

- e. The Agenda for this meeting was approved.

Public Comment:

- a. No Public Comment requested. Public Comment Closed.
b. Paul Dixon advised attendees that he will forward subsequent Meeting Agendas to those who include an e-mail address on the sign-in sheet once the Agenda has been finalized.

Action Items that the Board may consider and make recommendations to the Nevada Wildlife Commission.

A. From the draft Nevada Wildlife Commission Agenda for its September 25th and 26th 2009 meeting.

1. Commission General Regulation Number 368 – LCB File No. R040-09

The Commission may establish provisions pertaining to the electronic access to the 48 hour release of draw results. (Item #4 & #10 of draft Nevada Wildlife Commission Agenda)

- No board comment.
- Jelindo Tiberti asked what happens if the 48 hrs. deadline for posting is not met. Commissioner McBeath indicated that the system is triple redundant backed-up and the 48 hr. turn-around is not a concern.
- Motion to approve, seconded, and passed.

2. Commission General Regulation Number 369 – LCB File No. R041-09

The Commission may establish provisions pertaining to defining edible portions in the case of big game mammal, other game mammals, game birds and game fish.

(Item #5 & #11 of draft Nevada Wildlife Commission Agenda)

- Paul Dixon referred to an e-mail received from Wayne Bliss with comments on various agenda items (see Attachment A). Paul read into the record Mr. Bliss' comments on this agenda item and noted that NAC 503.05 defines edible portion for big game and other game.
- Commissioner McBeath offered background on this item in that statutory changes to the regulation are easier to make. This revision is not as detailed as the NDOW regulation and is more in line with what most hunters view as edible portion. The purpose of the regulation is to provide a standard definition for Law Enforcement as the minimum edible portion. Hunters can take more if they choose.
- Clint Bentley: Requested the Board request additional wording in the “not including” list to state “head and neck”.
- Public comment closed
- Motion to accept the subject proposal with addition of “head and neck” under section 2a. Motion seconded and passed unopposed.

3. Commission General Regulation Number 371 – LCB File No. R083-09 –

The proposed regulation would remove an artificial lure only regulation for Crittenden Reservoir, limit method of take at Smith Creek Reservoir to only artificial lures with single barbless hooks and limit method of take at Dacey Reservoir to artificial lures only. (Item #6 & #12 of draft Nevada Wildlife Commission Agenda)

- Commissioner McBeath offered insight to origin of this proposal.
- Paul Harris had discussed this idea with Trout Unlimited members and Las Vegas Fly Fishermen. They thanked him for his efforts but felt results unlikely. Also, parts of Dacey Reservoir will be opened to fishing not to interfere with nesting waterfowl.
- Public comment closed
- Motion to approve as written, seconded, and passed.

4. Commission Regulation Fishing Seasons and Bag Limits 09 – 09

The Commission will establish fishing seasons, bag and possession limits, for the period of March 1, 2010, to February 29, 2012. Note: Please see Department publication entitled, “Recommendations for Fishing Seasons and Regulations” mailed under separate cover. (Item #13 of draft Nevada Wildlife Commission Agenda)

- Proposed regulation change does not include Clark County waters.
- No public comment. Public comment closed.
- Motion to approve as written, seconded, and passed.

5. Translocation of Desert Bighorn to Utah Division of Wildlife Resources

The state of Utah is requesting translocation of 20 desert bighorn sheep from Nevada to Utah during fall/winter field operations in FY 2010.

(Item #9 of draft Nevada Wildlife Commission Agenda)

- Pat Cummings elaborated on current state of Nevada big game herds. Current estimate is 7k Desert Big Horn. Population is expanding, water is drying up. Need to thin herds. May institute ewe hunts. Looking for other areas to relocate sheep including other states.
- Paul Harris asked if there are any ranges to move sheep into. Pat’s answer: no.
- Paul Harris: Which animals are subject to translocation to Utah? Pat Cummings: primarily, adult females.
- Clint Bentley added that augmenting Utah’s herds will in the long run strengthen herds in Southern Nevada.
- Paul Harris would prefer the translocated sheep come from the river herds rather than from areas currently hunted.
- Tracey Truman: Is there any quid pro quo with Utah? Answer: nothing on paper, however, Utah has offered antelope when their herds need thinning.
- John Sullivan asked Pat if this had been done before. Yes, numerous times. Approx 300-400 sheep to various western states.
- John Sullivan: Do we pay for capture and transport? Pat: No Utah supplies all transports, their own biologists, etc. It is timed to coincide with Nevada’s capture efforts to reduce costs.
- Mike Reese: What is the mortality rate? Pat: Very low, on the order of 2%.
- No additional public comment. Public comment closed.
- Motion to approve proposal, seconded, and passed.

B. Other Action Items

1. Commission Policy #1

- Paul Dixon, following discussions with other CABs, proposed a revision to Commission Policy #1. The following is the CCABMW agreed wording of the proposal:

“The Wildlife Commission would be required to consider County Advisory Board input, and shall, within 60 days of a Wildlife Commission meeting, respond in writing with an explanation in the event that the recommendation of a majority of the responding CABs is not adopted by the Wildlife Commissioners or in the event the Wildlife Commission adopts a recommendation that is materially different than the recommendation of the majority of the CABs. The Attorney General’s Office would determine whether the Commission’s recommendation is materially different than the recommendation adopted by the majority of the CABs.”

- A motion was made to petition the Commission to adopt the proposed revision as stated. Motion was seconded and passed.
- Upon recommendation from Catherine Jorgensen, further review of wording changes to Commission Policy #1 will be deferred to the next CCABMW meeting in December. Paul Dixon will ensure this appears as an agenda item for that meeting.

2. Authorize the Chairman to prepare and submit the recommendations from today’s meeting

- A motion was made to authorize the CCABMW Chairman to prepare and submit recommendations from today’s meeting to the Commission for its consideration at its September 25th & 26th, 2009 meeting. Motion was seconded and passed.

7. Informational Items – No action may be taken on these items.

A. Input Concerning Methods of Restoring Nevada’s Mule Deer Population

County Advisory Boards to Manage Wildlife’s and the public are requested to provide written recommendations for specific suggestions and actions that may be taken within their respective counties to enhance mule deer populations. (Item #8 of draft Nevada Wildlife Commission Agenda)

- Public can write to Mike Cox for a copy.
- Board members are asked to read and review supplied documents for discussion as part of the December CCABMW meeting.

B. Commission Reports (Item # 7 of draft Nevada Wildlife Commission Agenda)

1. **Biennial Big Game Release Plan for Fiscal Years 2010 and 2011** – Big Game Staff Biologist Mike Cox
2. **Silver State Tag Update** – Chief of Operations Bob Haughian
 - Eureka County CAB sent a letter recommending the Commission start the Silver State Tag process and have it on the agenda of the upcoming Commission Meeting.
3. **Upland Game Stamp Program Review** – Chief of Habitat Dave Pulliam
4. **Litigation Report** – Deputy Attorney General Nhu Nguyen
5. **Department Activities/Leadership Team Notes** – Secretary Ken Mayer

C. Wild Horse Update

- Commissioner Mike McBeath and Paul Dixon met with Senator Harry Reid and Neil Kornze** (his senior policy advisor for public lands) after the Clark County shooting park dedication to discuss the status of HR-1018 and similar legislation in the Senate. Summary of discussions.
- This will be an action item for the December CCABMW meeting.

D. Member Comments – any item requiring Board action will be scheduled on a future agenda.

E. Next scheduled meetings of the Board and Commission

The next Clark County Advisory Board to Manage Wildlife meeting is scheduled for December 1st, 2009. The next Commission meeting is scheduled for December 4th and 5th, 2009 in Reno, Nevada.

8. Adjournment

- Motion made to adjourn. Motion seconded.
- Meeting adjourned at 7:55pm