

AGENDA
Oklahoma Wildlife Conservation Commission
Regular Meeting

Public Meeting: **Monday, January 12th, 2026, at 10:00 a.m.**

Grand National Gun Club
12703 US – 81
Enid, OK 73701

The Commission may vote to approve, disapprove, or take other action on any of the following items. The Commission may vote to authorize public comment on any agenda item requesting a rule change.

1. Call to Order – Chairman Holder
2. Roll Call – Tammy St. Yves
3. Invocation – Micah Holmes
4. Pledge of Allegiance – Micah Holmes
5. Introduction of Guests – Tammy St. Yves
6. Presentation of Awards – Director Wade Free

Chris Cantellay, Fisheries Hatchery Manager – 25 Years
Kurt Kuklinski, Wildlife Research Supervisor – 25 Years

7. Presentation by Pheasants Forever/Quail Forever on The Build a Wildlife Area Program and The Public Access to Habitat Initiative in Oklahoma. – Bill Dinkines, Chief of Wildlife Division and Laura McIver, Pheasants Forever/Quail Forever Oklahoma & Southern Kansas Regional Field Representative and Jeff Tibbits, Director of Conservation Delivery - South Region.
8. Presentation, consideration, and vote to approve, amend, reject, or take other action on a donation of \$42,975 from the National Wild Turkey Federation. These funds will be used for timber stand improvement, invasive species removal, and riparian work at Sans Bois, Okmulgee, and Black Kettle Wildlife Management Areas. Additionally, funds will be used to support the Varsity Archery Program and Scholastic Shooting Sports Program – Bill Dinkines, Chief of Wildlife Division, and Annie Farrell, District Biologist and Mike Westmolland, State Chapter President, NWTF.
9. Presentation and overview of Wildlife Division's Drummond Flats WMA wetland restoration progress. – Bill Dinkines, Chief of Wildlife Division and Weston Storer, Northwest Region Supervisor.
10. Presentation and overview of Fisheries Division's walleye and saugeye spawning program – Ken Cunningham, Chief of Fisheries Division, Chas Patterson, Northwest Regional Fisheries Supervisor, and Chris Cantellay, Byron State Fish Hatchery Manager.

11. Consideration and vote to approve, amend, reject, or take other action on minutes from the November 17th, 2025, emergency Commission meeting.
12. Consideration and vote to approve, amend, reject, or take other action on minutes from the November 21st, 2025, special Commission meeting.
13. Consideration and vote to approve, amend, reject, or take other action on minutes from the December 8th, 2025, regular Commission meeting.
14. Director's Report
 - a. Calendar Items – discussion of upcoming department calendar items.
 - b. Agency Update – an update on current activity within each division.
 - c. Oklahoma Legislative Update
15. Consideration and vote to approve, amend, reject, or take other action on an FY26 budget revision – Andrea Crews, Chief of Administration
16. Presentation of the November 30, 2025, Financial Reports and consideration and vote to approve, amend, or reject miscellaneous donations – Andrea Crews, Chief of Administration.
17. **POSSIBLE EXECUTIVE SESSION** pursuant to Title 25 O.S. § 307(B)(4) for the purpose of confidential communications between the Commission and outside counsel Leonard, Long & Cassil, PLLC concerning (1) *Cherokee Nation, et al v. Free, et al.*, 25-cv-00630-CVE-JFJ (Northern Dist. Okla.), and (2) possible action concerning AG Opinion 2025-19, where counsel has determined that disclosure of information related to the claim(s) or action(s) will seriously impair the ability of the Board to process or conduct litigation or proceed in the public interest, provided that any action taken shall be in open session.
 - a. Vote to Enter Executive Session
 - b. Executive Session pursuant to 25 O.S. § 307(B)(4).
 - c. Vote to Exit Executive Session
 - d. Possible discussion and action on matters discussed in Executive Session.
18. New Business – Discussion of any matter not known about, or which could not have been reasonably foreseen 24 hours prior to the scheduled meeting.
19. Announce the February 9th, 2026, Commission meeting will be in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.
20. Adjourn

*On the evening of Sunday, January 11th, and the morning of Monday, January 12th, there is the potential for the Commission and Department Staff to engage in field activities, where a quorum may or may not be present. No business will be discussed, nor will any action be taken prior to the start of the regular meeting of the Oklahoma Wildlife Conservation Commission.

*Immediately following adjournment of the Wildlife Commission meeting, the Commission and Department Staff will have lunch and potentially participate in shooting sports. A quorum may or may not be present. No business will be discussed, nor will any action be taken following adjournment of the regular meeting of the Oklahoma Wildlife Conservation Commission.

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