

Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners' Meeting Agenda

Nevada State Capitol Building
Capitol Assembly Chambers
Second Floor
101 N. Carson St.
Carson City, NV 89701

Videoconferencing at the following Locations:

Grant Sawyer Building
555 E. Washington Ave., Fifth Floor, Suite 5100
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Public comment will be taken on every action item and regulation workshop item after discussion but before action on each item, and at the end of each day's meeting. Public comment is limited to three minutes per person. The chairman, in his discretion, 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 or attend and make comment during the meeting and are asked to complete a speaker card and present it to the Recording Secretary.

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.

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

Please provide the Board of Wildlife Commissioners ("Commission") with the complete electronic or 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, Nov. 3, 2017 – 9:30 a.m.

- 1 **Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance, Roll Call of Commission and County Advisory Board Members to Manage Wildlife (CABMW) – Chairman Wallace**
- 2 **Approval of Agenda – Chairman Wallace – 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 **Member Items/Announcements and Correspondence – Chairman Wallace – 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.

4 **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.

5* **Approval of Minutes – Chairman Wallace – For Possible Action**

Commission minutes may be approved from the Sept. 22 and 23, 2017, meeting.

Commission General Regulation – For Workshop/Public Comment Allowed

6* **Commission General Regulation 475, Shed Antlers – Chief Game Warden Tyler Turnipseed – Workshop/Public Comment Allowed**

The Commission will hold a workshop to consider a regulation relating to amending Chapter 503 of the Nevada Administrative Code (NAC). This regulation prohibits a person from collecting shed antlers at any time during a year unless the shed antlers are collected by the person from the field from April 15 to December 31, inclusive, of that year.

7* **Commission General Regulation 440, Trail Cameras and Other Devices, LCB File No. R012-16 – Chief Game Warden Tyler Turnipseed – Workshop/Public Comment Allowed**

The Commission will hold a workshop to consider a regulation relating to amending Chapter 503 of the Nevada Administrative Code. The proposed regulation change is intended to restrict the use of motion and heat sensing cameras that are left for a period of time, and not held in the hand. The proposed language would prohibit (with certain exemptions) the use of trail cameras within 200 feet of a spring, water hole, or artificial basin from Aug. 1 to Dec. 31 of each year. The proposed language would further prohibit the use of transmitting trail cameras at any location from Aug. 1 to Dec. 31 of each year. The Commission held a workshop on March 25, 2016 and directed the Department to revise previously drafted language prohibiting the use of trail cameras only for the purposes of scouting or hunting.

8* **Commission Policy 27, Protection of Nevada Wildlife Resources – Second Reading – Commissioner and Administrative Procedures, Regulations and Policy (APRP) Committee Chairman David McNinch and Game Division Administrator Brian F. Wakeling – For Possible Action**

The Commission will conduct a second reading of Commission Policy 27 and may take action to officially revise and adopt the policy.

9* **Commission Policy 65, Designation of Wildlife Management Areas – Second Reading – Commissioner and APRP Committee Chairman David McNinch and Habitat Division Administrator Alan Jenne – For Possible Action**

The Commission will conduct a second reading of Commission Policy 65 and may take action to officially revise and adopt the policy.

- 10* **Commission Policy 26, Re-establishing, Introducing, Transplanting and Managing Pioneering Rocky Mountain Elk – First Reading – Commissioner and APRP Committee Chairman David McNinch and Game Division Administrator Brian F. Wakeling – For Possible Action**
The Commission will conduct a first reading of Commission Policy 26 and may take action to revise the policy. The Commission may advance the policy to a second reading for possible adoption at a future meeting.
- 11* **Review of Commission Policy 3, Appeals – First Reading – Commissioner and APRP Committee Chairman David McNinch – For Possible Action**
The Commission will conduct a first reading of Commission Policy 3 and may take action to revise the policy. The Commission may advance the policy to a second reading for possible adoption at a future meeting.
- 12* **Wildlife Trust Fund Semi-Annual Report – Deputy Director Liz O’Brien – Informational**
A report will be provided on the investment and expenditure of the money in the Wildlife Trust Fund for the period of July 1, 2016, to July 1, 2017, pursuant to NRS 501.3585.
- 13 **Public Works Contracts – Deputy Director Liz O’Brien – Informational**
A report will be provided on public work contracts awarded by the Department in the previous year.
- 14 **Public Comment Period**
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Saturday, Nov. 4, 2017 – 9 a. m.

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19 **Nevada Department of Wildlife Project Updates – Secretary Wasley – Informational**

The Commission has requested that the Department provide regular project updates for ongoing projects and programs as appropriate based on geography and timing of meetings. These updates are intended to provide additional detail in addition to the summaries provided as part of the regular Department Activity Report and are intended to educate the Commission and public as to the Department's ongoing duties and responsibilities

20 **Reports – Informational**

A **Application Hunt 2017 Draw Report – Data and Technology Services Division Administrator Chet Van Dellen – Informational**

The Department will present an interim annual report of the 2017 big game draw. Information is presented in tables and charts and includes interim application, license and tag fees and counts as well as bonus point and client statistics for the draws already completed this year.

B **Department Activity Report – Secretary Tony Wasley**

A report will be provided on the Department's recent activities.

C* **Litigation Report – Deputy Attorney General Joshua Woodbury**

A status report will be provided on litigation.

D **Water Delivery Systems – Habitat Division Administrator Alan Jenne**

A report will be provided on the status of water delivery to Wildlife Management Areas in NDOW's Western Region.

21 **Review of Possible Settlement *Smith v. Nevada* – Senior Deputy Attorney General Bryan Stockton – For Possible Action**

Less than a Quorum of the Board of Wildlife Commissioners will attend a mandatory Nevada Supreme Court confidential settlement conference regarding an appeal in the case of *Mark Smith, Donald A. Molde & Smith Foundation v. State of Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners & NDOW (Second Judicial District, Reno)* on Nov. 2, 2017. If a tentative settlement is reached as a result of the mediation, the Board will consider accepting the settlement.

Commission Regulation – For Possible Action/Public Comment Allowed

22* **Commission Regulation 17-02 Noncommercial Collection of Reptiles and Amphibians for 2017-2018, Amendment #1 – Wildlife Diversity Administrator Jennifer Newmark – For Possible Action**

The Commission will consider and may take action to change Commission Regulation 17-02, Amendment #1, for the 2017-2018 season and limits for noncommercial hobby collecting of live, unprotected reptiles and amphibians.

- 23* **Predation Management Fiscal Year 2017 Report – Wildlife Staff Specialist Pat Jackson and Game Division Administrator Brian F. Wakeling – Informational**
The Game Division will present the status of the 2017 Predation Management Report. Per Commission Policy 23, the Department shall prepare an annual Predation Management Status Report (Status Report) detailing results of the previous fiscal year's projects. This status report shall be presented at the last Commission meeting of each calendar year.
- 24 **License Simplification and New Licensing Vendor Update – Data and Technology Services Division Administrator Chet Van Dellen – Informational**
An update will be provided to the Commission on the status of the new licensing vendor system and the implementation of the license simplification process.
- 25 **Possible Change to Future Commission Meetings and Commission Committee Assignments – Secretary Tony Wasley and Chairman Wallace – For Possible Action**
The next Commission meeting is scheduled for Jan. 26 and 27, 2018, in Reno/Carson and the Commission will review and discuss potential agenda items for that meeting. The location and date of the June Commission 2018 meeting will be discussed and may be changed. 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.
- 26 **Public Comment Period**
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*Support material provided and posted to the NDOW website. Updates to support material will be posted at ndow.org

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