

# Work Table: Species of Common Conservation Concern

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## MONDAY, MAY 16, 2016

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### **AGENDA ITEM 1: *Welcome, Introductions, Adoption of the Agenda***

- 2015-16 Action Items Report
- Country Updates

*US/Mexico Bilateral Items: USFWS Arizona ES Office Updates*

### **AGENDA ITEM 2: *Conservation and capacity building for the conservation of amphibians in Sonora, Sinaloa, and Chihuahua***

### **AGENDA ITEM 3: *Binational partnerships to recover and conserve listed and sensitive species of mutual concern in Sonora, Sinaloa, Chihuahua, and Arizona***

**9:00am-12:00pm**

### **AGENDA ITEM 4: *Conservation of the imperiled species of the Río Sonoyta watershed, Sonora/Arizona***

### **AGENDA ITEM 5: *Native aquatic vertebrate conservation in the Río Yaqui basin, Sonora, Chihuahua, and Arizona***

*US/Mexico Bilateral Items (continued)*

### **AGENDA ITEM 6: *Update on Development of Species Conservation Action Plan (PACE) for the Great White Shark (*Carcharodon carcharias*) in Mexico***

### **AGENDA ITEM 7: *Report of the US/Mexico Border Governors Wildlife Table***

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**12:00-1:00pm**

*Lunch*

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*Conservation and Recovery of US/Mexico Transboundary Species*

**AGENDA ITEM 8:** *Mexican Wolf Recovery in the United States and México*

**AGENDA ITEM 9:** *Update on MOU providing for cooperation in the recovery of the California condor (*Gymnogyps californianus*)*

**1:00-4:00pm** **AGENDA ITEM 10:** *Conservation of Imperiled Fish Species through the Creation of a “Refuge Area” at the Arroyo Cajón Bonito, Rio Yaqui Watershed*

**AGENDA ITEM 11:** *Recovery Plan for the Vaquita*

**AGENDA ITEM 12:** *Sonoran Pronghorn Recovery*

**AGENDA ITEM 13:** *Northwestern Jaguar Recovery*

**AGENDA ITEM 14:** *Ocelot Recovery Actions*

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**4:00-5:00pm** *Country Delegation Preparatory Meetings*

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**5:30pm** *Welcome reception*

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**TUESDAY, MAY 17, 2016**

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**9:00am** *Welcome Ceremony; Remarks by Delegation Leaders*

**10:30am-10:45am** *Break*

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*Joint Session with ECWT and MBWT*

**AGENDA ITEM 4:** *Conservation and Restoration of the Islands of Canada, the United States, and Mexico – Annie Little*

**10:45-12:15pm** **AGENDA ITEM 15:** *Grassland Conservation*

- Full life-cycle stewardship for avian grassland Species At Risk
- Full life-cycle integrated population monitoring of declining grassland bird species
- Transboundary Conservation of Greater Sage-Grouse
- Improving the effectiveness of our conservation efforts - the role of Conservation Business Plans

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**12:15pm-1:30pm**

*Lunch*

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**AGENDA ITEM 17:** *Southern Wings Program Update*

**AGENDA ITEM 18:** *The Conservation Status of Bumble Bees of Canada, the USA, and Mexico: current trends, threats and conservation opportunities across borders for essential native pollinators*

**AGENDA ITEM 19:** *Salamander Chytrid Disease: Protecting North American Salamanders. An update on progress and coordination.*

**AGENDA ITEM 20:** *Implementation of the North American Rabies Management Plan*

**AGENDA ITEM 21:** *Conservation of Bats in Mexico, USA and Canada*

**1:30pm-5:30pm**

**AGENDA ITEM 22:** *Conservation and capacity building for the conservation of bats in northwestern Mexico*

**AGENDA ITEM 23:** *Southern Mountain Caribou Recovery Planning and Implementation Coordination*

*Continental Scale Threats and Action Planning Best Practices*

**AGENDA ITEM 24:** *Identification of continental scale threats to species at risk*

**AGENDA ITEM 25:** *Multi-species, site-based action planning for Species at Risk recovery at Parks Canada Agency*

**AGENDA ITEM 26:** *Annual Report of Program for Endangered Species Conservation (PROCER)*

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**WEDNESDAY, MAY 18, 2016**

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**8:30am-11:30am**      **Field Trip to Gatineau Park**

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**12:00-1:30pm**      **Lunch and Travel to the Museum**

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**1:30pm-5:30pm**      **Plenary Session: Migratory Birds**

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**6:00pm-7:00pm**      **Reception**

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**THURSDAY, MAY 19, 2016**

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*Grassland-dependent Species Conservation*

**AGENDA ITEM 27: *Black-footed ferret recovery at widely separated sites in black-tailed prairie dog habitat across the United States, Mexico, and Canada***

**AGENDA ITEM 28: *Update on Black-tailed prairie dog conservation: Grassland restoration, health and demographic assessment***

**AGENDA ITEM 29: *Continental Scale Bison Conservation***

**9:00am-11:00am**

- Updates on recent bison conservation activities and updates in Mexico, United States and Canada – Presented by Gerardo Ceballos (MX, Instituto de Ecologia), Gilles Suetin (CA, Parks Canada), Steve Torbit (US, Fish and Wildlife Service)
  - Description of new bison science underway for bison population viability analyses and conservation genetics - Presented by Amanda Hardy (US, NPS)
  - Description of common science and stewardship needs, challenges, opportunities and contingencies for continental scale bison conservation – Presented by Glenn Plumb (US, National Park Service)
  - Description of intersection of bison conservation and grassland conservation initiatives – Presented by Gilles Suetin (CA, Parks Canada)
  - Description of First Nations/Tribal bison issues and activities – Presented by TBD
  - Working Table discussion of an IUCN continental conservation strategy - Presented by Keith Aune, (US-IUCN)
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- Working Table discussion of key elements for inclusion in a Trilateral Letter of Intent for bison conservation – Facilitated by Gilles Suetin (CA, Parks Canada)
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**11:00am-11:15am**      *Break*

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**AGENDA ITEM 30:** *Complete preparations for discussion with Executive Table*

**11:15am-1:00pm**

**AGENDA ITEM 31:** *Prepare 1-page highlights document and start preparing action item reports*

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**1:00pm-2:15pm**      *Lunch*

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**2:15pm-3:15pm**

**AGENDA ITEM 32:** *Working Table Co-Chairs & Executive Table Co-Chairs Joint Session*

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**3:15pm-3:45pm**

**AGENDA ITEM 32:**(continued)

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**3:45pm-4:00pm**

*Break*

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**4:00pm-5:00pm**

**AGENDA ITEM 32:** (continued)

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**5:00pm-5:15pm**

*Closeout and Highlights Report (1-page) of Working Tables*

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