

Regular Meeting
Carson City Advisory Board to Manage Wildlife
Monday, June 25, 2018 • 4:00 PM
Community Center Sierra Room
851 East William Street, Carson City, Nevada

Board Members

Chair – Gene Green

Member – Robert Boehmer

Member – Kirk Stewart

Vice Chair – Gil Yanuck

Member – Doug Martin

Staff

Mary Walker, Recording Secretary

Minutes by: Tamar Warren, Deputy Clerk

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1. CALL TO ORDER AND DETERMINATION OF QUORUM

(4:01:21) – Chairperson Green called the meeting to order at 4:01 p.m. Roll was called and a quorum was present. Chairperson Green noted that Member Martin was on his way but will be late.

Attendee Name	Status	Arrived/Left
Gene Green, Chair	Present	
Gil Yanuck, Vice Chair	Present	
Robert Boehmer	Present	
Doug Martin	Absent	
Kirk Stewart	Present	

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

(4:01:46) – Led by Chairperson Green.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

(4:02:32) – Chairperson Green entertained public comments; however, no members of the public were present to comment. He also conveyed his apology to the bow hunters for neglecting to report on the early hunt issue in Area 192, brought by the bow hunters.

4. For Possible Action: ACTION ON APPROVAL OF MINUTES – April 30, 2018

(4:04:01) – Chairperson Green introduced the item and entertained corrections or a motion.

(4:04:07) – MOTION: I move to approve the minutes of the April 30, 2018 meeting as presented.

RESULT:	APPROVED (4-0-0)
MOVER:	Boehmer
SECONDER:	Yanuck
AYES:	Green, Yanuck, Boehmer, Stewart
NAYS:	None
ABSTENTIONS	None

5. For Possible Action: ADOPTION OF AGENDA

(4:04:35) – Chairperson Green introduced the item and entertained a motion.

(4:14:30) – MOTION: I move to accept the agenda as written.

RESULT:	APPROVED (4-0-0)
MOVER:	Yanuck
SECONDER:	Stewart
AYES:	Green, Yanuck, Boehmer, Stewart
NAYS:	None
ABSTENTIONS	None
ABSENT:	Martin

6. Informational Item: DISCLOSURES.

(4:04:54) – There were no disclosures by Board members.

7. Informational Item: UPDATE AND ACTIVITY REPORT ON THE CARSON CITY URBAN WILDLIFE COMMITTEE.

(4:05:02) – Chairperson Green introduced the item and announced that Ash Canyon Road was now open. Several members noted their approval of the road. Member Boehmer suggested tabling the item until the arrival of Member Martin.

8. For Possible Action: CARSON CITY ADVISORY BOARD TO MANAGE WILDLIFE CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS.

(For additional information on the items to be considered within this action item, please visit the Nevada Department of Wildlife website at: http://www.ndow.org/Public_Meetings/Commission/Agenda/ under agenda and corresponding support material).

The items agendized hereafter, as 8-A through 8-M, are consent agenda items. They are considered routine and may be acted upon by the Advisory Board to Manage Wildlife with one action and without extensive hearing. Although a member of the advisory board may request an item be pulled for separate discussion and action, the advisory board chair retains discretion in deciding whether or not to pull an item from the consent agenda. There will be no public comment unless an item is pulled for separate discussion and action.

(4:09:14) – Chairperson Green introduced the item. Member Boehmer noted that the consent agenda items looked good to him; however, should anyone wish to discuss items 8G or 8J, he would be willing to pull the items from the consent agenda. He also added that “there’s nothing that can be done by anybody on this Board” since

SB 364 had been approved. There were no requests to discuss any of the consent agenda items. No public was present for comments.

(4:12:24) – MOTION: I move to accept the agenda as written and advise the Commission that we are in support of everything [on the consent agenda].

RESULT:	APPROVED (4-0-0)
MOVER:	Boehmer
SECONDER:	Yanuck
AYES:	Green, Yanuck, Boehmer, Stewart
NAYS:	None
ABSTENTIONS	None
ABSENT:	Martin

8-A. For Possible Action: DUCK STAMP REQUEST - WILDLIFE STAFF SPECIALISTS

MARK FARMAN AND MIKE ZAHRADKA. *The commission will review and may take action to approve up to \$128,510 for projects submitted for FY 2019 funding from the Duck Stamp account. The specific Duck Stamp projects that may be approved are listed below:*

- *Technician Support for Nevada Waterfowl Projects - Project #384 (\$13,910)*
- *Ducks Unlimited Wetlands Conservation Support - Project #352 (\$10,000)*
- *Mason Valley WMA Moist Soil Food Plots - Project #382 (\$10,000)*
- *Key Pittman WMA Food Plots - Project #330 (\$2,600)*
- *Overton WMA Pipe Replacement Project - Phase 2 - Project #360 (\$7,000)*
- *Eastern WMA Complex Weed Control - Project #349 (\$10,000)*
- *Overton WMA Pintail and Wilson Pond Leveling - Project #351 (\$60,000)*
- *Mason Valley WMA Saltcedar Treatment - Project #381 (\$15,000)*

8-B. For Possible Action: UPLAND GAME BIRD STAMP REQUEST – WILDLIFE STAFF

SPECIALISTS MARK FARMAN AND SHAWN ESPINOSA. *The commission will review and may take action to approve up to \$252,234 for projects submitted for FY 2019 funding from the Upland Game Bird Stamp account. The specific Upland Game Bird Stamp projects that may be approved are listed below:*

- *Greater Sage Grouse Statewide Monitoring - Project #373 (\$55,000)*
- *Upland Game Translocation and Monitoring - Project #368 (\$14,264)*
- *Dusky Grouse Ecology and Management in Nevada - Project #365 (\$3,100)*
- *Monitoring the Effects of Landscape Level Treatments on Greater Sage Grouse within the Desatoya Mountains - Project #369 (\$15,000)*
- *Measuring Corticosterone Metabolites in Greater Sage Grouse - Project #393 (\$25,000)*
- *Estimating Sage Grouse Vital Rates within Nevada's Most Novel Habitats – Project #367 (\$53,470)*
- *Effects of Conventional Raven Control and Wildfire on Greater Sage Grouse within the Virginia Mountains – Project #370 (\$25,000)*
- *Mason Valley WMA Upland Food Plots - Project #383 (\$10,000)*
- *Key Pittman WMA Food Plots - Project #330 (\$3,900)*
- *Edwards Creek Lek Pinyon Juniper Hand Removal Project - Project #282 (\$25,000)*
- *Eastern WMA Complex Weed Control - Project #349 (\$10,000)*
- *Eastern Nevada Properties Restoration - Project #390 (\$12,500)*

8-C. For Possible Action: WILDLIFE HERITAGE COMMITTEE; HERITAGE PROJECT

EXTENSION REQUESTS - COMMISSIONER / COMMITTEE CHAIR WALLACE. *The commission will hear a report on the committee's recent meeting. Pursuant to NAC 501.340, the commission will review committee recommendations and may approve extension requests from projects approved in previous fiscal years.*

8-D. For Possible Action: HERITAGE FUNDING REALLOCATION – CHAIRMAN WALLACE. *The commission will review committee recommendations and may approve reallocation of any unused Heritage funds from previously approved projects to other previously approved projects from the same fiscal year.*

8-E. For Possible Action: FISCAL YEAR 2019 HERITAGE PROJECT PROPOSALS – CHAIRMAN WALLACE. *The commission will hear recommendations from the committee and may take action to approve up to \$887,474.01 for projects submitted for FY 2019 funding from the Wildlife Heritage account. The preliminary funding recommendations from the committee are listed below and may be approved by the commission. These recommendations may change at the 8:00 a.m. June 29th Heritage Committee meeting:*

- *Bighorn Sheep Capture, Transplant and Monitoring - Project #19-01 (\$75,000)*
- *NDOW Helicopter Acquisition - Project #19-02 (\$200,000)*
- *Wildfire-Related Restoration and Seed Purchase - Project #19-03 (\$100,000)*
- *Overton WMA Pintail and Wilson Ponds Leveling - Project #19-04 (\$60,000)*
- *Willow Creek Reservoir Habitat Structures and Other Improvements - Project #19-05 (\$21,500)*
- *South Steptoe Watershed Restoration - Project #19-06 (\$35,000)*
- *Kern Mountain Habitat Improvement Project - Project #19-07 (\$30,000)*
- *Izzenhood Basin Habitat Improvement Project - Project #19-08 (\$30,000)*
- *Bighorn Sheep Gene Transcription Analysis - Project #19-09 (\$84,500)*
- *Comins Lake Boat Ramp - Project #19-10 (\$55,000)*
- *Rebuild of Last Chance #6 Hanging Basin Water Development - Project #19-11 (\$25,100)*
- *Survey and Maintenance of Existing Big Game Water Developments - Project #19-12 (\$36,700)*
- *Simkins / Doc Pass PJ Chaining Maintenance Project - Project #19-13 (\$75,000)*
- *Cave Valley Ranch PJ Removal Project - Project #19-14 (\$59,674.01)*
- *Delineation and Nutritional Value of Desert Bighorn Lambing Habitat - Project #19 - 15 (not recommended for funding)*

8-F. For Possible Action: COMMISSION REGULATION WORKSHOP – COMMISSION GENERAL REGULATION 477, LANDOWNER DEER AND ANTELOPE COMPENSATION TAG PROGRAM, LCB FILE NO. 096-18 - GAME DIVISION ADMINISTRATOR BRIAN F. WAKELING. *The commission will hold a workshop to consider a regulation relating to amending Chapter 502 of the Nevada Administrative Code. This regulation would provide direction for equitably allocating landowner deer and antelope compensation tags if the statutory limit is reached.*

8-G. For Possible Action: COMMISSION GENERAL REGULATION ADOPTION. COMMISSION GENERAL REGULATION 474, TRAP REGISTRATION, LCB FILE NO. R038-18 - CHIEF GAME WARDEN TYLER TURNIPSEED. *The commission will consider adopting a regulation to amend Nevada Administrative Code 503.150. This regulation revises provisions relating to the registration of traps, as mandated by Senate Bill 364 of the 79th Legislative Session. SB 364 states that, with certain exceptions, each trap, snare, or similar device used by a person in the taking of wild mammals must be registered with the Department before it is used. It also states that for each trap, share, or similar device registered with the Department, the person registering the device shall pay a registration fee of \$5. This proposed regulation provides a mechanism for the Department to register traps and charge \$5 per trap registered. The commission held a workshop on May 4, 2018 and directed the Department to clarify the first sentence of the regulation as it relates to SB 364. The commission also directed the Department to gain clarity on the transfer of trap registration numbers.*

8-H. For Possible Action: COMMISSION POLICY 50, DUCK STAMP PROCEDURE, SECOND READING - COMMISSIONER / ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES, REGULATIONS, AND POLICY COMMITTEE CHAIR DAVID McNINCH. *The commission will conduct a second reading of Commission Policy 50 and may take action to officially suspend the policy.*

8-I. For Possible Action: COMMISSION REGULATION 18-01, AMENDMENT #1 - FISHING SEASONS AND REGULATIONS FOR THE TWO-YEAR PERIOD MARCH 1, 2018 THROUGH FEBRUARY 29, 2020 - FISHERIES DIVISION ADMINISTRATOR JON SJÖBERG.

The commission will consider Amendment #1 of CR 18-01, the Fishing Seasons and Bag Limits for March 1, 2018 through February 20, 2020. The Department is proposing an amendment to the harvest limit for fish in that portion of the Upper Reese River and tributaries from the Arc Dome wilderness boundary south of the Yomba Shoshone Tribe Reservation to its headwaters, and Stewart Creek from its confluence with the Reese River to its headwaters, in Nye County, to remove harvest limits on trout species.

8-J. For Possible Action: COMMISSION REGULATION 18-12, 2018 - 2019 UPLAND GAME AND FURBEARER SEASONS AND BAG LIMITS - Wildlife Staff Specialists Shawn Espinosa and Russell Woolstenhulme. *The commission will consider and may vote to establish regulations for upland game birds and mammals as well as furbearers for the 2018 and 2019 seasons. This regulation will also include fall wild turkey seasons for 2018 and 2019 and spring wild turkey seasons for 2019 and 2020.*

8-K. For Possible Action: COMMISSION REGULATION 18 - 04, AMENDMENT #1, 2018 HERITAGE TAG ORGANIZATION / VENDOR SELECTION AND SPECIAL REGULATIONS - DATA AND TECHNOLOGY SERVICES DIVISION ADMINISTRATOR CHET VAN DELLEN.

The commission will consider selection of the 2018 Heritage Tag vendors / organization recommendations.

8-L. For Possible Action: FINANCE COMMITTEE - FISCAL YEAR 2019 COUNTY ADVISORY BOARD BUDGET REQUESTS - COMMITTEE CHAIR GIL YANUCK AND DEPUTY DIRECTOR LIZ O'BRIEN.

The commission will hear a report on the committee's recent meeting. The commission may approve an estimated amount of \$39,186.01 for County Advisory Boards to Manage Wildlife budgets for FY 2019. Carson City estimate - \$1,742.50; Clark County estimate - \$9,389.69; Douglas County estimate - \$2,127.02; Eureka County estimate - \$373.71; Humboldt County estimate - \$583.54; Lander County estimate - \$2,063.99; Lincoln County estimate - \$2,378.27; Lyon County estimate - \$1,347.17; Mineral County estimate - \$5,477.85; Pershing County estimate - \$4,982.56; Washoe County estimate - \$3,771.37; White Pine County estimate - \$4,948.34.

8-M. For Possible Action: AMENDMENT TO THE BIENNIAL UPLAND GAME RELEASE PLAN FOR FY 2019 - WILDLIFE STAFF SPECIALIST RUSSELL WOOLSTENHULME. *The commission will review and may take action to amend the Department's biennial upland game release plan for FY 2019 to include beavers.*

9. For Possible Action: DISCUSSION REGARDING NON-REGULATORY AGENDA ITEMS AS PART OF THE JUNE 29 AND 30, 2018 NEVADA BOARD OF WILDLIFE COMMISSIONERS MEETING. *Other than those items listed under the CCABMW consent agenda (item 8 above), the remaining items on the attached June 29 and 30, 2018 Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners agenda typically require no action of the Carson City Advisory Board to Manage Wildlife. Occasionally, one or more advisory board members may have a desire to discuss these items and such discussion may result in action in the form of advice or a recommendation by this advisory board to the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners. There will be no public comment unless action will be taken on an item.*

(4:12:54) – Chairperson Green introduced the item. Member Boehmer inquired about the budget and Vice Chair Yanuck reviewed the budget augmentation process. He stated that many counties had not spent their budgeted amounts in the past year which could be an indication that they had not attended the Commission meetings. Vice Chair Yanuck noted that he had suggested having a workshop regarding volunteering on County Advisory Boards (CAB), because some counties required traveling long distances to attend their CAB and Commission meetings. He also wished to advise holding teleconferenced meetings in lieu of an in-person attendance to provide input. Chairperson Green cited the example of Nye County which involved long drives to attend the CAB meetings. Member Boehmer was informed that the Carson City Advisory Board had reported a cash balance of \$2,496. Vice Chair Yanuck also noted that Esmeralda County did not even have a CAB. Discussion ensued regarding turning in expense reports and Vice Chair Yanuck encouraged all attendees to turn in their expense reports even if the meeting is local.

10. For Possible Action: DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING ADVISORY BOARD MEMBER COMMITMENT(S) TO THE JUNE 29 AND 30, 2018 WILDLIFE COMMISSION MEETING IN DYER, AND TO THE AUGUST 10 AND 11, 2018 WILDLIFE COMMISSION MEETING IN CALIENTE.

(4:25:44) – Chairperson Green introduced the item and noted that he would attend the June 29 and 30 meeting in Dyer and believed he could attend the August meeting in Caliente as well. Member Boehmer offered to be the backup attendee if the Chair could not attend.

11. Informational Item: FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

(4:27:43) – Chairperson Green introduced the item. Discussion ensued whether the waterfowl limits would be set during the next meeting. Member Boehmer inquired about the enhancements to the Carson City Rifle and Pistol Range. Member Stewart believed the vault toilets had been installed already. Member Boehmer expressed gratitude for the sportsmen's organizations that had donated funds for the rehabilitation of the range.

12. PUBLIC COMMENT *The public is invited, at this time, to comment on and discuss any matter that is relevant to or within the authority of the Carson City Advisory Board to Manage Wildlife, including any matter that is not specifically included on the agenda as an action item. No action may be taken on a matter raised under this item of the agenda.*

(4:32:34) – No public was present for comments.

13. For Possible Action: ACTION ON ADJOURNMENT

(4:32:47) – Member Boehmer moved to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Vice Chair Yanuck. The meeting was adjourned at 4:32 p.m.

The minutes of the June 25, 2018 meeting of the Carson City Advisory Board to Manage Wildlife are approved on this 6th day of August, 2018.

GENE GREEN, Chair