



SCIENCE AND RESEARCH COMMITTEE

VIRTUAL MEETING

Chair: Jason Sumners, Missouri Department of Conservation
Vice Chair: Dr. David Yoskowitz, Texas Parks and Wildlife Department

Date: August 28th, 2026

Time: 11:00am – 12:30pm ET

Meeting Link: <https://fishwildlife-org.zoom.us/j/85734542729?pwd=XykBpAywqY8NeOxBhX7XU8MbOb37Mt.1>

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MEETING AGENDA

<u>Time (ET)</u>	<u>Agenda Item</u>
11:00 AM	Introductions & Review Agenda-Jason Sumners, MDC
11:05 AM	Social Science Subcommittee Update-Jessica Feltz, AGFC/Mike Quartuch, CPW
11:25 AM	Update on USGS Ecosystem Mission Area & Cooperative Research Units-Paul Wagner & Zack Bowen, USGS
11:45 AM	Update on USFWS Science Applications-Kelley Tymeson, USFWS
12:05 PM	One Health Resolution-Lorisa Smith, MDC
12:15 PM	Review in-person meeting agenda-Jason Sumners, MDC
12:30 PM	Adjourn



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IN-PERSON MEETING

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Wednesday, September 16th, 2026

10:15AM-12:15am ET

Room: TBD

116th AFWA Annual Meeting (Lancaster, PA)

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10:15 AM	Introductions & Review Agenda-Jason Sumners
10:25 AM	Social Science Subcommittee Update-Mike Quartuch, CPW; Jessica Feltz, AGFC
10:35 AM	Artificial Intelligence & Machine Learning Survey Final Report-Darin Moore VDWR; Laura Conlee, MDC
10:45 AM	Discussion about an AI work group or steering committee-Jason Sumners & Darin Moore
11:00 AM	Collaboration with NASA (~5 min each) • Next Steps for Engagement with States-Africa Flores-Anderson, NASA • Geospatial Needs Survey-Jen Newmark, WMI • AFWA Decadal Survey White Paper-Speaker Mark Humpert, AFWA • NASA/WMI Wetland Delineation Workshop-Speaker TBD
11:20 AM	One Health Committee Resolution-Lorisa Smith, MDOC
11:25 AM	Implementation Plans for Science-Related FWS Recommendations-Mark Chase, USFWS • Science support for effective conservation across jurisdictional boundaries (A6C) • Transparent use of state science & technology for ESA decisions (W1B) • WAFWA recommendations (multiple)

11:45 AM Chronic Wasting Disease Genomics-State of the Science-Mark Ruder, SCWDS

11:55 AM Landscape Conservation Coordination-Gordon Myers, AFWA

12:05 PM 'Hot' Science & Research Topics-All

12:15 AM Adjourn

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