MINUTES OF THE SENATE NATURAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE.

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Robert Tyson at 8:30 a.m. on January 25, 2001 in Room 423-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except: All present

Committee staff present: Raney Gilliland, Legislative Research Department

Jill Wolters, Office of Revisor of Statutes Judy Krase, Committee Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee:

Gordon Schmidt, Water Protection Agency of Central Kansas

Steve Williams, Secretary, Kansas Department of Wildlife and Parks

Others attending: See attached list

Senator Schmidt moved that the minutes from the January 17 joint meeting with Ag and the January 19 meeting be approved. Senator Umbarger seconded the motion. The motion carried.

The first conferee to appear before the committee was Gordon Schmidt from Inman, Kansas. He gave a brief introductory statement on Water Protection Agency of Central Kansas (WaterPACK). He said it consists of 13 counties and includes irrigators and ag producers. The agency is proactive and promotes efficient use of water and would like to be used as a resource.

Steve Williams presented an overview of the Kansas Department of Wildlife and Parks (<u>Attachment 1</u>). Questions and discussion followed.

<u>Senator Huelskamp moved that a bill be introduced by the committee concerning a crossbow deer hunting season for ladies, seconded by Senator Downey.</u> <u>Motion passed.</u>

The meeting adjourned at 9:30 a.m.

The next meeting is scheduled for January 26 at 8:30 a.m.