

Minutes of the Meeting of the Mineral County Advisory Board to Manage Wildlife

Tuesday – September 9, 2015

6:00 PM MEETING ROOM, HAWTHORNE FIRE HOUSE

Present: Glenn Bunch, Chairman  
Billie Williams Jr.  
Johnny Peterson  
Wayne Larson  
Chris Urquhart Fisheries Biologist for Carson and Walker Basin  
Marlene Bunch, Recording Secretary

Absent: Darren Hamrey

1. **Federal Electronic Duck Stamp** – The Board will Review Nevada’s participation in the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service’s Federal Electronic Duck Stamp program, whereby Nevada’s waterfowl hunters will purchase the Federal Duck Stamp electronically beginning in 2015.

*Discussion of process the part will be on line. Can’t get it at the Post Office.  
Going up to \$25.00*

2. **CGR 455 – Trapping Questionnaire Deadline and Trapping License Valid Dates, LCB File No. R0008-15.** The Board will discuss recommendations for the Commission to consider permanent adoption of the temporary regulation which expires November 1, 2015, relating to trapping questionnaires and trapping license valid periods. The regulation will add language to specify the valid period of trapping license as July 1 through June 30. The regulation amendment will also update the trapping questionnaire deadline language, changing the deadline from April 30 to May 31, making it consistent with other Department questionnaire language. The amendment includes adding authority for the Department to prohibit the purchase of a subsequent trapping license when a trapper fails to return a questionnaire. This amendment will allow the Department to administer the trapping questionnaire processes effectively in regard to the trapping seasons as established by the Commission, prohibiting sale of a trapping license until the previous years’ questionnaire is provided.

*Chairman Bunch stated that this is another one coming through.  
Discussion ensued.  
Board concurs*

3. **Commission Regulation 16 – 02 Fishing Seasons and Bag Limits for 2016-2018** The Board will discuss recommendations to the Commission for establishing fishing seasons, bag and possession limits for the period of March 1, 2016 through February 28, 2018

**Carson City County**

**Closed – None**

**All Waters** – except the following- Open year around - With Limits.

**Lake Tahoe & tributaries** – Open year round – With Limits

**Baily Fishing Pond** – Open year around –With limits.

**Churchill County**

**Closed – None**

**Open Waters** – All Waters Except following- With Limits

**Lahontan Reservoir** –Open year around- With Limits

**Carson River, & all waters in Lahontan Valley** –Open year around –With Limits

**Liberty Pond** – Open year around – With Limits

**Clark County**

**Closed Waters:** Lakes Mead & Mohave & the Colorado River as posted, Overton Beach, Echo Bay Resort, Callville Bay Marina, Las Vegas Wash, Cottonwood Cove, Hemenway Harbor and Las Vegas Boat Harbor. Veterans Memorial Park, Boulder, City, all waters except the Boulder City Urban Fishing Pond. Spring Mt Ranch State Park Pond, Las Vegas Wash, all waters within the Clark County Wetlands Park.

**Open Waters** All waters Open Year around – With Limits Except the following:

Lake Mead – Open year around – With Limits  
Lake Mohave – Open year around – With Limits  
Colorado River below Davis Dam – Open year around – With Limits  
Boulder City Pond, Sunset Park Pond, Floyd Lamb Park Ponds, Lorenzi Park Pond and Mesquite Urban Pond – Hafen Lane Pond – Open year around – With Limits  
Cold Creek Pond & Cold Creek – Open year around – With Limits  
Carpenter Creek - Open year around – With Limits

#### **Douglas County**

**Closed waters – Topaz Lake within the jetties of Topaz Marina  
Lake Tahoe within the boat launches  
Glenbrook Creek from Lake Tahoe to Hwy 50**

**Open Waters: All Except as noted: - Open year around With limits**

**Lake Tahoe & Tributaries, - Open year Around – With Limits**

**Spoooner Lake – Open year around – With Limits**

**Topaz Lake – January 1 through September 30 – With Limits**

**Mitch Park Pond, Lampe Park Pond, Martin Slough Ponds – Open year around – With Limits**

#### **Elko County**

**Closed Waters – Ruby Valley Fishing Prohibited in areas. See Regulation**

**Open Waters**

**All lakes & Reservoirs unless listed – Open year around – With Limits**

**All stream & Rivers unless Listed - Open year around – With limits**

**Wildhorse Reservoir with restrictions - Open year around – With limits**

**Angel Lake & inlet and outlet streams = Open year around – With limits**

**South Fork Reservoir, & South Fork of the Humboldt River from Lucky Nugget Subdivision causeway downstream to its confluence with the Humboldt River – Open year around exception: March 1 through June 30, catch and release fishing only for black bass – With other limits**

**South of the Humboldt River from the Lucky Nugget Subdivision causeway upstream to Lee – Open year around – With Limits**

**Wilson Sink Reservoir, its outlet and inlet stream up to State Route 11 – Open year around – With Limits**

**Ruby Lake Nation Wildlife Refuge – Open year around in all areas except as Posted January 1 thru June 14 & June 15 thru Dec 31 – With restricted Limits accordingly.**

**Ruby Mountains and East Humboldt Range High lakes except Angel Lake – Open year around – With Limits**

**Dry Creek Reservoir – Open year around – With Limits**

**Willow Creek Reservoir Open year around – With Limits**

**Jarbidge River, East Fork and West Fork and Tributary Streams Open year around – With Limits**

**Marys River and Tributary Streams Open year around – With Limits**

**Bruneau River and Tributary Streams Open year around – With Limits.**

#### **Esmeralda County**

**Closed Waters – None**

**Open Waters – All waters Open year around – With Limits**

#### **Eureka County**

**Closed Waters Tonkin Springs Creek from origin to its confluence with Tonkin Springs Reservoir.**

**Open All lakes and reservoirs except as listed - Open year around – With Limits**

**All streams and rivers except as listed Open year around – With Limits**

**Tonkin Springs Reservoir Open year around – With Limits**

#### **Humboldt County**

**Closed Waters** – All tributaries to Summit Lake, All waters of the Sheldon National Wildlife Refuge (within Humboldt County) except Big Springs Reservoir and Dufurrena Ponds. Crowley Creek in the Montana Mountains Eightmile Creek in the Santa Rosa Range. Donnelly Creek in the Calico Range.

**Open Waters** – All waters except as noted - Open year around – With Limits

**Blue Lakes and Onion Valley Reservoir** – Second Saturday in June thru November 15 With Limits.

**Bilk Creek Reservoir** Open year around – With Limits

**Chimney Reservoir** - Open year around – With Limits

**Knott Creek Reservoir** – including inlet and outlet streams – Second Saturday in June thru November 15 – With limits.

**Big Springs Reservoir** – Second Saturday in May thru the last day of February – With Limits.

#### **Lander County**

**Closed Waters** – None

**Open Waters** – All streams and rivers - Open year around – With Limits

**Willow Creek Pond and Willow Creek Reservoir including inlet and outlet streams** - Open year around – With Limits

**Groves Lake, Kingston Creek and Big Creek** Open year around – With Limits

#### **Lincoln County**

**Closed Waters** – Crystal Spring and outflow for one-half mile to beginning of concrete ditch. Ash Springs outflow through the River Ranch to beginning of concrete ditch.

**Open Waters** All waters except as listed- Open year around – With Limits

**Nesbitt Lake (Key Pittman Wildlife Management Area** – Open year around except the portion above the old fence line as posted is closed to trespass February 15 thru Aug 15 and closed to fishing during the waterfowl season – With Limits.

**Eagle Valley Reservoir and ~~the stream~~ Meadow Valley Wash above ~~and below~~ the Reservoir** - Open year around – With Limits

**Echo Canyon Reservoir** - Open year around – With Limits

**Pahranagat National Wildlife Refuge** – Open year around except North Marsh which is closed to fishing during the waterfowl season – With Limits

*NDOW gave info of changes in Lincoln County*

#### **Lyon County**

**Closed Waters** - All waters within the Mason Valley Wildlife Management Area except for those listed as open.

**Open Waters** – All Waters except as Listed - Open year around – With Limits

**East Walker River** - Open year around – With Limits

**Fort Churchill Cooling Pond Cooperative Management Area, fishing prohibited from the center dike and posted areas.** – Second Saturday in February thru Sep 30 – With Limits.

**Lahontan Reservoir** - Open year around – With Limits

**Mason Valley Wildlife Management Area:**

**Bass, Crappie, and North Ponds, Beaver Slough and that portion of the Walker River within the Mason Valley Wildlife Management Area** – Second Saturday in February thru September 30 – With Limits

**Hinkson Slough** – Second Saturday in February thru Sept 30 – With Limits

**Eastside Waterfowl Series Ponds** – August 16 thru Sep 30 – With Limits

**Kuensli Pond, Hatchery Outpond 1, Hatchery Outpond 2 and Htchery Outpond 3** – First Saturday in May – Sunrise to Sunset – With Limitis

#### **Mineral County :**

**Closed Waters** – The Rose Creek confluence from the diversion pipe downstream to Walker Lake and Walker Lake with a 100 yard radius of the inflow

**Open Waters – All waters except as listed Open year around – With Limits**  
**Rose Creek Reservoir – Open year around – With Limits**

*Discussion of the time limit of any hour of the day or night.*

*NDOW Biologist stated that after several meetings with the Depot, the reason it says for any hour of the day or night is that is NDOW plans for fishing. The depot is responsible for accessibility. That is their business. NDOW will have to assure there is access to it which there is. The Depot will have to assure it is capable of the restrictions.*

*Board discussion of adhering to depot restrictions.*

*Johnny Peterson stated they (NDOW) didn't mind any of their restrictions. When you come down to get a key, the rules apply. We don't have a problem with their wording, as we (Depot) knows what their requirements are to obtain the fish.*

*Glenn – It's a great thing it's happening up there.*

*NDOW - Chris said this is not uncommon for parks that is only open certain hours. And it works.*

*Discussion of fishing at the Reservoir.*

***The Board Concurred with the Department Recommendations***

**Nye County**

**Closed Waters: Kirch Wildlife Management Area: Hot Creek to its confluence with Adams-McGill Reservoir – Sunnyside Creek above synnyside/Adavin County Road crossing in sec. 36. T8N R61E.1**

**Open Waters – All Waters Except as Listed - Open year around – With Limits**

**Beatty Urban Pond Open year around – With Limits**

**Kirch Wildlife Management Area:**

All other waters within the Kirch Wildlife Management Area: Open year around except the upper portions of Adams-McGill Cold Springs and Haymeadow reservoirs closed to trespass February 15 thru August 15 as posted. A 100 yard area as posted around the inflow from Hot Creek to ~~Dacey and~~ Adams-McGill Reservoirs ~~shall be~~ is closed to fishing January 1 thru April 1. *With Limit Modifications requested – refer to document*

**Tule Reservoir – Open August 16 thru February 14 – With Limit modification requested. Refer to Document.**

**Dacey Reservoir –Open ~~August 16 thru February 14~~ year around except the upper portions of Dacey Reservoir closed to trespass February 15 through August 15 as posted. A 100 yard area as posted around the inflow form Hot Creek to Dacey Reservoir is closed to fishing January 1 through April 1. With Limit Modification requested – refer to document.**

**Storey County**

**Closed Waters – 5 Mile Reservoir, Truckee River from Derby Dam downstream 1,000 feet.**

**Open Waters : All Waters Open year around – With Limits**

**Washoe County**

**Closed Waters** Third Creek and its tributaries form Lake Tahoe to the Mt. Rose Highway No. 431. Incline Creek and its tributaries from Lake Tahoe to Ski Way and the Mt. Rose Highway No. 431. Wood Creek from Lake Tahoe to the Mt. Rose Highway No. 431. Lake Tahoe within a 200-yard radius of the mouths of Third, Incline and Wood creeks. A 500 yard radius form Sand Harbor boat ramp. Truckee River from Derby Dam downstream 1,000 feet.

**Open Waters: All Waters except as listed. – Open year around – With Limits**

**Catnip Reservoir tributaries and Outlet stream – Second Saturday in Juen thru November 15 – With Limits.**

**Washoe Lake** - Open year around – With Limits

**Hobart Reservoir and tributaries and Franktown Creek downstream from Hobart Reservoir to Red House** - May 1 thru Sept 30 = With Limits

**Lake Tahoe and tributaries** – Open year around except for closed areas – with limits

**Marlette Lake, tributaries and outlet stream** – July 15 thru Sept 30 – With Limits

**Truckee River, its diversion ditches and tributaries above the I-80 bridge** which is upstream from Crystal Peak Park to the California State Line – Open Year around with Limits.

**Truckee River and its tributaries from below the I-80 bridge** which is upstream from the Crystal Peak Park- Open year around except for closed areas – with limits.

**Wahoe County Urban Ponds:** Sparks Marina Pond, Davis Creek Pond, Paradise Pond, Virginia Lake, Idlewild Ponds, Rancho San Rafael Pond, Wilson Common, Marilyn’s Pond and Crystal Peak Park Pond – *Open Year around- With Limits.*

**White Pine County**

**Closed Waters** Cold Creek Spring ( Spring Pond) and creek above Cold Creek Reservoir in the Diamond Range.

**Open Waters** – All lakes and reservoirs except as listed: *Open Year around- With Limits.*

**All lakes and reservoirs** -except as noted below: *Open Year around- With Limits.*

**All streams and rivers** –except as noted below - *Open Year around- With Limits.*

**Ruby Lake National Wildlife Refuge** – Open year around in all areas except as posted “January 1 thru June 14” and June 15 thru December 31” *With Limits respectively*

**Cave Lake, Steptoe Creek, and Cave Creek** - *Open Year around- With Limits.*

**Tailings Creek, Cleve Creek, Silver Creek and White River** *Open Year around- With Limits.*

**Illipah Reservoir and Illipah Creek** *Open Year around- With Limits.*

**Cold Creek Reservoir** - *Open Year around- With Limits.*

**Comins Lake** - *Open Year around- With Limits.*

**Snake Mountain High Lakes** - *Open Year around- With Limits.*

*The Board concurs with the Department Recommendations.*

**Any further discussion on the September 25 – 26, 2015 Wildlife Commission Agenda**

No one had anything to add.

4. **Public Comment – None**

**Meeting Adjourned**