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## DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE

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## MEMORANDUM

September 6, 2016

**To:** Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners, County Advisory Boards to Manage Wildlife, and Interested Publics

**From:** Brian Wakeling, Administrator, Game Division

**Title:** Nevada Department of Wildlife License Simplification Strategy Update – For Possible Action

**Description:** The Department has conducted substantial data analysis and public input since the effort to simplify hunting and angling license structures was initiated about one year ago. The Department will provide an overview of the information obtained to date, along with suggestions for bundled privileges and fees. The Commission may vote to support the Department's license structure proposal.

**Presenter:** Game Division Administrator Brian F. Wakeling

**Agenda No:** 28

Summary:

The Department initiated License Structure Simplification about 11 months ago, and public input and involvement have remained forefront in this effort throughout. The Department has involved an outside consultant to ensure thorough and complete evaluation of the structures. Recently, the Department has completed its third effort at public input by hosting Community Open Houses in Elko, Ely, Fallon, Reno, and Las Vegas. The CABs and the Commission will be briefed on the development of the simplified license structure, the considerations for pricing, and the feedback from the public that attended these open houses. The Department has prepared a draft of licenses for simplification and a proposed fee schedule to keep the license revenue neutral with that obtained with existing license sales if no changes occurs to purchasing by the

hunting and angling public. The Department will ask the Commission to endorse their proposed license and fee structure.

Recommendation:

The Department recommends that the Commission **VOTE TO ENDORSE THE DEPARTMENT'S DRAFT LICENSE AND FEE STRUCTURE SIMPLIFICATION PROPOSAL.**