EUREKA COUNTY ADVISORY BOARD TO MANAGE WILDLIFE

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

The Eureka County Advisory Board to Manage Wildlife will hold a public meeting on Thursday, November 7, 2024, at 4:30 p.m. at the Eureka County Administration Facility, 701 S. Main St., Eureka, Nevada. Persons may also participate by phone by calling 1-415-655-0003 and entering code 24917602684##.

AGENDA

<u>Call to Order</u> – Chairman will call the meeting to order and determine quorum.

<u>Public Comment and Discussion</u> – No action may be taken on a matter raised under this item until the matter has been specifically included on an agenda as an item upon which action will be taken. Public comment may be limited to (3) minutes per person at the discretion of the Chairman.

Board Business

- 1. Approval of the agenda notice with addition of any emergency item and/or deletion of any item. (For Possible Action)
- 2. Review and approve the minutes from the September 19, 2024, meeting. (For Possible Action)
- 3. Correspondence and Member Reports. (Discussion)

Agency Reports

1. Reports and updates from various wildlife and land management agencies. (Discussion)

<u>Current and Emerging Wildlife, Natural Resources and Public Land Issues</u>

1. Report on and discuss current and emerging wildlife, natural resources and public land issues affecting Eureka County. (Discussion)

Wildlife Enhancement Projects

1. Discuss pinyon-juniper thinning projects, wildlife guzzlers installation, and other potential projects including fisheries and the Tonkin Reservoir Access Improvement Planning Initiative and consider further efforts to move forward for successful implementation of projects including potential funding requests for the County or other entities. (For Possible Action)

<u>Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners Meeting Agenda and Support Material</u>— the Board may discuss and act upon any or all items on the Wildlife Commissioners Agenda for the November 15-16, 2024, meeting. **(For Possible Action)**

**Notice: Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners' meeting agenda is attached.

Agenda and support material is available online at ndow.org**

<u>Next Meeting Date</u> – Set next meeting date and consider items for agenda. (For Possible Action)

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Adjournment (For Possible Action)

Items on this agenda on which action may be taken are denoted as **(For Possible Action).** Items on this agenda may be taken out of order, combined with other agenda items for consideration, removed from the agenda, or delayed for discussion at any time. Reasonable efforts will be made to assist and accommodate physically handicapped persons attending the meeting. Please call (775) 237-6010 in advance so that arrangements may be made.

This agenda was posted on November 1, 2024 at the following locations: Eureka Post Office; Eureka County Administrative Facility; Eureka County Dept. of Natural Resources; Eureka County Courthouse; electronically posted to Nevada's Public Notice Website (https://notice.nv.gov) and electronically mailed for posting to Crescent Valley Town Hall and the Eureka County website (https://events.eurekacountynv.gov/meetings).

For agenda support material, please call (775) 237-6010 or email hdechambeau@eurekacountynv.gov or visit the Natural Resources Department located in the Eureka County Administration Facility (Annex) at 701 S. Main St., Eureka, NV 89316.

Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners' Meeting Amended Agenda

Meeting Location

*Corrections made to Agenda Item 20

Nevada Department of Wildlife 6980 Sierra Center Parkway, Ste 110 RENO, NV 89511

If you wish to make public comment, please use this link for Friday, November 15, 2024: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85205829695?pwd=uMCRcbfXbt094Dm3S4qrrtNpH9zcgO.1
Passcode: 695234

If you wish to make public comment, please use this link for Saturday, November 16, 2024: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85146371402?pwd=Mfov1eZkszj79nef5EBTPO2TDA11RQ.1
Passcode: 468759

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.

A recording of the meeting will be posted to the NDOW Commission YouTube page after the meeting.

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 15, 2024 – 8.30 a.m.

Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance, Roll Call of <u>INFORMATIONAL</u>
 Commission Members and County Advisory Board Members to Manage Wildlife (CABMW) – Chairman Rogers

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 Rogers

FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

The Commission will review the agenda and may take action to approve the agenda for November 15, 2024. The Commission may remove items from the agenda, continue items for consideration or take items out of order.

4*. Approval of Minutes – Chairman Rogers

FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

Commission minutes may be approved from the September 27 and 28, 2024 meeting.

5. Member Items/Announcements and Correspondence

INFORMATIONAL

- Chairman Rogers

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

<u>INFORMATIONAL</u>

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. Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies (AFWA) Conference Report Secretary Jenne A report will be provided from the 2024 Madison, Wisconsin conference.
- C*. Litigation Report Deputy Attorney General Craig Burkett
 A report will be provided on Nevada Department of Wildlife litigation.
- **D*.** Connectivity Plan Game Division Wildlife Staff Biologist Cody Schroeder An update will be given on a draft of Nevada's Wildlife Connectivity Plan
- E. Sagebrush Habitat Plan Habitat Division Administrator Mark Freese and Habitat Division Wildlife Staff Specialist Amanda Gearhart.

 A report will be provided on the Nevada Sagebrush Habitat Plan.
- F. Report on Nevada's Response to Chronic Wasting Disease (CWD) Game Division Wildlife Health Specialist Dr Nate LaHue

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- **G*.** Contest Committee Update Committee Chairman Dave McNinch A report will be provided on the recent Contest Committee meeting.
- H. Cave Creek Dam Rehabilitation Project Update Eastern Region Supervisor Heath Korell A report will be provided on status of the Cave Creek Dam Rehabilitation Project.
- I. 2024 Wildfire Report Habitat Division Administrator Mark Freese

 The Department will provide the Commission with an update of the 2024 wildfire season and Department activities.
- 8. Emerging Technology Report Chief Game Warden Kristy Knight
 A report will be provided on emerging technology as it results to wildlife. She will discuss hardware and software related technology advancements and the effects it has on harvesting of wildlife.
- 9. Biodiversity Division Overview Biodiversity Division Administrator Jasmine Kleiber, Wildlife Staff Specialist Jess Brooks,
 Wildlife Staff Specialist Jon Young, Biodiversity Biologist David Catalano, Biodiversity Biologist
 Matt Flores
 A presentation will be provided on the Biodiversity Division Programs.
- 10*. Appeal Mr James Curtis Five Year License Revocation

 Mr Curtis is appealing the Revocation of his hunting, fishing, trapping license permit or privileges for a period of five years.
- 11. Public Comment Period

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Saturday, November 16, 2024 – 8:30 a.m.

12. Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance, Roll Call of Commission INFORMATIONAL members and County Advisory Board Members to Manage Wildlife (CABMW) – Chairman Rogers

13. Public Comment Period

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14. Approval of Agenda – Chairman Rogers

FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

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15. Member Items/Announcements and Correspondence - <u>INFORMATIONAL</u>
Chairman Rogers

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17* Heritage Committee Meeting Report and Cave Creek Dam <u>FOR POSSIBLE ACTION</u>
Rehabilitation Heritage Account Principal Proposal – Committee Chairman Tom Barnes
and Deputy Director Caleb McAdoo

The Commission will hear a report from the Heritage Committee and consider the Cave Creek Dam Rehabilitation Heritage Account Principal Project Proposal. The Department is seeking Heritage Account Principal Project funding in the amount of \$1,000,000 to assist in the reconstruction of the Cave Creek Dam in White Pine County, Nevada.

18*. Policy 67 - Wild Horse and Burro Update – Wildlife Staff Specialist FOR POSSIBLE ACTION
Amanda Gearhart

A draft report and presentation will be provided to the Commission on the status of Wild Horses and Burros in Nevada as referenced in Commission Policy 67.

19*. FY 2024 Predator Management Report – Game Division Administrator Shawn Espinosa

INFORMATIONAL

A presentation will be provided on the Department's Predation Management Status Report for fiscal year 2024. Additionally, a presentation will also be provided by USGS staff on Project 41 – "Understanding of Common Raven Densities and Space Use in Nevada".

20. Commission Regulations — Workshop/Adoption Public Comment Allowed

FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

A*. Commission Regulation 24-14, Taking of Raptors for Falconry for 2025-2026 – Biodiversity Division Administrator Jasmine Kleiber

The Commission will consider and may take action to approve the 2025-2026 season dates, species, quotas, limits, closed areas, application procedures and deadlines, and take of raptors for falconry.

B*. Commission Regulation 24-15, Non-commercial Collection of Reptiles and Amphibians for 2025-2026 – Wildlife Biodiversity Administrator Jasmine Kleiber

The Commission will consider and may take action to approve 2025-2026 season and limits for non-commercial hobby collecting of live, unprotected reptiles and amphibians.

21. Commission General Regulations – Adoption/ Public Comment Allowed

FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

A* Commission General Regulation 522 – eTag Regulations – Data and Technology Services Division Administrator Matt Maples and Management Analyst Megan Manfredi

The Commission will hold an adoption to amend Chapter 502 of the Nevada Administrative Code (NAC). This would update the process related to use of game tags in the field and allow the Department to offer game tags in an electronic format.

B*. Commission General Regulation 523 – Heritage Revisions – Habitat Division Administrator Mark Freese

The Commission will hold an adoption to amend Chapter 501 Nevada Administrative Code (NAC). This regulation would change Heritage Project Awards from one to two years with the possibility for extension.

22. Future Commission Meetings and Commission Committee Assignments – Secretary Jenne and Chairman Rogers

FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

The next Commission meeting is scheduled for January 24 and 25, 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.

23. Public Comment Period

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*Support material provided and posted to the NDOW website, and updates to support material will be posted at Commission Meeting November 2024 - NDOW. Support material for this meeting may be requested from the Recording Secretary at (775) 688-1599 or wildlifecommission@ndow.org. In accordance with NRS 241.020 this agenda closes three days prior to the meeting Commission Meeting November 2024 - NDOW

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