

### STATE OF NEVADA

# **DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE**

## Game Division

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## MEMORANDUM

July 23, 2018

To:

Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners, County Advisory Boards to Manage

Wildlife, and Interested Publics

From:

Brian Wakeling, Administrator, Game Division

Title:

Commission Regulation 18 - 12 Amendment 1, 2018-2019 Upland Game and

Furbearer Seasons and Bag Limits - For Possible Action

**Description:** The Commission will consider taking action to amend the season for upland game birds for the 2018 and 2019 seasons. The amendment recommends an adjustment to the open units for sage-grouse hunting due to the effects of wildfire on habitat.

Presenter:

Wildlife Staff Specialist Shawn Espinosa

#### Summary:

The Commission adopted CR 18-12, 2018-2019 Upland Game and Furbearer Seasons and Bag Limits at their last meeting in June 2018. Since that time, wildfire has created challenges for greater sage grouse populations and may have substantially altered important lek and nesting In an effort to address potential population level changes, the Department is recommending changes to sage grouse seasons recently approved by the Commission. The Commission will be provided with an up-to-date briefing of effects observed.

#### Recommendation:

The Department recommends that the Commission VOTE TO APPROVE COMMISSION REGULATION 18–12, AMENDMENT 1, 2018–2019 UPLAND GAME FURBEARER SEASONS AND BAG LIMITS AS PRESENTED.

# STATE OF NEVADA BOARD OF WILDLIFE COMMISSIONERS

The Board of Wildlife Commissioners under the authority of Section 501.181, 503.090, 503.140 and 503.245 of the Nevada Revised Statutes, does hereby adopt the following regulations for the management of game birds, small game, and furbearing mammals.

# CR 18-12 Amendment #1

## 2018-2019

SEASONS, BAG LIMITS, AND SPECIAL REGULATIONS FOR UPLAND GAME BIRDS, RABBITS, WILD TURKEY, FURBEARERS, AMERICAN CROW, MOURNING AND WHITE-WINGED DOVE, AND FALCONRY SEASONS FOR UPLAND GAME BIRDS AND RABBITS.

THIS AMENDMENT MODIFIES GREATER SAGE-GROUSE OPEN AND CLOSED HUNT UNITS AND HUNT AREAS

EXPLANATION - Matter in **blue italics** is new; matter in red brackets [omitted material] is material to be omitted.

# **UPLAND GAME**

(Units referenced are Game Management Units)

SAGE-GROUSE	
	Hunt Units, or those portions of hunt units, 061, 062, [064-067], 064, 065, 067, 071-077, 081, 101-104, 109, and 121 in Elko County
OPEN AREAS:	Hunt Units, or those portions of hunt units, 143, 155, 162 and 163 in Eureka County
	Hunt Units, or those portions of hunt units, 154, 155, 161, 162, 172 and 173 in Lander County
	Hunt Units, or those portions of hunt units, 161-163, 172, and 173 in Nye County
	Hunt Units, or those portions of hunt units, 104, 108, 111- 113, 121, 131, 144, 221 and 222 in White Pine County
SEASON DATES:	September 29 – October 14, 2018 September 28 – October 13, 2019
LIMITS:	Daily bag limit 2. Possession limit 4.
SHOOTING HOURS:	Sunrise to sunset daily.
SPECIAL REGULATIONS:	Closed to nonresidents.

SAGE-GROUSE	
	Hunt Units, or those portions of hunt units, 012 [and 051] in Humboldt County
OPEN AREAS:	Hunt Units, or those portions of hunt units, 141, 144 and 145 in Eureka County
	Hunt Units, or those portions of hunt units, 011-015 in Washoe County
SEASON DATES:	September 29 – October 7, 2018 September 28 – October 6, 2019
LIMITS:	Daily bag limit 2. Possession limit 4.
SHOOTING HOURS:	Sunrise to sunset daily.
SPECIAL REGULATIONS:	Closed to nonresidents.