



FISH AND WILDLIFE TRUST FUNDS COMMITTEE

**September 17, 2026
10:15 AM – 12:15 PM**

116th AFWA Annual Meeting

**Chair: Kyle Briggs, NC
Vice Chair: Riley Peck, UT**

Agenda

- Call to Order/Review Agenda/ Introductions- ***Kyle Briggs, NC***
- Approval of Minutes from the March 2026 Meeting
- 2027 National Survey Update – ***NORC***
- CI Updates – ***USFWS***
- Legislative Updates – ***TBA***
- Update on FET Slippage Legislation (S. 1649 and H.R. 1494)– ***Dan Forster, ATA***
- Joint Federal/State Task Force on Federal Assistance Policy (JTF) Update- ***TBD***
- The Federal Aid Coordinators Working Group – ***Matthew Warriner, AR***
 - ***ACTION ITEM: Adopt a new BMP developed by the FAWG for Subaward Oversight and Management***
- New Business – ***Kyle Briggs, NC***
- Review of Action Items
- Wrap Up/Adjourn

Talking Points

NORC Updates on the 2027 National Survey

- 25 states are participating in state buy in
- 2026 Interim survey will collect
 - 2025 participation data on fishing, hunting, wildlife watch, target shooting, archery, and boating
 - Collect new types of information on participation that can help state agencies and industry organizations refine their policies and programs such as R3 measures like motivations for participation, barriers to participation, etc.

The Office of Conservation Investments

- Real Property Status Reports are due April 30, 2026, to date, only 16 fish and wildlife state agencies have been certified out of 56.
- FY 2026 States Apportionments – WR decreased by 8% and SFR increased by 6%
- Renewed quarterly excise tax reporting for state, federal, and industry partners are back online.

The Trust Fund Committee meeting also received updates from the Archery Trade Association FET Slippage and the Federal Aid Coordinators Work Group

The Trust Fund Committee approved the Updated Guidelines for the Federal Aid Coordinators Work Group