

MINUTES
Regular Meeting
Carson City Advisory Board to Manage Wildlife
Monday, September 20, 2021 • 4:30 PM
Community Center Bonanza Room
851 East William Street, Carson City, Nevada 89701

Board Members

Chair – Gene Green	Vice Chair – Daniel Thompson
Member – Corbett Fleming	Member – Robert Boehmer
Member – Kirk Stewart	

Staff

Danielle Howard, Public Meetings Clerk

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1. CALL TO ORDER AND DETERMINATION OF QUORUM

(4:36:11) – Chairperson Green called the meeting to order at 4:36 p.m. Roll was called, and a quorum was present.

Attendee Name	Status	Arrived
Gene Green, Chair	Present	
Daniel Thompson, Vice Chair	Present	
Corbett Fleming	Absent	
Robert Boehmer	Present	
Kirk Stewart	Present	

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

(4:36:36) – Led by Member Stewart.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

(4:37:46) – Chairperson Green read the “Notice to Public,” located on the agenda, into the record. No public comments were forthcoming.

4. FOR POSSIBLE ACTION: APPROVAL OF MINUTES – AUGUST 2, 2021.

(4:41:26) – Chairperson Green introduced the item and entertained a motion.

(4:41:52) – Member Boehmer moved to approve the minutes from the August 2, 2021 meeting as presented. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairperson Thompson and carried 4-0-0.

5. FOR INFORMATION ONLY: UPDATE AND ACTIVITY REPORT ON THE CARSON CITY URBAN WILDLIFE COMMITTEE.

(4:42:03) – Chairperson Green introduced the item. Member Boehmer provided an update from the Mule Deer Enhancement Oversight Subcommittee, which included planning a fieldtrip to primarily the Tamarack area on Sunday, September 26, 2021 to look at the state of the wintering grounds, and he had suggested that the Subcommittee assess the urban deer population(s) in Carson City and possibly Snow Valley Peak for a future field trip. He mentioned having participated in a workshop through Greenhouse Garden Center, during which different plants were discussed that people could consider adding to their landscape that might deter deer, and Member Boehmer had the opportunity to educate the participants on urban wildlife. Member Boehmer was able to inform the participants about bear hunts and how they help manage the bear populations in the surrounding areas, and he promoted the City’s Urban Wildlife Education Week and wished to promote the event throughout the month.

6. FOR INFORMATION ONLY: UPDATE FROM THE CHAIR ON THE AUGUST 6 AND 7, 2021 NEVADA BOARD OF WILDLIFE COMMISSIONERS MEETING.

(4:56:26) – Member Boehmer reported on the August 6 and 7, 2021 Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners meeting, which was held remotely via Zoom.

7. CONSENT AGENDA:

The items listed under the consent agenda are considered routine and may be acted upon by the Advisory Board to Manage Wildlife with one action and without extensive hearing. A member of the advisory board may request an item be pulled for separate discussion and action, but the advisory board chair retains discretion in deciding whether to pull an item from the consent agenda. (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/Com/Agenda/ under agenda and corresponding support material).

(5:15:52) – Chairperson Green introduced the item and wished to pull item 7-D from the Consent Agenda. He entertained requests to pull items from the Consent Agenda, and Member Boehmer wished to pull item 7-I.

(5:20:51) – Vice Chairperson Thompson moved to accept the Consent Agenda as presented with the exception of items 7-D and 7-I. The motion was seconded by Member Stewart and carried 4-0-0.

7-A. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO OFFER COMMENT TO THE NEVADA BOARD OF WILDLIFE COMMISSIONERS REGARDING THE LITIGATION REPORT. *At its September 24, 2021 meeting, a Deputy Attorney General will present to the Nevada*

Board of Wildlife Commissioners a report on litigation, as an informational item. The CCCABMW may desire to offer public comment on the litigation.

7-B. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO OFFER COMMENT TO THE NEVADA BOARD OF WILDLIFE COMMISSIONERS REGARDING LANDOWNER COMPENSATION TAG COMMITTEE REPORT. *At its September 24, 2021 meeting, a report will be provided to the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners on the recent Landowner Compensation Tag Committee. The CCCABMW may desire to offer public comment on the report.*

7-C. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO OFFER COMMENT TO THE NEVADA BOARD OF WILDLIFE COMMISSIONERS REGARDING THE TAG ALLOCATION AND APPLICATION HUNT COMMITTEE (TAAHC) REPORT. *At its September 24, 2021 meeting, a report will be provided to the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners on the recent TAACH meeting. The CCCABMW may desire to offer public comment on the report.*

7-D. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE NEVADA BOARD OF WILDLIFE COMMISSIONERS REGARDING UPDATE ON THE GOVERNOR'S EXECUTIVE ORDER. *At its September 24, 2021 meeting, the Department will give a presentation to The Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners on the Governor's recently issued Executive Order creating the Habitat Conservation Framework. The CCCABMW may desire to offer public comment.*

(5:21:08) – Chairperson Green introduced the item. He was concerned about the item, as he did not agree with Executive Orders and believed that creating the Habitat Conservation Framework seemed to be a way to bypass NDOW.

(5:22:26) – Member Thompson referenced and agreed with the letter addressed to Governor Sisolak from the Lincoln County Board of County Commissioners, which is incorporated into the record as Late Material. He suggested that the Member representing the Board at the next Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners meeting indicate that the Board supports the Lincoln County Board of County Commissioners' position.

(5:28:05) – Discussion ensued regarding the background on the Nevada Sagebrush Ecosystem Program and the Sagebrush Ecosystem Council referenced in the letter, during which Member Boehmer suggested remaining neutral on the matter based on the limited information currently available. He also recommended commenting during the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners meeting, if given the opportunity, to inquire about more information on the matter as well as the Board's concern about the issuance of an Executive Order. No formal action was taken on this item.

7-E. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE NEVADA BOARD OF WILDLIFE COMMISSIONERS REGARDING COMMISSION GENERAL REGULATION 488, LANDOWNER COMPENSATION TAGS, LCB FILE NO. R083-19. *At its September 24, 2021 meeting, the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners will consider*

adopting changes to Chapter 502 of the Nevada Administrative Code (NAC). This regulation would provide direction for allocating landowner deer and antelope compensation tags if owner applicants cumulatively qualify for compensation tags more than the statutory limit. This regulation was considered during a workshop in September 2019.

7-F. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE NEVADA BOARD OF WILDLIFE COMMISSIONERS REGARDING COMMISSION GENERAL REGULATION 489, NAC 503.172, SHED ANTLER SEASON, R082-19. *At its September 24, 2021 meeting, the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners will consider adopting changes to NAC 501 and NAC 503 to change the demerits for violation of the shed antler closure, increase the demerits for a violation of that regulation and require an online class in order to collect or possess shed antlers in the field. This regulation was brought as a petition by Elko CABMW in August 2019 and was considered during a workshop in September 2019 and August 2021.*

7-G. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE NEVADA BOARD OF WILDLIFE COMMISSIONERS REGARDING COMMISSION GENERAL REGULATION 494 – NAC 501 REGULATION SIMPLIFICATION, LCB FILE NO. R163.20. *At its September 24, 2021 meeting, the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners will consider adopting changes to NAC 501 recommended by the Regulation Simplification Committee. This regulation was considered during a workshop at the September 2020 meeting.*

7-H. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE NEVADA BOARD OF WILDLIFE COMMISSIONERS REGARDING COMMISSION GENERAL REGULATION 499, BONUS POINT ONLY APPLICATION PERIOD. *At its September 24, 2021 meeting, the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners will review draft language amending NAC 502 chapters that would decouple the hunt application periods from the 7-day bonus point only application period and create a separate period for bonus point only purchases that would facilitate a more timely draw process and provide increased opportunity for bonus point purchase. The change also defines what “awarded” means to a successful draw applicant.*

7-I. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE NEVADA BOARD OF WILDLIFE COMMISSIONERS REGARDING WILDLIFE CONTESTS. *At its September 24, 2021 meeting, Commissioner McNinch will present to the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners, for consideration and discussion at a future meeting, various regulatory approaches and strategies used to address concerns surrounding wildlife contests. The CCCABMW may desire to offer public comment.*

(5:39:50) – Chairperson Green introduced the item. Discussion ensued, during which Vice Chairperson Thompson disagreed with regulations for coyote contests and did not believe more regulations were necessary. Member Boehmer believed that creating more regulations for wildlife contests could result in a potentially bad statute. Members Stewart and Boehmer believed that the Members should oppose regulations for wildlife contests in general, and Vice Chairperson Thompson did not wish for NDOW to

be involved in a regulation for the contests. The consensus among the Members was to take a position of opposition on the item.

(5:52:20) – Vice Chairperson Thompson moved to oppose agenda item 7-I to create regulations for wildlife contests. The motion was seconded by Member Stewart and carried 4-0-0.

***** **END OF CONSENT AGENDA** *****

8. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE NEVADA BOARD OF WILDLIFE COMMISSIONERS REGARDING COMMISSION REGULATION 21-15, FISHING SEASONS AND REGULATIONS FOR JANUARY 1, 2022, THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2023. *At its September 24, 2021 meeting, the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners will establish fishing seasons, bag, and possession limits for the period of January 1, 2022, through December 31, 2023.*

(5:53:10) – Chairperson Green introduced the item and entertained Member discussion and a motion.

(5:55:27) – Member Boehmer moved to support agenda item #8. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairperson Thompson and carried 4-0-0.

9. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE NEVADA BOARD OF WILDLIFE COMMISSIONERS REGARDING COALITION FOR HEALTHY LANDS LETTER. *At its September 24, 2021 meeting, the Coalition for Healthy Nevada Lands has asked the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners to sign on to the US Department of the Interior Secretary, Debra Haaland. The Commission may discuss and vote to take relevant action.*

(5:55:56) – Chairperson Green introduced the item and entertained Member discussion and a motion.

(5:59:27) – Vice Chairperson Thompson moved to support agenda item #9. The motion was seconded by Member Stewart and carried 4-0-0.

10. FOR INFORMATION ONLY: ADVISORY BOARD MEMBER COMMITMENT(S) TO THE SEPTEMBER 24 MEETING AND NOVEMBER 5 AND 6 MEETING.

(5:59:42) – Chairperson Green introduced the item and noted that he could attend the September 24, 2021 meeting.

11. FOR INFORMATION ONLY: FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

None.

12. PUBLIC COMMENT

(6:01:50) – Chairperson Green entertained public comments. Vice Chairperson Thompson commented that he noticed that permits for the Carson Lake and Pasture wetlands area were being sold on the NDOW

website, and he inquired about approaching NDOW about providing a presentation regarding what is being done in that area, what the monies are going to be applied to, and the current litigation for the water rights to that area. He also mentioned that members of the community were wondering if the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners could do a YouTube video or something similar about what is going on at the Carson Lake and Pasture area so the sportsmen who use such areas could have that information available to them. Member Boehmer suggested that the Members propose a presentation on the matter, similar to the presentation on the Carson Sink, during a call for County Advisory Board (CAB) items.

13. FOR POSSIBLE ACTION: ADJOURNMENT

(6:08:26) – Chairperson Green adjourned the meeting at 6:08 p.m.

The minutes of the September 20, 2021 meeting of the Carson City Advisory Board to Manage Wildlife are approved on this 1st day of November 2021.