

Suzanne Scourby

From: Betty D Dodson [dodson@unr.edu]
Sent: Tuesday, September 13, 2011 6:59 PM
To: Suzanne Scourby
Cc: 'info@trailsafe.org'
Subject: Trapping Regulations

Dear Members of the Wildlife Commission and the Washoe County Advisory Board to Manage Wildlife

I strongly favor regulations against the use of body-gripping traps in the congested areas of Washoe and Clark Counties and in popular hunting spots. Trapping is a public safety issue that goes unregulated in the state of Nevada. Unlike buying a firearm, purchasing a trap is simple, inexpensive, with no background check nor educational requirement related to safety and use of the trap. In the congested areas of Washoe and Clark Counties you cannot shoot guns, so why should trappers be allowed to set traps? Furthermore, if a child or pet gets caught in a trap, there is no way to make the owner responsible for damages. Traps do not have any identifying information pertaining to ownership!

I do not understand why the Commission and Advisory Board Members are so protective of trappers' rights ignoring the wishes and welfare of the general citizenry. Born and raised in Reno, I have always enjoyed hiking with my dogs. As I have aged, I would not be able to help my dog get out of a trap and would be devastated if something like that happened to him. I have also had many conversations with upland game hunters regarding the trapping issue. Those who have dogs highly oppose hidden traps which can injure their beloved hunting pets.

In closing, I hope that you will act responsibly and enact rules and regulations regarding trapping in Nevada.

Betty Dodson

Suzanne Scourby

From: Billy Howard [billy@billyhoward.info]
Sent: Wednesday, September 14, 2011 1:11 AM
To: Suzanne Scourby
Cc: Trish Swain
Subject: Trapping regulation workgroup must include local activists in Clark and Washoe.

Please send to Commissioners and enter into record of next Board of Wildlife Commissioners meeting.

Please understand that any Commission subcommittee or working group formed to thresh out new trapping regulations to remove the devices from congested areas of Washoe and Clark Counties must include the original petitioner, Trish Swain, and the existing working group in Clark County.

Billy Howard
Reno, NV

Suzanne Scourby

From: James [chinajames536@gmail.com]
Sent: Friday, September 09, 2011 1:51 PM
To: Suzanne Scourby
Subject: RE: TRAPS

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN,

I AM AN AVID HIKER, TRAIL RUNNER AND UPLAND GAME HUNTER. I UTILIZE TRAILS AND HUNT IN NORTHERN WASHOE COUNTY. ON MORE THAN ONE OCCASION I HAVE CAME ACROSS HIDDEN TRAPS. THESE ARE A SAFETY ISSUE TO MY DOG AND SMALL CHILDREN.

AFTER INSPECTING THESE TRAPS; I SEE THEY DO NOT HAVE ANY SERIAL NUMBERS. IF MY DOG OR A SMALL CHILD IS CAUGHT IN A TRAP HOW DO YOU FIND THE TRAPPER?

THE TRAPPER IS LEGALLY RESPONSIBLE FOR THE TRAP!!!!

IF MY DOG IS CAUGHT IN A HIDDEN TRAP THE VET BILL WILL BE A MINIMUM OF \$1000 DOLLARS OR MORE. IN ADDITION, MY DOG COULD BE DISABLED FOR LIFE. IF A KID GETS CAUGHT IN A TRAP AND BREAKS THEIR ANKLE IT WILL PROBABLY COST AROUND \$5000 OR MORE AT LEAST. WHY SHOULD I HAVE TO PAY FOR THIS. I NEVER SET THAT TRAP. HID THE TRAP IN SUCH A WAY THAT IT WAS CAREFULLY CONCEALED AND NOT ABLE TO BE SEEN. THE TRAPPER LEGALLY RESPONSIBLE FOR HIS LANDMINES THAT HE / SHE IS SETTING ON PUBLIC LANDS!!!

OBVIOUSLY, NDOW DOES NOT LISTEN NOR CARE A CRAP ABOUT THE PUBLIC OPINION OF PEOPLE IN THIS STATE REGARDING TRAPPING OR THEY WOULD DO SOMETHING!!

AS A RESULT, I AM GOING TO EXPLAIN TO YOU HOW I WILL HANDLE IT IF MY DOG IS CAUGHT IN A TRAP. WHEN I FIND THE TRAPPER I WILL KICK HIS ASS AND THEN PUT HIM IN THE SAME TRAP THAT MY DOG WAS PUT INTO AND SEE HOW LIKES IT!!!

I SINCERELY HOPE THAT IT DOES NOT HAVE TO COME TO THIS, BUT TRAPPERS SHOULD NOT BE ALLOWED TO SET TRAPS IN POPULAR HUNTING AREAS OR IN CLOSE PROXIMITY TO URBAN AREAS. PULL YOUR HEAD OUT OF BUTTS AND GET A CLUE AND START LISTENING THE PEOPLE OF THIS STATE AND DO YOUR JOB BEFORE YOU HAVE A MAJOR INCIDENT LIKE A SMALL CHILD GETTING CAUGHT IN A TRAP.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

JAMES

Suzanne Scourby

From: lang milligan [langm221@gmail.com]
Sent: Friday, September 09, 2011 8:17 PM
To: Suzanne Scourby
Subject: Pls. No Trapping!!!

Sirs: I support the no trapping ban in nonshooting area of Washoe, and Clark Cos. Lang Milligan..Reno

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From: msill@juno.com
Sent: Wednesday, September 14, 2011 4:04 PM
To: Suzanne Scourby
Subject: Traps in congested areas

Please distribute the following comments to all members of the Wildlife Commission

I understand that you will be forming a committee to study the issue of banning traps in congested areas of Washoe and Clark Counties. It is extremely important that representatives of the organization, Trail Safe, be appointed to such a committee to present the reasons for this position. These reasons include the following:

- (1) Congested areas should be safe for everyone, including children and pets. This is the reason shooting is banned in congested areas.
- (2) Small children, particularly little boys, are curious about anything strange and could be caught in a trap and seriously injured. I have personally seen traps close to campgrounds in Washoe Co. where families with small children are camping without realizing the dangers involved.
- (3) Those of us who like to walk with our dogs do not want to see them caught in a trap which is set close to a trail.

Thank you for your consideration of this serious problem.

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From: spamevader2002 [spamevader2002@yahoo.com]
Sent: Tuesday, September 13, 2011 1:18 PM
To: Suzanne Scourby
Subject: TrailSafe Comment for Sep. 23
Attachments: nbwc092311-2.pdf

Hi Suzanne,

Please enter the attached message into the record and make sure all the Commissioners receive it.

Thanks!

Trish

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