

Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners' Meeting Agenda

Due to the ongoing challenges surrounding COVID-19, this meeting will be held virtually via Zoom in an effort to conduct the meeting more safely.

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If you wish to make public comment, please use this link for Friday, September 24, 2021.

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Public comment will be taken on each action item following Commission discussion and before any action is taken. **Persons wishing to comment are invited to raise their virtual hands in the virtual meeting forum during the appropriate time; each person offering public comment during this period will be limited to not more than three minutes.** The Chair 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 prior to the meeting at wildlifecommission@ndow.org or make comment during the meeting and are asked to complete a speaker card and present it to the Recording Secretary. Public comment will not be restricted based on viewpoint. To ensure the public has notice of all matters the Commission will consider, Commissioners may choose not to respond to public comments to avoid the appearance of deliberation on topics not listed for action on the agenda. Minutes of the meeting will be produced in summary format.

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 which antagonize or incite others are examples of public comment that may be reasonably limited.

Please provide the Board of Wildlife Commissioner ("Commission") with the complete electronic of 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, September 24, 2021 – 8:00 a.m.

- 1. Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance, Roll Call of Commission Members and County Advisory Board Members to Manage Wildlife (CABMW) – Chairwoman East**
- 2. Approval of Agenda – Chairwoman East – 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.* Approval of Minutes – Chairwoman East – For Possible Action**
Commission minutes may be approved from the August 6, 2021 meeting.
- 4. Member Items/Announcements and Correspondence – Chairwoman East – 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.

5. **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.
6. **Reports – Informational**
 - A. **Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies 2021 Annual Meeting Update – Secretary Wasley**
A report from the 2021 conference will be provided.
 - B. **Department Activity Report – Secretary Wasley and Division Administrators**
A report will be provided on Nevada Department of Wildlife activities.
 - D.* **Litigation Report – Deputy Attorney General Craig Burkett**
A report will be provided on Nevada Department of Wildlife litigation.
 - E.* **Wildlife Trust Fund Annual Report – Deputy Director Bonnie Long**
A report will be provided on the investment and expenditure of money in the Wildlife Trust Fund for the period of July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021 pursuant to NRS 501.3585.
 - F. **Landowner Compensation Tag Committee Report – Chairwoman East**
A report will be provided on the recent Landowner Compensation Tag Committee.
Committee webpage:
http://www.ndow.org/Public_Meetings/Committees/Landowner_Compensation_Tag/
 - G. **Tag Allocation and Application Hunt Committee (TAAHC) Report – Committee Chairman Tommy Caviglia**
A report will be provided on the recent TAAHC meeting. *Committee webpage:*
http://www.ndow.org/Public_Meetings/Committees/Tag_Allocation_and_Application_Hunt/
 - H. **Administrative Procedures, Regulations and Policy (APRP) Committee Report – Commissioner and Committee Chairman McNinch**
A report will be provided on the recent APRP Committee Meeting. *Committee webpage:*
http://www.ndow.org/Public_Meetings/Committees/Administrative_Procedures_Regulations_and_Policy/
 - I. **Living with Wildlife Presentation – Conservation Educators Jessica Wolff and Lauren MacLeod**
A presentation will be provided on living with wildlife.
 - J. **Update on the Governors Executive Order – Wildlife Staff Specialist Mark Freese**
The Department will give a presentation on the Governor’s recently issued Executive Order creating the Habitat Conservation Framework.

7. **Commission Regulation – For Possible Action/Adoption – Public Comment Allowed**

A.* **Commission Regulation 21-15, Fishing Seasons and Regulations for January 1, 2022, through December 31, 2023 – Fisheries Division Administrator Chris Crookshanks – For Possible Action**

The Commission will establish fishing seasons, bag, and possession limits for the period of January 1, 2022, through December 31, 2023.

8. **Commission General Regulations – Adoption/Public Comment Allowed**

A.* **Commission General Regulation 488, Landowner Compensation Tags, LCB File No. R083-19 – Game Division Administrator Mike Scott – For Possible Action**

The Commission will consider adopting changes to Chapter 502 of the Nevada Administrative Code (NAC). This regulation would provide direction for allocating landowner deer and antelope compensation tags if owner applicants cumulatively qualify for compensation tags in excess of the statutory limit. This regulation was considered during a workshop in September 2019.

B.* **Commission General Regulation 489, NAC 503.172, Shed Antler Season, R082-19 – Chief Game Warden Mike Maynard – For Possible Action**

The Board of Wildlife Commissioners will consider adopting changes to NAC 501 and NAC 503 to change the demerits for violation of the shed antler closure, increase the demerits for a violation of that regulation and require an online class in order to collect or possess shed antlers in the field. This regulation was brought as a petition by Elko CABMW in August 2019 and was considered during a workshop in September 2019 and August 2021.

C.* **Commission General Regulation 494 – NAC 501 Regulation Simplification, LCB File No. R163-20 – Management Analyst Kailey Musso – For Possible Action**

The Commission will consider adopting changes to NAC 501 recommended by the Regulation Simplification Committee. This regulation was considered during a workshop at the September 2020 meeting.

9. **Commission General Regulations – Workshop/Public Comment Allowed**

A.* **Commission General Regulation 499, Bonus Point Only Application Period – Management Analyst Megan Manfredi – For Possible Action**

The Commission will review draft language amending NAC 502 chapters that would decouple the hunt application periods from the 7-day bonus point only application period and create a separate period for bonus point only purchases that would facilitate a more timely draw process and provide increased opportunity for bonus point purchase. The change also defines what “awarded” means to a successful draw applicant.

10.* **Coalition for Healthy Lands Letter – Chairwoman East – For Possible Action**

The Coalition for Healthy Nevada Lands has asked the Commission to sign on to the US Department of the Interior Secretary, Debra Haaland. The Commission may discuss and vote to take relevant action.

11. **Wildlife Contests – Commissioner McNinch – Informational**

Commissioner McNinch will present to the Commission, for consideration and discussion at a future meeting, various regulatory approaches and strategies used to address concerns surrounding wildlife contests.

12. Future Commission Meetings and Commission Committee Assignments – Secretary Wasley and Chairwoman East – For Possible Action

The next Commission meeting is scheduled for November 5 and 6, 2021. The Commission will review and discuss potential agenda items for that meeting. The Commission may change the date, 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 committee meetings that may occur prior to the next Commission meeting may be discussed.

13. Public Comment Period

Public comment will be limited to three minutes. No action can be taken by the Commission at this time; any item requiring Commission action may be scheduled on a future Commission agenda.

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