

# 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 22, 2018

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

### 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 limited 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 Douglas County 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:

- **October 30, 2017**

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 ON THE ELECTION OF A CHAIRMAN AND A VICE CHAIRMAN OF THE DOUGLAS COUNTY ADVISORY BOARD TO MANAGE WILDLIFE.**
2. **DISCUSSION REGARDING THE ACTIVITIES OF THE TRI-COUNTY WILDLIFE WORKING GROUP.**
3. **FOR POSSIBLE ACTION. DISCUSSION TO SUPPORT, NOT SUPPORT, OR TAKE NO ACTION ON A REQUEST BY MATT BERNARD TO SUPPORT TURNING THE SEMAN POND INTO AN URBAN FISHING POND AND DISCUSS POTENTIAL FUNDING SOURCES.**
4. **The following items, 4a through 4s, are items that will be heard before the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners at the next meetings, January 26 & 27, 2018, at the Washoe County Commission Chambers, 1001 East 9<sup>th</sup> Street, Building A, Reno, 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.**

**4a–4s. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING WHETHER THE DOUGLAS COUNTY ADVISORY BOARD SHOULD TAKE A POSITION ON:**

**4a. FOR POSSIBLE ACTION. DISCUSSION ON THE SECOND READING OF COMMISSION POLICY 26, RE-ESTABLISHING, INTRODUCING, TRANSPLANTING AND MANAGING PIONEERING ROCKY MOUNTAIN ELK.** The Commission will conduct a second reading of Commission Policy 26 and may take action to officially revise and adopt the policy. (*Wildlife Commission Agenda Item 7*)

**4b. FOR POSSIBLE ACTION. DISCUSSION ON THE SECOND READING OF COMMISSION POLICY 3, APPEALS.** The Commission will conduct a second reading of Commission Policy 3 and may take action to officially revise and adopt the policy. (*Wildlife Commission Agenda Item 8*)

**4c. FOR POSSIBLE ACTION. DISCUSSION ON THE SECOND READING OF COMMISSION POLICY 66, MANAGEMENT AND USE OF WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREAS.** The Commission will conduct a second reading of Commission Policy 66 and may take action to officially revise and adopt the policy. (*Wildlife Commission Agenda Item 9*)

**4d. FOR POSSIBLE ACTION. DISCUSSION ON THE FIRST READING OF COMMISSION POLICY 51, WAYNE E. KIRCH CONSERVATION AWARD.** The Commission will conduct a first reading of Commission Policy 51 and may take action to revise the policy. The Commission may advance the policy to a second reading for possible adoption at a future meeting. (*Wildlife Commission Agenda Item 10*)

**4e. FOR POSSIBLE ACTION. DISCUSSION ON THE ADOPTION OF COMMISSION GENERAL REGULATION 475, SHED ANTLERS, LCB FILE NO. R134-17.** The Commission will consider adopting a regulation relating to amending Chapter 503 of the Nevada Administrative Code (NAC). This regulation would prohibit a person from collecting shed antlers at any time during a year unless the shed antlers are collected by the person from the field from April 15 to Dec. 31, inclusive, of that year.

A workshop was held in Carson City on Nov. 3, 2017. The Commission directed the Department to amend the antler season closure to run from Jan. 1 through March 31, inclusive. The Commission also directed the Department to include an hours limitation for the months of April and May to be open from 10 a.m. to sunset. All of these restrictions would apply to public lands in Elko, Eureka, Lander, Lincoln, Nye, and White Pine Counties. (*Wildlife Commission Agenda Item 13A*)

**4f. FOR POSSIBLE ACTION. DISCUSSION ON THE ADOPTION OF COMMISSION GENERAL REGULATION 440, TRAIL CAMERAS AND OTHER DEVICES, LCB FILE NO. R012-16.** The Commission will consider adopting a regulation relating to amending Chapter 503 of the Nevada Administrative Code. The proposed regulation change is intended to restrict the use of motion and heat sensing cameras that are left for a period of time, and not held in the hand. The proposed language would prohibit (with certain exemptions) the use of trail cameras within 200 feet of a spring, water hole, or artificial basin from Aug. 1 to Dec. 31 of each year. The proposed language would further prohibit the use of transmitting trail cameras at any location from Aug. 1 to Dec. 31 of each year.

The Commission held a workshop on March 25, 2016, and directed the Department to remove previously drafted language prohibiting the use of trail cameras only for the purposes of scouting or hunting. A second workshop was held in Carson City on Nov. 3, 2017. The Commission directed the Department to prohibit the use of transmitting trail cameras at any time during the year, to prohibit the use of trail cameras within 300 feet of a water source from Jan. 1 through July 31, and to prohibit the use of any trail camera from Aug. 1 through Dec. 31. (*Wildlife Commission Agenda Item 13B*)

**4g. FOR POSSIBLE ACTION. DISCUSSION ON COMMISSION GENERAL REGULATION 473, SAFE HUNTING DISTANCE, LCB FILE NO. R111-17.** The Commission will hold a workshop to consider a regulation relating to amending Chapter 503 of the Nevada Administrative Code (NAC). This regulation would make it unlawful for a person to discharge a firearm, to draw or release an arrow from a bow or to draw or release a crossbow arrow or bolt from a crossbow within a certain distance of any occupied dwelling without the consent of the owner or occupant of the dwelling. (*This item is agendized as a workshop on the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners' Agenda*) (*Wildlife Commission Agenda Item 14A*)

**4h. FOR POSSIBLE ACTION. DISCUSSION ON COMMISSION GENERAL REGULATION 476, PROCESSING FEES, LCB FILE NO. R142-17.** The Commission will hold a workshop to consider amending Chapter 502.118 of the Nevada Administrative Code (NAC). This regulation reduces the current convenience fee of \$2.00 for residents and \$3.50 for non-residents per item purchased online to a processing fee of \$1.00 per item purchased regardless of residency and method of

purchase. This fee change will reduce fees to individual customers while preserving the necessary means of paying the Department's credit card processing charges. *(This item is agendized as a workshop on the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners' Agenda) (Wildlife Commission Agenda Item 14B)*

**4i. FOR POSSIBLE ACTION. DISCUSSION ON THE DRAFT FISCAL YEAR 2019 PREDATION MANAGEMENT PLAN.** The draft Fiscal Year 2019 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, and any other interested entity will be compiled and shared with the Wildlife Damage Management Committee (WDMC) for their consideration at their March 2018 meeting. The Commission will receive an update at the March 2018 meeting from the Wildlife Damage Management Committee and may provide additional direction at that time. *(Wildlife Commission Agenda Item 20)*

**4j. FOR POSSIBLE ACTION. DISCUSSION ON THE LANDOWNER DEER AND ANTELOPE COMPENSATION TAG PROGRAM.** The Department will provide a briefing to the Commission on ideas generated by stakeholders regarding processes by which compensation tags might be equitably distributed should the allocation of tags reach the statutory limit as amended during the 2017 legislative session. The Commission will discuss and may direct the Department to develop a draft Commission General Regulation regarding the general concepts presented. *(Wildlife Commission Agenda Item 21)*

**4k. FOR POSSIBLE ACTION. DISCUSSION ON THE ADOPTION OF COMMISSION REGULATION 18-02, 2018 BLACK BEAR SEASONS.** The Commission will consider adopting 2018 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. *(Wildlife Commission Agenda Item 22A)*

**4l. FOR POSSIBLE ACTION. DISCUSSION ON THE ADOPTION OF COMMISSION REGULATION 18-03, 2018-2019 MOUNTAIN LION SEASON AND HARVEST LIMITS.** The Commission will consider adopting 2018 - 2019 mountain lion hunting season open units, harvest limits by unit group, hunting hours, and special regulations. *(Wildlife Commission Agenda Item 22B)*

**4m. FOR POSSIBLE ACTION. DISCUSSION ON THE ADOPTION OF COMMISSION REGULATION 17-05, AMENDMENT 2, 2017-2018 AND 2018-2019 BIG GAME SEASONS.** The Commission will consider amendments to the 2018 - 2019 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 legal weapon requirements, and emergency depredation hunt structure and statewide quotas. *(Wildlife Commission Agenda Item 22C)*

**4n. FOR POSSIBLE ACTION. DISCUSSION ON THE ADOPTION OF COMMISSION REGULATION 18-04, 2019 HERITAGE TAG SEASONS AND**

**QUOTAS.** The Commission will consider adopting a regulation to set the 2019 Heritage Tag species, seasons and quotas. *(Wildlife Commission Agenda Item 22D)*

**4o. FOR POSSIBLE ACTION. DISCUSSION ON THE ADOPTION OF COMMISSION REGULATION 18-05, 2018 PARTNERSHIP IN WILDLIFE TAGS.** The Commission will consider adopting a regulation to set the 2018 Partnership in Wildlife tags hunt species, seasons and quotas. *(Wildlife Commission Agenda Item 22E)*

**4p. FOR POSSIBLE ACTION. DISCUSSION ON THE ADOPTION OF COMMISSION REGULATION 18-06, 2018 SILVER STATE TAGS.** The Commission will consider adopting a regulation to set the 2018 Silver State tag species, seasons and quotas. *(Wildlife Commission Agenda Item 22F)*

**4q. FOR POSSIBLE ACTION. DISCUSSION ON THE ADOPTION OF COMMISSION REGULATION 18-07, 2018 DREAM TAG.** The Commission will consider adopting a regulation to set the 2018 Dream Tag species, seasons and quotas. *(Wildlife Commission Agenda Item 22G)*

**4r. FOR POSSIBLE ACTION. DISCUSSION ON THE ADOPTION OF COMMISSION REGULATION 18-08, 2018 BIG GAME APPLICATION DEADLINES.** The Commission will consider adopting regulation to set the 2018 big game tag application deadlines and related information. *(Wildlife Commission Agenda Item 22H)*

**4s. FOR POSSIBLE ACTION. DISCUSSION ON THE ADOPTION OF COMMISSION REGULATION 18-09, 2018 BIG GAME TAG APPLICATION ELIGIBILITY AND TAG LIMITS.** The Commission will consider adopting regulation to set the 2018 big game tag application eligibility and tag limits and related information. *(Wildlife Commission Agenda Item 22I)*

5. **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.
6. **DISCUSSION ON THE RESULTS OF THE NOVEMBER 3 & 4, 2017 NEVADA BOARD OF WILDLIFE COMMISSION MEETINGS.** There will be no action taken.
7. **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.**
8. **FOR POSSIBLE ACTION. DISCUSSION TO SCHEDULE THE NEXT DOUGLAS COUNTY WILDLIFE ADVISORY BOARD MEETING.** The Department

has added an additional teleconferenced Commission meeting in Reno and Las Vegas on Feb. 9, 2018, at 4:30 p.m. to consider taking action for adoption of Commission General Regulation 476, Processing Fees. After the Feb. 9 meeting, the next Commission meeting is in Laughlin. Potential agenda items for both meetings may be discussed. The Commission may change meeting dates and locations 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 13, 2018.

9. **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.

## **CLOSING PUBLIC COMMENT.**

## **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 16, 2018 at the following locations: Douglas County Community & Senior Center; Douglas County Historic Courthouse; USPS Gardnerville Post Office; USPS Minden Post Office Main Office; Nevada Public Notice Website; and Douglas County Nevada website.

Copies of supporting material can be found at: [www.ndow.org/Public\\_Meetings/Commission/Agenda/](http://www.ndow.org/Public_Meetings/Commission/Agenda/). Copies of supporting material can be requested 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.