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BIRD CONSERVATION COMMITTEE PART I

Chair: Gordon Myers, NC Wildlife Resources Commission
Vice-Chair: Ross Melinchuk, TX Parks and Wildlife Department

11 September 2017
8:00 am- 12:00 pm

AFWA Annual Meeting
Snowbird, UT

Agenda

8:00 Welcome/Introductions/ Announcements

8:15 US Fish & Wildlife Service Migratory Bird Program Updates

Brad Bortner, Division Chief, Division of Migratory Bird Management
Sarah Mott, Division Chief, Division of Bird Habitat Conservation

8:45 Canadian Wildlife Service Update

Speaker TBD

9:15 USDA-APHIS- Wildlife Services Update

Speaker TBD

9:25 North American Bird Conservation Initiative (NABCI) Updates

Judith Scarl, Bird Conservation Program Manager, AFWA/NABCI Coordinator

9:45 State of the Birds 2017: Farm Bill Special Report

Speaker TBD

9:55 Southern Wings Progress Updates

Deb Hahn, International Relations Director, AFWA

10:10 Cat Work Group Update and Discussion (20 minutes)

Sara Schweitzer, Wildlife Diversity Biologist, NC Wildlife Resources Commission

10:30 Harvest Information Program Task Group Update and Discussion

Ross Melinchuk, Texas Parks and Wildlife

11:00 AFWA Legislative/Campaign Updates

General Legislative Updates- *Jen Mock Schaeffer, AFWA*

Potential Threats to Migratory Bird Treaty Act- *Davia Palmeri, AFWA*

Blue Ribbon Panel/Alliance for America's Fish and Wildlife Updates- *Sean Saville, AFWA*

11:30 Letter to USFWS Leadership on Importance of Migratory Bird Program- Follow-Up
Gordon Myers, NC Wildlife Resources Commission

11:35 Year of the Bird- National Geographic
Speaker TBD

11:45 National Survey of Fishing, Hunting, and Wildlife-Associated Recreation
Speaker TBD

11:55 Additional Discussion, Wrap-Up

12:00 Adjourn