

Kentucky Department of Fish & Wildlife Resources



Commission Meeting

Live Teleconference - Web link posted at fw.ky.gov

June 26, 2020

#1 Sportsman's Lane

Frankfort, KY

8:30 AM (ET)

AGENDA

Opening

- Call to Order and Welcome
- Invocation
- Pledge of Allegiance
- Commissioner's Remarks

Action Items

- Approval of May 22 Commission Meeting Minutes
Attachment A-1
- Approval of Quarterly Financial Statement (January-March 2020)
Attachment A-2
- Designation of Commission Members for the "Ohio River Working Group"
Attachment A-3
- Reduce Scaup Daily Bag Limit per Federal Limit
Amend 301 KAR 2:221. Waterfowl seasons and limits.
Attachment A-4
- Update Waterfowl Hunting Zones.
Incorporate 301 KAR 2:224 into 301 KAR 2:221, Repeal 301 KAR 2:224.
Attachment A-5

- Timing of Sandhill Crane Season
Amend 301 KAR 2:228. Sandhill crane hunting requirements.
Attachment A-6
- Timing of Early (September) Goose Season
301 KAR 2:225. Dove, wood duck, teal, and other migratory game bird hunting.
 - Update on harvest and participation trends, and hunter survey results
 - Review of Season Dates
 Attachment A-7
- Award of Special Commission Permits to Nonprofit Conservation Organizations in Kentucky for Fundraising
Attachment A-8
- Update to Commission By-laws
Attachment A-9

Break

Discussion Items

- Crossbows for Hunting Migratory Birds -
Amend 301 KAR 2:090. Means by which migratory game birds may be taken.
Attachment D-1
- Veteran Days and Youth Waterfowl Seasons
Amend 301 KAR 2:226. Youth waterfowl, moorhen, and gallinule hunting seasons.
Attachment D-2
- Public Dove Fields
Amend 301 KAR 2:225. Dove, wood duck, teal, and other migratory game bird hunting.
 - Experimental Dove Fields
 - Allow New Hunters ages 16+ on quota Mentored Hunt Dove Fields
 Attachment D-3
- Ballard WMA Shotgun Limit in Blinds – 1-shotgun per hunter
Amend 301 KAR 2:221. Waterfowl seasons and limits.
 - Discussion of history and rationale
 - Proposed alternative: 1 uncased and loaded shotgun per hunter in blind
 Attachment D-4

- Elk Hunt Drawing Enhancements
Amend 301 KAR 2:132. Elk hunting seasons, permits, zones, and requirements.
 - Expand application window
 - Loyalty Redraw: Award unpurchased permits to long-time applicantsAttachment D-5

New Business Items

- Fall Wild Turkey Season (301 KAR 2:144) – Bag limit and season structure
 - Participation and harvest trends
 - Preliminary hunter survey results.Attachment NB-1
- Bobcat Hunting Season (301 KAR 2:251)
 - History of changes
 - Trends in bobcat hunting and trapping seasons
 - Preliminary hunter survey results
 - Current study underwayAttachment NB-2
- “Youth” Definition in Waterfowl Regulation (301 KAR 2:221) - Clarification
 - Regulations consistently define “youth” as age 15 or younger for licensing and participation at time of youth hunts
 - “Adult” 18 or older is defined for legal supervision of youths
 - Option to expand youth hunt opportunities to youths who buy their license/permits before turning 16Attachment NB-3
- Wanton Waste
 - Report on research of other states’ laws
 - Recommendation to CommissionAttachment NB-4
- Wildlife Update
- Fisheries Update
- Salato Wildlife Education Center Fees

Public Comments*

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Executive Session

Adjourn

Next Suggested Commission Meeting Date: To Be Determined