

Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners' Meeting Agenda

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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, January 28, 2022 – 9:00 a.m.

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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 November 5, 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. * **Litigation Report – Deputy Attorney General Craig Burkett**
A report will be provided on Nevada Department of Wildlife litigation.
 - B. **Western Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies Mid-Winter Conference – Secretary Wasley and Commissioner McNinch**
A report of the conference will be provided by the attendees.
 - C. **Wildlife Heritage Account Report – Division Administrator Alan Jenne**
A report will be provided on the funds available (interest and principal) for expenditure from the Heritage account in the upcoming year and an update on available principal balance.
 - D. **Tag Allocation and Application Hunt Committee (TAAHC) Report – Committee Chairman Tommy Caviglia**
A report will be provided on the recent TAAHC meeting.
 - E. **Mule Deer Enhancement Program Oversight Committee Update – Committee Chairman Casey Kiel and Division Administrator Mike Scott**
A report will be provided on the recent Mule Deer Enhancement Program Oversight Committee and the Department will provide an update on the current status of the Mule Deer Enhancement Program.
 - F. **Timing and Format of Big Game Status and Trend Book – Game Division Administrator Mike Scott**
A report will be provided to the Commission outlining the suggested changes to the timing of the Big Game Status and Trend Book. The Status and Trend book has historically been completed prior to the Big Game Quota Meeting; however, with the Game Division now being asked to also complete Quota Recommendation Forms, it is difficult to provide both documents prior to the May Wildlife Commission Meeting. The Game Division is proposing to provide the Quota Recommendation Forms to the CAB's, Commission, and interested publics prior to the May Commission Meeting and complete the Big Game Status and Trend Book prior to July 1st. The Game Division is also proposing some formatting changes to the Big Game Status and Trend book to eliminate some redundancy.
 - G. **Big Game Season Prescriptions and Management Objectives for Quota Recommendations – Game Division Administrator Mike Scott**
A report will be provided on the draft revision of the Big Game Season Prescriptions and Management Objectives for Quota Recommendations. This document guides the Game

Division when formulating big game hunting seasons and quota recommendations. This version will replace the Harvest Management Guidelines that were adopted as internal guidance for the Game Division in 2017.

**H. 2021 First Come First Serve Report – Data and Technology Services Division
Administrator Kimberly Munoz and Kalkomey Zack Lambert**

A report will be provided on this year's new First Come First Serve functionality of the online licensing system

I. Department Activity Report – Secretary Wasley and Division Administrators

A report will be provided on Nevada Department of Wildlife activities.

**7. Administrative Procedures, Regulations and Policy (APRP) Committee Report –
Chairman McNinch**

A report will be provided on the recent APRP Committee meeting.

**A. *Commission Policy 1, General Guidelines for the Commission – Second Reading
– APRP Committee Chairman David McNinch – For Possible Action**

The Commission will have a second reading of Commission Policy 1, General Guidelines for the Commission, and may take action to repeal, revise or adopt the policy.

**B. *Commission Policy 10, Heritage Tags and Vendors – Second Reading – APRP
Committee Chairman David McNinch – For Possible Action**

The Commission will have a second reading of Commission Policy 10, Heritage Tags and Vendors, and may take action to repeal, revise or adopt the policy.

**C. *Commission Policy 31, Lahontan Cutthroat Trout Management – First Reading –
APRP Committee Chairman David McNinch – For Possible Action**

The Commission will have a first reading of Commission Policy 31, Lahontan Cutthroat Trout Management, and may take action to repeal or revise the policy. The Commission may advance the policy to a second reading for possible adoption at a future meeting.

**D. *Commission Policy 33, Fisheries Management Program – First Reading – APRP
Committee Chairman David McNinch – For Possible Action**

The Commission will have a first reading of Commission Policy 33, Fisheries Management Program, and may take action to repeal or revise the policy. The Commission may advance the policy to a second reading for possible adoption at a future meeting.

**E. *Commission Policy 63 – Protecting Wildlife from Toxic Ponds– First Reading –
APRP Committee Chairman David McNinch – For Possible Action**

The Commission will have a first reading of Commission Policy 63, Protecting Wildlife from Toxic Ponds, and may take action to repeal or revise the policy. The Commission may advance the policy to a second reading for possible adoption at a future meeting.

**F. *Commission Policy 64 – Input on Land, Sales, Transfers, and Exchanges – First
Reading – APRP Committee Chairman David McNinch – For Possible Action**

The Commission will have a first reading of Commission Policy 64, Input on Land, Sales, Transfers, and Exchanges, and may take action to repeal or revise the policy. The Commission may advance the policy to a second reading for possible adoption at a future meeting.

**G. *Commission Policy 67 – Federal Horses and Burros– First Reading – APRP
Committee Chairman David McNinch – For Possible Action**

The Commission will have a first reading of Commission Policy 67, Federal Horses and Burros, and may take action to repeal or revise the policy. The Commission may advance the policy to a second reading for possible adoption at a future meeting.

8. Commission General Regulation – Workshop – Public Comment Allowed

A.* Commission General Regulation 504 – E-tag Regulation – Data and Technology Services Division Management Analyst Megan Manfredi and Captain Jake Kramer – For Possible Action

The Commission will review language amending NAC 502 that would allow the Department to offer game tags in an electronic format, as well as, utilize and validate tags in the field on an electronic device.

9. Commission General Regulations – For Possible Action/Adoption – Public Comment Allowed

A. *Commission General Regulation 495, LCB File R176-20 – NAC 502 Simplification - Management Analyst Kailey Musso

The Commission will consider adopting changes to NAC 502 recommended by the Regulation Simplification Committee. This regulation was considered during a workshop at the September and November 2020 and January 2021 meetings.

B. *Commission General Regulation 496, LCB File R009-21 – NAC 503 Simplification - Management Analyst Kailey Musso

The Commission will consider adopting changes to NAC 503 recommended by the Regulation Simplification Committee. This regulation was considered during a workshop at the November 2020 and January and March 2021 meetings.

C. *Commission General Regulation 497, LCB File R006-21 – NAC 502 Simplification - Management Analyst Kailey Musso

The Commission will consider adopting changes to NAC 504 recommended by the Regulation Simplification Committee. This regulation was considered during a workshop at the January 2021 meeting.

10. Public Comment Period

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11. Commission Regulations – For Possible Action/Adoption - Public Comment Allowed

- A.* Commission Regulation 21-07 Amendment #2, 2022 Heritage Tag Bighorn Sheep Unit Closures – Data and Technology Services Division Administrator Kimberly Munoz – For Possible Action**
The Commission will consider adopting a regulation to amend the bighorn sheep unit closures for the 2022 Heritage Tags.
- B.* Commission Regulation 22-01, 2022 Big Game Application Deadlines – Data and Technology Services Division Administrator Kimberly Munoz – For Possible Action**
The Commission will consider adopting regulation to set the 2022 big game tag application deadlines and related information.
- C.* Commission Regulation 22-02, 2022 Big Tag Application Eligibility and Tag Limits – Data and Technology Services Division Administrator Kimberly Munoz – For Possible Action**
The Commission will consider adopting regulation to set the 2022 big game tag application eligibility and tag limits and related information.
- D.* Commission Regulation 22-03, 2022 Dream Tag – Data and Technology Services Division Administrator Kimberly Munoz – For Possible Action**
The Commission will consider adopting a regulation to set the 2022 Dream Tag species, seasons, and quota.
- E.* Commission Regulation 22-04, 2022 Partnership in Wildlife Tags – Data and Technology Services Division Administrator Kimberly Munoz – For Possible Action**
The Commission will consider adopting a regulation to set the 2022 Partnership in Wildlife tags hunt species, seasons, and quota.
- F.* Commission Regulation 22-05, 2023 Heritage Tag Seasons & Quota – Data and Technology Services Division Administrator Kimberly Munoz – For Possible Action**
The Commission will consider adopting a regulation to set the 2023 Heritage Tag species, seasons, and quota.
- G.* Commission Regulation 22-06, 2022 Silver State Seasons & Quotas – Data and Technology Services Division Administrator Kimberly Munoz – For Possible Action**
The Commission will consider adopting a regulation to set the 2022 Silver State tag species, seasons, and quota.
- H.* Commission Regulation 21-03 Amendment 1, 2022-2023 Big Game Seasons – Wildlife Staff Specialists Mike Cox, Cody Schroeder, and Cody McKee – For Possible Action**
The Commission will consider adopting proposed changes for the 2022-2023 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, legal weapon requirements, and emergency depredation hunt structure and statewide quota.
- I.* Commission Regulation 22-09, Black Bear Seasons – Wildlife Staff Specialist Pat Jackson – For Possible Action**

The Commission will consider adopting the 2022 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 22-08, Mountain Lion Season and Harvest Limits – Wildlife Staff Specialist Pat Jackson – For Possible Action

The Commission will consider adopting the 2022-2023 mountain lion hunting season open units, harvest limits by unit group, hunting hours, and special regulations.

K.* Commission Regulation 22-07, 2022-2023 Restricted Nonresident Guided Mule Deer Seasons and Quotas – Wildlife Staff Specialist Cody Schroeder – For Possible Action

The Commission will consider adopting the 2022-2023 hunting seasons and quotas for restricted nonresident guided mule deer including hunt boundary restrictions.

12.* Draft Fiscal Year 2023 Predation Management Plan – Wildlife Staff Specialist Pat Jackson – For Possible Action

The draft Fiscal Year 2023 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 2022 meeting. The Commission will review and update at the March 2022 meeting from the Wildlife Damage Management Committee and may provide additional direction at that time.

13. Appeal – Mr. Troy Adam Robb – Sub-Guide Denial – For Possible Action

Mr. Robb is appealing the one-year denial and suspension of his guide license for three years.

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

The next Commission meeting is scheduled for January 28 and 29, 2022. The Commission will review and discuss potential agenda items for that meeting. The Commission may change Commission meeting dates, times, and locations at this time. The chairman may designate and adjust committee assignments and add or dissolve committees, as necessary. Any anticipated committee meetings that may occur prior to the next Commission meeting may be discussed.

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