



FISHERIES AND WATER RESOURCES POLICY

Chair: J.D. Strong (OK)

Vice-Chair: Jim Fredericks (ID)

Thursday, March 12th, 2020

8:00 am – 12:00 pm

Blackstone Ballroom B

**85th North American Wildlife and Natural Resources Conference
Omaha, NE**

Draft Agenda

- 8:00 am Call to Order/Introductions/Review Agenda – *J.D. Strong, OK*
- *Action: Approval of Draft Meeting Agenda/September 2019 minutes*
- 8:10 Subcommittee and Working Group Reports
- Subcommittee on Water – *Jason Olive, AR/ Jon Sjöberg, NV*
 - Drug Approval Working Group – *David Lind, AFWA*
 - Bird & Fish Related Conflict Working Group – *Craig Bonds, TX/ Jim Fredericks, ID*
- 8:40 National Fish Habitat Partnerships – *Ed Schriever, ID, Ryan Roberts, AFWA*
- 8: 50 AFWA Government Affairs Update – *David Lind, AFWA*
- Wallop-Breaux Reauthorization
 - Water Resources Development Act
- 9:00 USFS Update – *Scott Barndt, USFS*
- 9:10 MBTA/Double-Crested Cormorant Proposal – *Ken Richkus, FWS*
- Federal Rulemaking Process/Updates and Next Steps
 - Discussion
- 9:40 Cooperative Research Units – *John Thompson, PhD, USGS*
- 10:00 Health Break

- 10:15 Fish and Aquatic Conservation Program Update – *David Hoskins, FWS*
- 10:35 Asian Carp, Opportunities for Cooperation – *Cynthia Tam, USGS*
- 10:50 USGS Fisheries Update – *Melanie Steinkamp, USGS*
- Fisheries Program Strategy/Fisheries Summit Update
- 10:55 USGS Aquatic Animal Health Update – *M. Camille Hopkins DVM, MS, PhD*
- 11:00 EPA Tools for Ecological Risk Assessment – *Bill Fisher, EPA*
- Toxicology Tools (EcoTox and Web-Ice)
 - HAB forecasting (Cyanobacteria Assessment Network)
 - National Aquatic Resource Surveys
- 11:20 Grey Literature Update, MSCG Timetable – *Doug Austen, PhD, AFS*
- 11:25 Roundtable Discussion: Plastic Fish Habitat Structures – *Doug Nygren, KS*
- 11:55 Identify Follow-up Issues and Next Steps - *J.D. Strong, OK*
- 12:00 Wrap-up/adjourn – *J.D. Strong, OK*

Committee Charge:

Discuss, develop and recommend Association positions related to:

- *Federal laws, regulations and policies concerning water uses, aquatic habitat conservation, fisheries resources and related funding for such programs.*
- *Fisheries management practices and emerging issues (e.g. climate change) for both freshwater and marine resources.*

Subcommittees and Working Groups:

- *Drug Approval Working group*
 - *Subcommittee on Water*
 - *Bird & Fish Related Conflict Working Group*
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