

Subcommittee Members: Kalin Brown, Cameron Boyce,
Dane Bradfield, Mark Holt, Ruben Rowe

Department Representative: Daniel Sallee
Moirra Kolada
Tracy Kipke

**Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners
Mule Deer Enhancement Oversight Committee
Mule Deer Enhancement Program Subcommittee
Lincoln County; Management Area 22, 23, 24, 27**

**Panaca Town Center
1005 Main Street
Panaca, Nevada 89042**

Tuesday, August 2 2022 / 5:30 pm

DRAFT Minutes

1. Call to Order – Department Representative

Meeting called to order at 5:31 PM.

In attendance:

Kalin Brown, Subcommittee Member
Dane Bradfield, Subcommittee Member
Ruben Rowe, Subcommittee Member
Daniel Sallee, Department Representative
Moirra Kolada, Department Representative
Tracy Kipke, Department Representative

2. Approval of Agenda – Department Representative – For Possible Action

Department Representative Sallee motioned to approve the agenda.

Subcommittee Member Bradfield seconded the motion.

The motion passed.

3. Approval of Minutes (September 21, 2021) – Department Representative – For Possible Action

Department Representative Sallee motioned to approve the agenda.

Subcommittee Member Bradfield seconded the motion.

The motion passed.

*Subcommittee Members Cameron Boyce and Mark Holt entered the meeting at 5:40 pm

4. Member Announcements and Correspondence – Informational

Subcommittee members Holt, Boyce, Rowe, and Representative Sallee discussed plans for project proposals on July 7, 2022. This date was scheduled for a meeting, but a quorum was not reached. All members of the Subcommittee were informed of the discussion.

5. Limiting Factor Ranking and Needs Assessment Worksheet – Department Representative – For Possible Action

The Subcommittee discussed the Limiting Factor Ranking and Needs Assessment Worksheet that was voted on last year. Department Representative Sallee stated the “Disease” section of the Limiting Factor Ranking should be elevated from a “1” to a “3” across all management areas due to the detection of EHD/Bluetongue. (Attachment A)

Department Representative Sallee motioned to approve the Limiting Factor Ranking and Needs Assessment Worksheets with the same rankings as last year with the exception of “Disease,” which should be elevated from a “1” to a “3.”

Subcommittee Member Bradfield seconded the motion.

The motion passed.

6. Area 22, 23, 24, 27 Project Proposals – Department Representative – For Possible Action

The Subcommittee discussed three project proposals to be submitted to the Oversight Committee. The first project the Subcommittee discussed was a water development construction in the Milk Ranch Chaining. The Subcommittee discussed the location and size of the water development. The second project proposal discusses was a predator removal project in Management Area 23 targeting fawning grounds. The Subcommittee discussed how the project proposal was changed from last year to increase the chances of success. The project was changed to focus on a smaller area in order to concentrate effort and have a higher likelihood of success. The third project discussed was a GPS collaring project in Management Area 22. The Subcommittee discusses the number of animals that would be collared, the data that would be gathered from the project, and how that data would be used.

Subcommittee Member Bradfield motioned to approve the project proposals.

Subcommittee Member Boyce seconded the motion.

The motion passed.

*Department Representative Kipke left the meeting at 6:19 pm.

7. *Area 22, 23, 24, 27 5-Year Plan – Department Representative – For Possible Action

The Subcommittee discussed ideas for a 5-year plan that will guide management actions for mule deer. The Subcommittee identified several project types and areas that they would focus on. Ideas included water developments in Area 24, improvement of summer habitat through bitterbrush seedings and plantings in all management areas, pinion/juniper removals in the Fairview Range of Management Area 22, use of GPS data from the proposed project to identify other areas for habitat treatments in Area 22, and improvement of chainings in Area 23.

Department Representative Sallee motioned to have the Department draft a five-year plan based off the discussion in today's meeting and discuss that draft during the following meeting in September.

Subcommittee Member Boyce seconded the motion.

The motion passed.

8. Public Comment

No public comment was received.

9. Future Subcommittee Meetings – Department Representative – For possible Action

No action was taken on this item.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:30 pm.

Mule Deer Limiting Factor Ranking Sheet

	County: Lincoln	Mule Deer Unit Group			
	Potential Limiting Factor Rate (0 - 5)	221-223	231	241-243, 245	271
Habitat	Wildland Fire	1	1	1	3
	Invasive or Noxious Weeds	2	2	3	3
	Pinyon-Juniper (Conifer) Invasion	3	3	3	2
	Shrub senescence	2	3	3	3
	Improper grazing - Wild horses	5	5	5	4
	Improper grazing - Livestock	1	2	2	1
	Climate/Weather	4	4	4	4
	Limited Water Distribution	4	2	4	4
	Inadequate Migration Corridor	1	1	1	1
	Habitat or Population	Human Impacts – Direct			
- Collisions with vehicles		3	3	2	1
- Shed antler hunting		3	4	4	2
- Off-road vehicle use		2	3	3	2
- Fences		2	2	1	1
- Powerlines		1	1	1	1
- Urban Development		1	1	1	2
- Industrial Development (Renewable Energy)		1	1	1	2
- Heavy Industry		1	1	1	2
- Other (List):					
Population	Human-caused mortality (hunting & poaching)	3	3	3	1
	Predation	4	4	3	3
	Disease	3	3	3	3
Other	Conflicts with Laws/Policies/Regulations**	3	4	4	4
	Other (List):				

NDOW policies, etc.

Mule Deer Needs Assessment - Lincoln

5 = Highest Priority

0 = Lowest Priority

Potential Limiting Factors	Management Action	Strategy	Mule Deer Unit Group			
			221-223	231	241-243, 245	271
Wildfire and Invasives	Planting	Native Seed	4	4	4	4
		Shrub Plantings	5	5	5	5
		Strategic Non-Native Seeding	3	3	3	3
	Herbicide	Chemical Fallow	3	3	3	3
		Targeted Application	3	3	3	3
		Biological Control	3	3	3	3
	Fuels Management	Grazing Management	3	3	3	3
		Mechanical Thinning/Removal	3	3	3	3
		Green Strip	3	3	3	3
		Chemical Fallow	3	3	3	3
		Mechanical Removal	4	4	4	4
		Fencing	3	3	3	3
		Prescribed Fire	3	3	3	3
Conifer Invasion	Removal	Mechanical - Masticator	5	5	5	2
		Mechanical - chaining	5	5	5	2
		Hand Thinning	5	5	5	2
		Lop and Scatter	5	5	5	2
		Pile and Burn	4	4	4	1
		Prescribed Fire	4	4	4	1
	Restoration - Protection	Overseeding	3	3	3	3
		Fencing	3	3	3	3
		Grazing Management	3	3	3	3
		Herbicide - Spot Treatment	3	3	3	3
Lack of Diversity	Habitat Improvement	Mechanical Removal/Thinning	5	5	5	3
		Overseeding	3	3	3	3
		Shrub Plantings	4	4	4	4
		Fencing	3	3	3	3
		Grazing Management	3	3	3	3
		Easement / Acquisition	3	3	3	3
		Water Development	3	3	3	3
		Spring Protection	5	5	5	5

Potential Limiting Factors	Management Action	Strategy	Mule Deer Unit Group			
			221-223	231	241-243, 245	271
Lack of Connectivity	Protection	Easement / Acquisition	3	3	3	3
		Transportation Passage	3	3	3	3
		Migration Corridor	4	4	3	3
		Fence Modificaitons	3	3	3	3
		Land Use Planning	2	2	2	2
		Dept. of Transportation Action				
		- Wildlife Crossing	2	2	2	2
		- Add road signs	2	2	2	2
		Private Lands Action	3	3	3	3
Predation	Project	Coyote Removal	4	4	4	4
		Mountain Lion Removal	3	3	3	3
		Trail Camera Grid	2	2	2	2
		Predator Research	2	2	2	2
		Deer Collaring Study	5	5	5	5
Wildlife Health & Disease	Prescription	Disease Testing	4	4	4	4
		Age Structure Study	3	3	3	3
		Limit Harrassment	3	3	3	3
		Adjust Tag Numbers	3	3	3	3
Data Gaps	Big Game	Big Game Collaring	4	4	4	4
		Trapping & Transplant	2	2	2	2
		Modify Survey & Inventory	2	2	2	2
		Increased Law Enforcement	4	4	4	4
		Add / Remove Late Hunt	2	2	2	2
Human Impacts - Direct or Indirect	Prescription					
Other	Prescription					