# South Carolina Department of Natural Resources Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries Advisory Committee Teleconference Call Minutes, April 2, 2020

## **Members Present:**

Chairman Mike Hutchins, Vice Chairman Cleveland Smith, Robert Garmany, Eddie Kinsey, Stephen Thomas, Martha Herbert, Jonathan Rabon, Titus Duren, and Will Shirley.

# **Members Absent:**

Stan Halliday.

## **Staff Present:**

Emily Cope, Ken Prosser, Shelley Ivester, Billy Dukes, Molly Kneece, Alicia Farrell and Kaley Lawrimore.

#### Others Present:

There were no constituents present.

Chairman Hutchins called the meeting to order.

Prior to the conference call, Committee members were emailed copies of the 2020-2021 Migratory Bird Frameworks and DNR Staff Recommendations. (Copies are attached to the original minutes).

Billy Dukes, Chief of Wildlife, gave a verbal overview of the Staff Recommendations. The 2020-2021 Migratory Bird Season Staff Recommendations were approved as read by Billy Dukes except for a proposed change to scaup season limits and dates by committee member Stephen Thomas.

Mr. Thomas made the motion to revise the 2020-2021 Migratory Bird Season Staff Recommendation for scaup bag limits and dates and Vice Chairman Cleveland Smith seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously. The proposed revision would effect bag limits and season dates as follows: "The 6 total shall include no more than 1 scaup for the period Nov. 21 – Nov. 28 and Dec. 12 – Jan. 11. The 6 total shall include no more than 2 scaup for the period Jan. 12 – Jan 31" would be revised to: "The 6 total shall include no more than 2 scaup for the period Nov. 21 – Nov. 28 and Dec. 12 – Dec 23. The 6 total shall include no more than 1 scaup for the period Dec. 24 – Jan 31".

Robert Garmany made a motion to approve the revision as read by Billy Dukes, Stephen Thomas seconded it and the motion was carried unanimously.

Chairman Hutchins introduced and greeted new Committee member Will Shirley.

Chairman Hutchins adjourned the meeting.

The date and time of the next meeting will be decided at a later date due to the COVID pandemic.