Minutes of the Mineral County Advisory Board to Manage Wildlife
TUESDAY – June 17, 2014
6:00 PM MEETING ROOM, HAWTHORNE FIRE HOUSE

Present: Glenn Bunch, Chairman
Billie Williams Jr.
Wayne Larson
Johnny Peterson
Marlene Bunch, Recording Secretary

Absent: Stephen Gustafson, Member

Also Present: Jason Salisbury, NDOW
Heather Salisbury, General Public
Eric Petlock, Theodore Roosevelt Conservation Partnership

1. Fiscal Year 2014-2015 Big Game Release Plan Amendment. The board will review the NDOW staff request 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.

   Jason Salisbury of NDOW explained his interest in the areas and stated that there is some opposition to it. There was one sick sheep behind Marietta.

   Discussion of the areas in the Garfield Hills with potential for sheep in the area.

2. CR 14-11 Upland Game, Migratory Upland Game and Furbearer Seasons and limits. The board will make recommendations to the Commission to 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.

   Youth Chucker and Hungarian Partridge Season.
   Statewide
   Last Saturday and Sunday of September
   Daily Bag limit 6. Possession limit 12
   Hunters 15 years and younger
   
   Board agrees with department Recommendation

   Youth California and Gambel’s Quail Season
   Statewide
   The Last Saturday and Sunday of September
   Bag 10 daily and 20 in possession.
   Hunters 15 years and younger.
   
   Board agrees with Department Recommendation

   Youth Rabbit Season.
   State wide.
   The Last Saturday and Sunday of September
Daily bag limit 10, Possession Limit 20
Hunters 15 years of age or younger

**Board agrees with Department Recommendation**

**Sage Grouse**
Open Areas Churchill County, except Units 041, 181, 182 and 183
Lander County except Units 068, 151, 152, 154, 155, 161, 172, 173
First Saturday & Sunday in October
Daily bag limit 2, Possession limit 4.
Closed to Non-Residents

**Board agrees with Department Recommendation**

**Sage Grouse**
Elko County except 076, 078, 081, 079, 091, 105 and 106
Eureka Co except Unit 068
Lander Co except Units 068, 151, 152, 153, 156, 183, and 184
Nye Co except units 132, 133, 181, 251, 252, 261, and 262
White Pine County, except Unit 114, 115, and 132
September 25 to October 9
Daily bag limit 2, Possession limit 4
Closed to Non-Residents

**Board agrees with Department Recommendation**

**Sage Grouse**
Humboldt Co except Units 031, 032, 033, 035, 042, 044, 046, 151
Washoe Co except Units 015, 021, 022, 033, 194, and 196
September 25 to October 4
Closed to non-residents

**Board agrees with Department Recommendation**

**Sheldon National Wildlife Refuge Special Sage Grouse Hunt**
Unit 033 of Washoe and Humboldt Counties
Third Saturday and Sunday in September
Daily bag limit 2, Possession limit 4
Open to non-resident

**Board agrees with Department Recommendation**

**Blue (Dusky and Sooty) and Ruffed Grouse**
Carson City, Clark, Douglas, Elko, Eureka, Esmeralda, Humboldt, Lander,
September 1 to December 31
Daily Bag Limit 3. Possession limit 6
Special limitations

**Board agree with Department Recommendations**

**Snowcock**
Elko and White Pine Counties
September 1 to November 30
Daily bag limit 2, Possession limit 2

**Board agrees with Department Recommendation**
Chucker and Hungarian partridge
State wide
Second Saturday in October – First Sunday in February
Daily Bag limit 6. Possession limit 18
Board agrees with Department Recommendation

California Gambel’s and Mountain Quail
State wide
Second Saturday in October – First Sunday in February
Daily bag limit 10. Possession limit 20
Board agrees with Department Recommendation

Pheasant
State wide
November 1 to November 30
Daily bag limit 2. Possession limit 4
Board agrees with Department Recommendation

Cottontail Pygmy and White-Tailed Rabbits
Statewide
Second Saturday in October to February 28
Daily bag limit 10. Possession limit 20
Board agrees with Department Recommendation

Wild Turkey
Board agrees with Department Recommendation

Junior Wild Turkey 2015-2016 General Spring Hunts 0138
Bearded Wild Turkey
Unit 151 & 152 Lander County – Last Saturday in March through first Sunday in May Quota 1
Mason Valley Wildlife Management Ares, Last Saturday in March through First Sunday in May. Quota 2
Moapa Valley of Clark County, Third Saturday in March through first Sunday in May, Quota 3
Unit 115 of White Pine County, Last Saturday in March through first Sunday in May, Quota 2
Board agrees with Department Recommendation

Wild Turkey 2015-2016 Spring – limited entry – Hunts 0131 & 0132
Limit 1 by tag only
→Unit 091 Elko County, Last Saturday in March first Sunday in May, Resident Hunt 0131, Quota 2, Nonresident Hunt 0132-0
→Unit 101 of Elko County, Last Saturday in March – First Sunday in May Resident hunt 0131 quota 5, Hunt 0132 non-resident – 0
→Units 102 & 065 of Elko County Last Saturday in March – First Sunday in May, Resident Hunt 0131 –quota 12, Non-resident Hunt 0132 Quota 2
Units 151 and 152 of Lander County, Last Saturday in March – First Sunday in May Resident Hung 0131 quota 2, Non-resident Hunt 0132 quota – 0
Mason Valley Wildlife Management Area only of Unit 203, Last Saturday of March – First Sunday in April, Resident Hunt 0131 Quota 5, Non-Resident Quota – 0
Second Saturday in April – Third Sunday in April, Resident Hunt 0131 – Quota 5, non-resident quota – 0
Last Saturday in April – first Sunday in May, Resident Hunt 0131 quota 5, non-resident quota - 0

Board agrees with Department Recommendation

Wild Turkey 2015 & 2016 Spring – Limited Entry – Hunts 0131 & 0132
1 by tag only
Moapa Valley Portion of Clark County
Last Saturday in March - First Sunday in April, Resident Hunt 0131 Quota 3, Non-Resident Hunt 0132 Quota – 0
Second Saturday in April – Third Sunday in April, Resident Hunt 0131 Quota 3, Non-Resident Hunt 0132 Quota -0
Last Saturday in April – First Sunday in May, Resident Hunt 0131 quota – 3, Non-Resident Quota – 0
Pershing County, Last Saturday in March – Second Sunday in April, Resident Hunt 0131-Quota – 7, Nonresident Hunt 0132 Quota -0
Last Saturday in April – First Sunday in May, Resident Hunt 0131 Quota - 7, Non-resident Hunt 0132 Quota – 0
Unit 115 of White Pine County, Last Saturday in March – First Sunday in May, Resident Hunt 0131 – Quota 23, Non-resident Hunt 0132 – Quota – 2

Board agrees with Department Recommendation

Wild Turkey 2015 – 2016 Spring Hunts 0135 & 0137, Unit 192 of Douglas County
Bearded Wild Turkey
Limit 1 by tag only
Last Saturday in March – First Sunday in May
Quotas – Resident Hunt 135 – Open, Non-Resident Hunt 0137 Open

Board agrees with Department Recommendation

Wild Turkey 2015 – 2016 Spring Hunts – 0135 & 0137, Units 202, 203, 204, and 291 of Lyon County Except the Mason Valley Wildlife Management Area
Limit 1 by tag only
Last Saturday in March – First Sunday in May
Quota Resident Hunt 0135 – Open, Non-Resident Hunt 0137 – Open

Special Regulations

Board agrees with Department Recommendation

Wild Turkey 2015 – 2016 Spring Hunts- 0135 & 0137 Paradise Valley of Humboldt County
Limit 1 by tag only
Season, Last Saturday in March – First Sunday in May
Quota – Resident Hunt 0135 – Open, Non-Resident Hunt 0137 – Open
With Special Regulations

**Board agrees with Department Recommendation**

**Falconry Seasons for Upland Game Birds & Rabbits**
Statewide
September 1 to last day in February.
Limits Daily bag 2, Possession limit 8

**Board agrees with Department Recommendation**

**Furbearing Animals, Beaver, Mink, Muskrat**
Statewide
October 1 – April 30

**Board agrees with Department Recommendation**

**Otter**
Areas – Elko, Eureka, Humboldt, Lander and Pershing Counties only
Seasons Dates October 1 – March 31

**Board agrees with Department Recommendation**

**Kit and Red Fox**
Statewide
Season – October 1 – Last Day of February

**Board agrees with Department Recommendation**

**Bobcat Season**
Statewide
December 1 to February 21
Closed to non-residents

**Board agrees with Department Recommendation**

Gray Fox Season
Statewide
Season – December 1 – February 21
Closed to Non-Residents

**Board agrees with Department Recommendation**

**Bobcat pelt Sealing Dates**
Reviewed by board
No Action

**Migratory Upland Game Birds**
Statewide
Spring Season March 1 – April 15
Fall Season September 1 – November 17
Limits Daily bag limit 10

**Board agrees with Department Recommendation**

Mourning and White Winged Dove
Season – September 1 – October 30
Daily bag limit 15, Possession limit 45
3. Trapping Regulation Committee Report and Recommendations – The Board will make recommendations to the Commission relative to 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 relative 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, on private lands and other matters related thereto.

Discussion of history of what got it to this spot
Trying to get a workable solution in the urban areas.
Glenn read letter from the trapping Association Joel Blakeslee
Johnny Peterson liked the scientific approach.
Johnny Peterson made the motion, Wayne Larson seconded to support the Recommendation of the trappers association
Motion carried.

4. Discussion of remaining item listed on the commission agenda for June 20 – June 21, 2014 Meeting

Wayne Larson asked about the California Bighorn Sheep swap with south Dakota
Jason Salisbury, NDOW explained that 16 will be going to South Dakota for research and are we getting anything back from South Dakota.
Nothing back from South Dakota.
It is a Research Deal
Is South Dakota paying for the transportation?
Jason Salisbury stated they pay for the some but not all.


Eric Petlock Nevada Field Representative of the Theodore Roosevelt Conservation Partnership.
Mr. Petlock stated the National Organization’s headquarter is in DC
Field staff is located in west
Prior mission to work on federal policy that impact sportsman hunting and fishing.
Guarantee all Americans a place to hunt and fish
Currently working on Land management policy.
Prior main focus is looking at BLM land in west.
Looking at a place of importance for wildlife habitat and areas BLM’s planning process and how well it is managed.
Mount Wilson in Lincoln County Wind project 35,000 acres in some of the best hunting location
Big fight to get them back off. and they are involved with them to back off.
Sportsman do not support the wind projects.
There is big oil and gas places.
They are not anti-development but sportsmen have a voice
They are looking for incompatibility.
BLM is unique as it is in planning
Policy has served us well but are running out of space
TRCC working with BLM to develop new planning tools to conserve back
country to management flexibility maintaining existing access allowing for
guzzlers, but at the same work on how the layer of protection allows room for
development of gas if in a high quality range.
There are two resource plans update in the Carson Range
They Local partner NV Big Horns and NV Wildlife
They are Identifying things in these two areas that allow a higher area of
protection.
He would like to e-mail electronic copies of proposals to BLM.
He would like the chance to talk with each Board Member individually. They
came to the board as they are the first interface between the public at large and the
sportsman’s community. He would like comments and feedback and get in
contact with county commissioners. He will follow up by phone.

Chairman Glenn advised Mr. Petlock of the meeting tomorrow where a petition is
coming to the County Commissioners by the Walker River Paiute Tribe to Close
the Wassuk range, Gillis Range, Mt. Grant, Lucky Boy area and to give it all to
the tribe.
Discussion ensued.
Discussion of Walker Lake

Wayne Larson Moved and Johnny Peterson seconded meeting adjourned at 7:30
PM.