

# Washoe County Advisory Board to Manage Wildlife

## **AGENDA**

**Monday ~ September 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2025 ~ 6:00 p.m.**  
**Nevada Department of Wildlife**  
**Conference Room B**  
**1100 Valley Road, Reno, Nevada**

## **MEMBERS**

Coby Rowe, Chair  
Ryan Browne, Vice-Chair  
Matt Melarkey  
Steven Robinson  
Kristie Marchese

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**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 August 12<sup>th</sup>, 2025 minutes** [For possible action]
5. **BOARD MEMBER MEETING ASSIGNMENT** [Non-action item] – Discussion and determination of member(s) to attend the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners meetings September 26<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup> in Las Vegas, Nevada.
6. **COMMITTEE, MEMBER AND LIAISON UPDATES** [Non-action items] – 1) Correspondence (including sportsmen's concerns) and Announcements; 2) Overview of the June 2025 meeting of the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners; and 3) WCABMW discussion of action items for NBWC
7. **Petition – Mr. Gregory Dicker, Mrs. Kimberley Dicker  
Ms. Traci Lee Pintar and Mr. James Thomas Pintar** **FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**  

The Department has received two petitions requesting an amendment to Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) 503.1465 regarding archery disability permits. Both petitions propose distinguishing permanent and temporary disabilities and recommend establishing expiration dates for the temporary permits. **The WCABMW may take action to provide a recommendation to the Commission**
8. **Adaptive Population Objectives – Addendum #2  
to the Elk Species Management Plan – Wildlife Staff Specialist Cody McKee** **INFORMATIONAL**  

The Department will present Addendum #2 of the Statewide Elk Management Plan which defines the proposed process for adaptive population objectives for existing elk populations. Addendum #2 will be considered for adoption at a future Commission meeting.

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**9. Presentation on Regulatory Modifications to Link Master Guide FOR POSSIBLE ACTION and Subguide Accountability – Game Warden Captain Jake Kreamer**

The Department will present potential modifications to existing regulatory language aimed at establishing a clearer connection between the actions of subguides and their master guides. The presentation will explore mechanisms to hold master guides accountable for misconduct or noncompliance by their subguides. **The WCABMW may take action to provide a recommendation to the Commission**

**10. State Wildlife Action Plan – Online Demonstration INFORMATIONAL  
– GIS Analyst Riley Dunavant**

An overview and live demonstration of the Nevada State Wildlife Action Plan (SWAP) will be provided, exploring the new online public-facing viewer and its powerful tools for searching, mapping, and downloading information on Nevada's Species of Greatest Conservation Need (SGCN) and Key Habitats statewide.

**11. Pronghorn Antelope Translocation FOR POSSIBLE ACTION  
– Wildlife Staff Specialist Cody Schroeder and Coleville Confederated Tribal Wildlife Biologist Sam Rushing**

A request for up to 100 pronghorn antelope has been received by the Department from the Colville Confederated Tribes in Washington. The Department will provide an update on the status of Nevada's pronghorn population and potential source herds for translocations. A presentation will also be provided by the Colville Confederated Tribe on the status of antelope on tribal lands. **The WCABMW may take action to provide a recommendation to the Commission**

**12. State Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Biennial Big Game Release Plan FOR POSSIBLE ACTION  
– Wildlife Staff Specialist Cody Schroeder or Cody McKee**

The Department will present their plans for various big game translocations in Nevada during the 2026 and 2027 fiscal years. **The WCABMW may take action to provide a recommendation to the Commission**

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## **13. Presentation on Hunting, Fishing and FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**

### **Trapping Trespass Regulation – Game Warden Captain Wes Coons**

The Department will facilitate a discussion on issues related to trespassing for the purpose of hunting, fishing and trapping, including possibly amending regulations to increase trespass violations to 12 demerit points. Additional considerations include changing ‘may’ to ‘shall’ in NAC 504.671 for guides found guilty of trespass and providing a clearer definition of ‘trespass’ within regulatory language. **The WCABMW may take action to provide a recommendation to the Commission**

## **14. Commission General Regulations – Workshop/Public FOR POSSIBLE ACTION Comment Allowed**

### **A\*. Commission General Regulation 528 – Motor Restrictions and Revisions Related to Fisheries – Wildlife Staff Specialist Kim Tisdale**

The Commission will hold a workshop to consider amending Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) to set motor restrictions on Battle Born Pond (NAC 488.470), establish a “mandatory catch and kill” regulation for Northern Pike (NAC 503.110), revise bait restrictions statewide (NAC 503.500 – 515), amend ice hole size restriction to allow for larger sized holes for spear/bow fishing at Comins Lake (NAC 503.583), and update scientific names in the classification of fish species (NAC 503.060 – 065). **The WCABMW may take action to provide a recommendation to the Commission**

## **15. Commission General Regulations – Adoption/Public FOR POSSIBLE ACTION Comment Allowed**

### **A\*. Commission General Regulation 515 – Demerit Points Associated with Trail Cameras and Thermal Imaging Devices – Game Warden Captain Wes Coons**

The Commission will consider for adoption a regulation amending Chapter 501 of the Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) to change demerit points associated with trail cameras and thermal imaging devices. **The WCABMW may take action to provide a recommendation to the Commission**

### **B\*. Commission General Regulation 524 – Bonus Points Associated with Junior Hunt Applications – Data and Technology Services Management Analyst Megan Manfredi**

The Commission will consider for adoption a regulation amending Chapter 502 of the Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) that would simplify the issuance, use and administrative management of bonus points associated with junior hunt applications, this regulation was adopted as a temporary regulation and will now be considered for permanent adoption. **The WCABMW may take action to provide a recommendation to the Commission**

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16. **Commission Regulations – Public Comment Allowed** **FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**  
**A\*. Commission Regulation 25-16, Fishing Seasons and Regulations for January 1, 2026, through December 31, 2027 – Wildlife Staff Specialist Kim Tisdale**  
The Commission will consider and may take action to approve the Fishing Seasons and Regulations for 2026 and 2027. **The WCABMW may take action to provide a recommendation to the Commission**
17. **Reports** **INFORMATIONAL**  
**A\*. Wildlife Trust Fund Annual Report – Deputy Director Jordan Goshert**  
A report will be provided on the investment and expenditure of the money in the Wildlife Trust Fund for the period of July 1, 2024, to June 30, 2025, pursuant to NRS 501.3585.
18. **Future Meeting Agenda Items – Informational only**  
Members may propose future topics for discussion.
19. **Public Comment** [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.*
20. **Adjournment** [Non-action item]

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