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**Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners
Mule Deer Enhancement Oversight Committee
Mule Deer Enhancement Program Subcommittee
White Pine County; Management Area 11 and 12
Nevada Department of Wildlife
1218 North Alpha Street
Ely, Nevada 89301**

Thursday, July 07, 2022 / 6:00 p.m.

DRAFT Minutes

1. Call to Order – Department Representative

The meeting was called to order at 6:16 pm.

In Attendance:

Subcommittee Member Chris Collis
Subcommittee Member Mitch McVicars
Subcommittee Member Thomas Brunson
Subcommittee Member Gracian Uhalde, Jr.
Department Representative Kody Menghini.
Department Representative Moira Kolada.

Members absent: Subcommittee Member Jani Ahlvers, Subcommittee Member Martin Burdick.

2. Approval of Agenda – For Possible Action

Member Collis made a motion to approve the agenda.

Member Brunson seconded the motion.

The motion passed.

3. *Approval of Minutes (May 16, 2022) – Department Representative – For Possible Action

Member Collis made a motion to approve the minutes.

Member McVicars seconded the motion.

The motion passed.

4. *Member Announcements and Correspondence – Informational

Member McVicars stated he had talked to Scott Knoll, the permittee for Johnson Spring, about spring restoration and he was open to the idea. Member Collis stated he had talked to Hank Vogler, main permittee in the Antelope Range, about spring restoration and he was open to the idea if fences were metal pipe.

5. *Area 11 and 12 Project Proposals – For Possible Action

The Subcommittee reviewed the Limiting Factors Ranking Sheet from 2021 and determined that it was still adequate and nothing major had changed. The Subcommittee went through the Needs Assessment Sheet for Area 11. Discussion occurred for every Management Action and Strategy. The Subcommittee put "NA" for several strategies because they did not apply or there was a lack of understanding about the strategy. In the "Other" of the ranking worksheet, Member Collis added wild horses as a potential Limiting Factor and

wants to see a study done on the impacts to mule deer from wild horses. The group agreed that this is a good idea.

Ample discussion had occurred at the May 16, 2022 meeting and the June 24, 2022 field trip about potential projects for the coming year. Further discussion occurred about potential projects. The group decided to pursue the following projects:

- Area 12 mule deer collaring to determine habitat use, migration routes, and survival rates.
- targeted predator removal and camera studies in the Antelope Range and the Cottonwood Canyon area of the Cherry Creek Range.
- potential tree cutting and/or spring protection on USFS lands in the north end of the Schell Creek Range.
- a study on the impacts of wild horses on mule deer.

Member Collis made a motion to approve the list of project proposals.

Member Brunson seconded the motion.

The motion passed.

Member Gracian Uhalde lost his phone connection at 7:52 pm and was not present for the project proposal discussion or vote.

6. Public Comment

No public comment was received.

7. Future Subcommittee Meetings – For possible Action

The Subcommittee discussed the time and date for the next meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:33 pm.