

Minutes of the Work Session Meeting of the
Arizona Game and Fish Commission
Friday, August 21, 2009 – 8:00 a.m.
Saturday, August 22, 2009 – 8:00 a.m.
Arizona Game and Fish Department
5000 West Carefree Highway
Phoenix, Arizona 85086

PRESENT: (Commission)

(Director's Staff)

Chairman Robert D. Hernbrode
Vice Chair Jennifer L. Martin
Commissioner Robert R. Woodhouse
Commissioner Norman W. Freeman
Commissioner Jack F. Husted

Director Larry D. Voyles
Deputy Director Gary R. Hovatter
Deputy Director Bob Broscheid
Assistant Attorney General Jim Odenkirk
Assistant Attorney General Shelley Cutts

Chairman Hernbrode called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m. This work session meeting was for informational purposes and for a discussion/question/answer session between the Commission and the Department. No action was taken by the Commission on any items. There were no members of the public in attendance at this public meeting. This meeting followed an agenda dated August 19, 2009.

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1. Future Management and Approaches to Department Wildlife Areas and Land Administration.

Presenter: Josh Avey, Habitat Branch Chief

Josh Avey provided a brief overview of the suite of Department properties in a power point presentation. After the presentation the Commission discussed with Department staff general approaches for the future management of the properties.

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2. Kaibab Deer Management and Research.

Presenter: Chasa O'Brien, Research Branch Chief; Brian Wakeling, Game Branch Chief; Ron Sieg, Flagstaff Regional Supervisor

Ron Sieg provided the Commission a historical overview of the Kaibab and its deer management. Chasa O'Brien provided an overview of the recent research work completed on the Kaibab. Brian Wakeling provided an overview of hunt guidelines as they pertain to the Kaibab. The Commission and Department had an informal discussion regarding the future management approaches for the North Kaibab.

Jim deVos, representing the Arizona Deer Association spoke briefly and thanked the Commission and Department for their collaborative approach on the issue.

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3. Call to the Public

There were no members of the public present.

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Meeting recessed for Lunch at 12:00 p.m.

Meeting reconvened at 1:30 p.m.

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4. Commission Guidebook Training.

Presenter: Mike Senn, Assistant Director, Wildlife Management Division

Mike Senn introduced Dwight Guinn, from the Management Assistance Team of A.F.W.A. Mr. Guinn facilitated a Commission discussion regarding Commission policy issues and how to address making policy. Additionally, Mr. Guinn briefly discussed media issues and how to address the media.

5. Call to the Public

There were no members of the public present.

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Meeting recessed for the day at 4:30 p.m.

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Saturday, August 22, 2009 – 8:00 a.m.

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Chairman Hernbrode called the work session meeting back to order at 8:00 a.m. There were no members of the public in attendance and the meeting continued to follow the agenda dated August 19, 2009.

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1. Commission Guidebook Training.

Presenters: Mike Senn, Assistant Director, Wildlife Management Division

Mike Senn introduced Dwight Guinn who continued his Commission policy discussion with the Commission.

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2. Budget Overview.

Presenters: Bob Broscheid, Deputy Director

Deputy Director Bob Broscheid and Funds Planning Manager Richard Miller provided the Commission with an overview of recent budget activities and approaches and also provided general information regarding future Department budget approaches. Deputy Director Broscheid re-iterated with the Commission that there are many unknowns with the state budget situation and that it is unclear how this might impact Department budgets.

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3. Call to the Public

There were no members of the public present.

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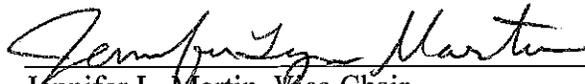
Chairman Hernbrode adjourned the meeting.

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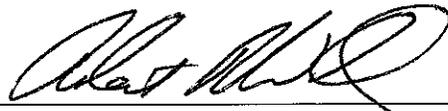
Meeting adjourned at 11:40 a.m.

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Robert D. Hernbrode, Chairman



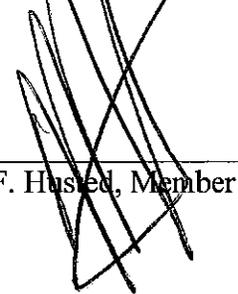
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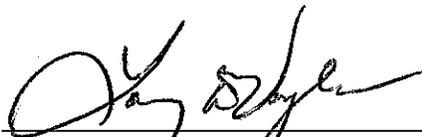


Norman W. Freeman, Member



Jack F. Husted, Member

ATTEST:



Larry D. Voyles
Secretary and Director