

ENERGY & WILDLIFE POLICY COMMITTEE Chair: Paul Johansen (West Virginia) Vice-Chair: Vacant

Thursday March 7, 2019
1:00 pm to 5:00 pm

North American Wildlife and Natural Resources Conference
Room: Tower Court D (Tower Building)
Sheraton Denver Downtown | Denver, CO

Agenda 1:00PM Call to Order and Introductions Paul Johansen, West Virginia Division of Natural Resources 1:10 Approval of Minutes from the September 2018 Meeting Paul Johansen, West Virginia Division of Natural Resources 1:15 Update on the Committee's National Conservation Need Mark Humpert, AFWA 1:20 State Roundtable One representative per state agency highlights one legislative, policy or management initiative or issue 1:45 Report on survey of best management practices effectiveness to minimize incidental take Laura Zebehazy, Texas Parks and Wildlife Department 2:15 Habitat impacts and wind development: opportunities to address the needs of state wildlife agencies Jessica Wilkinson, The Nature Conservancy 3:00 -Break-3:15 Bat and wind energy cooperative (BWEC) research priorities Mylea Bayless, Bat Conservation International, BWEC Oversight Committee 3:30 Bat CHAT (WAFWA's Crucial Habitat Assessment Tool) Mike Houts, WAFWA CHAT GIS Lead/LPC Information Systems Director 3:45 Research and best management practices to avoid/minimize wildlife impacts from solar development

Jennifer Goff, Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission

4:00 Western big game winter range and migration corridors and Secretarial Order 3362 Casey Stemler, USFWS

Partners updates 4:15

- Mona Khalil, Energy & Wildlife Program Specialist, USGS
- Frank Quamen, BLM
- Wrap-up discussion and action items 4:45
- 5:00PM Adjourn