

# Washoe County Advisory Board to Manage Wildlife

## **AGENDA**

**Thursday ~ March 16, 2017 ~ 6:00 p.m.**  
**Nevada Department of Wildlife**  
**Conference Room B**  
**1100 Valley Road, Reno, Nevada**

## **MEMBERS**

Sean Shea, Chair  
Michelle Spencer, Vice-chair  
Meghan Di Rocco, Secretary  
Arnold Pitts  
Steven Robinson

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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.

**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].”

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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 sign the sign-in sheet.
4. **APPROVAL OF FEBRUARY 2, 2017, 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) March 24 and 25, 2017, in Las Vegas, Nevada; and 2) May 12 and 13, 2017, meetings in Reno, Nevada.*
6. **COMMITTEE, MEMBER AND LIAISON UPDATES** [Non-action items] – *1). Correspondence (including sportsmen's concerns) and Announcements; and 2). Overview of the February 10 and 11, 2016, meetings of the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners.*
7. **CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE AND KLAMATH BASIN NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGES REQUEST FOR UP TO 20 WILD-TRAPPED GREATER SAGE GROUSE PER YEAR FOR UP TO THREE YEARS FOR TRANSLOCATION TO THE CLEAR LAKE NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE IN CALIFORNIA** [For possible action] – *A review, discussion and possible action to recommend that the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners approve, deny or otherwise modify a request from the Klamath Basin National Wildlife Refuges and the California Department of Wildlife to capture and translocate up to 20 greater sage-grouse per year for up to three years for translocation to the Clear Lake National Wildlife Refuge. The Department is proceeding to fulfill the request and seeks the support of the Commission.*
8. **SECOND READING, COMMISSION POLICY 26A, TRANSPARENCY** [For possible action] – *A review, discussion and possible action to recommend that the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners approve, deny or otherwise modify a second reading of Commission Policy 26A, Transparency, and may take action to suspend, amend or repeal. At the Feb. 11, 2017, meeting the Commission voted to suspend Policy 26A until such a time the Administrative Procedures, Regulations and Policy Committee can revise and renumber the policy to be consistent with Nevada Revised Statutes and all wildlife data.*
9. **Nevada Land Legislation** [For possible action] – *A review, discussion and possible action to recommend that the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners approve, deny or otherwise modify correspondence on 1) Nevada Lands Act – on the development of new federal legislation related to SJR 1; and 2) Washoe County Lands Bill - concerns on the proposed Washoe County Lands Bill.*

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10. **COMMISSION GENERAL REGULATION 466, PARTNERSHIP IN WILDLIFE (PIW) DRAWING, CHANGES TO NONRESIDENT RESTRICTED DEER TAG, AND CHANGES TO BIG GAME RETURN CARD QUESTIONNAIRE DEADLINE, LCB File No. R140-16** [For possible action] – *A review, discussion and possible action to recommend that the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners approve, deny or otherwise modify a regulation relating to amending Chapter 502 of the Nevada Administrative Code (NAC). This regulation defines the term “main drawing;” revises the order in which the Silver State Tag drawing, PIW drawing and main drawings for tags are conducted; authorizes an applicant for a nonresident restricted deer tag to apply for a nonresident deer tag in the Partnership in Wildlife Drawing and the Silver State tag drawing in the same year; and revises the big game return card questionnaire deadline from 5 p.m. to 11 p.m.*
11. **COMMISSION REGULATION 17- 05, AMENDMENT #1, BIG GAME SEASONS 2017–2018, NONRESIDENT DESERT (NELSON) BIGHORN EWE HUNTS** [For possible action] – *A review, discussion and possible action to recommend that the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners approve, deny or otherwise modify Amendment #1 of the 2017 - 2018 Big Game Hunting Seasons and Dates, to specifically address nonresident Desert (Nelson) Bighorn ewe hunts that were inadvertently omitted at the February Commission meeting.*
12. **COMMISSION REGULATION 17-12, MIGRATORY GAME BIRD SEASONS, BAG LIMITS, AND SPECIAL REGULATIONS FOR WATERFOWL AND WEBLESS MIGRATORY GAME BIRDS; PUBLIC HUNTING LIMITED ON WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREAS AND DESIGNATED STATE LANDS – 2017-2018 Season** [For possible action] – *A review, discussion and possible action to recommend that the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners approve, deny or otherwise modify recommendations for seasons, bag limits, and special regulations for migratory game birds for 2017 - 2018 seasons and adopt regulations that comply with the proposed regulations framework for the 2017- 2018 hunting seasons on certain migratory game birds established by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. The Commission will also consider rules regulating public hunting on Wildlife Management Areas and designated state lands.*
13. **Wildlife Damage Management Committee Report and Fiscal Year 2017 Draft Predation Management Plan** – *A review, discussion and possible action to recommend that the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners approve, deny or otherwise modify the proposed Fiscal Year 2017 Predator Management Plan, and the Commission may take action to provide recommendations for modification of the draft for the May Commission meeting.*
14. **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 next meeting is May 4, 2017.*
15. **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 sign the sign-in sheet.*

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**16. ADJOURNMENT** [Non-action item]

**IF THE MEETING GOES BEYOND 11:00 P.M., THE WASHOE COUNTY ADVISORY BOARD TO MANAGE WILDLIFE MAY POSTPONE DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION ON REMAINING AGENDA ITEMS.**