



Nevada Legislature

September 8, 2009

Kenneth Mayer, Director
Department of Wildlife
1100 Valley Rd.
Reno, NV 89512

Dear Mr. Mayer:

During the 2009 Legislative Session, the money committees discussed the potential benefits of dividing the Wildlife Administration account into multiple accounts. The committees noted that because of the numerous fund sources being tracked in the account, it is difficult to determine how the agency is managing its financial operations. Additionally, the committees noted that the large number of activities included in the account has made budgeting and forecasting difficult and has resulted in an inordinate number of work program revisions.

Based on these discussions during the 2009 Legislative Session, the Legislature included provisions in the Appropriations Act (A.B. 562) and the Authorizations Act (S.B. 431) requiring the Department of Wildlife to create new budget accounts for the purposes of separating the revenues and expenditures of the Wildlife Administration account into multiple accounts to facilitate tracking, reporting, accountability, and planning. The legislation requires the department to create the new accounts for FY 2011 with the approval of the Interim Finance Committee (IFC) upon the recommendation of the Governor.

It is the intent of the money committees that the department presents its plan for the separation of the Wildlife Administration account into separate budget accounts by March 15, 2010, in order that the IFC will have sufficient time to review the details of the proposal and approve the plan before the beginning of FY 2011.

Sincerely,

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Bernice Matthews, Co-Chair
Senate Committee on Finance

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Steven Horsford, Co-Chair
Senate Committee on Finance

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Morse Arberry Jr., Chairman
Assembly Committee on Ways and Means

cc: Andrew Clinger, Director, Department of Administration
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