



Elko County Advisory Board to Manage Wildlife

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PUBLIC MEETING NOTICE

The Elko County Advisory Board to Manage Wildlife, County of Elko, State of Nevada, will meet on Monday, October 31, 2022, in the Nannini Administration Building, Suite 102, 540 Court Street, Elko, Nevada 89801 at 6:00 PM Pacific Time Zone

Attached with this Notice is the Agenda for said meeting of the Board.

This Notice is posted pursuant to NRS 241 as amended by the 2021 Legislature and is to be posted at the following places no later than three full working days before the meeting:

ELKO COUNTY MANAGER'S OFFICE

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ELKO COUNTY WEBSITE: www.elkocountynv.net

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AMANDA OSBORNE
Elko County Manager

WELCOME TO AN ELKO COUNTY BOARD OR COMMISSION MEETING!

We are pleased you are interested in a meeting of one of Elko County's Boards or Commissions. Below is some basic information about our meetings and procedures for you to participate in your government.

AGENDAS

The agenda is available on the Elko County website at www.elkocountynv.net. Hard copies are made available at the meeting, upon request at the County Manager's Office or posted as per NRS 241. Meetings are broadcast live from our website, under the Meetings tab on the home page of the website and then under Agendas, Videos, etc. You can also click the Watch Our Meetings tab on the right side of the home page. Videos of the meeting are available within 24 hours of the end of the meeting. Minutes, when finalized and approved by the Board/Commission, are also posted to that page. Our agendas contain Zoom meeting links if you can't be in person at our meetings.

PUBLIC COMMENT

The public's participation in our meetings is valued and appreciated. The Board/Commission can only take action on items that are listed on an agenda properly posted prior to the meeting. During Comments by the General Public, speakers may address matters not listed on the agenda. The Open Meeting Law does not expressly prohibit responses to public comment by the Commissioners, but no deliberation on a matter can be considered without notice to the public. Public comment will also be called for on all agenda items marked FOR POSSIBLE ACTION.

If you are planning to speak during the meeting, please sign the sign-in-sheet at the back of the meeting room. This helps our recording clerk get the correct spelling of your name. When comments are called for, please approach the podium and state your name and who you represent, or raise your hand on Zoom.

If submitting comments or information on an agenda item, please submit to the County Manager's Office as soon as possible in order to provide opportunity for Board/Commission members to review and to avoid possible delays in a decision if not all information is presented previous to the start of a meeting. If information is presented at the meeting, you need to provide at least 10 copies, making sure to submit a copy to the recording secretary for the official public record. All information submitted becomes part of the public record and is added to the backup information for that agenda item on our website with 24 hours of the adjournment of the meeting.

Another avenue for making comments on agenda items, especially if you can't make a meeting, is our e-Comment system. If you open the agenda under the process described above, you will find a link by the agenda called e-Comment. Click on the link and follow the directions to register to comment and you are set to comment on specific agenda items. Please note that the e-comment period for a specific agenda closes 4 hours before the start of the meeting to allow those comments to be transmitted to our Board/Commission members and recording staff. Those reports are also uploaded to our agenda on the website.

CONSENT AGENDA

Items listed under the Consent Agenda are considered to be routine in nature and are normally approved by one motion without extensive discussion. If a Board/Commission member wishes to comment or discuss a particular item, that item can be removed from the consent agenda and considered as a separate action during the meeting.



**ELKO COUNTY ADVISORY BOARD TO MANAGE
WILDLIFE COUNTY OF ELKO, STATE OF NEVADA
MEETING THE NANNINI ADMINISTRATION BUILDING,
SUITE 102, 540 COURT STREET, ELKO, NEVADA 89801.**

6:00 PM Pacific Time Zone

Monday, October 31, 2022

IN ACCORDANCE WITH NRS 241, THE COMMISSION MAY: (I) CHANGE THE ORDER OF THE AGENDA, (II) COMBINE TWO OR MORE AGENDA ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION, (III) REMOVE AN ITEM FROM THE AGENDA OR DELAY DISCUSSION RELATING TO AN ITEM ON THE AGENDA AT ANY TIME, (IV) AND IF THE AGENDA IS NOT COMPLETED, RECESS THE MEETING AND CONTINUE ON ANOTHER SPECIFIED DATE AND TIME. THE PUBLIC CAN COMMENT ON ANY AGENDA ITEM BY BEING ACKNOWLEDGED BY THE CHAIR WHILE THE COMMISSION CONSIDERS THAT AGENDA ITEM.

POSTING

This agenda is posted pursuant to NRS 241 as amended by the 2021 Legislature and was posted at the following locations no later than October 25, 2022: ELKO COUNTY MANAGER'S OFFICE, ELKO COUNTY COURTHOUSE, NEVADA STATE WEBSITE (<https://notice.nv.gov/>) AND THE ELKO COUNTY WEBSITE (www.elkocountynv.net).

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PROCEDURE

Please sign in at the back of the hearing room if you plan on speaking during the meeting and remember to state your name for the record at the podium before making your statement.

REQUEST FOR AGENDA INFORMATION

The public may acquire this agenda and supporting materials, pursuant to NRS 241 by contacting Michele Petty, Executive Assistant, at (775) 738-5398 or via e-mail to mpetty@elkocountynv.net. Materials are available from the Elko County Manager's Office, Nannini Administration Building, 540 Court Street, Suite 101, Elko, Nevada 89801 or on the Elko County website at www.elkocountynv.net.

ATTENTION

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THE NEVADA BOARD OF WILDLIFE COMMISSIONERS (NBOWC) WILL RECEIVE RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THIS MEETING ALONG WITH THE ELKO COUNTY COMMISSION.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Public comment will be taken on every action item after discussion but before action on each item, and is limited to three minutes per person. The chairman may allow persons representing groups to speak for six minutes. Persons may not allocate unused time to other speakers. Persons are invited to submit written comments on items or attend and make comment during the meeting and are asked to complete a speaker card and present it to the Recording Secretary. To ensure the public has notice of all matters the Commission will consider, Commissioners may choose not to respond to public comments in order to avoid the appearance of deliberation on topics not listed for action on the agenda.

Forum restrictions and orderly business: 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 that antagonize or incite others are examples of public comment that may be reasonably limited.

NOTE: Public comment allowed on each action item and regulation workshop items and at the end of the meeting.

1. CALL TO ORDER, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND ROLL CALL OF BOARD MEMBERS

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The Board will review the agenda and may take action to approve the agenda. The Board may remove items from the agenda, continue items for consideration or take items out of order.

FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

3. MEMBER ITEMS/ANNOUNCEMENTS AND CORRESPONDENCE

Board members may present emergent items. No action may be taken by the Board. Any items requiring Board action may be scheduled on a future Board agenda. The Board will review and may discuss correspondence sent or received by the Board since the last regular meeting and may provide copies for the exhibit file (Board members will provide hard copies of their correspondence for the written record).

NON-ACTION

4. COMMENTS BY THE GENERAL PUBLIC

Pursuant to NRS 241 this time is devoted to comments by the general public, if any, and discussion of those comments. No action may be taken upon a matter raised under this item on the agenda until the matter itself has been specifically included on a successive agenda and identified to be an action item.

NON-ACTION

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

5.a Discussion and consideration of approval of the minutes from the September 19, 2022 meeting.

FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

[DRAFT Wildlife Minutes from September 19, 2022.pdf](#)

6. ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES, REGULATIONS AND POLICY

6.a Discussion and consideration of comments on State Agenda Item #7A regarding Commission Policy 11- Heritage Grants.

The Commission will review Commission Policy 11 and may make any necessary changes and may decide to move it to a second reading.

FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

[Commission Policy Memo For November 2022 Commission Meeting.pdf](#)

6.b Discussion and consideration of comments on State Agenda Item #7B regarding Commission Policy 23 – Predation Management.

The Commission will review Commission Policy 23 and may make any necessary changes and may decide to move it to a second reading.

FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

[Commission Policy Memo For November 2022 Commission Meeting.pdf](#)

6.c Discussion and consideration of comments on State Agenda Item #7C regarding Commission Policy 24 – Hunting Opportunities Among Various Weapons Classes and Hunter Groups.

The Commission will have a third reading of Commission Policy 24, Hunting Opportunities Among Various Weapons Classes and Hunter Groups, and may decide to repeal, revise, or adopt the policy.

FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

[Commission Policy Memo For November 2022 Commission Meeting.pdf](#)

- 6.d Discussion and consideration of comments on State Agenda Item #7D regarding Commission Policy 60 – Water Application Guidelines.

The Commission will have a second reading of Commission Policy 60, Water Application Guidelines, and may make any necessary changes and may decide to repeal, revise, or adopt the policy.

FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

[Commission Policy Memo For November 2022 Commission Meeting.pdf](#)

- 6.e Discussion and consideration of comments on State Agenda Item #7E regarding Commission Policy 61 – Water Rights.

The Commission will have a second reading of Commission Policy 61, Water Rights, and may make any necessary changes and may decide to repeal, revise, or adopt the policy.

FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

[Commission Policy Memo For November 2022 Commission Meeting.pdf](#)

- 6.f Discussion and consideration of comments on State Agenda Item #7F regarding Commission Policy 62 - Mitigation Policy.

The Commission will review Commission Policy 62 and may make any necessary changes and may decide to move it to a second reading.

FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

[Commission Policy Memo For November 2022 Commission Meeting.pdf](#)

- 6.g Discussion and consideration of comments on State Agenda Item #7G regarding Commission Policy 66 – Management and Use of Wildlife Management Areas.

The Commission will have a second reading of Commission Policy 66, Management and Use of Wildlife Management Areas, and may make any necessary changes and may decide to repeal, revise, or adopt the policy.

FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

[Commission Policy Memo For November 2022 Commission Meeting.pdf](#)

7. COMMISSION GENERAL REGULATIONS - WORKSHOP

- 7.a Discussion and consideration of comments on State Agenda Item #8A regarding Commission General Regulation 500, Subdivision Map Review.

The Commission will hold a workshop to consider amending Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) 502 to provide for the Department review of tentative subdivision map(s) and inclusion of recommendations for methods to avoid or minimize impacts to wildlife, mitigation measures, best management practices or required design features, and provide for collection of associated fees to the Department for carrying out such reviews.

FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

[8A-Commission General Regulation 500 - Subdivision Map Fee Language.pdf](#)

- 7.b Discussion and consideration of comments on State Agenda Item #8B regarding Commission General Regulation 502, Junior Hunt and Turkey Program.

The Commission will hold a second workshop to consider amending Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) 502 to limit the number of successfully awarded tags in the junior hunt program. The regulation also removes hard close dates for submitting a turkey 4 harvest return card and allows for junior turkey bonus points to convert to the adult point category once a junior is ineligible to participate in the junior hunt turkey program.

FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

[8B-Commission General Regulation 502 Junior Hunt and Turkey Program Legislative Counsel Bureau Memo.pdf](#)

- 7.c Discussion and consideration of comments on State Agenda Item #8C regarding Commission General Regulation 510, FCFS Exchange to Obtain a Tag.

The Commission will hold a workshop to consider a temporary regulation amending Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) 502 that would include any money, goods, or services exchanged for procurement of a tag through the FCFS program as grounds for suspension from the program.

FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

[8C-Commission General Regulation 510 Temporary Regulation Exchange to Obtain a Tag Draft Language Memo.pdf](#)

- 7.d Discussion and consideration of comments on State Agenda Item #8D regarding Commission General Regulation 506, Possession of Golden Eagles Under Certain Circumstances.

The Commission will hold a workshop to consider amending Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) 503 to allow for possession of a golden eagle under certain circumstances.
FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

[8D-Commission General Regulation 506 Possession of Golden Eagles Language Memo.pdf](#)

- 7.e Discussion and consideration of comments on State Agenda Item #8E regarding Commission General Regulation 509, License and Vessel Product Refunds.

The Commission will hold a workshop to consider amending Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) 502 and 488 to allow the Department authority to provide refunds on licenses and vessel products.
FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

[8E-Commission General Regulation 509 Licensing and Vessel Product Refunds DRAFT Language.pdf](#)

8. COMMISSION REGULATION

- 8.a Discussion and consideration of comments on State Agenda Item # 14A regarding Commission Regulation 23-02, Taking of Raptors for Falconry for 2023-2024.

The Commission will consider and may take action to approve the 2023-2024 season dates, species, quotas, limits, closed areas, application procedures and deadlines, and take of raptors for falconry.
FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

[14A-Commission Regulation 23-02 Memo and Language November Falconry.pdf](#)

- 8.b Discussion and consideration of comments on State Agenda Item # 14B regarding Commission Regulation 23-03, Noncommercial Collection of Reptiles and Amphibians for 2023-2024.

The Commission will consider and may take action to approve 2023-2024 season and limits for noncommercial hobby collecting of live, unprotected reptiles and amphibians
FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

[14B-Commission Regulation 23-03 Memo and Language Noncommercial Reptile Season and Limits.pdf](#)

- 8.c Discussion and consideration of comments on State Agenda Item # 14C regarding Commission Regulation 22-12 Amendment #1, Upland and Furbearer Seasons.

The Commission will consider and may take action to approve the proposed changes amending the spring turkey application period and draw dates for the 2023 season.
FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

[14C-Commission Regulation 22-12 Memo Language Upland Furbearer Seasons.pdf](#)

9. COMMISSION GENERAL REGULATIONS

- 9.a Discussion and consideration of comments on State Agenda Item # 15A regarding Commission General Regulation 508, Antler Points and Spike Elk Defined.

The Commission will consider adopting NAC 502 that would clarify definitions pertaining to “antler point” and “spike elk” for certain big game mammals and reduce the potential occurrence of inadvertent infractions.

FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

[15A-Commission General Regulation 508 Antler Point and Spike Elk Defined Memo and Language.pdf](#)

- 9.b Discussion and consideration of comments on State Agenda Item # 15B regarding Commission General Regulation 510, First Come First Served (FCFS) Exchange to Obtain a Tag.

The Commission will hold an adoption hearing to consider a temporary regulation amending Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) 502 that would include any money, goods, or services exchanged for procurement of a tag through the FCFS program as grounds for suspension from the program.

FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

[15B-Commission General Regulation 510 Temporary Regulation First Come First Served Exchange To Obtain A Tag Draft Language Memo Adopt.pdf](#)

10. ELKO COUNTY CODE CHANGE

- 10.a Discussion and consideration of comments regarding the proposed amendment to Elko County Code 7-1-4 which prohibits the discharge of firearms in specific, populated areas of the County. A request was received from residents of Shantytown to prohibit hunting in their town.

The first reading of the proposed amendment will be held at the Elko County Board of Commissioners meeting on November 2, 2022.

FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

[Elko County Code 7-1-4.pdf](#)

11. NEVADA DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE PROJECT UPDATES

- 11.a Presentation from the Department of Wildlife, Eastern Region, with an update on the department's activities.

NON-ACTION

12. FUTURE COMMISSION MEETINGS

- 12.a The next Commission meeting is scheduled for January 27 and 28, 2023 in Reno. 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 chairman 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 Elko County Advisory Board to Manage Wildlife meeting is set for **Monday, January 23, 2023.**

FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

13. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

Pursuant to advice from the Nevada Attorney General's Office, this time is devoted to comments by Board Members for general information or update purposes. No action may be taken upon a matter raised under this item of the agenda until the matter itself has been specifically included on a successive agenda and identified to be an action item. Any correspondence received by a Board member may be read and attached for the record.

NON-ACTION

14. COMMENTS BY THE GENERAL PUBLIC

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NON-ACTION

15. ADJOURNMENT

E-COMMENT AND POSTING CERTIFICATE

NOTICE TO PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

Members of the public who are disabled and require special accommodations or assistance at the meeting are requested to notify the Board of County Commissioners, County of Elko, in writing at 540 Court Street, Suite 101, Elko, Nevada 89801, by e-mail at mpetty@elkocountynv.net or by calling (775) 738-5398.

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