

## AGENDA

### **CLARK COUNTY ADVISORY BOARD TO MANAGE WILDIFE**

**WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2003, 7:00 P.M.**

*Clark County Commission Chambers, Government Center*

*500 South Grand Central Parkway, Las Vegas, Nevada*

### ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

**Call to Order** – Chairman Fairbairn

**Approval of Minutes of the August 2, 2003, Meeting** – Action Item

**Approval of Agenda** – Action Item

**Public Comment** – Persons wanting to speak on items not listed on the posted agenda. The Commission may not take any action. Any items requiring action will be placed on their future CCABMW agenda.

### ACTION ITEMS:

- 1. Predator Management Plan for Fiscal Year 2004**  
The Commission will receive a report on committee activities and consider project proposal recommendations for Fiscal Year 2004.
- 2. Commission General Regulation 309 LCB File #R022-03**  
The proposed regulation provides specific details for implementing mandatory boating education requirement as outlined in NRS 488.730 through 488.750. This was previously approved as a temporary regulation.
- 3. Commission General Regulation 317LCB File #R094-03**  
The proposed regulation recommends change on the status of the bullfrog to unprotected and the northern leopard frog to protected. The widely introduced non-native bullfrog has been identified as a threat to native amphibian and fish populations. A change in status would enable appropriate control measures and would eliminate the requirement of a fishing license to harvest bullfrogs. The northern leopard frog has reportedly experienced declines across its native range and statutory protection is warranted.
- 4. Commission Regulation 04-16, Fishing Season and Bag Limits**  
The Commission will establish fishing season, bag and possession limits for the period of March 1, 2004, through February 28, 2006.
- 5. Commission Regulation 04-15, Amendment #1**  
The Commission will consider amending recently adopted waterfowl season date regulations to conform with federal season frameworks.

## MINUTES

### CLARK COUNTY ADVISORY BOARD TO MANAGE WILDLIFE WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2003

7:00 p.m.

COMMISSION CHAMBERS  
500 Grand Central Parkway  
Las Vegas, NV 89155

#### MEMBERS PRESENT:

Shawn Fairbairn, Chair  
Tracy Hammond, Vice-Chair  
Cindy Alexander  
Dan Swanson

#### NDOW PERSONNEL PRESENT:

David Pfiffner  
Elsie Sellars  
Brad Harden Brook  
Jon Sjoberg

#### MEMBERS ABSENT:

Dan Gildner

#### NPS PERSONNEL:

Kent Turner  
Nancy Hendricks

#### I. CALL TO ORDER

- A. This meeting was legally noted and posted in conformance with the Nevada Open Meeting Law.
- B. The meeting was called to order at approximately 7:00 p.m. by Shawn Fairbairn, Chair. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

#### II. ORGANIZATIONAL ITEMS

- A. The September 24, 2003 agenda was unanimously approved as written. Motion by Hammond; seconded by Swanson.
- B. The minutes of the August 2, 2003 meeting were unanimously approved as written. Motion by Hammond; seconded by Swanson.

#### III. PUBLIC COMMENT

- A. Bert Martin spoke on behalf of a friend who reportedly was fined for possession over the limit. Mr. Martin requested that regulations explicitly state a no share clause, and suggested that the fine paid be refunded. The Board instructed Mr. Martin that it does not have the authority to refund any fees or fines, however the Board agreed to consider the clarity of future regulations.
- B. Larry LeBree expressed concerns regarding the shortened quail season; Dan Pierson expressed similar concerns. A discussion followed regarding the process for public input and the Board's advisory role.

#### IV. ACTION ITEMS

- A. Predator Management Plan for Fiscal Year 2004: Commissioner Ford presented a summary report on predator management; a full report will be given at the Nevada Wildlife Commission Meeting on Friday, September 26, 2003. Public comment was solicited, Dave Stowater reported seeing evidence of Mountain Lions in sheep areas and deer kills. Motion by Swanson to accept the report; seconded by Alexander. Approved unanimously.

- B. Commission General Regulation 309 LCB File # R022-03: The Board discussed this proposed regulation providing specific details for implementing the mandatory boating education requirement outlined in NRS 488.730 through 488.750. Swanson moved to accept; seconded by Alexander. Approved unanimously.
- C. Commission General Regulation 317 LCB File # R094-03: Jon Sjoberg NDOW reported on the change in status of bullfrog to unprotected and the northern leopard frog to protected. Hammond moved to approve; seconded by Swanson. Approved unanimously.
- D. Commission Regulation 04-16 Fishing Season and Bag Limits: Jon Sjoberg NDOW reported on the Nevada fishing season and bag limits. Sjoberg reported no significant changes for Clark County. Public comment was solicited and Dearl Sneed questioned the difference of striper size limits on Lake Mohave and Lake Mead. Swanson moved to accept NDOW recommendations with the request that NDOW clarify possession limits and the no share clause on limits; seconded by Alexander. Approved unanimously.
- E. Commission Regulation # 04-15, Amendment 1: The Board discussed amending the waterfowl season to conform to federal guidelines. Following public comment and discussion, Fairbairn moved to recommend the season run for 60 consecutive days either at the beginning or end of the established waterfowl season; seconded by Swanson. Approved unanimously.
- F. National Park Service – Lake Mead NRA: Kent Turner, NPS reported on sheep control measures in Lake Mead NRA. In response to questions from Commissioner Bentley, he reported environmental assessments for ongoing projects are necessary to evaluate and support the activities. Turner also reported mitigation efforts are performed on weekdays to minimize the aerial traffic and disruption on weekends. Alexander moved to accept and request that the NPS consider performing some mitigation activities on weekends to allow for more volunteer participation; seconded by Hammond. Approved unanimously.
- G. Public request to consider localized hatch and release programs and State management of range animals:
  - i. Charles Musser requested the Board consider hatching and releasing game birds in Clark County. Following discussion, the Board requested that NDOW review the possibility of such programs and encouraged youth involvement. No further action taken.
  - ii. Musser requested all counties in Nevada petition the BLM to give Nevada the authority to manage wild horses and other range animals. Commissioner Ford reported Nevada and BLM are currently in negotiations and suggested that action be delayed until the negotiations have run their course. No further action taken.

#### V. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

- A. Overton Wildlife Management Area: The Board received a report from NDOW staff regarding the Overton WMA. Bonds have been sold and NDOW is working to transfer and access funds. An appraisal for land purchase is complete. State Lands is reviewing.

#### VI. ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

- A. Approval of Budget Items: Swanson moved to pay appropriate expenses including secretarial fees and postage, seconded by Alexander. Approved unanimously.

#### VII. ADJOURNMENT

- A. The meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:45 p.m.

**INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**

The next Nevada Wildlife Commission Meeting is scheduled for September 26 and 27, 2003, at Ely, Nevada.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

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Las Vegas, NV 89158

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Las Vegas, Nevada 89106

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Boulder City, NV 89005

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Laughlin, NV 89028

Moapa Valley Community Center  
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Overton, NV 89040

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Mesquite, NV 89024

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