



# White Pine County Wildlife Advisory Board

Bristlecone Convention Center, 150 W 6<sup>th</sup> St, Ely NV 89301

**Agenda for: Monday October 30, 2023, 6:00 pm**

- A. Call to Order**
- B. Pledge of Allegiance**
- C. Public Comment Period** (a period devoted to comments by the general public, if any, and discussion of those comments. No action may be taken upon a matter raised under this item of the agenda until the matter itself has been specifically included on the agenda as an item upon which action will be taken (N.R.S.241.020) (2) & (3).
- D. Approval of Agenda/Flexible Agenda** (for possible action)
- E. Review and Approve Minutes** (for possible action)
  - 1. Minutes of the September 18, 2023, meeting will be reviewed for approval.
- F. Payment of Bills** (for possible action)
  - 1. Anticipation of bill for secretarial services for the October 30, 2023, meeting.
- G. Correspondence**
- H. Reports** (for possible action)
  - 1. Cave Lake project update.
- I. Agenda Items** (for possible action)
  - 1. A full commission agenda will be open for discussion and possible approval. Agenda and support material available online at [www.ndow.org](http://www.ndow.org).
- J. Next meeting date:** (for possible action)

Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners next meeting will be held Friday, January 26<sup>th</sup>, 2024, and Saturday, January 27<sup>th</sup>, 2024 at the Washoe County Administrative Complex, Building A, Commission Chambers 101 E. Ninth Street Reno, Nv 89512

Anticipating the next White Pine County Wildlife Advisory Board meeting date to be on Monday January 22, 2024, at 6:00pm located at the White Pine County Library.

**K. Public Comment Period** (a period devoted to comments by the general public, if any, and discussion of those comments. No action may be taken upon a matter raised under this item of the agenda until the matter itself has been specifically included on an agenda as an item upon which action will be taken (N.R.S.241.020) (2)(C)(3).

**L. Adjournment** (for possible action)

**Public Commentary:** *A period devoted to comments by the public, if any, and discussion of those comments. No action may be taken upon a matter raised under this item of the agenda until the matter itself has been specifically included on an agenda as an item upon which action will be taken (NRS 241.020(2)(c)(3).)*

**Public Comment:** *Public Comment during the White Pine County Wildlife Advisory Board meeting on Monday October 30, 2023, will be for all matters both on and off the agenda and be limited to three minutes per person. Additionally, public comments of three minutes per person will be heard during the individual action items. The Board reserves the right to reduce the time or limit the total time allowed for public comment. The Board may prohibit comment if the content of the comments is willfully disruptive of the meeting by being slanderous, offensive, inflammatory, irrational or amounting to personal attacks or interfering with the rights of other speakers. Persons are invited to submit comments in writing on the agenda items and or attend and make comments on the item at the White Pine County Wildlife Advisory Board meeting.*

**Note:** *The Board may combine two or more agenda items for consideration and may remove an item from the agenda or delay discussion at any time. Sponsorship of an agenda item by a member of the White Pine County Wildlife Advisory Board may not signify agreement with the requested action. Action taken in favor of a flexible agenda allows the Board to freely address items on the agenda in no particular order.*

**Notice to persons with disabilities:** *Members of the public who are disabled and require special assistance or accommodations please contact the board in writing at 2780 N. 4<sup>th</sup> St. E., Ely, Nevada 89301 or by calling (775) 293-2417 at least two (2) days in advance of the meeting.*

**Affidavit**

*I, Kayla Couch, did on the 23<sup>rd</sup> day of October 2023 cause to be posted four (4) notices of the White Pine County Wildlife Advisory Board agenda in the County of White Pine, at the Ely Post Office, 2600 Bristlecone Avenue, Ely, Nevada 89301, Sports world, 1500 Aultman Street, Ely, Nevada 89301, at the White Pine County Courthouse.*

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*Kayla Couch, Secretary  
White Pine County Wildlife Advisory Board*

## Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners' Meeting Agenda

### Meeting Location

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

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

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCrFHgHLM0MZA2Hx7og8pFcQ>

**If you wish to make public comment, please use this link for Friday, November 3, 2023:**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83183174654?pwd=QINyUlpPUFpQQTFLQkpndnNWd0dGUT09>

Passcode: 65248

**If you wish to make public comment, please use this link for Saturday November 4, 2023:**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82805095514?pwd=eEp1YktkeDVoQVN5MWIZNDJIMjQ3UT09>

Passcode: 077788

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.** 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](mailto:wildlifecommission@ndow.org) or attend and make comment during the meeting. 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. All persons present are asked to sign-in, whether speaking or not.

In accordance with NRS 501.105 and Commission Policy 1, Adoption of Commission Policies, Resolutions, and Record Keeping: *"The Commission will have a minimum of two readings not on consecutive days of the revised or proposed policy in public meetings before the Commission takes action to adopt, amend, or repeal, or disapprove the policy. Exception: If the policy is declared an emergency the Commission may read, amend, and adopt the policy in two readings on two consecutive days."*

In accordance with Attorney General Opinion No. 00-047, as restated in the Attorney General's Open Meeting Law Manual, the Chair may prohibit comment if the content of that comment is a topic that is not relevant to, or within the authority of, the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners, or if the content is willfully disruptive of the meeting by being irrelevant, repetitious, slanderous, offensive, inflammatory, irrational or amounting to personal attacks or interfering with the rights of other speakers.

### **Friday, November 3, 2023 – 8:30 a.m.**

1. **Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance, Roll Call of Commission Members and County Advisory Board Members to Manage Wildlife (CABMW) – Chairman Caviglia** **INFORMATIONAL**

2. **Public Comment Period** INFORMATIONAL  
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. Persons making comments are asked to begin by stating their name for the record.
  
3. **Approval of Agenda – Chairman Caviglia** FOR POSSIBLE ACTION  
The Commission will review the agenda and may take action to approve the agenda for November 3, 2023. The Commission may remove items from the agenda, continue items for consideration or take items out of order.
  
- 4.\* **Approval of Minutes – Chairman Caviglia** FOR POSSIBLE ACTION  
Commission minutes may be approved from the September 22 and 23, 2023 meeting.
  
- 5.\* **Member Items/Announcements and Correspondence - Chairman 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 Jenne may also be discussed.
  
6. **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.
  
7. **Reports** INFORMATIONAL
  - A. **Department Activity Report – Secretary Jenne and Division Administrators**  
A report will be provided on Nevada Department of Wildlife recent activities.
  
  - B.\* **Litigation Report – Deputy Attorney General Craig Burkett**  
A report will be provided on Nevada Department of Wildlife litigation.
  
  - C.\* **Wildlife Trust Fund Annual Report – Deputy Director Jordan Goshert**  
A report will be provided on the investment and expenditure of the money in the Wildlife Trust Fund for the period of July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023, pursuant to NRS 501.3585.
  
  - D.\* **Tag Allocation and Application Hunt Committee (TAAHC) Report – Committee Chairman Caviglia**  
A report will be provided on the recent TAAHC meeting.

**E. FY 2023 Predator Management Report – Game Division Staff  
Specialist Pat Jackson**

An overview will be provided on the various predator management projects that were implemented during State Fiscal Year 2023.

**F.\* FY 2024 and 2025 Biennial Big Game Release Plan – Game Division Staff  
Specialist Mike Cox**

The Game Division will provide a summary of proposed big game releases intended to take place during State Fiscal years 2024 and 2025.

**G.\* Mule Deer Enhancement Program Oversight Committee –  
Commissioner Kiel, Game Division Administrator Shawn Espinosa, and  
Habitat Division Administrator Mark Freese**

A report will be provided on the status of Mule Deer Enhancement Program projects and future goals and directions for the program.

**8.\* Commission Policy 23 – Predation Management - FOR POSSIBLE ACTION  
Fourth Reading – Administrative Procedures, Regulations and Policy Committee  
Chairman David McNinch and Management Analyst Kailey Musso**

The Commission will review Commission Policy 23 and may make any necessary changes and may decide to repeal, revise, or adopt the policy.

**9.\* Commission Policy 24 – Hunting Opportunities - FOR POSSIBLE ACTION  
Among Various Weapons Classes and Hunter Groups  
Second Reading – TAAHC Committee Chairman Tommy Caviglia, Game Division  
Administrator Shawn Espinosa, and Management Analyst Kailey Musso**

The TAAHC Committee reviewed Commission Policy 24, made changes, and sent it back to the Commission. The Commission may make any necessary changes and may decide to repeal, revise, or adopt the policy.

**10. Conservation Education Division Overview – INFORMATIONAL  
Conservation Education Division Administrator Chris Vasey, Public Information Officer  
Ashley Zeme, Outdoor Education Coordinator Aaron Keller, Wildlife/Volunteer  
Coordinator Julie Bless, Publication Coordinator Hannah VonTour, Boating Education  
Coordinator Aaron Meier, and Connection Coordinator Bobby Jones.**

A presentation will be provided on the Conservation Education Division Programs.

**11. Public Comment Period INFORMATIONAL**

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**Friday, November 3, 2023 – Tour will begin at the close of agenda item #11**

**Field Trip – Tour of Oxbow Nature Study area**

The Commission will tour the Oxbow Nature Study Area. Informational presentations may be made at several sites, but no action will be taken by the Commission. The public is invited to participate but will be required to provide their own transportation. The group will depart from the Washoe County Complex, Building A.

**Saturday, November 4, 2023 – 8:30 a.m.**

12. **Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance, Roll Call of Commission Members and County Advisory Board Members to Manage Wildlife (CABMW) – Chairman Caviglia.** **INFORMATIONAL**
13. **Public Comment Period** **INFORMATIONAL**  
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14. **Approval of Agenda – Chairman Caviglia** **FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**  
The Commission will review the agenda and may take action to approve the agenda for November 4, 2023. The Commission may remove items from the agenda, continue items for consideration or take items out of order.
15. **Member Items/Announcements and Correspondence - Chairman Caviglia** **INFORMATIONAL**  
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16. **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.
17. **Nevada Department of Wildlife Project Updates – Secretary Jenne** **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.
18. **Commission General Regulations – Workshop/Public Comment Allowed** **FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**

**A.\* Commission Regulation 500, Subdivision Map Review – Wildlife Staff Specialist Jasmine Kleiber**

The Commission will hold a second workshop to consider amending Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) 278 to provide for the Department review of tentative subdivision map(s) and inclusion of recommendations for methods to avoid or minimize impacts to wildlife, mitigation measures, best management practices or required design features, and provide for collection of associated fees to the Department for carrying out such reviews.

**B.\* Commission General Regulation 511, Wildlife Management Area Regulations  
Habitat Division Administrator Mark Freese**

The Commission will hold a second workshop to consider amending Chapter 504 of the Nevada Administrative Code (NAC). This Regulation would update Wildlife Management Area (WMA) designations and restrictions.

**C.\* Commission General Regulation 513, Executive Order Regulations –  
Management Analysts Megan Manfredi and Kailey Musso**

The Commission will hold a workshop to consider amending Chapters 488, 501, 502, 503 and 504 of the Nevada Administrative Code pursuant to Executive Order 2023-003.

**19. Commission General Regulation – Adoption/Public Comment Allowed FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**

**A.\* Commission General Regulation 509, License and Vessel Product Refunds -  
Data and Technology Services Administrator Kim Munoz**

The Commission will consider and may take action to approve amending Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) 502 and 488 to allow the Department authority to provide refunds on licenses and vessel products.

**20. Bighorn Sheep Ram Specialty Tag Regulation Review - FOR POSSIBLE ACTION  
Data and Technology Services Administrator Kim Munoz and Game Division  
Administrator Shawn Espinosa**

The Commission will review bighorn ram specialty tag seasons and unit closures and may decide to make changes to the method used to limit the maximum number of specialty tags for every unit group that has an open season. The Commission Regulations presented at the January 2023 Commission Meeting have not provided the expected results and the Department is seeking an improved method for limiting the number of rams that can be harvested from bighorn ram hunt units or unit groups by specialty tagholders.

**21. Future Commission Meetings and Commission Committee Assignments – Secretary Jenne and Chairman Caviglia FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**

The next Commission meeting is scheduled for January 26 and 27, 2024, in Reno/Sparks. 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 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.

**22. Public Comment Period INFORMATIONAL**

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\*Support material provided and posted to the NDOW website, and updates to support material will be posted at [ndow.org/events/november-2023-commission-meeting/](https://ndow.org/events/november-2023-commission-meeting/)Support material for this meeting may be requested from the Recording

Secretary at (775) 688-1597 or [wildlifecommission@ndow.org](mailto:wildlifecommission@ndow.org). In accordance with NRS 241.020 this agenda closes three days prior to the meeting [ndow.org/events/november-2023-commission-meeting/](https://ndow.org/events/november-2023-commission-meeting/).

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