

Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners' Meeting Revised Agenda

**Legislative Committee Agenda Item Revised*

Meeting Location

Washoe County Administrative Building A
Commission Chambers
1001 E. Ninth Street
Reno, NV 89512

The meeting will be broadcast live at the NDOW Commission YouTube page:

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If you wish to make public comment, please use this link for Friday, May 5, 2023.

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Meeting materials are available at: <https://www.ndow.org/events/may-2023-commission-meeting/>

Public comment will be taken on each action item following Commission discussion and before any action is taken. **Persons attending virtually 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. If you are a CABMW member participating in the virtual option, please provide your county and CABMW after your name. If you are a member of the public representing yourself, include self after your name.** 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.

Friday, May 5, 2023 – 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) – Chairman Tommy Caviglia**
2. **Approval of Agenda – Chairman Tommy Caviglia – 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 – Chairman Tommy Caviglia – For Possible Action**

Commission minutes may be approved from the March 10 and 11, 2023 and April 11, 2023 meetings.

 - A.* **March 10 and 11, 2023 Commission Meeting Minutes- Chairman Tommy Caviglia – For Possible Action**

The Commission will review and may approve Commission meeting minutes.
 - B.* **April 11, 2023 Commission Meeting Minutes - Chairman Tommy Caviglia – For Possible Action**

The Commission will review and may approve Commission meeting minutes.
4. **Member Items/Announcements and Correspondence – Chairman Tommy Caviglia – 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 Alan Jenne 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**
 - A. **Department Activity Report – Secretary Alan Jenne and Division Administrators - Informational**

A report will be provided on Nevada Department of Wildlife activities.
 - B.* **Litigation Report – Deputy Attorney General Craig Burkett - Informational**

A report will be provided on Nevada Department of Wildlife litigation.
 - C.* **Edible Portions Report – Black Bears and Mountain Lions – Deputy Attorney General Craig Burkett - Informational**

A report will be provided on Nevada’s requirements for edible portions of harvested black bears and mountain lions.
 - D. **Gordon Darby Presentation – Gordon Darby Representative Mitch Strobl and Data and Technology Services Administrator Kim Munoz - Informational**

A representative of the Department’s new contracted licensing vendor will provide an overview of the company and their plans on supporting the Department for the remainder of the contract.

- E.* Legislative Committee Report – Committee Chairwoman Tiffany East – For Possible Action**
 A report will be presented on the committee’s recent meetings. The Commission may review bills of interest and any associated amendments, consider Legislative Committee recommendations and may take official positions on those bills. The Commission may also choose to develop platforms on bills by supporting or opposing general concepts. Bill and BDR language may be viewed online at:
<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/App/NELIS/REL/82nd2023/Bills/List>.
- F. Wildlife Heritage Committee – Committee Member Tommy Caviglia – Informational**
 A report will be provided on the recent Wildlife Heritage Committee meeting.
- G.* Wildlife Heritage Grants Manual – Habitat Division Administrator Mark Freese – For Possible Action**
 The Commission will review recommendations made by the Heritage Committee to cap principal balance projects at 50% of the available balance per year.
- H. Mule Deer Presentation – Wildlife Staff Specialist Cody Schroeder and Dr. David Stoner (Utah State University) - Informational**
 A presentation will be provided - “Mapping mule deer and feral horse overlap across Nevada.”
- I.* Fiscal Year 2024 Predation Management Plan – Wildlife Staff Specialist Pat Jackson – For Possible Action**
 The Commission will review the final draft of the Fiscal Year 2024 Draft Predation Management Plan with the Department. The Commission may take action to modify or endorse the plan.
- J.* Regulation Simplification Report – Management Analyst Megan Manfredi – Informational**
 A report will be provided on the submission of proposed regulations or sections of regulations that were simplified, clarified, or removed per Governor Lombardo’s Executive Order 2023-003 directive.
- 7.* Elk Damage Payment Exceeding \$10,000 – Wildlife Staff Specialist Cody McKee – For Possible Action**
 Per NAC 504.421, the Commission is required to approve an elk damage payment above \$10,000. An elk damage assessment on the Granite Peak Ranch in White Pine County, totaling \$28,346, was completed by Department personnel and submitted for reimbursement by Bruce Hubbard, agent for the property.
- 8. Administrative Procedures, Regulations and Policy (APRP) Committee – Committee Chairman David McNinch – For Possible Action**
 The APRP Committee has concluded with committee meetings and will focus on the last policy through the Commission.
- A.* Commission Policy 23 – Predation Management – Fourth Reading – APRP Committee Chairman David McNinch and Deputy Director Mike Scott– For Possible Action**
 The Commission will review Commission Policy 23 and may make any necessary changes and may decide to repeal, revise, or adopt the policy.

9. 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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14. Commission General Regulations – For Possible Action - Public Comment Allowed

A.* Commission General Regulation 506, Possession of Golden Eagles Under Certain Circumstances – Wildlife Diversity Administrator Jennifer Newmark – For Possible Action

The Commission will hold an adoption hearing to consider amending Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) 503 to allow for possession of a golden eagle under certain circumstances.

15. Habitat Status and Trend– Habitat Division Administrator Mark Freese – Informational

A presentation will be provided on the status and trend of Nevada’s wildlife habitats.

16. Commission Regulations – For Possible Action – Public Comment Allowed

- A.* Commission Regulation 23-05, Amendment #1, 2023 Black Bear Quotas and Harvest Limits – Wildlife Staff Specialist Pat Jackson – For Possible Action**
The Commission will consider adopting the 2023 hunting season quotas and harvest limits for black bear.
- B.* Commission Regulation 23-14, Big Game Quotas for the 2023-2024 Season – Wildlife Staff Specialists Mike Cox, Cody Schroeder, and Cody McKee – For Possible Action**
The Commission will consider and may take action to approve regulations for the numbers of tags to be issued for mule deer, pronghorn antelope, elk, bighorn sheep, and mountain goats for the 2023 - 2024 season.

17. Future Commission Meetings and Commission Committee Assignments – Secretary Alan Jenne and Chairman Tommy Caviglia – For Possible Action

The next Commission meeting is scheduled for June 23 and 24, 2023. 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 Commission will review and approve the Commission Meeting Schedule for 2024-2025. 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.

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