

DOUGLAS COUNTY ADVISORY BOARD TO MANAGE WILDLIFE

MEETING AGENDA

DOUGLAS COUNTY COMMUNITY CENTER
(CARSON VALLEY MEDICAL CENTER ROOM)
1329 WATERLOO LANE
GARDNERVILLE, NEVADA

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5:30 P.M.

JANUARY 25, 2016

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL AND INTRODUCTIONS

PUBLIC COMMENT (No Action Can be Taken)

At this time, public comment will be allowed on those items not appearing on the agenda that are within the jurisdiction and control of the Douglas County Advisory Board to Manage Wildlife.

Public comment is limit to three minutes per speaker. If you are going to comment on a specific agenda item scheduled for discussion and action, please do so when that item is opened for public comment.

FOR POSSIBLE ACTION. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The Wildlife Board reserves the right to take items in a different order to accomplish business in the most efficient manner; to combine two or more agenda items for consideration, and; to remove items from the agenda or delay discussion relating to items on the agenda.

FOR POSSIBLE ACTION. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

- **November 10, 2015**

The Administrative Agenda will be handled as follows:

- (1) The Chairman will read the agenda title into the public record.
- (2) The Presenter, if any, will provide a report.
- (3) The Board will then discuss the matter.
- (4) The public will then be allowed to comment on the item and comment will be limited to three minutes per speaker.
- (5) Once public comment is completed, the Board will then ask any

follow-up questions and take action.

1. **FOR POSSIBLE ACTION. DISCUSSION REGARDING THE ACTIVITIES OF THE TRI-COUNTY WILDLIFE WORKING GROUP.**
2. **UPDATE (INFORMATIONAL ONLY) ON THE BI-STATE SAGE GROUSE.**
3. **The following items, 3a through 3o, are items that will be heard before the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners at the next meeting, January 29 & 30, 2016, at the Clark County Government Center, Commission Chambers, 500 S. Grand Central Parkway, Las Vegas, Nevada. The Douglas County Advisory Board to Manage Wildlife may take the following action, or a variation thereof, on each item: support the item, not support the item or not take a position on the item. Public Comment will be allowed on each item.**

3a–3o. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING WHETHER THE DOUGLAS COUNTY ADVISORY BOARD SHOULD TAKE A POSITION ON:

3a. FOR POSSIBLE ACTION. DISCUSSION ON THE DRAFT FISCAL YEAR (FY) 2017 PREDATION MANAGEMENT PLAN. The draft FY 2017 Predation Management Plan will be presented to the Commission for initial review and input for submission to the State Predatory Animal and Rodent Committee.

3b. FOR POSSIBLE ACTION. DISCUSSION ON COMMISSION GENERAL REGULATION 456, SPECIAL INCENTIVE ELK ARBITRATION PANEL, LCB FILE NO. R031-15. The Commission will consider permanent adoption of a regulation relating to amending NAC 502.42283 by which the Commission may facilitate decisions by appointing or serving as the arbitration panel should arbitration of elk incentive tag awards become necessary; and providing other matters properly relating thereto. A workshop on the temporary regulation was held on March 20, 2015, and the temporary regulation was adopted on May 15, 2015, at the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commission meetings. An additional workshop was held on August 7, 2015, at the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commission meeting and no further changes were made. The Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners adopted this regulation as a permanent regulation on September 26, 2015; however, on October 27, 2015 the Legislative Commission deferred the regulation. *(This item is agendaized as a Workshop/Informational Item on the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners' Agenda)*

3c. FOR POSSIBLE ACTION. DISCUSSION ON COMMISSION GENERAL REGULATION 458, ELECTRONIC RIFLE TRIGGERS, CALIBER AND CARTRIDGE LENGTH, AND SMOKELESS POWDER RESTRICTIONS, LCB FILE No. R144-15. The Commission will hold a workshop to consider a regulation relating to amending Chapter 503 of the Nevada Administrative Code. It revises provisions relating to hunting big game mammals with a rifle; and providing other matters properly relating thereto. *(This item is agendaized as a Workshop/Informational Item on the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners' Agenda)*

3d. FOR POSSIBLE ACTION. DISCUSSION ON COMMISSION GENERAL REGULATION 459, UNMANNED AERIAL VEHICLES (DRONES), LCB FILE NO. R145-15. The Commission will hold a workshop to consider a regulation relating to amending Chapter 503 of the Nevada Administrative Code. It restricts the use of aerial devices to aid in hunting and adds additional types of aerial devices. *(This item is agendaized as a Workshop/Informational Item on the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners' Agenda)*

3e. FOR POSSIBLE ACTION. DISCUSSION ON COMMISSION REGULATION 15-09 - AMENDMENT #2 – BIG GAME SEASONS. The Commission will consider amendment #2 of the 2016 – 2017 hunting seasons and dates for mule deer, pronghorn antelope, elk, bighorn sheep, and mountain goat, including limits, hunting hours, special hunt eligibility, animal sex, physical characteristics and legal weapon requirements, hunt boundary restrictions, and emergency depredation hunt structure and statewide quotas.

3f. FOR POSSIBLE ACTION. DISCUSSION ON COMMISSION REGULATION 16-09, BIG GAME MOUNTAIN LION HARVEST LIMITS FOR 2016-2017. The Commission will consider the adoption of 2016 – 2017 mountain lion hunting season open units, harvest limits by unit group, hunting hours, and special regulations.

3g. FOR POSSIBLE ACTION. DISCUSSION ON COMMISSION REGULATION 16-10, 2016 BLACK BEAR SEASONS. The Commission will consider the adoption of 2016 hunting season dates, open management units, hunting hours, special regulations, animal sex, legal weapon requirements, hunt boundary restrictions, and dates and times for indoctrination courses for black bear. The Department will provide the annual hunt and population status report following the 2015 bear season.

3h. FOR POSSIBLE ACTION. DISCUSSION ON COMMISSION REGULATION 16-03, 2017 HERITAGE TAG SEASONS AND QUOTAS. The Commission will consider the adoption of the 2017 Heritage Tag hunt species, seasons and quotas.

3i. FOR POSSIBLE ACTION. DISCUSSION ON COMMISSION REGULATION 16-04, DREAM TAG 2016 SEASONS. The Commission will consider the adoption of the 2016 Dream Tag seasons.

3j. FOR POSSIBLE ACTION. DISCUSSION ON COMMISSION REGULATION 16-05, PARTNERSHIP IN WILDLIFE (PIW) 2016 SEASON AND QUOTAS. The Commission will consider the adoption of the 2016 PIW hunt species, seasons and quotas.

3k. FOR POSSIBLE ACTION. DISCUSSION ON COMMISSION REGULATION 16-06, SILVER STATE TAG 2016 SEASON AND QUOTAS. The Commission will consider the adoption of the 2016 Silver State Tag hunt species, seasons and quotas.

3l. FOR POSSIBLE ACTION. DISCUSSION ON COMMISSION REGULATION 16-07, 2016 BIG GAME APPLICATION DEADLINE INFORMATION. The Commission will consider adopting language regarding the 2016 big game tag application deadline information.

3m. FOR POSSIBLE ACTION. DISCUSSION ON COMMISSION REGULATION 16-08, 2016 BIG GAME TAG APPLICATION ELIGIBILITY. The Commission will consider adopting language regarding the 2016 big game tag application eligibility.

3n. FOR POSSIBLE ACTION. DISCUSSION ON COMMISSION GENERAL REGULATION 456, SPECIAL INCENTIVE ELK ARBITRATION PANEL, LCB FILE NO. R031-15. The Commission will consider permanent adoption of a regulation relating to amending NAC 502.42283 by which the Commission may facilitate decisions by appointing or serving as the arbitration panel should arbitration of elk incentive tag awards become necessary; and providing other matters properly relating thereto. A workshop on the temporary regulation was held on March 20, 2015, and the temporary regulation was adopted on May 15, 2015, at the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commission meetings. An additional workshop was held on August 7, 2015, at the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commission meeting and no further changes were made. The Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners adopted this regulation as a permanent regulation on September 26, 2015; however, on October 27, 2015 the Legislative Commission deferred the regulation. A workshop was held yesterday, January 29, 2015, and subsection 3 on page 3 was suggested for removal by the Department.

3o. FOR POSSIBLE ACTION. DISCUSSION ON THE POTENTIAL CONGRESSIONAL LAND TRANSFER TO THE MOAPA BAND OF PAIUTES IN SOUTHERN NEVADA. The Department will present a brief overview of a potential congressional land transfer and discuss possible issues with wildlife management and public access in and around lands being considered for transfer. The Commission may choose to develop correspondence and provide input to the Congressional delegation as part of their consideration of Senate bill S. 1986.

- 4. CORRESPONDENCE OR COMMUNICATIONS BOARD MEMBERS HAVE RECEIVED.** This is an opportunity for Board members to discuss any correspondence or communication they may have received regarding matters over which the Board has jurisdiction and control. No action will be taken other than to possibly have an item placed on the next agenda.
- 5. DISCUSSION ON THE RESULTS OF THE NOVEMBER 13 & 14, 2015 NEVADA BOARD OF WILDLIFE COMMISSION MEETINGS.** There will be no action taken.
- 6. FOR POSSIBLE ACTION. DISCUSSION REGARDING ADVISORY BOARD MEMBER COMMITMENTS TO ATTEND UPCOMING WILDLIFE COMMISSION MEETINGS AND TO REPRESENT THE FINDINGS OF THE DOUGLAS COUNTY WILDLIFE ADVISORY BOARD. ONE MEMBER WILL BE DESIGNATED AS A SPOKESMAN FOR THE DOUGLAS COUNTY ADVISORY BOARD.**
- 7. FOR POSSIBLE ACTION. DISCUSSION TO SCHEDULE THE NEXT WILDLIFE ADVISORY BOARD MEETING.** The next Commission meeting is scheduled for March 25 and 26, 2016, in Yerington and the Commission will review and discuss potential agenda items for that meeting. The Commission may change the date

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. The next Douglas County Advisory Board to Manage Wildlife meeting is tentatively scheduled for Tuesday, March 22, 2016.

8. **FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS.** This is an opportunity for Board members to request that items be placed on future agendas. There will be no deliberation or action taken other than to request the Chair to place the item on an agenda.

ADJOURNMENT

NOTICES: The Douglas County Advisory Board to Manage Wildlife is pleased to make reasonable accommodations for any citizen who wishes to attend this meeting. If special arrangements are necessary, please contact Craig Burnside, Chairman, at 775-901-2882, or, in writing, at 1388 Saratoga Street, Minden, Nevada 89423, as soon as possible.

In accordance with Nevada Revised Statutes 241, this agenda closes three days prior to the meeting day and has been posted before 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, January 19, 2016 at the following locations: Douglas County Community & Senior Center, Douglas County Historic Courthouse, USPS Gardnerville Post Office, and USPS Minden Post Office Main Office.

Copies of supporting material can be found at: www.ndow.org/Public_Meetings/Commission/Agenda/. Copies of supporting material can be requested in person from Lorraine Kabat by calling 775-782-0029.

On some occasions, a quorum of this Advisory Board may be attendance at the Nevada Wildlife Commissioners meetings. No action will be taken by the Douglas County Advisory Board to Manage Wildlife on those occasions other than to have a spokesperson inform the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners of the recommendations that this Advisory Board has duly acted upon at previous meetings.