

# 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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5:00 P.M.  
June 21, 2022

### **CALL TO ORDER**

### **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

### **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:**

- **April 26, 2022**

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. **DISCUSSION ON THE RESULTS OF THE MAY 6 & 7, 2022 NEVADA BOARD OF WILDLIFE COMMISSION MEETINGS.** There will be no action taken.
2. **DISCUSSION AND UPDATE ON THE ACTIVITIES AND ACTIONS OF THE MULE DEER ENHANCEMENT PROGRAM SUBCOMMITTEE.**
3. **FOR POSSIBLE ACTION. PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION BY A REPRESENTATIVE FROM THE TOWN OF MINDEN ON THE IMPROVEMENTS MADE AND PLANNED FOR THE SEMAN POND/MARTIN SLOUGH TRAIL.** A representative from the Town of Minden will provide an update on the improvements completed for fishing pond and the Martin Slough Park. The Douglas County Advisory Board to Manage Wildlife may take action to support, not support, or take no position on this project
4. **The following items, 4a through 4n, are items that will be heard before the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners at the next meetings, June 23 (a tour of the Argenta Wildlife Management Area), 24 & 25, 2022. The June 23, 2022 meeting will begin at the Lander County Courthouse, Commission Chambers, 50 State Route 305, Battle Mountain, Nevada. The June 24 & 25, 2022 meetings will be held at the Nevada Administration Building, 540 Court Street, Elko, 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–4n. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING WHETHER THE DOUGLAS COUNTY ADVISORY BOARD SHOULD TAKE A POSITION ON:**

**4a. FOR POSSIBLE ACTION. DISCUSSION ON THE BIENNIAL UPLAND GAME RELEASE PLAN FOR FISCAL YEARS 2022 AND 2023.** The Commission will review and may take action to approve the Department's proposed biennial upland game release plan for fiscal years 2022 and 2023. (*Wildlife Commission Agenda Item 12*)

**4b. FOR POSSIBLE ACTION. DISCUSSION ON THE FISCAL YEAR 2023 COUNTY ADVISORY BOARD BUDGET REQUESTS.** The Commission may approve an estimated amount of \$36,526 to be added to the reported cash balance on hand for County Advisory Boards, as requested, to Manage Wildlife budgets for Fiscal Year 2023. (*Wildlife Commission Agenda Item 13B*)

**4c. FOR POSSIBLE ACTION. DISCUSSION ON THE WILDLIFE HERITAGE COMMITTEE'S HERITAGE PROJECT EXTENSION REQUESTS.** The Commission will review recommendations and may approve extension request from projects approved in previous fiscal years. (*Wildlife Commission Agenda Item 14B*)

**4d. FOR POSSIBLE ACTION. DISCUSSION ON THE WILDLIFE HERITAGE COMMITTEE'S HERITAGE FUNDING REALLOCATION.** 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. (*Wildlife Commission Agenda Item 14C*)

**4e. FOR POSSIBLE ACTION. DISCUSSION ON THE WILDLIFE HERITAGE COMMITTEE'S FISCAL YEAR 2023 HERITAGE PROJECT PROPOSALS.** The Commission will hear recommendations from the Committee and may take action to approve up to

\$1,513,377.69 for projects submitted for FY 2023 funding from the committee are listed below and may be approved by the Commission.

- Wildfire-Related Restoration and Seed Purchase (\$150,000)
- Butler Basin Meadow and Spring Habitat Improvement Project (\$150,000)
- 2022-2023 Bighorn Sheep Test and Remove and Monitoring (\$148,500)
- Pole Canyon Conservation Easement (\$100,000)
- 2022-2023 Murdock Mountain Mule Deer Winter Habitat Enhancement Project (\$100,000)
- Schell Egan Land Acquisition (\$250,000)
- Nevada Spring Protection Project (\$50,000)
- Warmwater Sportfish Stocking for Large Reservoir Drought Recovery and Urban Fishing Opportunity (\$125,168)
- Morey Bench Mule Deer Crucial Winter Habitat Enhancement (\$40,000)
- Bullwhack Habitat Restoration (\$75,000)
- Corta Fire Habitat Improvement (\$40,000)
- Flint Spring Habitat Restoration (\$40,000)
- Toner Spring Habitat Restoration (\$75,000)

*Proposals Submitted by Others*

- Survey and Maintenance of existing big game guzzlers (\$40,000)
- Duck Creek Aspen Restoration (\$50,000)
- The interaction between restoration, foraging ecology, and mating behavior in Greater Sage-Grouse (year 3) (\$38,370)
- White Pine County Mastication and Brush Treatments (\$41,339.69)

*(Wildlife Commission Agenda Item 14D)*

**4f. FOR POSSIBLE ACTION. DISCUSSION ON THE WILDLIFE HERITAGE COMMITTEE'S HERITAGE ACCOUNT PRINCIPAL PROJECT PROPOSAL.** The Commission will hear the Schell – Egan Acquisition Heritage Account Principal Project Proposal from the Department. The Department is asking for additional funds from the Heritage Account Principal balance to acquire 5,390 acres of wildlife habitat scattered throughout the Schell and Egan Ranges near Ely, NV. *(Wildlife Commission Agenda Item 14E)*

**4g. FOR POSSIBLE ACTION. DISCUSSION ON THE DUCK STAMP REQUEST.** The Commission will review and may take action to approve up to \$102,000 for projects submitted for FY 2023 funding from the Duck Stamp Account.

- Western Complex WMAs Habitat Improvements (\$15,000)
- Western Complex WMA Water Control Repair (\$15,000)
- Carson Lake and Pasture Infrastructure Improvements (\$25,000)
- Licking Ranch WMA Improvement Project (\$12,000)

*(Wildlife Commission Agenda Item 15)*

**4h. FOR POSSIBLE ACTION. DISCUSSION ON THE UPLAND GAME BIRD STAMP REQUEST.** The Commission will review and may take action to approve up to \$327,200 for projects submitted for FY 2023 funding from the Upland Game Bird Stamp Account. The specific Upland Game Bird Stamp projects that may be approved at listed below:

- Corta Fire Habitat Improvement (\$17,250)
- Corners for Quail (\$25,000)
- Key Pittman Wildlife Food Plots (\$7,500)
- Greater Sage-grouse Statewide Monitoring (\$29,370)
- Upland Game Translocation and Monitoring (\$13,400)
- Licking Ranch WMA Improvement Project (\$30,000)
- Overton WMA Food Plots (\$10,000)
- Big Lake PJ Removal-Cleanup (\$5,000)

- Rangeland Restoration for Greater Sage-grouse (\$20,000)
- Western Complex WMAs Water Control Structure Repairs (\$15,000)
- Western Complex WMAs Habitat Improvements (\$10,000)
- Effects of Mineral Development on Greater Sage-grouse (\$47,500)
- Bi-State Sage-grouse Monitoring (\$25,000)
- Soil Herbicide Monitoring (\$12,180)
- Butler Basin Meadow and Spring Habitat Improvement Project (\$40,000)

*(Wildlife Commission Agenda Item 16)*

**4I. FOR POSSIBLE ACTION. DISCUSSION ON THE POSSIBLE ADOPTION OF COMMISSION GENERAL REGULATION 501, NEVADA ADMINISTRATIVE CODE 502.385, TAG TRANSFER.** The Commission will consider adopting Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) 502.385 that would allow the transfer of a game tag to a non-profit organization and determine the status of the tag if the Department is notified of the tag holder's death. This regulation was created after the passage of Assembly Bill 89 of the 81<sup>st</sup> Legislative Session. *(Wildlife Commission Agenda Item 23A)*

**4j. FOR POSSIBLE ACTION. DISCUSSION ON THE POSSIBLE ADOPTION OF COMMISSION GENERAL REGULATION 505, NEVADA ADMINISTRATIVE CODE 502.4215. FIRST COME FIRST SERVED PREVENTION OF UNFAIR ADVANTAGES.** The Commission will consider adopting NAC 502.4215 that would allow for the suspension of a person from the First Come First Served program for attempting to create an unfair advantage to obtain a big game tag. *(Wildlife Commission Agenda Item 23B)*

**4k. FOR POSSIBLE ACTION. DISCUSSION ON THE POSSIBLE ADOPTION OF COMMISSION GENERAL REGULATION 507, LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL BUREAU FILE NO. R045-22 – PETITION PROCESS.** The Commission will consider adopting changes recommended by the APRP Committee to NAC 501.195. This regulation was approved by the Committee at their March meeting and heard for a workshop by the Commission in May. CGR 507 will now be considered by the Commission for possible adoption. *(Wildlife Commission Agenda Item 23C)*

**4I. FOR POSSIBLE ACTION. DISCUSSION ON THE POSSIBLE ADOPTION OF COMMISSION REGULATION 22-12, 2022-2023 UPLAND GAME AND FURBEARER SEASONS AND BAG LIMITS.** The Commission will establish and may vote to amend regulations for upland game birds and mammals as well as furbearers for the 2022-2023 season. This regulation may also include modifications to the fall wild turkey seasons for 2022 and spring wild turkey seasons for 2023. *(Wildlife Commission Agenda Item 24A)*

**4m. FOR POSSIBLE ACTION. DISCUSSION ON THE POSSIBLE ADOPTION OF COMMISSION REGULATION 22-05, AMENDMENT #1, 2023 HERITAGE TAG VENDORS.** The Commission will review the Wildlife Heritage Committee's recommendations regarding Heritage Tag Vendor Proposals for 2023 and may take action on the proposals. *(Wildlife Commission Agenda Item 24B)*

**4n. FOR POSSIBLE ACTION. DISCUSSION ON THE PETITION SUBMITTED BY MR. DAVID FLANDERS – USE OF AIR RIFLES.** Mr. Flanders has submitted a petition to allow Air Rifles to hunt. The Commission may take action to deny or accept the petition and initiate rulemaking. *(Wildlife Commission Agenda Item 26)*

**5. FOR DISCUSSION ONLY. 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. FOR DISCUSSION ONLY. 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.**

- 7. FOR DISCUSSION ONLY. DISCUSSION TO SCHEDULE THE NEXT DOUGLAS COUNTY WILDLIFE ADVISORY BOARD MEETING.** The next Commission meeting is scheduled for August 19 and 20, 2022. The Commission will review and discuss potential agenda items for that meeting. The Commission may change the date, time, and meeting location at this time. The chairwoman 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, August 16, 2022.

- 8. FOR DISCUSSION ONLY. 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: 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 Wednesday, June 15, 2022 at the following locations: Douglas County Community & Senior Center (both entrances); 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: <https://www.ndow.org/events/june-2022-commission-meeting/>. 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.