



STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA
DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

CHARLESTON 25305

August 8, 1978

DAVID C. CALLAGHAN
Director

The Honorable A. James Manchin
Secretary of State
State Capitol Building
Charleston, WV 25305

Dear Secretary Manchin:

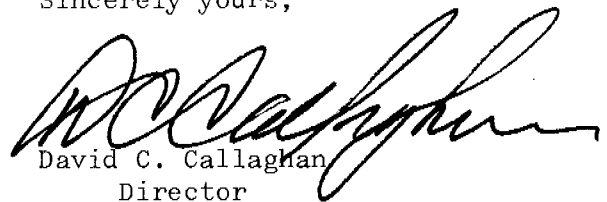
On July 17, 1978, I forwarded you three copies of the proposed West Virginia Administrative Regulations, designated Series XIV of Chapter 20-1, to be filed in the State Register in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 29A-3.

Since this filing, it has been brought to my attention that the Bear Damage Commission, as listed in Section 3 of this series, is considered to be a quasi-judicial body. As such, this body, in accordance with Chapter 6-9A, is exempted from holding open meetings.

Since this change constitutes a deletion and not an addition to our list of governing bodies, we hope that these regulations can take effect August 17, 1978, as previously intended.

Please notify me if you have any questions regarding this matter.

Sincerely yours,



David C. Callaghan
Director

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SUBJECT: Regulations For Open Governmental Proceedings

Section 1. Authority

1.01. By virtue of the authority granted the director of the Department of Natural Resources by Article 1, Section 7, Chapter 20 of the Code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, the following rules and regulations shall become effective August 17.

Section 2. Definitions

2.01. As defined in Article 9A, Chapter 6 of the Code of West Virginia, governing body shall mean the members of any public body having the authority to make decisions for or recommendations to a public body on policy or administration, the membership of which governing body consists of two or more members.

Section 3. Governing Bodies Within the Department of Natural Resources

3.01. Within the Department of Natural Resources, at this time, there are thirteen such governing bodies; they are: Natural Resources Commission, Public Land Corporation, Southeastern Interstate Forest Fire Protection Compact Advisory Committee, Point Pleasant Battle Monument Commission, Philippi Battlefield Commission, Prickett's Fort State Park Commission, Droop Mountain Battlefield Commission, Carnifex Ferry Battleground Park

Commission, Reclamation Commission, Interstate Mining Commission Mining Council, Equal Opportunity Advisory Committee, West Virginia Forestry Committee, and DNR Grievance Committee.

Section 4. Notice of Regularly Scheduled/Special Meetings

4.01. The aforementioned governing bodies of the Department of Natural Resources shall, within at least seven days of each regularly scheduled meeting, cause to be published through the departmental news service a public notice which shall state the time and place of such meeting.

4.02. The aforementioned governing bodies of the Department of Natural Resources shall, within at least seven days of each special meeting, cause to be published through the departmental news service a public notice which shall state the time, place and purpose of such meeting.

Section 5. Public Attendance

5.01. The presiding officer of any regularly scheduled or special meeting shall, for safety reasons, have the authority to limit the number of public attendants at such meetings.

5.02. If there is reason to believe that there may be more public attendants at such meetings than there is room for, the governing body shall include in its public notice a statement regarding the number of public participants that may attend the said meeting.