

MINUTES OF THE SENATE NATURAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Robert Tyson at 8:34 a.m. on February 14, 2002 in Room 423-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except: Senator Derek Schmidt - excused
Senator Lana Oleen - excused

Committee staff present: Raney Gilliland, Legislative Research Department
Lisa Montgomery, Office of Revisor of Statutes
Deborah McIntire, Committee Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee:
J. Michael Hayden, Secretary, Department of Wildlife and Parks
Troy Schroeder, Department of Wildlife and Parks

Others attending: See attached list

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Robert Tyson. Chairman Tyson welcomed all guests to the committee.

The first conferee to appear before the committee was J. Michael Hayden (Secretary, Department of Wildlife and Parks). Secretary Hayden indicated that he would entertain any additional questions or comments concerning the update of the Walk-In Hunting Program, which had been continued to today's committee meeting from February 4, 2002. There being none, Secretary Hayden introduced the new agricultural liaison for KDWP, Troy Schroeder, from the regional office in Hays, Kansas.

Troy Schroeder presented a report on the Kansas Buffer Initiative (Attachment 1). A booklet was handed out titled *The Beauty of Buffers* (on file in the office of Legislative Research). Discussion and questions followed.

Secretary Hayden then provided a brief wrap up on the Kansas Buffer Initiative and proceeded to provide a report on the Kansas Turkey Management Program (Attachment 2). Discussion and questions followed.

Secretary Hayden closed with a report on land acquisition by the KDWP. (Attachment 3). Discussion and questions followed.

The meeting adjourned at 9:31 a.m.

The next meeting is scheduled for February 15 at 8:00 a.m.