

Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners' Meeting **Revised** Agenda

*only Agenda Item Numbers were changed

Meeting Location

Clark County Government Center
500 S. Grand Central Parkway
Las Vegas, NV 89155

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, March 8, 2024:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86559984576?pwd=c20ybFlxRDVESmNYc1dxcUHVtKhGQT09>

Passcode: 862448

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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 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, March 8, 2024 – 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 March 8, 2024. 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 January 26th and 27th meeting.
5. **Member Items/Announcements and Correspondence** **INFORMATIONAL**
- **Chairman Caviglia**
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)** **INFORMATIONAL**
Member Items
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 Heritage Account Report – Habitat Division Administrator Mark Freese** A report will be provided on the funds available (interest and principal) for expenditure from the heritage account in the upcoming year and an update on available principal balance.
- D*. **Wildlife Heritage Committee Report – Committee Chairman Tom Barnes**
A report will be provided on the recent Wildlife Heritage Committee meeting.
- E*. **Tag Allocation and Application Hunt Committee (TAAHC) Report – Committee Chairman Caviglia**
A report will be provided on the recent TAAHC meeting.
- F. **Winecup Gamble Land Exchange – Deputy Director Caleb McAdoo**
The Department will provide an update to the Commission on recent developments regarding the Winecup Gamble Land Exchange.

G*. Draft Fiscal Year 2025 Predation Management Plan – Wildlife Staff Specialist Pat Jackson

The draft Fiscal Year 2025 Predation Management Plan will be presented to the Commission for review. A report from the Predatory Animal and Rodent Committee (PARC) Meeting, held in February will be shared with the Commission. All comments from the Commission, PARC, County Advisory Boards to Manage Wildlife, and any other interested publics will be compiled and shared with the Wildlife Damage Management Committee (WDMC) for their consideration at the March 2025 meeting.

H*. Administrative Procedures, Regulations and Policy Committee – Committee Chairman David McNinch

A report will be provided on the recent Administrative Procedures, Regulations and Policy Committee meeting.

I*. Mule Deer Enhancement Oversight Committee – Committee Chairman Casey Kiel

A report will be provided on the recent Mule Deer Enhancement Oversight Committee meeting.

J*. Mule Deer Tag Quota Development, Harvest Estimation and Effects of Harvest – Wildlife Staff Specialist Cody Schroeder

An informational presentation will be provided to the Wildlife Commission on the nuances of tag quota development for mule deer, how harvest levels are derived and the overall effects of harvest on mule deer populations.

K*. Wildlife Damage Management Committee Report – Committee Chairwoman Alana Wise

A report will be provided on the recent Wildlife Damage Management Committee meeting.

8*. Wild Horse and Burro Letter

FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

- Habitat Division Administrator Mark Freese

Discussion of the sign-on Wild Horse Burro letter addressed to Tracy Stone-Manning the Director of the Bureau of Land Management from the Coalition for Healthy Nevada Lands, Wildlife and Free-Roaming Horses.

9*. Petition – Ms. Rebecca Goff

FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

Ms. Goff has submitted a petition to add a new section to Chapter 503 of the Nevada Administrative Code (Hunting, Fishing and Trapping; Miscellaneous Protective Measures) regarding Wildlife Killing Contests. The Commission may take action to deny or accept the petition and initiate rulemaking.

**10*. Presentation for Interim Natural Resources Committee Meeting FOR POSSIBLE ACTION
Management Analyst – Kailey Musso**

The Department was asked to give a presentation to the Interim Natural Resources Committee about the commission and its duties at their April 5th Meeting. The Commission will hear an overview of the presentation and have an opportunity to provide input.

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Friday, March 8, 2023 – Tour will begin at the close of agenda item #12 #11

Field Trip – Tour of Clark County Shooting Complex

The Commission will tour the Clark County Shooting Complex, 11357 N. Decatur Blvd., Las Vegas NV 89131. Informational presentations may be made, but no action will be taken by the Commission. The public is invited to participate but will be required to provide their own transportation. We will depart from the Clark County Government Center.

Saturday, March 9, 2024 – 8:30 a.m.

12. Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance, Roll Call of Commission

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members and County Advisory Board Members to Manage Wildlife (CABMW) – Chairman Caviglia.

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Member Items**

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**17*. Heritage Account Principal Project Proposal
- Habitat Administrator Mark Freese**

INFORMATIONAL

The Commission will hear the South Schell Land Acquisition Heritage Account Principal Project Proposal. The Department is seeking Heritage Account Principal Project funding to acquire 1,720 acres of wildlife habitat in the Schell Creek Range near Ely, NV. The Department will seek a final decision in May.

18. **Commission General Regulations – Workshop/Public Comment Allowed** **FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**
- A*. Commission General Regulation 520 – Tag Deferral Extenuating Circumstances Revision – Management Analyst Megan Manfredi**
The Commission will hold a workshop to consider amending Chapter 502 of the Nevada Administrative Code to amend the circumstances surrounding tag deferrals.
- B*. Commission General Regulation 521 – Junior Tag Transfer – Management Analyst Megan Manfredi**
The Commission will hold a workshop to consider amending Chapter 502 of the Nevada Administrative Code to provide for the circumstances surrounding the transfer of a tag to a junior hunter.
19. **Commission General Regulations – Adoption/ Public Comment Allowed** **FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**
- A*. Commission General Regulation 500, Subdivision Map Review - Wildlife Staff Specialist Jasmine Kleiber**
The Commission will hold an adoption hearing 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 Designations – Habitat Administrator Mark Freese**
The Commission will hold an adoption hearing to consider amending Chapter 504 of the Nevada Administrative Code. This Regulation would update Wildlife Management Area (WMA) designations and restrictions.
20. **Commission Regulations – Public Comment Allowed** **FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**
- A*. Commission Regulation 24-10, Migratory Game Bird Seasons, Bag Limits, and Special Regulations for Waterfowl and Webless Migratory Game Birds Public Hunting Limited on Wildlife Management Areas and Designated State Lands for the 2024-2025 Seasons – Wildlife Staff Specialist Russell Woolstenhulme**
The Commission will consider recommendations for seasons, bag limits and special regulations for migratory game birds for the 2024-2025 season and adopt regulations consistent with the proposed regulations framework for the 2024-2025 hunting seasons on certain migratory game birds established by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. The Commission will also consider rules regulating public hunting on Wildlife Management Areas and designated state lands.

- B*. Commission Regulation 23-04 – Amendment 3, 2023-2024 and 2024-2025 Big Game Seasons – Game Division Administrator Shawn Espinosa**
The Commission will consider and may take action to approve an amendment to the 2024-2025 hunting seasons and dates.

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

The next Commission meeting is scheduled for May 3 and 4, 2024 in Reno. 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.

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