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**WILDLIFE VIEWING AND NATURE TOURISM WORKING GROUP**

**Chair:** Shelly Plante (TX)

**Co-Chair:** Deniz Aygen (ID)

**Tuesday, March 31, 2026**

**1:15pm – 3:15pm**

**Agenda**

- Call to order, introductions, and review of agenda (5 minutes)
- 6th Wildlife Viewing and Nature Tourism Academy: Seattle, Washington (15 minutes)
  - [www.wvntacademy.com](http://www.wvntacademy.com)
- Beyond the Binoculars: What eBird Data Tells Us About Wildlife Viewing on WMAs – Deniz Aygen, Idaho Department of Fish and Game (30 minutes)
- The “Public -> Data -> Public” Loop: Facilitating Engaging Projects – Scott Anderson, North Carolina Wildlife Resources Commission (30 minutes)
- WVNT Updates from States/Organizations – Roundtable Discussion (30 minutes)
  - Come prepared to share any milestones, successes, innovative projects, or questions your organization wants to share or discuss with colleagues from other states/provinces
- Ongoing communication tools (10 minutes)
  - Webinars, Facebook Group, Monthly Calls

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