

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.

January 23, 2024

CALL TO ORDER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL AND INTRODUCTION OF MEMBERS

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:

- **October 31, 2023**

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. **FOR POSSIBLE ACTION. DISCUSSION AND ELECTION OF A CHAIRMAN AND A VICE CHAIRMAN OF THE DOUGLAS COUNTY ADVISORY BOARD TO MANAGE WILDLIFE FOR THE 2024 CALENDAR YEAR.**
 2. **DISCUSSION ON THE RESULTS OF THE SEPTEMBER 22 & 23, 2023 AND THE NOVEMBER 3 & 4, 2023 NEVADA BOARD OF WILDLIFE COMMISSION MEETINGS.** There will be no action taken.
 3. **DISCUSSION AND UPDATE ON THE ACTIVITIES AND ACTIONS OF THE MULE DEER ENHANCEMENT PROGRAM SUBCOMMITTEE.**
 4. **The following items, 4a through 4s, are items that will be heard before the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners at the next meetings, January 26 and 27, 2024 at the Sparks Legislative Building, 745 4th Street, Sparks, 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–4s. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING WHETHER THE DOUGLAS COUNTY ADVISORY BOARD SHOULD TAKE A POSITION ON:**

4a. FOR POSSIBLE ACTION. DISCUSSION ON THE PETITION SUBMITTED BY MR. JOSHUA JENNI. Mr. Jenni has submitted a petition to add a separate resident only archery hunt for Rocky Mountain Goats. The Commission may take action to deny or accept the petition and initiate rulemaking. (*Wildlife Commission Agenda Item 8*)

4b. FOR POSSIBLE ACTION. DISCUSSION ON THE THIRD READING OF COMMISSION POLICY 24 – HUNTING OPPORTUNITIES AMONG VARIOUS WEAPONS AND HUNTER GROUPS. The Department made changes requested by the Commission. The Commission may make any necessary changes and may decide to repeal, revise or adopt the policy. (*Wildlife Commission Agenda Item 9*)

4c. FOR POSSIBLE ACTION. DISCUSSION ON THE DRAFT FISCAL YEAR 2025 PREDATION MANAGEMENT PLAN. The draft fiscal year 2025 Predation Management Plan will be presented to the Commission for initial review. Following this review, the draft plan will be updated and shared with the State Predatory Animal and Rodent Committee (PARC). All comments from the PARC, County Advisory Boards to Manage Wildlife (CABMW), and any other interested entity will be compiled and shared with the Wildlife Damage Management Committee (WDMC) for their consideration at their March 2024 meeting. The Commission will receive an update at the March 2024 meeting from the Wildlife Damage Management Committee and may provide additional direction at that time. (*Wildlife Commission Agenda Item 10*)

4d. FOR POSSIBLE ACTION. DISCUSSION ON THE BIENNIAL BIG GAME RELEASE PLAN FOR FISCAL YEARS FY2024 AND FY2025. The Commission will review and may take action to approve the Department's proposed biennial bighorn sheep and mountain goat release plan for fiscal years 2024 and 2025. (*Wildlife Commission Agenda Item 11*)

4e. FOR POSSIBLE ACTION. DISCUSSION ON COMMISSION GENERAL REGULATION 514 – MOOSE. The Commission will hold a workshop to consider amending Chapters 502 and 503 of the Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) to provide for definitions, fees, and

regulations concerning moose. This proposed regulation change is necessary to establish definitions for antlered and antlerless moose, eligibility requirements for a moose tag and fees for both resident and non-resident antlered and antlerless moose hunts and to establish requirements for maintaining physical characteristics of the harvested moose. *(This item is agendaized as a workshop of the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners' Agenda) (Wildlife Commission Agenda Item 12A)*

4f. FOR POSSIBLE ACTION. DISCUSSION ON THE POSSIBLE ADOPTION OF COMMISSION GENERAL REGULATION 512, FISHING REGULATIONS.

The Commission will hold an adoption hearing to consider amending Chapter 488 and 503 of the Nevada Administrative Code (NAC). This regulation would change vessel motor restrictions, amend tackle restrictions, and reclassify protected species classifications. *(Wildlife Commission Agenda Item 19A)*

4g. FOR POSSIBLE ACTION. DISCUSSION ON THE POSSIBLE ADOPTION OF COMMISSION GENERAL REGULATION 513, EXECUTIVE ORDER REGULATIONS.

The Commission will hold an adoption hearing to amend Chapters 488, 501, 502, 503 and 504 of the Nevada Administrative Code pursuant to Executive Order 2023-003. *(Wildlife Commission Agenda Item 19B)*

4h. FOR POSSIBLE ACTION. DISCUSSION ON THE POSSIBLE ADOPTION OF COMMISSION GENERAL REGULATION 514 – MOOSE.

The Commission will hold a workshop to consider amending Chapters 502 and 503 of the Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) to provide for definitions, fees, and regulations concerning moose. This proposed regulation change is necessary to establish definitions for antlered and antlerless moose, eligibility requirements for a moose tag and fees for both resident and non-resident antlered and antlerless moose hunts and to establish requirements for maintaining physical characteristics of the harvested moose. *(Wildlife Commission Agenda Item 19C)*

4i. FOR POSSIBLE ACTION. DISCUSSION ON COMMISSION REGULATION 23-04, (AMENDMENT 2) – 2023-2024 AND 2024-2025 BIG GAME SEASONS.

The Commission will consider and may take action to approve an amendment to the 2023- 2024 and 2024-2025 hunting seasons and dates for mule deer, pronghorn antelope, elk, bighorn sheep, mountain goat and moose, including limits, hunting hours, special hunt eligibility, animal sex, physical characteristics and hunt boundary restrictions. *(Wildlife Commission Agenda Item 20A)*

4j. FOR POSSIBLE ACTION. DISCUSSION ON COMMISSION REGULATION 23-10, (AMENDMENT 2) – 2024 HERITAGE TAG SEASONS AND QUOTA.

The Commission will consider amending the regulation for the 2024 Heritage Tag species, seasons, and quota regulation to add a mandatory call-in number for all Specialty Bighorn Sheep tag holders to verify which units are closed to hunting. *(Wildlife Commission Agenda Item 20B)*

4k. FOR POSSIBLE ACTION. DISCUSSION ON COMMISSION REGULATION 24-01, 2024 BIG GAME APPLICATION DEADLINES.

The Commission will consider adopting a regulation to set the 2024 big game tag application deadlines and related information. *(Wildlife Commission Agenda Item 20C)*

4l. FOR POSSIBLE ACTION. DISCUSSION ON COMMISSION REGULATION 24-02, 2024 BIG GAME TAG APPLICATION ELIGIBILITY AND TAG LIMITS.

The Commission will consider adopting a regulation to set the 2024 big game tag application eligibility and tag limits and related information. *(Wildlife Commission Agenda Item 20D)*

4m. FOR POSSIBLE ACTION. DISCUSSION ON COMMISSION REGULATION 24-03, 2024 DREAM TAG.

The Commission will consider adopting a regulation to set the 2024 Dream Tag species, seasons, and quota. *(Wildlife Commission Agenda Item 20E)*

4n. FOR POSSIBLE ACTION. DISCUSSION ON COMMISSION REGULATION 24-04, 2024 PARTNERSHIP IN WILDLIFE (PIW) TAGS. The Commission will consider adopting a regulation to set the 2024 Partnership in Wildlife (PIW) tags hunt species. *(Wildlife Commission Agenda Item 20F)*

4o. FOR POSSIBLE ACTION. DISCUSSION ON COMMISSION REGULATION 24-05, 2025 HERITAGE TAG SEASONS AND QUOTA. The Commission will consider adopting a regulation to set the 2025 Heritage Tag species, seasons, and quota. *(Wildlife Commission Agenda Item 20G)*

4p. FOR POSSIBLE ACTION. DISCUSSION ON COMMISSION REGULATION 24-06, 2024 SILVER STATE TAGS. The Commission will consider adopting a regulation to set the 2024 Silver State tag species, seasons, and quota. *(Wildlife Commission Agenda Item 20H)*

4q. FOR POSSIBLE ACTION. DISCUSSION ON COMMISSION REGULATION 24-07, 2024 BLACK BEAR SEASONS. The Commission will consider and may take action to approve the 2024 hunting season dates, open management units, hunting hours, special regulations, animal sex, legal weapon requirements, hunt boundary restrictions, and dates and times for indoctrination courses for black bear. *(Wildlife Commission Agenda Item 20I)*

4r. FOR POSSIBLE ACTION. DISCUSSION ON COMMISSION REGULATION 24-08, 2024 MOUNTAIN LION SEASON AND HARVEST LIMITS. The Commission will consider and may take action to approve the 2024-2025 hunting season open units, harvest limits by unit group, hunting hours and special regulations. *(Wildlife Commission Agenda Item 20J)*

4s. FOR POSSIBLE ACTION. DISCUSSION ON COMMISSION REGULATION 24-09, 2024-2025 RESTRICTED NONRESIDENT GUIDED MULE DEER SEASONS AND QUOTAS. The Commission will consider and may take action to approve the 2024-2025 hunting season and quotas for restricted non-resident guided mule deer including hunt boundary restrictions. *(Wildlife Commission Agenda Item 20K)*

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 March 8 and 9, 2024 in Las Vegas. 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 next Douglas County Advisory Board to Manage Wildlife meeting is tentatively scheduled for Tuesday, February 27, 2024.

- 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, January 17, 2024 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/january-2024-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 in 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.