



ASSOCIATION of
FISH & WILDLIFE
AGENCIES

FISHERIES AND WATER RESOURCES POLICY

Chair: J.D. Strong (OK)

Vice-Chair: Vacant

Tuesday, September 12, 2017

1:00 pm – 5:00 pm

107th AFWA Annual Meeting

Primrose B/ Snowbird Resort

Sandy, UT

Draft Agenda

- 1:00 pm Call to Order/Introductions/Review Agenda – *J.D. Strong, OK*
- *Action: Approval of Draft Meeting Agenda/March 2016 minutes*
- 1:10 Subcommittee and Working Group Reports
- Subcommittee on Water – *Jon Sjöberg, NV & Christopher Estes*
 - *Potential action item – AFWA letter on WOTUS Proposed Rulemaking*
 - Brief Introduction to WSWC – *Tony Willardson, WSWC*
 - Drug Approval Working Group - *Steve Sharon, WY*
- 2:00 National Fish Habitat Partnership Assessment – *Gary Whelan, MI*
- 2:15 National Fish Habitat Partnership Update – *Tom Champeau, FL*
Ryan Roberts, AFWA
- 2:25 Legislative Update – *Devin DeMario, AFWA*
- (Written legislative summary provided)
- 2:35 American Fisheries Society – *Doug Austen, AFS*
- Model State Agreement for Hutton Program
 - Standardized Sampling Protocols
 - Update on AFS Member Access to Publications
 - "Grey Literature" Clearinghouse
- 3:00 BREAK

- 3:10 USFS National Fish & Aquatic Stewardship Strategy – *John Rothlisberger, USFS*
- 3:30 Fish and Wildlife Service FAC Update – *David Hoskins, FWS FAC*
- 3:45 Additional Federal Agency Updates
- 4:00 Update from AFS Fisheries Administration Section – *Ken Kurzawski, AFS/TX*
- 4:10 USDA Catfish Inspection Program: State Challenges – *Tom Champeau, FL*
- 4:20 Fish and Wildlife Service – Migratory Birds Division – *Brad Bortner, FWS MB*
- “Double Crested Cormorant Update and Discussion of Future Plans”
- 4:50 Identify Follow-up Issues and Next Steps - *J.D. Strong, OK*
- 4:55 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*

Follow-Up Items for Consideration via Webinar/Conference Call:

- Review of committee charge and 2017-2018 committee work plan; modify as needed
- Presentation on the Waters of the United States Rulemaking Process (*EPA Representative*)