

CABMW RECOMMENDATIONS for the March 2009 Wildlife Commission Meeting
(Month/year)

Clark County Advisory Board to Manage Wildlife meeting results

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To the Wildlife Commission, c/o Executive Assistant to Director Suzanne Scourby, sscourby@ndow.org

The Clark CAB met on March 9th and discussed several items not on the Commission agenda for action. I will quickly summarize these for the Commission.

- A. **Trail Camera Use:** This has been an agenda item at the Clark CAB since our December 1, 2009 meeting. We have had some lively discussions on both the pro's and con's of trail camera use. To educate the Clark CAB on where NDOW law enforcement stood on this issue we had Officer David Pfiffner (NDOW) present Rob Buonamici's presentation from the Commission Feb 5th meeting. Our board will continue to evaluate this controversial issue as the technology evolves and would ask the Commission to do the same. There will come a point in the near future when we will have to determine if we can really regulate their use.
- B. **Swan and Crane Tags:** A member of the public at our January 26th meeting asked that we look into why we do not have swan and crane seasons in Southern Nevada. An e-mail to Craig Mortimore (NDOW Migratory Game Bird Biologist) lead to a very good education of the Clark CAB and public on why we do not have crane or swan season. The Clark Cab would like to thank Craig for his quick and detailed response on this issue.
- C. **Wild Horse Issues:** This topic continues to be a standing item for discussion on the Clark CAB agenda. As I recommended at the February 5th Commission meeting, the Commission and the CAB's need to become proactive and start battling the pro-horse propaganda through public education in the press and at our meetings. **We feel that this topic has now all but died at the Commission level with the sending of the letter to Secretary Salazar last month, and we want the commission to start and active education program around this issue.** The Clark CAB will be working closely with Kelly Clark (NDOW public education) and the BLM horse people to come up with some solid proposals to submit to the Commission surrounding the public education issue over the next several months.
- D. **Transmission Line Planning Survey (Lincoln Co. alternative energy development wildlife impacts):** The Chairman of the Clark and Lincoln county CAB's are work closely together to coordinate where the Clark CAB members and public can assist Lincoln county in making sure wildlife friendly energy developments are being pursued in Lincoln Co. As these energy development proposal become more mature, expect the Lincoln and Clark CAB's to submitting recommendations to the Commission for support.
- E. **Mule Deer Restoration:** As discussed at the last several Commission meeting, the Clark Cab and the sportsmen and sportswomen of southern Nevada feel that our efforts on helping to restore the mule deer populations in the state are best accomplished by working to assist the Elko and Lincoln CAB efforts where sustainable populations currently exist. The populations in southern Nevada has been so impacted by drought and habitat loss that we feel concentrating our efforts in southern Nevada will not bare any meaningful results. The Clark CAB is committed to teaming with the Elko and Lincoln CAB's in their efforts.

1. **Commission Action Item No. 11:** **Commission General Regulation 380, Application Amendment, LCB File No. R155-09** – A review, discussion and possible recommendation to the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners to approve, deny or otherwise modify a regulation change that would allow a tag applicant to withdraw or amend an application previously submitted.

Recommendation

In Support X In Opposition _____ No Action taken _____ **See Below**

Other comments, including a dissenting viewpoint (different than the majority) or issue brought up during discussion:

In a split vote (4-1) the Clark CAB supported the regulation wording changes.

2. **Commission Action Item No. 12:** **Commission General Regulation 354, Silver State Tag, LCB File No. R196-09** – A review, discussion and possible recommendation to the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners to approve, deny or otherwise adopt a proposed regulation change that would establish language for the Silver State tag.

Recommendation

In Support X In Opposition _____ No Action taken _____ **See Below**

Other comments, including a dissenting viewpoint (different than the majority) or issue brought up during discussion:

The Clark CAB unanimously supported the regulation as written.

3. **Commission Action Item No. 13:** **Commission General Regulation 381, Crayfish Regulation, LCB File No. R176-09** - A review, discussion and possible recommendation to the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners to approve, deny or otherwise adopt a proposed regulation prohibiting the importation, transportation or possession of certain crayfish, authorizing the Department of Wildlife to issue certain permits or licenses to an institutional member of the Zoological Association of America.

Recommendation

In Support X In Opposition _____

Other comments, including a dissenting viewpoint (different than the majority) or issue brought up during discussion:

The Clark CAB unanimously supported the regulation as written.

4. **Commission Action Item No. 14:** **Commission General Regulation 382, Colorado River Regulation, LCB File No. R004-10** – A review, discussion and possible recommendation to the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners to approve, deny or otherwise adopt a regulation relating to waterways; requiring vessels to be operated at a reduced speed along a certain portion of the Colorado River.

Recommendation

In Support X In Opposition _____ **See Below**

Other comments, including a dissenting viewpoint (different than the majority) or issue brought up during discussion:

The Clark CAB unanimously supported the proposed regulation wording changes.