

Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners' Meeting Agenda

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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.

Friday, Jan. 25, 2019 – 9:30 a.m.

- 1 **Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance, Roll Call of Commission and County Advisory Board Members to Manage Wildlife (CABMW) – Chairman Johnston**

- 2 **Approval of Agenda – Chairman Johnston – 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 Johnston – 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 Johnston – For Possible Action**
 Commission minutes may be approved from the Nov. 2 and 3, 2018, meeting.
- 6 **Reports – Informational**
- A* **Wildlife Heritage Account Report – Deputy Director Liz O’Brien**
 A report will be provided on the funds available (interest and principal) for expenditure from the Wildlife Heritage account in the upcoming year.
- B **Western Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies Mid-Winter Conference – Secretary Wasley and Commissioner McNinch**
 A report from the conference held in Tucson, AZ will be provided by the attendees.
- C **Department Activity Report – Secretary Wasley**
 A report will be provided on Nevada Department of Wildlife activities.
- D* **Litigation Report – Senior Deputy Attorney General Brian Stockton**
- 7 **Nevada Department of Wildlife Project Updates – Secretary Wasley – Informational**
 The Commission has requested that the Department provide regular project updates for ongoing projects and programs as appropriate based on geography and timing of meetings. These updates are intended to provide additional detail in addition to the summaries provided as part of the regular Department Activity Report and are intended to educate the Commission and public as to the Department’s ongoing duties and responsibilities
- 8 **Commission General Regulations – Workshop –Public Comment Allowed**
- A* **Commission General Regulation 482, Public and Sellable Lists, LCB File No. R192-18 – Data and Technology Services Division Administrator Chet Van Dellen – Workshop/Public Comment Allowed**
 The Commission will hold a second workshop to consider amending Chapters 488 and 502 of the Nevada Administrative Code (NAC). This regulation clarifies the authority of the Department to remove specific personal information from any list sold or distributed by the Department or the Department’s licensing vendor and makes it confidential. The regulation also simplifies how a person can request that their personal information remain confidential by removing the requirement that the request be in writing. The Commission held a workshop on November 2, 2018 and directed the Department to bring the regulation back for a second workshop for further discussion.

9 **Committee Reports - Informational**

A* **Tag Allocation and Application Hunt Committee (TAAHC) Report – Commissioner and Committee Chairman Paul Valentine**

The Commission will hear a report on the committee's recent meetings.

B* **Landowner Compensation Tag Committee Report – Commissioner and Committee Chairman Brad Johnston**

The Commission will hear a report on the committee's recent meetings.

C* **Public Lands Committee Report – Commissioner and Committee Chairman Tom Barnes**

The Commission will hear a report on the committee's recent meetings.

D* **Legislative Committee Report – Commissioner and Committee Chairman Tiffany East**

The Commission will hear a report on the committee's recent meetings.

10 **A Briefing on Two Recent Surveys "America's Wildlife Values: The Social Context of Wildlife Management in the U.S." and "America's Wildlife Values: Nevada State Report" – Secretary Wasley – Informational**

The Commission will be provided a briefing on two recent surveys completed by Colorado State University and Responsive Management under contract through the Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies (AFWA). The first is a nationwide survey entitled "America's Wildlife Values: The Social Context of Wildlife Management in the U.S." and looks broadly and comparatively at how American's value wildlife among states, which was completed just prior to the September meeting of AFWA. The second is a more detailed examination of specific values from Nevada and is entitled "America's Wildlife Values: Nevada State Report." The second report was finalized in November after the Commission last met and involved specific questions developed in association with the Department. The Department invested additional funding to obtain the more detailed examination for the Nevada state report.

11 **License Appeal – Daniel E. Hetzer – For Possible Action**

Mr. Hetzer is appealing his hunting, fishing, trapping and other license and permit privileges suspension.

12 **Public Comment Period**

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Saturday, Jan. 26, 2019 – 8:30 a.m.

13 **Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance, Roll Call of Commission and County Advisory Board Members to Manage Wildlife (CABMW) – Chairman Johnston**

14 **Approval of Agenda – Chairman Johnston – For Possible Action**

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- 15 **Member Items/Announcements and Correspondence – Chairman Johnston and Secretary Wasley – Informational**
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- 16 **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.
- 17* **Benefits and Challenges Surrounding Quota Setting and Application Timing– Game Division Administrator Brian F. Wakeling – Informational**
The Department will provide the Commission with a briefing regarding hunt applications and quota timing. The briefing will include comparative data from other western states and planned process improvements being implemented within the Department.
- 18* **Draft Fiscal Year 2020 Predation Management Plan – Wildlife Staff Specialist Pat Jackson – For Possible Action**
The draft Fiscal Year 2020 Predation Management Plan will be presented to the Commission for initial review. Following this review, the draft plan will be updated and shared with the State Predatory Animal and Rodent Committee (PARC). All comments from the PARC, County Advisory Boards to Manage Wildlife, and any other interested entity will be compiled and shared with the Wildlife Damage Management Committee (WDMC) for their consideration at their March 2019 meeting. The Commission will receive an update at the March 2019 meeting from the Wildlife Damage Management Committee and may provide additional direction at that time.
- 19 **Commission Regulations – For Possible Adoption – Public Comment Allowed**
- A* **Commission Regulation 19–05, 2019–2020 and 2020–2021 Big Game Seasons – Wildlife Staff Specialists Mike Cox, Cody Schroeder, and Cody McKee – For Possible Action**
The Commission will consider adopting 2019–2020 and 2020–2021 hunting seasons and dates for mule deer, pronghorn antelope, elk, bighorn sheep, and mountain goat, including limits, hunting hours, special hunt eligibility, animal sex, physical characteristics, hunt boundary restrictions, and legal weapon requirements, and emergency depredation hunt structure and statewide quota.
- B* **Commission Regulation 19 - 06, 2020 Heritage Tag Seasons and Quota – Data and Technology Services Division Administrator Chet Van Dellen – For Possible Action**
The Commission will consider adopting a regulation to set the 2020 Heritage Tag species, seasons and quota.

- C* **Commission Regulation 19 - 07, 2019 Partnership in Wildlife Tags – Data and Technology Services Division Administrator Chet Van Dellen – For Possible Action**
The Commission will consider adopting a regulation to set the 2019 Partnership in Wildlife tags hunt species, seasons and quota
- D* **Commission Regulation 19 - 08, 2019 Silver State Tags – Data and Technology Services Division Administrator Chet Van Dellen – For Possible Action**
The Commission will consider adopting a regulation to set the 2019 Silver State tag species, seasons and quota.
- E* **Commission Regulation 19 - 09, 2019 Dream Tag – Data and Technology Services Division Administrator Chet Van Dellen – For Possible Action**
The Commission will consider adopting a regulation to set the 2019 Dream Tag species, seasons and quota.
- F* **Commission Regulation 19 - 10, 2019 Big Game Application Deadlines – Data and Technology Services Division Administrator Chet Van Dellen – For Possible Action**
The Commission will consider adopting regulation to set the 2019 big game tag application deadlines and related information.
- G* **Commission Regulation 19 - 11, 2019 Big Game Tag Application Eligibility and Tag Limits – Data and Technology Services Division Administrator Chet Van Dellen – For Possible Action**
The Commission will consider adopting regulation to set the 2019 big game tag application eligibility and tag limits and related information.
- H* **Commission Regulation 19-12, 2019-2020 and 2020-2021 Restricted Nonresident Guided Mule Deer Seasons and Quotas- Wildlife Staff Specialist Cody Schroeder- For Possible Action**
The Commission will consider adopting 2019-2020 and 2020-2021 hunting seasons and quotas for restricted nonresident guided mule deer including hunt boundary restrictions.
- I* **Commission Regulation 19–03, 2019 Black Bear Seasons – Wildlife Staff Specialist Pat Jackson – For Possible Action**
The Commission will consider adopting 2019 hunting season dates, open management units, hunting hours, special regulations, animal sex, legal weapon requirements, hunt boundary restrictions, and dates and times for indoctrination courses for black bear.
- J* **Commission Regulation 19–04, 2019–2020 Mountain Lion Season and Harvest Limits – Wildlife Staff Specialist Pat Jackson – For Possible Action**
The Commission will consider adopting 2019–2020 mountain lion hunting season open units, harvest limits by unit group, hunting hours, and special regulations.

20 **Sagebrush Ecosystem Council Update – Chairman Johnston – For Possible Action**
An update will be provided regarding the Commissions appointed designee for the Sagebrush Ecosystem Council per Nevada Revised Statutes (NRS) 232.162.

21 **Future Commission Meetings and Commission Committee Assignments – Secretary Wasley and Chairman Johnston – For Possible Action**

The next Commission meeting is scheduled for March 15 and 16, 2019, in Clark County 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 and add or dissolve committees, as necessary at this time. Any anticipated meeting that may occur prior to the next Commission meeting may be discussed.

22 **Public Comment Period**

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