

## MINUTES

### **House Appropriations Subcommittee on Natural Resources & Environmental Quality**

November 7, 2019

Meeting called to order by Representative Allor at 10:30 a.m.

Present – Allor, Glenn, VanSingel, Green, Slagh, Cherry, Hood

Absent – none

Excused – none

1. Approval of minutes dated 10-24-2019 Rep. Glenn
2. DNR & MDARD presentation: Wildlife health & livestock health
  - a. Dr. Nora Wineland, MDARD
  - b. Dr. Kelly Straka, DNR

MDARD – bovine tuberculosis

- Impact on human health
- History of bovine TB in Michigan
  - Origins of bovine TB in Michigan (timeline)
- Loss of bovine TB-free state status
- TB testing methods in cattle
- Michigan received split-state status in 2004
  - MOU executed with USDA
- Surveillance of bovine TB in Michigan
  - Traceability – use of RFID readers
  - Bovine TB positive herds 1999-2019
    - 2005 – 2010 average of \$8.6 million annual spending
    - 2011 – 2016 average of \$5.1 million annual spending
    - 2016 – 2019 average of \$4.5 million annual spending
- Wildlife biosecurity – Protecting cattle from TB in deer
  - Cost-share program – enhanced wildlife biosecurity areas
- Targeted deer removal – USDA partners with MDARD for deer removal

DNR – bovine tuberculosis

- 2018 Bovine TB surveillance summary
  - 26 Positive bovine TB deer in Modified Accredited Zone, including Deer Management Unit 452
- 2019 Bovine TB surveillance goals
- DNR's bovine TB actions
  - Increased hunts in 2017 & 2018 in high-risk areas
  - Additional deer control permits issued
  - Full-time wildlife health specialist
  - Additional hunting access on private land within high-risk area

DNR – chronic wasting disease

- CWD surveillance summary
  - 2018 surveillance in free-ranging, white tailed deer
  - 2019 CWD surveillance goals – test greater than 12,000 deer

DNR – eastern equine encephalitis

- 2019 EEE cases
  - 164 deer tested, 14 positive cases
  - MDARD positive cases – approximately 30 in sheep and goats

- Questions – Albert, Brixie, Cherry, VanWoerkom, Green, Sabo,
3. Legislative cards
    - a. none
  4. Adjourn
    - a. Meeting adjourned by Representative Allor at 11:42 am.