

## **Endangered Species and Economic Development Task Force—SB603**

### **Purpose:**

The task force shall:

1. Assess the economic impact on the state of federal, state, or local regulations relating to endangered species;
2. Assist landowners and other persons in this state to identify, evaluate, and implement cost-efficient strategies for mitigation of impacts to and recovery of endangered species that will promote economic growth and development in this state;
3. Facilitate state agencies and local governmental efforts to effectively implement endangered species regulations in a cost efficient manner;
4. Make recommendations, if requested by a local government or a state official, addressing endangered species issues; and
5. Work in coordination with the United States Fish and Wildlife Service, institutions of higher education, and agriculture and conservation organizations in performing its functions and duties.

### **Membership:**

The task force shall be composed of nine (9) members as follows:

1. One member of the Senate appointed by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate or designee;
2. One member of the House of Representatives appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives or designee;
3. The Secretary of Commerce and Tourism or designee;
4. The Secretary of Environment or designee;
5. The Secretary of Agriculture or designee;
6. The chair of the Corporation Commission or designee;
7. The State Wildlife Conservation Director or designee;
8. The Director of the Oklahoma Association of Conservation Districts or designee; and
9. The Director of the Department of Transportation or designee.

### **Staffing/Support:**

Oklahoma Department of Commerce