

Jim, Mitch, Bert, Wyatt

10- Approval of the Agenda-Jim, Mitch Approved

11-Bert discussed how we could get the commission meetings broadcasted back in Elko. Will only be broadcasted 2 times a year.

General Public Comments-Jason James talked about mtn lions that have been trapped, moved, and taken to Reno for testing. He is requesting why this is being done?

Mike Stevens states there is a major issue with the quality of Elk hunts in Northeastern Nevada. **ADD TO AGENDA FOR MARCH MEETING.**

12-Approval of the Minutes

13-Jim moves to support policy 26, Mitch seconds-Approved

14-Wyatt moves to support, Jim seconds-Approved.

15-Policy 66-Jim moves to approve, Wyatt seconds-approved

16-Policy 51-Wyatt moves to support, Jim seconds-approved.

17-NDOW Updates-None.

18-General Regs-

475-Sheds-Jim stated we asked to reconsider dates and did not include times. We recommended the season to start later. Recommends removing time constraint.

Joel McConnell why is this in just certain counties and not the entire state? Tom Donham NDOW- states the Northeastern Counties are getting the most pressure.

Joel McConnell states with the Utah closure it pushed a lot of people over into Nevada and what makes this not going to happen to Nevada. Recommends making this state wide.

Matt Murray recommends making this statewide. Would also like to see the season start date be May 1.

Mitch Buzzetti says make Elko county start May 1 and remove time constraint.

Wyatt Mesna also agrees with making the start date be May 1 due to the ground being soft.

Bert states that he does not believe we should make it state wide.

Wyatt moves to make a motion to state meeting that if shed hunting is closed on the Eastern side of the state that the other counties not included would see increased pressures and recommend this reg be state wide. Recommends no shed hunting December 1-May 1. Seconded by Jim-Approved.

Red 440- Jim Hill-states he likes to have a camera at his blind to record while he is hunting. Documenting his hunt.

Fred Esparza NDOW-His concern is that the way this is worded “clearly marked” needs to be more specific on what information in the camera. Name, entity, and phone number.

Joel McConnell-Says this is very restrictive and makes it difficult for non-hunters to use trail cameras. Agrees with the transmitting devices. Agrees with not having cameras during hunting seasons. Recommends having them pulled before the season opens. Biologists use the info from trail cameras why can't we just share the information with NDOW.

Jason James states he doesn't think there is a benefit to this regulation. Also states that trappers use cameras to watch their sets due to people ruining them.

John Boykin-States it does bother him that they trail cameras that transmit information should not be used and that if you are going to use them you should put in the work to check the cameras. Could there be exceptions put in for handicap people and trappers being able to use them on sets to watch there sets. States there is a lot of items of unfair chase ie; four wheelers and long-range rifles.

Clint McGarth-Agrees that the transmitting devices should not be used but he doesn't think that the use of trail cameras should not be allowed during hunting seasons.

Jim Cooney-States that we will never be able to stay ahead of technology. He thinks that there will be issues going though LCB.

Wyatt Mesna-There was going to be exemptions for study and maybe there could be exemptions for handicap individuals. What point do trail cameras become an unfair chase?

Mitch Buzzetti-States this is the first time we have heard from the general public and we have been voting to pass them through.

Fred Esparza-States he personally has trail cameras and uses them to stay engaged with going out and being involved with the outdoors.

Mitch moves to not support recommendation on trail cameras. Jim Seconds.

Matt Murray what does other devices mean and the reg is hard to understand?

John Boykin can we support the transmitting devices and be against the trail cameras?

Board does not support recommendation.

19- Reg 473 (pushed to March meeting)- Henry Krenka-States that the way this is written is wrong. He doesn't understand how this would work in Elko County.

Mitch asked Fred Esparza if a camp is a dwelling?

Matt Murray he thinks the ordinance would be up to the county or city and the management of the game would be up to NDOW.

Jason James states does being shot in 101-102 are within a mile of a residence and what about killing ground squirrels and people who are practice shouting a bow?

John Boykin-States this mirrors Washoe County ordinance.

20-Jim Cooney asked on 074 has the money been spent for collars?

Keri with NDOW states yes in November.

Mitch asked Tom Donham NDOW-Where is the funds coming from the Mtn. Lion study coming from?

No Action Taken.

21-Jim attended stakeholder meeting. Provided some information from meeting.

Tyler Knall NDOW-states that he does not think that we are in a positions to go over the cap any time soon.

22-Mitch CR18-08

Bill Lepay-Recommend switching rifle and archery seasons in 075 in regards to Antelope Rifle to Elk Archery.

Keri Huebner NDOW recognize the seasons are overlapping and the amendment to the hunting seasons should take care of the issues with seasons overlapping.

Tom Donham NDOW provided some clarification on some issues on seasons.

Matt Jeffers NDOW-

Matt Murray 061-068 would like the muzzleloader antlerless Elk hunt brought back.

Mitch B.-Thinks that if we start adding hunts at this point we are asking for trouble.

Jim Moves Mitch seconds to approve antelope seasons as presented. Approved by board.

Black bear hunt-Mitch moves Jim seconds-approve

Mtn Lion-Wyatt moves, Mitch Seconds-approved

Elk spike any legal weapon 4651-Mitch moves to support, Jim seconds-approved.

Hunt 4181-Jim Moves, Wyatt seconds-approved.

4181 Wilderness-Mitch moves, Wyatt seconds-approved.

4281-Mitch moves, Jim seconds-approved.

4176-Matt Murray states this overlaps with a bull hunt and this is the same reason there is no Cow hunt in 6. Mitch moves, Wyatt seconds-approved.

4276-Wyatt moves, Jim seconds-approved.

4111-Jim moves, mitch seconds-approved.

4211-Mitch moves, Wyatt seconds-approved.

4107-Wyatt moves, Mitch seconds (Mitch thinks we need to watch this hunt)-approved. Review at quota setting.

4481 & 1331-Mitch moves to support, Jim seconds-approved. Non-resident Jim moves, Wyatt seconds. Approved.

Matt Murray how critical is this hunt to keep during the deer hunt?

4476&1371-Jim moves to support, Wyatt seconds-approved.

4411 &1341-Mitch moves to support-Jim Seconds-Approved.

4407 & 1107-Jim moves to support, Wyatt seconds-approved.

3151-Jim moves to support, Mitch seconds, approved.

Mitch moves to support all the Nelson Sheep recommendations, Jim seconds-approved.

8151-Jim moves to support recommendations for California Bighorns-Approved.

Wyatt moves to approve all hunts that had no proposed changes-Jim seconds-approved.

1181-Approved.

Mitch moves to support D-G items, second by Jim. Approved.

Item H-Mitch Buzzetti doesn't like that you can not apply via paper application. Also now that a Texas company is performing the draw guides will no longer be able to attend the draw.

Henry Krenka NV Outfitter and Guide Association-States that all the information from the Department is no one knows what is going on. It is imperative that the non-residence tag draw needs to happen in March.

Mitch (in regards to the outfitters) states that there is no deadline to post results for guided draw. Also they are concerned about getting the saleable list.

Wyatt moves to support NV outfitters and guides seconded and approved by board.

Item I-Jim moves to support, Wyatt seconds-approved.

23-Tom Donham NDOW-Now when you buy your license the cost of the stamps are rolled into the cost of a license.

24-No comments.

***State Agenda 14B- Mitch moves to approve, Jim Seconds-split vote. Wyatt opposed. Bert opposed.