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AMPHIBIAN & REPTILE CONSERVATION COMMITTEE

Chair: Thomas Eason (FL)

Vice-Chair: Dave Golden (NJ)

Date: March 10, 2021

Time: 10am-1pm

86th North American Wildlife and Natural Resources Conference

Agenda

- 10:00 am Call to Order/Introductions
- 10:05 Review of Agenda/Committee Change
Important Updates: Committee Chair & Vice-Chair
AFWA Amphibian & Reptile and Invasive Species Program Manager position
- 10:15 Discussion: Integrating diversity, equity, and inclusion into the work of the ARC
Committee
Thomas Eason, FWC
- 10:30 Update on BLM Strategic Plan for Reptile and Amphibian Conservation
Brad Jost, BLM
- 10:35 Partners in Amphibian and Reptile Conservation (PARC) and The Amphibian and Reptile
Conservancy (ARC) Briefing
Michelle Christman, PARC and JJ Apodaca, ARC
- 10:50 American Turtle SAFE: Building Partnerships to Protect American Turtles
Dave Collins, AZA
- 11:05 Results of state herp regulations survey and discussion
Lane Kisonak, AFWA
- 11:25 Collaborative to Combat the Illegal Trade in Turtles and Call to Action Letter
Scott Buchanan, Rhode Island Division of Fish and Wildlife
- 11:40 Discussion on Call to Action Letter to Confront the Illegal Trade in Turtles
Action Item: vote to approve
- 11:45 Herpetofauna Disease
 - Amphibian and Reptile Health - a Brief Overview on Pathogens of Concern and
Other Considerations for Maintaining Healthy Populations: Perspectives from
the PARC Disease Task Team (20 mins)
*Katie Haman (Northeast Wildlife Disease Cooperative University of Pennsylvania,
Dept of Pathobiology) and Dan Grear (USGS)*



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- Ophidiomyces Detection in Free-Ranging Snakes on Department of Defense Installations in the U.S. (15 mins)
Robert E. Lovich (US Navy)

- 12:20 State Roundtable
One representative per state agency highlights a couple of legislative and policy initiatives or issues
- 12:55 Wrap-up Discussion
- 1:00 Adjourn