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Parks and Wildlife

Department of Natural Resources

6060 Broadway
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Colorado Chronic Wasting Disease Advisory Group

April 26th 2018 Meeting

Department of Agriculture

305 Interlocken Parkway, Broomfield, CO 80021

10am-4:15pm

Members in attendance: Chris Journey, Craig McLaughlin, Dan Gates, Don Cook, Keith Roehr, Marie Haskett, Mark Leslie, Marty Holmes, Matt Dunfee, Matt Eckert, Reid DeWalt

Members absent: JT Romatzke, Troy Sweet

Technical advisors in attendance: Janet George, Lisa Wolfe, Marie Haas, Mike Miller, Travis Duncan, Wayne East

Technical advisors on phone: Brad Bannulis, Darby Finley (for Brad Petch), Julie Stiver (for Brian Dreher)

Technical advisors absent: Lauren Truitt, Mike Quartuch, Scott Wait

Guests in attendance: Scott Limmerer

Meeting Summary

Presentations: “CWD in Colorado: The past, Present and Future” by Mike Miller and “CWD Management Options” by Matt Eckert

Discussions: purpose of advisory group, advisory group perspectives, charter, future meetings

Key Points:

- CPW sincerely wants to hear from all members of this group
- Phone line is open and will be at future meetings, public may attend as observers
- CPW proposed delivery of a CWD response plan in September 2018 to the Parks & Wildlife Commission
- Craig added “Public Comments” & “Next Steps” to the agenda
- Concerns expressed over bias in sampling by testing harvested animals
- Present members agreed to the draft charter based on edits listed below:
 - Section 1,a,iii - change “factual” to “science-based”
 - Section 3,a - change wording of August meeting
 - Section 4 - include verbiage on emails for group and public

- Section 6,b - changes to meeting dates, times, and locations
- Requested more time for license numbers to be reviewed before commission meeting
- Focus is on herd health, long term
- Outfitters are concerned that the herds will not come back
- Question impact of large scale herd reduction vs. targeting bucks
- Need for appropriate messaging
- All management options are on the table right now
- CWD is one of the top priorities of CPW right now

Follow-up Required:

- Upload presentations/slides to CPW website
- Requested D7's license #'s & mandatory testing submission totals
- Mike Miller will send out Devivo's (sp?) WY study
- Consideration needed on way to include RFW in 2018 testing
- Matt Eckert will create a group email for advisory group members
- Matt Eckert will create an email for the public to send CWD related questions
- Mike Miller will send out Dr. Wolfe's paper on culling in Estes Park
- Consider Fort Carson as a CWD research study area?
- Request to see D4's history of herd size & buck/doe ratios
- Travis Duncan will provide a hand-out for group members to share for upcoming commission meeting & partners in the outdoors
- Travis Duncan will create a Press Release template
- Group members will review and advise on options at next meeting