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MEMORANDUM:

October 15, 2021

To: Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners, County Advisory Boards to Manage Wildlife, and Interested Publics

From: Kailey Musso, Management Analyst 3, Director's Office

Title: **Commission Policies 1 and 10.**

Description: The Administrative Policies, Regulations and Procedures (APRP) Committee will be reviewing all Commission Policies throughout the next year. They will be forwarded to the Commission for approval after Committee review.

Summary:

The Administrative Policies, Regulations and Procedures (**APRP**) Committee reviewed Commission Policy 1 at their September meeting. Commission Policy 1 was updated to reflect changes to the Wildlife Trust Fund made in the 2021 Legislative Session.

The Administrative Policies, Regulations and Procedures (**APRP**) Committee reviewed Commission Policy 10 at their September meeting. Commission Policy 10 was updated to clarify the meeting date and provide for an explanation of online auctions.

Recommendation:

The Department recommends that the Commission review and adopt the proposed changes to Commission Policies 1 and 10

**STATE OF NEVADA
BOARD OF WILDLIFE COMMISSIONERS**

Commission Policy Number 10

Number: P-10
Title: Wildlife Heritage Tags and Vendors
Reference: NRS 502.250
Effective Date: April 1, 2006
Amended Date: September 23, 2016

POLICY

It is the policy of the Board of Wildlife Commissioners (Commission) to provide guidelines for the equitable distribution of Wildlife Heritage Tags to vendors to be auctioned at fundraisers for the benefit of game species.

The intent of offering Wildlife Heritage Tags is to provide for a unique hunting opportunity and for generating revenue in the Wildlife Heritage Account. This will be accomplished without deleterious impacts to Nevada's wildlife populations. To this end, it is the Commission's intention to integrate public comment with sound biological practices in the authorization of seasons and special regulations for Wildlife Heritage Tags annually.

PURPOSE

To inform the public and guide the Nevada Department of Wildlife (Department) in administering the disbursement, through an auction or sealed bid process, of not more than 15 big game tags and 5 wild turkey tags annually, to be known as "Wildlife Heritage Tags," as authorized by NRS 502.250.

"Wildlife Heritage Tag" is defined to mean a big game or wild turkey tag auctioned or awarded by sealed bid for the purpose of providing a unique hunting opportunity and for generating revenue to be deposited in the Wildlife Heritage Account.

PROCEDURE

1. The Commission, at the meeting which establishes big game seasons or the first scheduled February Commission meeting of the calendar year, whichever occurs first, may authorize seasons, quotas, and special regulations, including regulations that outline procedures for the auctioning or sealed bidding of the Wildlife Heritage Tags.
2. Except for applicable administrative costs, license, Habitat Conservation Fee, application, Predator Management Fee, and tag fees, all monies derived from Wildlife Heritage Tags will be deposited into the Wildlife Heritage Account.
3. By the first Monday in March, the Department will email, mail and post on the Department website vendor solicitation packets which will include, this policy, the annual regulation regarding species, season, quotas and special regulations, vendor proposal requirements, and proposal deadline information.
4. Proposals submitted to the Department by the third Monday in April of each year will be considered. Proposals received after the deadline may be considered for award of Wildlife Heritage Tags by the Commission after the Commission has considered all other proposals received and when necessary to fulfill the purpose of this policy.
5. A vendor proposal to auction Wildlife Heritage Tag(s) must provide the following information:
 - (a) Date, time and place of auction. If the proposed date, time and place of the auction changes due to circumstances beyond the vendor's control, it is the vendor's responsibility to notify the Department in order to post the updated information.
 - (b) Type of function (banquet, convention, or other event.)

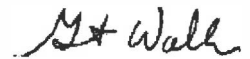
- (c) Estimated attendance.
- (d) Proposed advertising and marketing strategy.
- (e) An explanation of any "packaging" of the game hunt; i.e., other services to be provided in addition to the authorized tag, such as guide or taxidermy services, etc.
- (f) Except for subsection (a), no changes or alterations may occur to the proposal after the deadline for receipt of the proposals
- ~~ff)(g.)~~ An explanation of if or how the auction will take place online or via phone.

~~6. A vendor may not allow a Wildlife Heritage tag to be auctioned, resold, bartered, or traded at another fundraising event without the approval of the Commission.~~

- 7. The Commission will review all proposals and select vendors to auction the respective tags. If no proposals are received, the Commission may authorize other organizations within or outside Nevada to auction the tag. If no acceptable organization can be found to administer an auction, the tag may be sold by sealed bid.
- 8. The Commission reserves the right to refuse any proposal received for auctioning Wildlife Heritage Tags annually.
- 9. All vendors who submit proposals will be notified in writing of the results by the Department.
- 10. By the deadline established in annual regulation, all vendors must provide the successful bidder information on an application provided by the Department and the Wildlife Heritage donation.

This policy shall remain in effect until amended, repealed, or superseded by the Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF WILDLIFE COMMISSIONERS IN REGULAR SESSION, September 23, 2016.



Grant Wallace, Chairman
Board of Wildlife Commissioners