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As you have read and seen most of the County Advisory Boards are expressing their concern over the direction on the State Wildlife Commission and its current Chairman Dr. Lent.

County Advisory Boards across the State are being contacted by Sportsmen and organizations that are upset and angry over the Chairman Lent and Commissioner Raine's treatment of County Advisory Boards, Nevada Department of Wildlife's (NDOW) staff and administration.

The Elko County Board agrees that we have seen a step backwards from the progress we as a County Advisory Board, NDOW and the State Board of Wildlife Commissioners have made over the last several years.

There is defiantly an appearance that Chairman Lent is manipulating the Commission's Agenda and the members of the Commission to benefit the Chairman's concept of the way things should be run regarding the Commission and NDOW.

The most recent being this current amended agenda, After the Clark County letter came out not supporting Lent as Chair, he immediately changed the agenda, placing the election of officers at the beginning of the agenda. This is a blatant attempt to prevent the County Advisory boards, Sportsman and Special interest groups and the public from having any input on the upcoming election of officers on the Commission.

We also question why the commission policies that are about to be reviewed were rewritten to limit County Advisory and public input?

We have watched Chairman Lent intimidate and threaten to change committee assignments for those who oppose his personal agenda and thoughts.

This last Legislative year was one of the most costly for NDOW and Nevada Sportsmen. Chairman Lent made appearances during legislative committee meetings using his title as Chairman but speaking on behalf of himself. His actions were in opposition to the wishes of the Board of Wildlife Commissioners, County Advisory Boards and the public input.

Chairman Lent has made it clear that he will not listen to the opinion of the County Advisory Boards or the public unless they correspond with his.

Our Board believes it is time to move forward by reestablishing the credibility and integrity of the Commissions leadership.

Our goal is to enhance wildlife and habitat in Nevada. Therefore the ECWAB does not support Chairman Lent's personal agenda, the regression of NDOW and his quest to continue as Chairman.

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