

Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners' Meeting Agenda

Pursuant to Governor Sisolak's March 22, 2020 Declaration of Emergency Directive 006, the requirement contained in NRS 241.023 (1)(b) that there be a physical location designated for meetings of public bodies where members of the public are permitted to attend and participate is suspended in order to mitigate the possible exposure or transmission of COVID-19 (Coronavirus). Accordingly, anyone planning to participate in the meeting must participate via the web link provided below.

Friday, August 14, 2020 – 9:00 am

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

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Public comment will be taken on each action item following Commission discussion and before any action is taken. The content of written comments should be consistent with the three (3) minute public comment period allowed during normally conducted meetings. If a comment is excessively lengthy, the Commission reserves the right to review only that portion that is consistent with this policy. Persons are invited to submit written comments to wildlifecommission@ndow.org, so they may be included as exhibits with the minutes. Minutes of the meeting will be produced in summary format. 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 in order to avoid the appearance of deliberation on topics not listed for action on the agenda.

Friday, August 14, 2020 – 9:00 a.m.

- 1. Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance, Introduction and Roll Call of Commission and County Advisory Board Members to Manage Wildlife (CABMW) – Madam Vice Chairwoman East**
- 2. Election of Officers – For Possible Action**
In accordance with Commission Policy #1, the Commission will elect a chairman and vice chairman.
- 3. Approval of Agenda – Chairman – 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.
- 4.* Approval of Minutes – Chairman – For Possible Action**
Commission minutes may be approved from the June 26 and 27, 2020 meeting. *Once the Commission members have discussed this agenda item, a recess of a specific duration will be taken in order for the public to provide input at the following email address: wildlifecommission@ndow.org. Before reconvening the meeting, public comments will be shared with the Commission prior to taking any action.
- 5. Member Items/Announcements and Correspondence – Chairman – 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.

6. **County Advisory Boards to Manage Wildlife (CABMW) Member Items – Informational**
CABMW members may present emergent items at wildlifecommission@ndow.org; these comments will be shared with the Commission. No action may be taken by the Commission. Any item requiring Commission action will be scheduled on a future Commission agenda.
7. **Shikar-Safari Club International Officer of the Year Award – Game Warden Captain Mike Maynard - Informational**
This award is to recognize one wildlife officer from Nevada that has shown exemplary conduct and initiative in the performance of his or her duties.
8. **Regulation Simplification Committee Report – Commissioner Tiffany East - Informational**
A report will be provided on the Committee’s recent meeting held on July 7, 2020.
9. **Commission General Regulations – Workshop / Public Comment Allowed**
 - A.* **Commission General Regulation 493, NAC 488 Simplification – Management Analyst Kailey Taylor – For Possible Action**
The Commission will review the Regulation Simplification Committee’s recommendations regarding language updates and simplification of Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) 488 relating to watercrafts. *Once the Commission members have discussed this agenda item, a recess of a specific duration will be taken in order for the public to provide input at the following email address: wildlifecommission@ndow.org. Before reconvening the meeting, public comments will be shared with the Commission prior to taking any action.
10. **Commission General Regulations – Adoption / Public Comment Allowed**
 - A.* **Commission General Regulation 490, Party Bonus Points and First Come First Serve, LCB File No. 103-19 – Data and Technology Services Division Administrator Kim Munoz and Management Analyst Kailey Taylor – For Possible Action**
The Commission will consider adopting a regulation relating to amending Chapter 502 of the Nevada Administrative Code (NAC). This regulation would allow children under 12 to purchase a bonus point if they turn 12 before the first day of the last season for that species. The regulation also addresses bonus points for sportsmen who apply as a party. Lastly, the regulation would allow a first-come-first-serve opportunity for returned tags that miss the 14-day deadline. *Once the Commission members have discussed this agenda item, a recess of a specific duration will be taken in order for the public to provide input at the following email address: wildlifecommission@ndow.org. Before reconvening the meeting, public comments will be shared with the Commission prior to taking any action.
 - B.* **Commission General Regulation 491, Notification of Draw Results, LCB File No. R058-20 – Data and Technology Services Division Administrator Kim Munoz – For Possible Action**
The Commission will consider adopting a regulation amending Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) NAC 502.4208 relating to providing notification of draw results to clients who have opted out of having their results made public. *Once the Commission members have discussed this agenda item, a recess of a specific duration will be taken in order for the public to provide input at the following email address: wildlifecommission@ndow.org. Before reconvening the meeting, public comments will be shared with the Commission prior to taking any action.

C.* Commission General Regulation 492, Thermal Imaging Optics, LCB File No. R035-20 – Chief Game Warden Mike Maynard – For Possible Action

The Commission will consider adopting a regulation amending Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) 503 and NAC 503.1485 relating to wildlife; prohibiting the use of certain night-vision equipment and devices for locating, hunting and taking game mammals and game birds; revising the definition of “trail camera or similar device”; and providing other matters properly relating thereto. *Once the Commission members have discussed this agenda item, a recess of a specific duration will be taken in order for the public to provide input at the following email address: wildlifecommission@ndow.org. Before reconvening the meeting, public comments will be shared with the Commission prior to taking any action.

11. Reports – Informational

A. Western Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies 2020 Annual Conference – Secretary Wasley and Commissioner McNinch

Reports from the 2020 conference will be provided.

B. The Draw Process – Kalkomey Representative and Data and Technology Services Administrator Kim Munoz

The Department's vendor that accepts hunt applications and conducts the random draw for hunting tags will provide an overview of the process involved in accepting applications, managing bonus point accrual, assigning random numbers, and conducting the random draw.

C. Department Activity Report – Secretary Wasley

Secretary Wasley will provide a report on recent Department activities.

D. Update on the Fallon Naval Range and Training Center and Nevada Test and Training Range – Habitat Division Administrator Alan Jenne

The Department will provide an update regarding the legislative environmental impact statements status and timelines for Commission consideration of congressional correspondence relative to wildlife impacts.

E.* Litigation Report – Senior Deputy Attorney General Craig Burkett

F.* Public Works Contracts – Deputy Director Jack Robb

A report will be provided on public work contracts awarded by the Department in the previous year.

12.* Mule Deer Enhancement Program – Game Division Administrator Mike Scott – For Possible Action

A presentation on the Nevada Mule Deer Enhancement program will be given. The Commission will consider recommendations and may choose to provide direction to the Department on the Nevada Mule Deer Enhancement Program. *Once the Commission members have discussed this agenda item, a recess of a specific duration will be taken in order for the public to provide input at the following email address: wildlifecommission@ndow.org. Before reconvening the meeting, public comments will be shared with the Commission prior to taking any action.

13. Big Game Season Setting – Game Division Administrator Mike Scott - Informational

A presentation will be given demonstrating the need for the Game Division to begin working with the County Advisory Boards to recommend changes to Big Game Seasons. Big Game seasons will be set in January 2021 for the 2021-22 and 2022-23 seasons. Starting the process now may reduce the time spent discussing changes to the proposed seasons during the January Wildlife Commission Meeting.

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

The next Commission meeting is scheduled for September 25 and 26, 2020, in Las Vegas. 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 as necessary at this meeting. *Once the Commission members have discussed this agenda item, a recess of a specific duration will be taken in order for the public to provide input at the following email address: wildlifecommission@ndow.org. Before reconvening the meeting, public comments will be shared with the Commission prior to taking any action.

15. Public Comment Period

Persons wishing to speak are requested to complete a speaker's card and present it to the recording secretary. 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. *A recess of a specific duration will be taken in order for the public to provide input at the following email address: wildlifecommission@ndow.org. Before reconvening the meeting, public comments will be shared with the Commission.

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