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Eureka County Wildlife Advisory Board
Minutes
September 13, 2012

The Eureka County Wildlife Advisory Board (CAB) met in the Eureka County Administrative Facility on September 13, 2012 at 7:00 p.m.

Members Present: Chairman Jim Evans, Raymond Hodson, Dale Hornickel, and Lester Porter

Members Absent: Chris Torres

Others Present: Mike Podborny- NDOW, Jake Tibbitts- Eureka County Natural Resources Manager, and Kathy Porter- Eureka County Natural Resources Assistant/CAB Secretary

Call to order

Chairman Jim Evans called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. A quorum was determined to be present.

Public Comment

There was no public comment.

Review and Approve Minutes-

The minutes of the August 2, 2012 meeting were unanimously approved, as corrected, on a motion made by Raymond Hodson and seconded by Lester Porter.

Correspondence and reports

Mr. Hodson attended the bear induction meeting and reported the meeting went well, there was large attendance and there were no protestors.

Wildlife Enhancement Projects— Update on pinyon-juniper thinning projects and wildlife guzzlers installation and consider further efforts to move forward for successful implementation of projects including review and possible approval of RFQ.

Jake Tibbitts reported that the Heritage Funding agreement should be sent out around the 20th of September. Mr. Tibbitts has spoke with Connie Lee of the LIP program and informed Mr. Tibbitts that the Eureka CAB could receive an additional \$100,000 for pinyon-juniper projects if the Board could find an additional \$32,000 in non-federal funding. Mr. Tibbitts further reported that the Pinyon Juniper Partnership could be very helpful in coming up with the additional funding needed.

Mike Podborny, NDOW, reported that he has been working with the Battle Mountain BLM to plant seed on the Frasier Creek Burn. Furthermore, the Frasier Creek Fire did not burn in the proposed project area around Frasier Creek as was suspected. Mr. Podborny reported that he had spoken with Ethan Ellsworth of the BLM and Mr. Ellsworth is excited about the project also.

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Mr. Ellsworth's is very busy with mining EIS's and other items and Mr. Podborny has not been able to schedule a time for Mr. Ellsworth to come down and approve new sites for guzzlers. Mr. Podborny will continue working on this.

Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners Meeting Agenda and Support Material—

Action Item: 16A Commission General Regulation 419 – LCB File No. R158-12 – Trapping Trail Closure Chief Game Warden Buonamici

The Commission may adopt a regulation relating to trapping; prohibiting trapping adjacent to specific trails and roads in Clark County. Note: See support material under agenda item #9 A.

No Recommendation this is a Clark County issue, Clark County should decide.

Action Item: 16B Commission General Regulation 399, LCB File No. 148-12 – Special Permit – Southern Region Wildlife Diversity Supervisor Cris Tomlinson

The Commission may adopt a regulation relating to wildlife; to issue a special permit to allow a person to handle, move or temporarily possess any wildlife which is classified as protected under certain circumstances; setting forth the information which must be included in an application for the special permit; specifying the maximum period of validity of the special permit; requiring a holder of the special permit to submit a report to the Department within a certain period after the special permit expires; and providing other matters properly relating thereto. Note: See support material under agenda item #9 B.

No Recommendation.

Action Item: 16C Commission General Regulation 410, LCB File No. R149-12 – Gizzard Shad - Fisheries Division Chief Jon Sjöberg

The Commission may adopt a regulation relating to fishing; providing that gizzard shad may be used as live bait fish in certain waters; and providing other matters properly relating thereto. The Wildlife Commission will consider taking action to make gizzard shad legal for anglers to capture and use as bait in Lake Mead, Lake Mohave, and Colorado River in Clark County. Note: See support material under agenda item #9 C.

Mr. Evans moved to support, Mr. Porter seconded, motion carried unanimously.

Action Item: 16 D Commission General Regulation 411, LCB File No. R150-12 Unit Boundaries – Game Division Chief Larry Gilbertson

The Commission may adopt a regulation relating to wildlife; providing for the management of all wildlife within management areas established by the Department of Wildlife; revising the boundaries of certain management areas; creating new management units within certain management areas; and providing other matters properly relating thereto. The Commission will consider and may take action to adopt area and corresponding unit boundary changes, updates, and new unit descriptions. Note: See support material under agenda item #9 D.

Mr. Hodson moved to support, Mr. Porter seconded, motion carried unanimously.

Action Item: 16 E Commission General Regulation 412, LCB File No. R151-12 – Range Finding Scope – Chief Game Warden Rob Buonamici

The Commission may adopt a regulation relating to hunting; revising the prohibition against using a weapon that is equipped with a certain type of sight while hunting; and providing other matters properly relating thereto. If adopted the regulation would allow for the use of scopes that utilize an internal range finder that cast a beam of light that is not visible to the human eye. Note: See

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support material under agenda item #9 E.

Mr. Hodson moved to support, Mr. Porter seconded, motion carried unanimously.

Action Item: 16 F Commission General Regulation 413, LCB File No. R152-12 - Aquatic Invasive Species - Fisheries Division Chief Jon Sjöberg

The Commission may adopt a regulation relating to aquatic species; classifying certain aquatic species of wildlife as aquatic invasive species and injurious aquatic species; and providing other matters properly relating thereto. Certain aquatic species have the potential to greatly alter aquatic environments and become economically damaging. Classification of certain aquatic species as invasive and injurious will be discussed. Note: See support material under agenda item #9 F.

Mr. Hodson moved to accept the changes, Mr. Porter seconded, motion carried unanimously.

Action Item: G Commission General Regulation 414, LCB File No. R153-12 – Desert Tortoise – Southern Region Wildlife Diversity Supervisor Cris Tomlinson

The Commission may adopt a regulation relating to desert tortoises; prohibiting a person from possessing more than one desert tortoise under certain circumstances; and providing other matters properly relating thereto. Note: See support material under agenda item #9 G.

Mr. Porter moved to support regulation 414, Mr. Hodson seconded, motion carried unanimously.

Action Item: H Commission General Regulation 417 – LCB File No. R156-12 – Crayfish Fisheries Division Chief Jon Sjöberg

The Commission may adopt a regulation relating to crayfish; authorizing a holder of a permit to take crayfish from the waters of Lake Tahoe to sell the crayfish to a food wholesaler or restaurant for human consumption; requiring the buyer and the seller of the crayfish to retain certain records of the purchase; and providing other matters properly relating thereto. A person may now obtain a permit to commercially capture crayfish from Lake Tahoe. Discussion will occur regarding the sale of crayfish taken under this permit by wholesalers and restaurants. Note: See support material under agenda item #9 H.

Mr. Porter moved to support, Mr. Hodson seconded, motion carried unanimously.

Next Meeting Date

The next meeting date was scheduled for November 29, 2012, 6:00 p.m.

Public Comment

There was no public comment.

Adjournment

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Mr. Hodson and seconded by Mr. Porter. There being no further discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 8:16 p.m.

Approved this _____ day of _____ 2012.

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Respectfully submitted: _____, Secretary
Kathy Porter

Approved: _____, Chairman
Jim Evans