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 Wednesday, January 15, 2025 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 24938096694 ##.

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. Appoint CAB Chair and Vice Chair for 2025. (For Possible Action)
- 2. Approval of the agenda notice with addition of any emergency item and/or deletion of any item. (For Possible Action)
- 3. Review and approve the minutes from the November 7, 2024 meeting. (For Possible Action)
- 4. Correspondence and Member Reports. (Discussion)

Agency Reports

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

Current and Emerging Wildlife, Natural Resources and Public Land Issues

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 January 24 – 25, 2025 meeting. (For Possible Action)

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

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

Next Meeting Date – 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 January 9, 2025 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 Agenda

Meeting Location

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

If you wish to make public comment, please use this link for Friday, January 24, 2025: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87674850393?pwd=bkcZ150ajylmf2dqF7EJj9p65O2rxb.1
Passcode: 684532

If you wish to make public comment, please use this link for Saturday, January 25, 2025: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81420130967?pwd=bzh9pbkTaaCk8DbJbAj40LmqfgFOtX.1
Passcode: 246826

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, January 24, 2025 – 8:00 a.m. (Meeting to adjourn at 4.30 p.m. without exception)

1. Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance, Roll Call of INFORMATIONAL
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 January 24, 2025. 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 November 15 and 16, 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 <u>INFORMATIONAL</u>

- 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. Western Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies (WAFWA) Executive Leadership Meeting Secretary Jenne

A report will be provided from the 2024 Jackson Hole, Wyoming conference.

- D.* Emerging Technologies Committee Chairman Tommy Caviglia
 A report will be provided on the recent Emerging Technologies Committee meeting.
- E.* 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.

8.* Petition – Mr. Donald Molde, Mr. Christopher Smith, Ms. Caron Tayloe, Ms. Catherine Smith and Mr. Will Stolzenburg

FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

Mses. Tayloe and Smith and Messrs. Molde, Smith and Stolzenburg are petitioning the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners to approve several recommended changes to trapping regulations to reduce the effects of incidental trapping of mountain lions, require trapper education for new licensees, and improve collection of non-target trapping data.

9.* Legislation Committee Report – Committee Chairman Paul Young FOR POSSIBLE ACTION A report will be presented on the committee's recent meetings. The Commission may review bills of interest, consider legislative committee recommendations, and may take official positions on those bills. The Commission may also choose to develop platforms on bills by supporting or opposing general concepts contained within bills rather than specific language. The Commission will consider and may approve a spokesperson(s) who will relay Commission positions and platforms to the Legislature.

10. Requirements for Federal Land Permits Non-Resident Guided Deer Hunts - Captain Jake Kreamer

FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

This presentation will provide an overview of the necessary changes to regulations concerning land permits for non-resident guided deer hunts. Additionally, the presentation will cover master guide agreements and propose expanding the requirement for submitting land permits to the Department for all master guides applying for or renewing their license.

11.* Contest Committee – Committee Chairman David McNinch
A report will be presented on the committee's recent meetings. The Commission may decide to take action or provide direction to the Department on the issue of Wildlife Contests in Nevada.

12.* Draft Fiscal Year 2026 Predation Management Plan – Game Division Administrator Shawn Espinosa

FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

The draft fiscal year 2026 Predation Management Plan will be presented to the Commission for initial review. Following this review, the draft plan will be updated and shared with the State Predatory Animal and Rodent Committee (PARC). All comments from the PARC, County Advisory Boards to Manage Wildlife (CABMW), and any other interested entity will be compiled and shared with the Wildlife Damage Management Committee (WDMC) for their consideration at their March 2025 meeting. The Commission will receive an update at the March 2025 meeting from the Wildlife Damage Management Committee and may provide additional direction at that time.

13. 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 comment are asked to begin by stating their name for the record.

Saturday, January 25, 2025 - 8:30 a.m.

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

15. Public Comment Period

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16. Approval of Agenda – Chairman Rogers

FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

The Commission will review the agenda and may take action to approve the agenda for January 25, 2025. The Commission may remove items from the agenda, continue items for consideration or take items out of order.

17. Member Items/Announcements and Correspondence - Chairman Rogers

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18. County Advisory Boards to Manage Wildlife (CABMW) Member Items

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19.* Commission General Regulation 524 – <u>FOR POSSIBLE ACTION</u>
Bonus Points Associated with Junior Hunt Applications – Workshop Public Comment
Allowed – Data and Technology Services Division Administrator Matt Maples

The Commission will hold a workshop to consider a temporary regulation amending Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) 502 that would simplify the issuance, use and administrative management of bonus points associated with junior hunt applications.

20. Commission Regulations – Public Comment Allowed

FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

- A.* Commission Regulation 25-01, 2025 Application Deadlines, Draw Results and 2026 Spring Turkey Data and Technology Services Division Administrator Matt Maples
 The Commission will consider adopting regulation to set the 2025 big game tag application deadlines and related information.
- B.* Commission Regulation 25-02, 2025 Game Tag Application Eligibility and Tag Limits Data and Technology Services Division Administrator Matt Maples
 The Commission will consider adopting regulation to set the 2025 game tag application eligibility and tag limits and related information.
- C.* Commission Regulation 25-03, 2025 Dream Tag Seasons and Quotas Data and Technology Services Division Administrator Matt Maples

 The Commission will consider adopting a regulation to set the 2025 Dream Tag species, seasons, and quota.
- E.* Commission Regulation 25-05, 2025 Partnership in Wildlife Tag Seasons and Quotas Data and Technology Services Division Administrator Matt Maples
 The Commission will consider adopting a regulation to set the 2025 Partnership in Wildlife tags hunt species, seasons, and quota.

F.* Commission Regulation 25-06, 2025 Silver State Tag Seasons and Quotas – Data and Technology Services Division Administrator Matt Maples

The Commission will consider adopting a regulation to set the 2025 Silver State tag species, seasons, and quota.

G.* Commission Regulation 25-07 – 2025-2026 and 2026-2027 Big Game Seasons – Wildlife Staff Specialists Cody Schroeder, Cody McKee, and Mike Cox

The Commission will consider and may take action to approve the proposed big game seasons for the 2025-2026 and 2026-2027 hunting seasons and dates for mule deer, antelope, elk, moose, bighorn sheep and mountain goat including limits, hunting hours, special hunt eligibility, animal sex, physical characteristics, and hunt boundary restrictions.

H.* Commission Regulation 25-08 - 2025 Black Bear Seasons - Game Division Administrator Shawn Espinosa

The Commission will consider and may take action to approve the 2025 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.

I.* Commission Regulation 25-09 – 2025 Mountain Lion Seasons and Harvest Limits – Wildlife Staff Specialist Russell Woolstenhulme

The Commission will consider and may take action to approve the 2025 hunting season open units, harvest limits by unit group, hunting hours and special regulations for mountain lion.

J.* Commission Regulation 25-10 – 2025-2026 Restricted Nonresident Guided Mule Deer Seasons and Quotas – Wildlife Staff Specialist Cody Schroeder

The Commission will consider and may take action to approve the 2025-2026 hunting season and quotas for restricted non-resident guided mule deer including hunt boundary restrictions.

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

The next Commission meeting is scheduled for March 7 and 8, 2025 in Las Vegas. 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

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*Support material provided and posted to the NDOW website, and updates to support material will be posted at <u>January Commission Meeting 2025 - NDOW</u>. Support material for this meeting may be requested from the Recording Secretary at (775) 688-1599 or <u>wildlifecommission@ndow.org</u>. In accordance with NRS 241.020 this agenda closes three days prior to the meeting <u>January Commission Meeting 2025 - NDOW</u>.

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Department at (775) 688-1500 via a text telephone (TTY) telecommunications device by first calling the State of Nevada Relay Operator at 1-800-326-6868. Disabled individuals in need of special services should contact the Department prior to the meeting at (775) 688-1599 or wildlifecommission@ndow.org.