

Washoe County Advisory Board to Manage Wildlife

DRAFT AGENDA

Monday ~ November 28, 2011 ~ 6:30 p.m.
Nevada Department of Wildlife
Conference Room B
1100 Valley Road, Reno, Nevada

MEMBERS

Rex Flowers, Chair
John Reed, Vice-chair
Daryl Harwell, Secretary
Glen Copeland
Rick Smith

PURSUANT TO NRS 241.020, THIS NOTICE HAS BEEN POSTED AT THE FOLLOWING LOCATIONS: Nevada Department of Wildlife (1100 Valley Road); Washoe County Library - Main Branch (301 South Center Street); Washoe County Administration (1001 East Ninth Street); Reno City Hall (One East First Street); Sparks City Hall (431 Prater Way). This Notice has also been posted on the Nevada Department of Wildlife website at the following address: <http://www.ndow.org> and on the Washoe County web site at:

http://www.co.washoe.nv.us/pubworks/nv_wildlife_commis_schedule.htm~color=grey&text_version=

Support materials, meeting schedule, agenda and meeting minutes can be accessed through the NDOW (Nevada Department of Wildlife) website:

<http://ndow.org/learn/com/mtg/index.shtm>.

The Washoe County Advisory Board to Manage Wildlife may consider items on the agenda out of order.

The Washoe County Advisory Board to Manage Wildlife may combine two or more agenda items for consideration.

The Washoe County Advisory Board to Manage Wildlife may remove an item from the agenda or delay discussion relating to an item on the agenda at any time.

Time Limits – Public comments are welcomed during the Public Comment periods for all matters, whether listed on the agenda or not, and are limited to three (3) minutes per person. Additionally, public comment specific to the action item of three (3) minutes per person will be heard during individual action items on the agenda. Persons are invited to submit comments in writing on the agenda items and/or attend and make comment on that item at the Washoe County Advisory Board to Manage Wildlife meeting. Persons may not allocate unused time to other speakers.

Forum Restrictions and Orderly Conduct of Business – The Washoe County Advisory Board to Manage Wildlife conducts the business of the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners on behalf of Washoe County and its citizens during its meetings. The presiding officer may order the removal of any person whose statement or other conduct disrupts the orderly, efficient or safe conduct of the meeting. Warnings against disruptive comments or behavior may or may not be given prior to removal. The viewpoint of a speaker will not be restricted, but reasonable restrictions may be imposed upon the time, place and manner of speech. Irrelevant and unduly repetitious statements and personal attacks which antagonize or incite others are examples of speech that may be reasonably limited.

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Responses to Public Comments – The Washoe County Advisory Board to Manage Wildlife can deliberate or take action only if a matter has been listed on an agenda properly posted prior to the meeting. During the Public Comment period, speakers may address matters listed or not listed on the published agenda. The Open Meeting Law does not expressly prohibit responses to public comments by the Washoe County Advisory Board to Manage Wildlife. However, responses from Washoe County Advisory Board to Manage Wildlife to unlisted public comment topics could become deliberation on a matter without notice to the public. On the advice of legal counsel and to ensure the public has notice of all matters the Washoe County Advisory Board to Manage Wildlife will consider. The Washoe County Advisory Committee to Manage Wildlife may choose not to respond to public comments, except to correct factual inaccuracies, ask for Washoe County staff action or to ask that a matter be listed on a future Washoe County Advisory Board to Manage Wildlife meeting agenda. The Washoe County Advisory Committee to Manage Wildlife may do this either during the Public Comment item or during the following item: **“WASHOE COUNTY ADVISORY BOARD TO MANAGE WILDLIFE MEMBERS AND/OR STAFF ANNOUNCEMENTS, REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION AND SELECTION OF TOPICS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS** (Non-action item).”

This facility is accessible to the disabled. Persons with disabilities who require special accommodations or assistance (e.g., sign language, interpreters or assisted listening devices) at the meeting should notify Nevada Department of Wildlife at 775-688-1599, 48-hours before the meeting.

1. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** (Non-action item)
2. **CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL** (Non-action item)
3. **PUBLIC COMMENTS** (Non-action item) – Comments heard under this item will be limited to three (3) minutes per person and may pertain to matters both on and off the Washoe County Advisory Board to Manage Wildlife (Board) agenda. The Board will also hear public comment during individual action items, with comment limited to three (3) minutes per person. Comments are to be made to the Board as a whole. Please complete and return a “Request to Speak Card” to the clerk at the meeting.
4. **APPROVAL OF SEPTEMBER 15, 2011, MINUTES** (For possible action)
5. **BOARD MEMBER MEETING ASSIGNMENT** (Non-action item) – *A discussion and selection of member(s) to attend the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners meetings on: 1) December 2 and 3, 2011, in Reno, Nevada; and 2) February 3 and 4, 2011, in Las Vegas, Nevada.*

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6. **COMMITTEE, MEMBER AND LIAISON UPDATES** (Non-action items) – **1). Correspondence (including sportsmen's concerns) and Announcements** – Chair Flowers; **2). Overview of the September 23 and 24, 2011, meetings of the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners** – Chair Flowers; **3). Update and status report on the Washoe County Predator Control Project Unit 015 and the Wildlife Damage Management Subcommittee** – Chair Flowers and/or Chris Hampson – Game Bureau Biologist; **and 4) Update on Sage Grouse** – Chair Flowers.
7. **RUBY PIPELINE MITIGATION PROJECT PROPOSALS** (Non-action item) – *An informational update on potential Ruby Pipeline Mitigation Project proposals.*
Member Copeland
8. **SOUTHERN NEVADA WATER AUTHORITY GROUNDWATER POSITION LETTER** (For possible action) – *A review, discussion and possible recommendation to the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners (Commission) to approve, deny or otherwise modify a position relative to the Southern Nevada Water Authority's (SNWA) applications to extract and export groundwater from various valleys in White Pine and Lincoln counties, and may approve sending a letter to the Nevada State Engineer which must be delivered stating the Commission's position no later than December 2, 2011.*
9. **SOUTHERN NEVADA WATER AUTHORITY RESOLUTION** (For possible action) – *A review, discussion and possible recommendation to the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners (Commission) to approve, deny or otherwise modify a position statement or resolution relative to Southern Nevada Water Authority (SNWA) drafted by the Great Basin Water Network.*
10. **SHELDON NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE COMPREHENSIVE CONSERVATION PLAN (CCP) POSITION LETTER** (For possible action) – *A review, discussion and possible recommendation to the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners (Commission) to approve, deny or otherwise modify a letter Commissioner Drew sent on behalf of the Commission supporting the Nevada Department of Wildlife's comments on the Sheldon National Wildlife Refuge CCP as presented to the Commission which included additional comments on wild horse management and management of predators on the refuge.*
11. **SOLAR DEVELOPMENT ROADMAP FOR PUBLIC LANDS** (For possible action) – *A review, discussion and possible recommendation to the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners (Commission) to approve, deny or otherwise modify: 1) a Nevada Department of Wildlife (NDOW) report identifying the areas proposed for solar development in the State of Nevada and the wildlife issues associated with those proposed areas; and 2) a response letter in support of NDOW's comments and or assist in the process.*

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12. **COMMISSION GENERAL REGULATION NUMBER 390 LCB (Legislative Counsel Bureau) FILE NO. R102-10 - Inland Navigation Rules** (For possible action) – *A review, discussion and possible recommendation to the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners (Commission) to approve, deny or otherwise modify amendments to recommend changes relating to watercraft; applies any federal law or regulation applicable to navigable waters within this State to all other waters within this State.*
13. **COMMISSION GENERAL REGULATION NUMBER 398 LCB (Legislative Counsel Bureau) FILE NO. R025-11 - Interstate Boundary Water License** (For possible action) – *A review, discussion and possible recommendation to the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners (Commission) to approve, deny or otherwise modify a regulation relating to wildlife and the implementation of a new nonresident annual fishing license pursuant to Assembly Bill 19 for use solely in the reciprocal waters of the Colorado River, Lake Mead, Lake Mohave, Lake Tahoe and Topaz Lake. This regulation adds clarification language needed to implement this new license.*
14. **COMMISSION GENERAL REGULATION NUMBER 400 LCB (Legislative Counsel Bureau) FILE NO. R054-11 Commercial Crayfish/Filleting of Fish/Restrictions Import/Transport** (For possible action) – *A review, discussion and possible recommendation to the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners (Commission) to approve, deny or otherwise modify regulation relating to wildlife; authorizing the commercial taking of Crayfish without the imposition of demerit points under certain circumstances; authorizing the importation, transportation or possession of a certain species of shad; prohibiting the importation, transportation or possession of a certain species of eel; authorizing a person to obtain a permit to take Crayfish commercially from the waters of Lake Tahoe under certain circumstances; and authorizing the filleting of fish before transport under certain circumstances.*
15. **COMMISSION GENERAL REGULATION NUMBER 401 LCB FILE NO. R056-11 - Classification Reptiles/Furbearing/Game Bird** (For possible action) – *A review, discussion and possible recommendation to the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners (Commission) to approve, deny or otherwise modify a regulation declassifying the Red Fox as a furbearing mammal; classifying the Eurasian Collared Dove as an upland game bird; classifying the Rosy Boa as a protected reptile; providing for the possession, transportation, and importation and exportation of certain wolves without a permit or license issued by the Department of Wildlife.*

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16. **TRAPPING REGULATION COMMITTEE REPORT** (For possible action) – *A review, discussion and possible recommendation to the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners (Commission) to approve, deny or otherwise modify recommendations taken during two (2) Trapping Regulation Committee meetings held on November 7, 2011, in Las Vegas, Nevada and November 9, 2011, in Reno, Nevada, to obtain public comment on a draft regulation governing the trapping of furbearing mammals in residential areas of a county whose population is 100,000 or more per the 2011 Legislative Session requiring the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners to adopt regulations by December 31, 2012. Based on the report of the Trapping Regulation Committee, the Commission shall consider revisions and additions to a draft regulation.*
17. **HERITAGE REGULATIONS AND POLICIES** (For possible action) – *A review, discussion and possible recommendation to the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners (Commission) to approve, deny or otherwise modify possible changes to the Nevada Department of Wildlife (NDOW) presentation on the status of Heritage Program regulations and policies.*
18. **CHANGE CLASSIFICATION OF GRAY WOLF** (For possible action) – *A review, discussion and possible recommendation to the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners (Commission) to approve, deny or otherwise modify a proposal to pursue the change of classification of the Gray Wolf (Canis Lupis) from a game mammal to unprotected mammal.*
19. **FIRST READING OF COMMISSION POLICY No. 27, Protection of Nevada Wildlife Resources** (For possible action) – *A review, discussion and possible recommendation to the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners (Commission) to approve, deny or otherwise modify the first reading for proposed changes to Commission Policy 27. The Commission may choose to retain Policy 27, modify all or part of Policy 27, or to eliminate Policy 27 in its entirety.*
20. **WASHOE COUNTY ADVISORY BOARD TO MANAGE WILDLIFE MEMBERS AND/OR STAFF ANNOUNCEMENTS, REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION AND SELECTION OF TOPICS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS** (Non-action item) – *Selection of additional agenda item(s) for the Thursday, January 27, 2012, meeting.*
21. **PUBLIC COMMENTS** (Non-action item) – *Comments heard under this item will be limited to three (3) minutes per person and may pertain to matters both on and off the Washoe County Advisory Board to Manage Wildlife (Board) agenda. The Board will also hear public comment during individual action items, with comment limited to three (3) minutes per person. Comments are to be made to the Board as a whole. Please complete and return a “Request to Speak Card” to the clerk at the meeting.*
22. **ADJOURNMENT** (Non-action item)

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IF THE MEETING GOES BEYOND 11:15 P.M., THE WASHOE COUNTY ADVISORY BOARD TO MANAGE WILDLIFE MAY POSTPONE DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION ON REMAINING AGENDA ITEMS.