

Kentucky Department of Fish & Wildlife Resources



Kentucky Fish & Wildlife Commission Special Called Meeting

Live Video Teleconference*

Web link: [YouTube.com/FishandWildlifeKY](https://www.youtube.com/FishandWildlifeKY)

September 15, 2021 - 10:00 AM (EDT)

#1 Sportsman's Lane

Frankfort, KY

AGENDA

Opening

- Chair's Remarks
- Commissioner's Remarks

Discussion Item

- Review and Update from Sept. 10 Special Called Meeting
 - Detection of CWD-positive case of a free-ranging deer within 15 miles of Kentucky's border immediately activated the department's CWD Response Plan
 - Overview of CWD Response Plan implementation in Kentucky

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*A room for public viewing of the live-streamed video teleconference with chairs spaced for social distancing will be available beginning at 9:45am (EDT) at the Salato Wildlife Education Center at 1 Sportsman's Lane, Frankfort, KY 40601. Masks are currently required in Executive Branch state buildings due to COVID-19.

Public Comments*

Action Items

- Amend [301 KAR 2:172](#) – Deer Hunting Seasons, Zones and Requirements
 - Define the CWD Surveillance Zone (SZ) as Fulton, Hickman, Graves, Marshall and Calloway counties
 - Prohibit export of entire deer carcasses, skull contents and spinal columns from the SZ
 - Allow movement of legally-harvested cervid carcasses and parts within the SZ
 - Allow transportation outside the SZ of parts from legally-harvested deer, including deboned meat, clean skull plates, antlers, antlers attached to a clean skull plate, a clean skull, clean teeth, finished taxidermy work or hide.
 - Prohibit baiting and feeding in the SZ, including:
 - Grains
 - Salt
 - Mineral
 - Other ingested attractants
 - During the following Kentucky deer hunting seasons, all hunters who harvest deer in these counties shall present at a KDFWR-authorized check station in one of these counties either the entire carcass of each deer, or the entire head and proof of sex (as established in 301 KAR 2:172) for collection of a CWD sample:
 - Early Muzzleloader Season (two (2) consecutive days beginning the third Saturday in October);
 - Modern Gun Season (sixteen (16) consecutive days beginning the second Saturday in November); and
 - Late Muzzleloader Season (nine (9) consecutive days beginning the second Saturday in December).

*Public comments for this meeting may be submitted by email to FW.PublicAffairs@ky.gov for the Commission's review and consideration until 5:00pm (eastern) on the day preceding the meeting. Those comments will be read by KDFWR staff up to 3 minutes total per commenter, time permitting. Commenters should include "Commission meeting" in their email subject line, and include their first and last name(s), Kentucky county(s) of residence (or state of residence if a nonresident), and organizational affiliation and position if they are an officer or official representative for a particular organization. Note: A commenter's contact information is not required for emailed comments, but will be helpful if information is requested, and will *not* be publicly disclosed if provided. Anonymous comments will be reviewed by the Commission but may not be read during the meeting. The Commission chair reserves the right to not read publicly any comments that are libelous, profane, derogatory of others, or not relevant to the meeting agenda. Questions will receive an email response.

- Amend [301 KAR 2:015](#) – Feeding of Wildlife
 - Prohibit baiting and feeding of all wildlife in the SZ, including grains, salt, mineral, and other ingested attractants, except for:
 - Normal agricultural practices, including food plots;
 - Hanging bird feeders within the curtilage of the home; and
 - Furbearer trapping (trappers shall use no grain, salt or mineral).
- Amend [301 KAR 2:075](#) – Wildlife Rehabilitation Permit
 - Prohibit rehabilitation of cervids within the SZ
 - Any cervid currently being rehabilitated must be released within the county in which rehabilitation took place
- Amend [301 KAR 2:095](#) – Importation of cervid carcasses and parts.
 - Change title to, “Possession and transportation of cervid carcasses and parts”
 - Persons in possession of or transporting a cervid carcass or parts in or through any of these counties shall affix to the carcass or parts a clearly visible tag (such as paper, plastic or metal durably attached by wire or string) with the following information legibly displayed for inspection upon request by an official from the department, and shall include:
 - Species and sex of animal;
 - County and state of origin;
 - Date harvested or obtained;
 - Hunter’s name, valid telephone number including area code, and telecheck number (or state of origin’s equivalent check-in verification number or information) for a hunter-harvested cervid; and
 - Possessor’s name, valid telephone number including area code, and a description of how the cervid carcass (or parts) was obtained, if possessor is different from hunter.

Executive Session

- Discussion about pending litigation involving the Kentucky Fish and Wildlife Commission regarding Open Records

Action Item

- Legal representation in pending litigation involving the Kentucky Fish and Wildlife Commission regarding Open Records

Adjourn

Next Scheduled Quarterly Commission Meeting Date: December 3, 2021