and Furbearer Program Manager	Furbearer Program Update
28	9:05	(I)		Public Comments
	9:25			Break
29a	9:40	(I/A)	Jake Matter, Assistant Attorney General	Executive Session pursuant to Open Meetings Law, § 24-6-402(3)(b)(I), CRS. The purpose of Executive Session is for the Commission to interview candidates seeking to serve as the Director of the Division and to maintain the confidentiality of such applicants.
	12:00			Lunch
29b	12:45	(I/A)	Jake Matter, Assistant Attorney General	Executive Session regarding Director Search (continued)
29c	4:20	(A)	Carrie Hauser, Chair	Commission identifies two preferred candidates to refer to Executive Director Gibbs for final interviews, plus up to two alternates.
	4:30			ADJOURN

(A) Consent Agenda

Proposed Parks and Wildlife Commission Consent Agenda
March 15-16, 2023

In order to increase the Parks and Wildlife Commission's efficiency and allow more time for consideration of wildlife policy and contested issues, the listed items are noticed for action by the Commission as part of the March, 2023 "Consent Agenda."

Note: The process for placing matters on the Consent Agenda is as follows:

The Director identifies matters where the recommended action follows established policy or precedent, there has been agreement reached or the matter is expected to be uncontested and non-controversial. Staff will provide written memos to the Parks and Wildlife Commission members explaining the matters on the Consent Agenda. Copies of the memos will be available to the public.

Matters on the Consent Agenda are noticed for hearing at the same time and in the same manner as other agenda items. If a member of the Commission requests further consideration of an item on the consent agenda, that item will be withdrawn from the Consent Agenda and discussed and acted upon as determined by the Commission. The Consent Agenda may be voted on without the necessity of reading individual items. Any Commission member may request clarification from the Director for any matter on the Consent Agenda.

Final Regulations

- 23.1 (A) Chapter P-7 - "Passes, Permits and Registrations" - 2 CCR 405-7 and Chapter W-0 ("General Provisions" - 2 CCR 406-0) (Step 1 of 1)
Open for final consideration of regulations updating the reference to the U.S. Federal Poverty Guidelines applicable to the Centennial Pass and other low-income licenses and passes offered by the Division.
- 23.2 (A) Chapter W-2 - "Big Game" - 2 CCR 406-2 and those related provisions of Chapter W-0 ("General Provisions" - 2 CCR 406-0) necessary to accommodate changes to or ensure consistency with Chapter W-2 (Step 1 of 1)
Open for final consideration of any necessary corrections or administrative clean-ups to regulations previously adopted by the Parks and Wildlife Commission for the 2023 big game seasons, including, but not limited to, game management unit boundaries, season dates, limited license areas and manner of take provisions for bighorn sheep, mountain goat, deer, elk, pronghorn, moose, bear and mountain lion, and regulations otherwise necessary for the implementation of the 2023 big game seasons.
- 23.3 (A) Chapter W-9 - "Wildlife Properties" 2 CCR 406-9 and those related provisions of Chapter W-0 ("General Provisions" 2 CCR 406-0) necessary to accommodate changes to or ensure consistency with Chapter W-9 (Step 2 of 2)
Open for annual review and final consideration of regulations related to generally applicable and property-specific requirements for, or restrictions on use of, wildlife properties controlled by the Division of Parks and Wildlife, including State Trust Lands leased by the Division. Specific considerations include the following:
- Administrative clean-up to correct the misspelling of the Bill Patterson State Wildlife Area. (Step 1 of 1)
 - Combining the Ruby Mountain SWA Fishing Easement (FE) regulations and the Bighorn Springs SWA FE under the Bighorn Springs SWA FE. (Step 1 of 1)
 - Modification of the Colorow State Wildlife Area closure period.
 - Modification of the hunting restrictions at Oxbow State Trust Land to open the land to all hunters

Game Damage Claim - Over \$20K

23.4	(A)	06-Y23-06 DWM: Ross McGee	Neilson, Paul AWM: Bill deVergie	\$24,767.75 RM: Travis Black	Sheep by Mt Lion
23.5	(A)	06-Y23-07 DWM: Ross McGee	Theos Swallow Fork Ranch/Anthony Theos AWM: Bill deVergie	\$29,454.37 RM: Travis Black	Sheep by Bears and Mt.Lion

Game Damage Claim Recommended for Denial

23.6	(A)	09-Y23-02	Klomp, Ralph AWM: Jeromy Huntington	\$3,325.00 RM: Travis Black	Growing Alfalfa by Elk
	a.	DWM: Jeff Behncke			
	b.	17-Y23-01 DWM: Conrad Albert	Vialpando, Wilfred AWM: Rick Basagoitia	\$8,800.00 RM: Cory Chick	Orchard by Black Bear

License Suspension Appeal

23.7	(A)	<u>Name</u> Michael Schmitt	<u>Case #</u> CPW-2022-147	<u>Suspension</u> 4 Years
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Real Estate

23.8	(A)	<u>Project #</u>	<u>Region</u>	<u>Project Name</u>
	a.	21-042	NW	Right of Way
	b.	22-058	SE	Utility Easement

Herd Management Plans

23.9	(A)	SW Elk Herd Management Plans
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