

**Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners' Meeting**

**Amended Agenda – (June 16, 2014)**

**See Agenda Item #20**

**Tonopah Convention Center  
301 Brougner Ave.  
Tonopah, NV 89049**

Public comment will be taken on every action item after discussion but before action on each item, and is limited to three minutes per person. The chairman, in his discretion, may allow persons representing groups to speak for six minutes. Persons may not allocate unused time to other speakers. Persons are invited to submit written comments on items or attend and make comment during the meeting and are asked to complete a speaker card and present it to the Recording Secretary. To ensure the public has notice of all matters the Commission will consider, Commissioners may choose not to respond to public comments in order to avoid the appearance of deliberation on topics not listed for action on the agenda.

Forum restrictions and orderly business: The viewpoint of a speaker will not be restricted, but reasonable restrictions may be imposed upon the time, place and manner of speech.

Irrelevant and unduly repetitious statements and personal attacks that antagonize or incite others are examples of public comment that may be reasonably limited.

Please provide the Board of Wildlife Commissioners (“Commission”) with the complete electronic or written copies of testimony and visual presentations to include as exhibits with the minutes. Minutes of the meeting will be produced in summary format.

**NOTE: Public comment allowed on each action item and regulation workshop items and at the end of the meeting**

**Friday, June 20, 2014 – 8:30 a.m.**

**1 Call to Order, Introduction and Roll Call of County Advisory Board Members to Manage Wildlife (CABMW) – Chairman Robb**

**2 Approval of Agenda – Chairman Robb – For Possible Action**

The Commission will review the agenda and may take action to approve the agenda. The Commission may remove items from the agenda, continue items for consideration or take items out of order.

**3 Member Items/Announcements and Correspondence - Chairman Robb - Informational**

Commissioners may present emergent items. No action may be taken by the Commission. Any item requiring Commission action may be scheduled on a future Commission agenda. The Commission will review and may discuss correspondence sent or received by the Commission since the last regular meeting and may provide copies for the exhibit file (Commissioners may provide hard copies of their correspondence for the written record). Correspondence sent or received by Secretary Wasley may also be discussed.

- 4 **County Advisory Boards to Manage Wildlife (CABMW) Member Items – Informational**  
CABMW members may present emergent items. No action may be taken by the Commission. Any item requiring Commission action will be scheduled on a future Commission agenda.
- 5\* **Approval of Minutes – Chairman Robb - For Possible Action**  
Commission minutes from the March 21 and 22, 2014, meeting.
- 6\* **Fiscal Year 2014 - 2015 Big Game Release Plan Amendment – Wildlife Staff Specialist Mike Cox - For Possible Action**  
Department staff are requesting to amend the Fiscal Year 2014 - 2015 (through June 2015) Big Game Release Plan to add a desert bighorn augmentations for the Garfield Hills and Gillis Range in Mineral County.
- 7 **Request for Translocation of California Bighorn Sheep to South Dakota for Study Project - Dr. Peregrine L. Wolff, DVM - For Possible Action**  
A project is being conducted by principal investigators from Washington State University, South Dakota State University, Idaho Department of Fish and Game, and U.S. Geological Survey National Wildlife Health Center to investigate the role of super-shedders in respiratory disease persistence and transmission in bighorn sheep, and are requesting that the Nevada Department of Wildlife provide eight to 15 California bighorn sheep from the Snowstorm herd to the study project entitled “Investigating the role of super-shedders in respiratory disease persistence and transmission in bighorn sheep.” The animals will be captured in late November 2014 and will be transported to South Dakota.
- 8\* **Duck Stamp Request – Wildlife Staff Specialists Mark Farman and Mike Zahradka – For Possible Action**  
The Commission will review and may take action to approve projects submitted for funding from Duck Stamp funds.
- 9\* **Upland Game Stamp Request – Wildlife Staff Specialists Mark Farman and Mike Zahradka – For Possible Action**  
The Commission will review and may take action to approve projects submitted for funding from Upland Game stamp funds.
- 10 **Finance Committee – Committee Chairman Gil Yanuck and Deputy Director Patrick Cates**
- A\* **Finance Committee Report – Committee Chairman Gil Yanuck – Committee Chairman Gil Yanuck Informational**  
The Commission will hear a report from the Finance Committee chairman.
- B\* **Fiscal Year 2015 County Advisory Board Budget Requests – Deputy Director Patrick Cates – For Possible Action**  
The Commission may approve budgets for County Advisory Boards to Manage Wildlife for Fiscal Year 2015.

- C\* **Fiscal Year 2016 – 2017 NDOW Biennial Budget – Deputy Director Patrick Cates – For Possible Action**  
The Commission may make recommendations to the Department for the biennial budget request.
- 11\* **Nevada Association of Counties (NACO) Wild Horse Lawsuit – Chairman Robb – For Possible Action**  
The Commission will discuss the NACO wild horse lawsuit and may take action.
- 12 **Crossbow Usage – Division Administrator Conservation Education Teresa Moiola – For Possible Action**  
The Commission will hear a presentation from the Department regarding the development of a permit to allow the use of a crossbow during a hunt that is restricted to archery for certain permanently disabled persons. A “permanent disability” in this application means a person has a permanent disability of the upper torso or has had one or both arms or a part thereof, amputated, and the permanent disability or amputation prevents the person from manually drawing and holding at full draw a bow. The Commission may take action to provide guidance on the development of related regulations.
- 13 **Reports – Informational**
- A **Overton Wildlife Management Area Conceptual Management Plan (CMP) – Division Administrator Habitat Alan Jenne**  
A draft CMP was released for public review on May 20, 2014. Public comments are due July 1, 2014.
- B **Sage-grouse Update – Secretary Wasley**  
Secretary Wasley will provide an update on the status of sage-grouse.
- C **Department Activity Report – Secretary Wasley**  
Director Wasley will provide a report on recent Department activities.
- D\* **Litigation Report – Deputy Attorney General David Newton**
- 14 **Public Comment Period**  
Persons wishing to speak are requested to complete a speaker’s card and present it to the recording secretary. No action can be taken by the Commission at this time; any item requiring Commission action may be scheduled on a future Commission agenda.

**Saturday, June 21, 2014 – 8:30 a. m.**

- 15 **Call to Order, Roll Call of Commission and County Advisory Board Members to Manage Wildlife (CABMW) – Chairman Robb**
- 16 **Commission Appreciation – Secretary Wasley**
- 17 **Approval of Agenda – Chairman Robb – For Possible Action**  
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- 18 **Member Items/Announcements and Correspondence - Chairman Robb - Informational**  
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- 19 **County Advisory Boards to Manage Wildlife (CABMW) Member Items - Informational**  
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- 20 **Nevada Department of Wildlife Project Updates – Secretary Wasley – Informational**  
 The Commission may choose to have project updates from miscellaneous projects.
- 21 **Wildlife Heritage Committee – Commissioner Wallace and Deputy Director Patrick Cates**
- A\* **Heritage Committee Report – Committee Chairman Commissioner Wallace– Informational**  
 The Commission will hear a report from the Wildlife Heritage Committee chairman.
- B\* **Fiscal Year 2014 and Fiscal Year 2013 Heritage Project Extensions - Commissioner Wallace and Deputy Director Patrick Cates - For Possible Action**  
 Pursuant to NAC 501.340, the Commission may approve requests for extension of 2013 and 2014 Heritage projects.
- C\* **Fiscal Year 2014 and Fiscal Year 2013 Heritage Funding Reallocation - Commissioner Wallace and Deputy Director Patrick Cates - For Possible Action**  
 Pursuant to NAC 501.300, the Commission may approve reallocation of unused Heritage funds from a previously approved 2013 or 2014 project to any other previously considered 2013 or 2014 project application.
- D\* **Fiscal Year 2015 Heritage Project Proposals – Commissioner Wallace and Deputy Director Patrick Cates - For Possible Action**  
 The Commission will hear the recommendations from the Heritage Committee and may take action to approve project applications for 2015.

22 **Commission Regulations – Adoption/Workshop – For Possible Action – Public Comment Allowed**

A\* **Commission Regulation 14 - 07 Amendment #1, 2015 Heritage Tag Vendors – Chief of Operations Bob Haughian – For Possible Action**

The Commission will select vendor recommendations for the 2015 Heritage tags.

B\* **Commission Regulation 14 - 11 – Upland Game, Migratory Upland Game and Furbearer Seasons and Limits – Wildlife Staff Specialists Shawn Espinosa and Russell Woolstenhulme – For Possible Action**

The Commission will establish regulations for seasons, bag limits, and special regulations for upland game birds, rabbits, wild turkey, furbearers, American crow, mourning dove, falconry seasons, and white-winged dove for 2014 - 2015 seasons.

23\* **Amendment of Biennial Fiscal Years 2014 and 2015 Upland Game Release Plan – Wildlife Staff Specialist Shawn Espinosa – For Possible Action**

Wildlife Staff Specialist Shawn Espinosa is requesting an amendment to the Biennial Upland Game Release Plan for Fiscal Years 2014 and 2015 to add an additional release location for wild turkeys along the Humboldt River near Battle Mountain.

24\* **Trapping Regulation Committee Report and Recommendations – Committee Chairman David McNinch – For Possible Action**

The Commission will hear a report from the Trapping Committee. The Trapping Committee has received considerable testimony at various meetings around the state regarding various trapping related issues. The report may contain recommendations regarding the development of regulations related to the frequency of visitation of a trap, snare or similar device, in various areas of the state. Recommendations may also be brought forward on other matters related to trapping such as demerit points, education, trapping on private lands and other matters related thereto. The Commission may take action to provide guidance on the development of trapping related regulations.

25 **Future Commission Meetings and Commission Committee Assignments - Secretary Tony Wasley and Chairman Robb - For Possible Action**

The next Commission meeting is scheduled for August 15 and 16, 2014, in Fallon, and the Commission will review and discuss potential agenda items for that meeting. The Commission may change the time and meeting location at this time. The chairman may designate and adjust committee assignments as necessary at this meeting.

26 **Public Comment Period**

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