

Utah Wildlife Board Meeting

October 1, 2020

Electronic Meeting

The meeting can be viewed live at https://youtu.be/G_0qXs9R_BA

Thursday, October 1, 2020, 9:00 am

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| 1. Approval of Agenda
– Byron Bateman, Chairman | ACTION |
| 2. Approval of Minutes
– Byron Bateman, Chairman | ACTION |
| 3. Old Business/Action Log
– Kevin Albrecht, Vice-Chair | CONTINGENT |
| 4. DWR Update
– Mike Fowlks, DWR Director | INFORMATIONAL |
| 5. 2021-2022 Fishing Recommendations and Fishing Contest Rule Amendments
– Randy Oplinger, Sportfish Coordinator | ACTION |
| 6. Angler Opportunity Assessment Update
– Craig Walker, Aquatic Section Assistant Chief | INFORMATIONAL |
| 7. Middle Provo River Update
– Jackie Watson, Blue Ribbon Fisheries Biologist | INFORMATIONAL |
| 8. R657-62 Rule Amendments – Deployed Military
– Lindy Varney, Wildlife Licensing Coordinator | ACTION |
| 9. Conservation Permit Audit
– Kenny Johnson, Administrative Services Section Chief | ACTION |
| 10. Conservation Permit Annual Report
– Justin Shannon, Wildlife Section Chief | INFORMATIONAL |
| 11. Cougar Conservation and Expo Permit Request
– Darren DeBloois, Game Mammals Program Coordinator | ACTION |
| 12. Repeal Rule R657-38 Wildlife Sensitive Species
– Mike Canning, Assistant Director | ACTION |
| 13. 2021 RAC/Board Dates
– Staci Coons, Wildlife Board Coordinator | ACTION |
| 14. Other Business
– Byron Bateman, Chairman | CONTINGENT |

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic and the ability of the virus to spread from person to person, the Governor has implemented a number of Executive Orders directed at controlling spread of the virus by minimizing face-to-face interactions. Public gatherings are strongly discouraged by the CDC, State of Utah, and local health departments since they facilitate face-to-face contact and pose an elevated risk for virus transmission. The Division of Wildlife Resources and the chair of this public body have determined that public gathering at Regional Advisory Council and Wildlife Board meetings presents a substantial risk to the health and safety of those who attend—and will conduct this meeting using a fully electronic format. This meeting format is authorized by recent amendment to the Utah Code¹ and Executive Order by Utah Governor Gary Herbert²—and will be temporarily used in place of the in-person public meetings that usually occur around the state. Anyone wishing to comment on agenda topics in future meetings or to observe this meeting may do so by logging on to the Division's webpage at <https://wildlife.utah.gov/feedback.html> where instructions and links are provided.

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¹ Utah Code Section 52-4-207(4).

² Executive Order Suspending the Enforcement of Provisions of Utah Code §§ 52-4-202 and 52-4-207, and Related State Agency Orders, Rules, and Regulations, Due to Infectious Disease COVID-19 Novel, March 18, 2020.