



Elko County Wildlife Advisory Board

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September 3, 2008

Call to Order –Ken Wellington (teleconference)

Present Roll Call- By Ken Wellington

Craig Stevens - Present

Candido Mendive- (absent)

Rod Mothershead- (absent)

Brandon Fordin- Present

I. --BOARD MEMBER ITEMS:

NON-ACTION ITEM

Craig Stevens wanted to ask and go over the fires and depredation hunt. Ken Wellington discussed what happened in the last Commission meeting.

II. --COMMENTS BY THE GENERAL PUBLIC:

NON-ACTION ITEM-

No Public Comment

III.—ELKO COUNTY UPDATE:

NON-ACTION ITEM-

Charlie Myers talked about Michelle Petty posting the agenda for everyone before they come in to the meetings. He also discussed the closing of Harrison Pass from 6am to 6 pm starting date Monday September 9th until the first of November. It starts at Fred Zaga's and heads up the pass. He discussed the fire up towards Jarbidge has transitioned from a type one fire to a type three. It has burned 54,349 acres that is about 1/3 of the wilderness area. The fire is 50% contained at this time. The islands did not burn. Kari Heuber said that she lost a lot of sagebrush coverage but her prime areas were not touched. Charlie brought up the interest of Goose Creek and getting together with a group of people before they bring it to the advisory board for the next wildlife commission.

IV.--Nevada Department of wildlife Biologist Update-

Kari went over the population of the sage grouse that made it through the fire. She said she lost lots of the upper sage brush that the birds use to nest in, in the fire. Craig wondered about the impact of the Mule deer with all the sagebrush burned. This is not critical for the deer; it is more significant for the Elk. They are running out of intact sage for the winter season. They are giving 15 extra Depredation tags for elk starting date September 15th thru October 15th. These tags are more for keeping the elk off the meadows.

Approval of minutes-

ACTION ITEM

Quorum not present from meeting minutes need approved. Item tabled until next meeting.

Future meeting-

Craig motions to have the meeting on November 5th at 6 pm, Brandon 2nd, motion passed.

Adjourned- Ken Wellington