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MEMORANDUM

February 10, 2017

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

From: Tyler Turnipseed, Chief Game Warden

Title: Nevada Department of Wildlife Report about Hunting Near Dwellings and Residential Areas

Description: The Department will provide an update on recent complaints and incidents involving people hunting in or near residential areas.

Presenter: Tyler Turnipseed, Chief Game Warden

Douglas County Ordinance

9.68.030 Discharge of firearms

A. It shall be unlawful for any person to discharge any firearm, gun, pistol, rifle, shotgun or other firearm across any county road or highway.

B. It shall be unlawful for any person to discharge any gun, pistol, rifle or other firearm with the exception of shotguns or air rifles within one thousand five hundred feet of any dwelling occupied by any other person or persons within Douglas County without the permission of the occupant.

C. It shall be unlawful for any person to discharge any shotgun or air rifle within five hundred feet of any dwelling occupied by any other person or persons within Douglas County without the permission of the occupant.

D. This section shall not apply to peace officers, or to persons shooting in any regularly established and authorized rifle range, gun club or shooting gallery, nor to any person lawfully discharging a firearm in protection of life or property. (Ord. 384 §1, 1981)

Carson City Ordinance

8.12.010 - Discharge of firearms unlawful.

1. It is unlawful for any person to fire off or discharge:

a. Any gun, rifle, pistol or other firearm, with the exception of shotguns, air rifles and B-B guns, within five thousand feet (5,000&prime) of any dwelling, building or other place of public resort within Carson City;

b. Any shotgun, air rifle or B-B gun within one thousand feet (1,000&prime) of any dwelling, building or any other place of public resort within Carson City;

c. Any gun, pistol, rifle, shotgun, air rifle, B-B gun or other firearm in, on or across any public road or highway;

d. Any gun, rifle, pistol, shotgun, air rifle or other firearm, without exception, within five thousand feet (5,000&prime) of the Carson River in the area between Deer Run Road Bridge and the McTarnahan Bridge site;

e. Any gun, rifle, pistol or other firearm, with the exception of shotguns, air rifles and B-B guns, within five thousand feet (5,000&prime) of the Carson River in the area between the McTarnahan Bridge site and the Douglas County line; provided, however, that the other limitations of subsections (a) and (b) shall apply to discharge of firearms within this area.

2. It is unlawful for any person to discharge rifled slugs from a shotgun within five thousand feet (5,000&prime) of any dwelling, building or other place of public resort within Carson City.

3. This section does not apply to peace officers or to persons shooting in any regularly established and lawfully authorized and licensed rifle range, gun club or shooting gallery or to any person lawfully discharging a firearm in protection of life or property.

(Ord. 1995-44 § 1, 1995: Ord. 1993-31 § 1, 1993: Ord. 1993-2 § 1, 1993: Ord. 1985-8 § 1, 1985: Ord. 1973-37 (part), 1973).

Washoe County Ordinance

50.090 Definitions. As used in sections 50.090 to 50.158, inclusive:

1. “Congested area” means that portion of the county so determined pursuant to sections 50.094 to 50.154, inclusive, where uncontrolled discharge of firearms would result in the greatest risk of injury to life and limb.

2. "Firearm" means any weapon the discharge of which in the ordinary manner contemplated by its design and construction will or is likely to cause death or great bodily harm.

3. "Peace officer" means any person who lawfully carries a gun, pistol or other firearm in the course of his official duties.

['1, Ord. No. 136]

50.092 Unlawful discharge of firearms; exemption.

1. It is unlawful for any person to:

(a) Discharge any gun, pistol, rifle, shotgun or other firearm in, on or across any county road or highway.

(b) Discharge in the unincorporated area of the county, any gun, pistol, rifle or other firearm, with the exception of shotguns, air rifles or B-B guns, within 5,000 feet of any dwelling occupied by another person or persons.

(c) Discharge in the unincorporated area of the county, any shotgun, air rifle or B-B gun within 1,000 feet of any dwelling occupied by another person or persons.

(d) Discharge any gun, pistol, rifle, shotgun or other firearm within any congested area of the county.

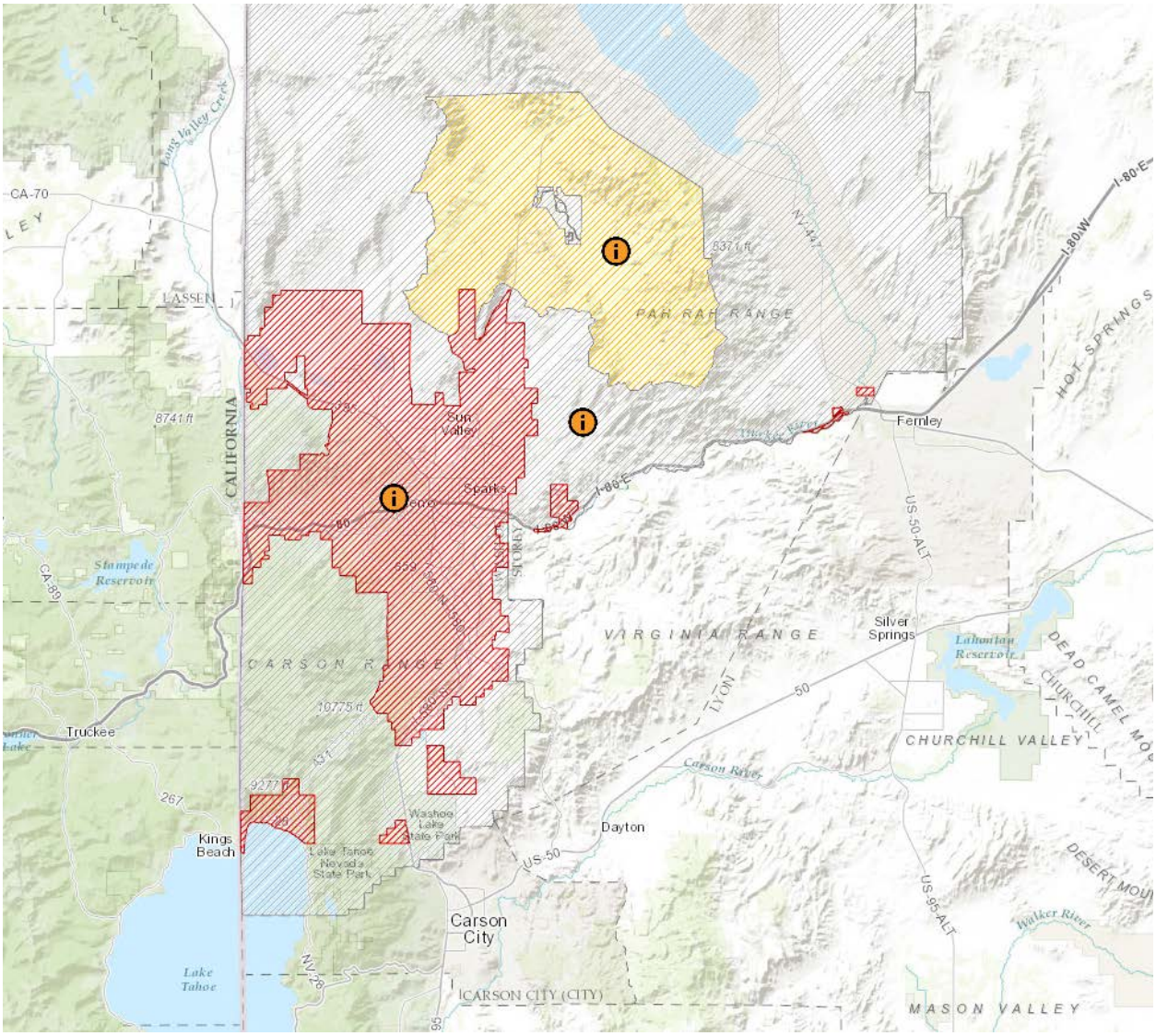
2. This section does not apply to:

(a) Peace officers in the lawful discharge of duty;

(b) To persons shooting in any regularly established and lawfully authorized and licensed rifle range, gun club or shooting gallery;

(c) To any person lawfully discharging a firearm in protection of life or property.

['2, Ord. No. 136; A Bill No. 296; A Ord. No. 1180]



WASHOE COUNTY CONGESTED AREA MAP