

BEaR Group of Mississippi

October 3, 2007 Meeting – 1:00 to 4:00 p.m.
Mississippi Museum of Natural Science
Jackson, MS

- 1:00 Welcome and Call to Order – Kevin Nelms, BEaR President
- 1:05 Mississippi Bears – Brad Young, Mississippi Department of Wildlife Fisheries and Parks (MDWFP) Bear Biologist
- 1:30 Update on Bears in Neighboring States – Shauna Ginger, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) Bear Biologist
- 1:40 BBCC Report – Paul Davidson, BBCC Executive Director
- 1:50 Critical Habitat Designation for Louisiana Black Bear – Debbie Fuller, USFWS Endangered Species Program Coordinator
- 2:10 Break
- 2:20 Bears: A Private Landowner Perspective – Hunter Fordice, Issaquena County Landowner
- 2:40 Reducing Forest Fragmentation for an Endangered Species: Landscape-Scale Reforestation Planning Efforts for the Louisiana Black Bear – A paper by Shauna Ginger, et al.
- 2:55 Administrative
- Approval of previous minutes and membership report – Becky Rosamond, BEaR Secretary and USFWS Refuge Biologist
 - Financial report – Stephanie Hodnett, BEaR Treasurer
- 3:00 Project Progress
- Website – Shauna Ginger
 - Entergy Grant – Becky Rosamond
 - BEaR Booth – Kevin Nelms
 - Bear Calendar – Cathy Shropshire, Executive Director, Mississippi Wildlife Federation
 - SAFE Restoring Bear Habitat in MS with CRP – Stacey Shankle, Conservation Projects Manager, The Nature Conservancy Mississippi
- 3:25 Great Delta Bear Affair Project Update – Meg Cooper, BEaR Board, GDBA Coordinator and Lower Delta Partnership
- 3:35 Old Business – Kevin Nelms
- Action items from previous BEaR meeting
- 3:45 New Business – Kevin Nelms
- 4:00 Concluding Remarks – Kevin Nelms

