

**LYON COUNTY WILDLIFE ADVISORY BOARD  
MINUTES**

June 18, 2024 at 6:00 PM  
Silver Springs Senior Center  
2945 Fort Churchill, Silver Springs, NV 89429

1. Call to Order 6:05 pm by Joe Crawford
2. Roll Call: Determination of a Quorum  
Joe Crawford, Bob Arigoni, Walt Mandeville, and Mike Osterman
3. Pledge of Allegiance
4. Public Participation (no action will be taken on any item until it is properly agendized) - It is anticipated that public participation will be held at this time, though it may be returned to at any time during the agenda. Citizens wishing to speak during public participation are asked to state their name for the record and will be limited to 3 minutes. The Board will conduct public comment after discussion of each agenda action item, but before the Board takes any action.

**NONE**

5. Community Reports
  - a. Nevada Department of Wildlife Representative - Jason Salisbury, Nevada Department of Wildlife  
NONE

6. For Possible Action: Review and adoption of agenda  
*Bob Arigoni motioned that the CAB to approve the Lyon County Wildlife CAB agenda. Mike Osterman seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously, 4-0*

7. For Possible Action: Approve minutes of meeting from **April 24, 2024**  
*Mike Osterman motioned that the CAB approve the minutes from the April 24, 2024 Lyon Wildlife CAB minutes. Bob Arigoni seconded. The motion passed unanimously, 4-0*

8. For Possible Action to Forward a Recommendation: Nevada Wildlife Commission Reports Review for Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners (NBWC) Meeting on **June 28-29**[http://www.ndow.org/Public\\_Meetings/Com/Agenda/](http://www.ndow.org/Public_Meetings/Com/Agenda/)

1. Review for Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners (NBWC) Meeting on **June 28 and 29 2024**  
Link to Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners Meeting information:  
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**A. Fiscal Year 2025 County Advisory Boards to Manage FOR POSSIBLE ACTION  
Wildlife (CABMW) Budget Requests – Finance Committee Chairman Shane Rogers**

The Commission will consider and may approve an amount to fund the County Advisory Boards to Management Wildlife for Fiscal Year 2025. The Finance Committee recommended to approve an allocation of \$36,526 at their meeting on May 22, 2024. The CABMW request was \$38,573. The Commission may discuss approving funding at either of the amounts requested.

#### **CAB DISCUSSION**

- B. NBWC ITEM 9.\* Commission Policy 12 – Predator Fee for Habitat, Research & FOR POSSIBLE ACTION Management – The Commission will review a new Commission Policy 12 for the second time and may take action to recommend revising or adopting the policy.**
- C. NBWC ITEM #10\* Approval for Elk Damage Payment Exceeding \$10,000 – Wildlife Staff FOR POSSIBLE ACTION An assessment of elk damage on Granite Peak Ranch in White Pine County, totaling \$13,318 was conducted by Department personnel and submitted for reimbursement by Bruce Hubbard, agent for the property. Per Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) 504.421 Section 1(f), “A loss on one site must be limited to \$10,000 unless the Commission determines that a claimant may be paid more, and there is sufficient money to pay him or her.” The Commission is required to review and approve the payment for elk damage.**  
CAB DISCUSSION: How do they determine damage? Could be quite a bit of money if they get land owner compensation tags also - both? Sounds as if the department has assessed the damage.
- D. NBWC ITEM 12\*. Heritage Project Extension Requests –FOR POSSIBLE ACTION The NBWC Commission will review recommendations and may approve extensions requests from projects approved in previous fiscal years.**
- E. NBWC Item 13\*. Heritage Funding Reallocation – The NBWC 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.**
- F. NBWC ITEM 14\*. Fiscal Year 2025 Heritage Project Proposals – FOR POSSIBLE ACTION The Commission will hear recommendations from the Committee and may take action to approve up to \$1,840,130.76 for projects submitted for Fiscal Year 2025 from the annual year project funds. In addition, the Commission may take action to approve up to \$98,548.64 for projects submitted for Fiscal Year 2025 from the principal balance for a total of \$1,938,679.40. Funding requests are listed below and may be approved by the Commission.**
- Memory Ranch Conservation Easement (\$200,000)
  - FY25 Bighorn Sheep and Mountain Goat Restoration and Management (\$110,600)
  - FY25 Wildfire-related Restoration and Seed Purchase (\$150,000)
  - FY25 Nevada Spring Protection Project (\$100,000)
  - FY25 Nevada Water Development Maintenance (\$50,000)
  - FY25 Clover Valley Wildlife Passage Improvement Project (\$50,000)
  - FY25 Cave Lake Habitat Improvement and Erosion Control (\$98,538.40)
  - FY25 Rosencrans Habitat Restoration (\$50,000)
  - FY25 Currant Summit PJ Removal (\$75,000)
  - FY25 Warmwater Fisheries Enhancement (\$133,000)
  - FY25 Lake Tahoe Fish Management Structure Phase 2 (\$100,000)

- **FY25 Shoshone Bench Habitat Restoration (\$50,000)**
  - **FY25 Corta Fire Habitat Improvement Phase III (\$75,000)**
  - **FY25 Sheep Creek Mountains Habitat Improvement Project (\$72,500)**
  - **FY25 Mule Deer Enhancement Project (\$100,000)**
  - **FY25 Toe Jam Mountain Habitat Improvement Project (\$50,000)**
  - **FY25 Statewide Elk Trace Mineral Profile and Population Demographics (\$149,999)**
  - **FY25 Granite Range Bitterbrush Planting (\$45,000)**
  - **FY25 Supplemental Oxygen for Gallagher Hatchery (\$25,000)**
  - **FY25 Black Bear Monitoring (\$50,000)**
  - **Leafy Spurge Eradication (\$70,652)**
  - **Evaluation and Improvement of Springbox Restoration in the Sheldon National Wildlife Refuge, Nevada (\$73,690)**
  - **Mountain Lion Predation on Native and Feral Ungulates in Southeast Nevada (\$59,700)**
- G. NBWC ITEM 21\*. Biennial Small Game Release Plan for Fiscal Years 2024 and 2025, FOR POSSIBLE ACTION Amendment #1** The NBWC Commission will review and may take action to approve an amendment to the Department's proposed biennial upland game release plan for fiscal years 2024 and 2025.
- H. NBWC Item #22.\* Biennial Big Game Release Plan for Fiscal Years 2024 and 2025, FOR POSSIBLE ACTION Amendment #1** – The NBWC Commission will review and may take action to approve an amendment to the Department's Biennial Big Game Release Plan for fiscal years 2024 and 2025.
- I. NBWC ITEM 23. Energy and Solar Projects Update – Biodiversity Division FOR POSSIBLE ACTION** A presentation will be provided at NBWC Meeting on the Bureau of Land Management's (BLM) Solar Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement. The Commission will discuss possibly providing a letter of comment on this project, as well as an overview of renewable energy across Nevada.
- J. NBWC ITEM 24\*. Duck Stamp Request – FOR POSSIBLE ACTION** The NBWC Commission will review and may take action to approve up to \$90,750 for projects submitted for Fiscal Year 2025 funding from the Duck Stamp Account. The specific Duck Stamp projects that may be approved are listed below.
- **FY25 Argenta WMA Improvement Project (\$15,000)**
  - **FY25 Ducks Unlimited Wetlands Conservation Support (\$35,000)**
  - **Carson Lake WMA Noxious Weed Treatment (\$25,000)**
  - **FY25 Purchase Support for Airboat (\$13,750)**
  - **FY25 Full Lifecycle Conservation of International Migratory Waterfowl and Other Avian Species (\$2,000)**
- K. NBWC ITEM 25\*. Upland Game Bird Stamp Request – Habitat Division Administrator FOR POSSIBLE ACTION** The NBWC Commission will review and may take action to approve up to \$262,230 for projects submitted for Fiscal Year 2025 funding from the Upland Game Bird Stamp Account. The specific Upland Game Bird Stamp projects that may be approved are listed below.
- **FY25 Gilbert Creek Habitat Restoration Project Phase II (\$15,000)**
  - **FY25 Argenta WMA Improvement Project (\$20,000)**
  - **FY25 Toe Jam Mountain Habitat Improvement Project (\$12,500)**

- **FY25 Greater Sage-grouse Monitoring (\$46,330)**
- **FY25 Mineral Development Effects on Greater Sage-grouse (\$60,000)**
- **FY25 Upland Game Translocation and Monitoring (\$13,400)**
- **FY25 Bi-State Sage-grouse Coordinator (\$10,000)**
- **FY25 Bi-State Sage-grouse Monitoring (\$30,000)**
- **FY25 Petersen Mountains Bitterbush Planting (\$15,000)**
- **FY25 Common Raven Modeling (\$40,000)**

**L. NBWC ITEM 26\*. Commission Regulations – Public Comment Allowed FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**

- i. **A. Commission Regulation 23-15 Amendment #1, Fishing Seasons and Regulations for January 1, 2024, through December 31, 2025 –The Commission will consider amending CR 23-15 to designate Smith Creek Reservoir as a closed water in Lander County.**
- ii. **BCommission Regulation 24-05, Amendment #1, 2025 Heritage Tag Vendors The Commission will review the Wildlife Heritage Committee’s recommendations regarding Heritage Tag Vendor Proposals for 2025 and may take action on the proposals.**
- iii. **C. Commission Regulation 24-13, 2024-2025 & 2025-2026 Upland Game and Furbearer Seasons and Bag Limits –The Commission will establish and may vote to adopt regulations for upland game birds and mammals, furbearers, and wild turkey for the 2024-2025 and 2025-2026 seasons.**

***Joe Crawford motioned that the CAB approve agenda items A-L as presented. Bob Arigoni seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously, 4-0***

9. Correspondence - **None**

10. Chair & Board Member Comments

The next CAB meeting will be July 31, 2024, at 6pm in Silver Springs

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13. Adjourn 6:26 pm