



ENERGY & WILDLIFE POLICY COMMITTEE

Chair: Brad Loveless, Kansas Department of Wildlife, Parks and Tourism

Vice-Chair: Vacant

Thursday March 12, 2020

1:00 pm to 5:00 pm

North American Wildlife & Natural Resources Conference

Room: St. Nicholas A

Hilton | Omaha, NE

Committee Charge: The Energy and Wildlife Policy Committee is focused on energy development and generation in North America and its impacts on fish and wildlife resources and their landscape habitats at the state, province, territory, region and international levels.

Agenda

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| 1:00PM | Call to Order and Introductions
<i>Brad Loveless, Kansas Department of Wildlife, Parks and Tourism</i> |
| 1:10 | Approval of Minutes from the September 2019 Meeting
<i>Brad Loveless, Kansas Department of Wildlife, Parks and Tourism</i> |
| 1:15 | State Roundtable
One representative per state agency highlights a legislative, policy or management challenge in their state |
| 1:45 | Report from Wind-Wildlife Working Group
<i>Chris Berens, KWPT</i> |
| 2:15 | USGS Energy Research
<i>Mona Khalil, US Geological Survey</i> |
| 2:40 | Update from American Wind Wildlife Institute
<i>Abby Arnold, AWWI</i> |
| 3:00 | -Break- |

- 3:15 Efficacy of Wind Energy Guidelines (WEGs)-Four perspectives
- *Greg Link-North Dakota Game and Fish Department (10 min)*
 - *Gary Fraser-USFWS (invited) (10 min)*
 - *Nathan Cummins-The Nature Conservancy (10 min)*
 - *Michael Speerschneider-American Wind Energy Association (10 min)*
- Discussion: What does the future hold for the WEGs? (20 min)*
- 4:15 Update from American Bird Conservancy
Joel Merriman, ABC
- 4:30 Wind Industry Engagement on Siting
Michael Speerschneider, American Wind Energy Association
- 4:45 Bats and Wind Energy
Joy Page, Defenders of Wildlife
- 5:00PM Adjourn