



**Clark County Advisory Board to Manage Wildlife
Government Center
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Las Vegas, NV 89155
June 25, 2024 (5:30 PM)
MEETING MINUTES**

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Dan Gilbert, Vice-Chairman
John Hiatt
Jacob Thompson
Dave Talaga
Brian Patterson
Alexander Harper

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I. Call to Order-Roll call of Board Members determination of a quorum:

If no quorum is present, meeting cannot begin and will be canceled.

- CCABMW Members present: Chair Paul Dixon, Vice Chair Paul Dixon, Dave Talaga, Brian Patterson, John Hiatt.
- CCABMW Members absent: Alexander Harper, Jacob Thompson were present online but unable to attend after there was a online malfunction of Teams.
- A quorum is present.

II. Pledge of Allegiance.

- Chair Paul Dixon led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. Public Comment- This is a period devoted to comments by the public about items on this agenda. No discussion, action, or vote may be taken on this agenda item. You will be afforded the opportunity to speak on individual Public Hearing Items at the time they are presented. If you wish to speak to the CCABMW about items within its jurisdiction but not appearing on this agenda, you must wait until the “Comments by the General Public” period listed at the end of this agenda. Comments will be limited to three (3) minutes. Please clearly state your name, address, and please spell your first and last name for the record. If any member of the CCABMW wishes to extend the length of the presentation, this will be done by the Chair or the CCABMW by majority vote.

- Chair Paul Dixon introduced this topic.
- Public Comments: (None)
- Chair Paul Dixon advised that this item is hereby closed.

IV. Approval of Minutes for April 30, 2024, CCABMW Meeting (*For possible action*).

- Chair Paul Dixon introduced this topic.
- Vice Chair Dan Gilbert advised a motion for approval of Minutes for April 30, 2024, CCABMW Meeting minutes.
- Board member John Hiatt seconds the motion.
- **Motion passes 5-0.**

V. Approval of the Agenda for June 25, 2024. Agenda items may be Held, Combined, or Deleted (*For possible action*).

- Chair Paul Dixon introduced this topic.
- Vice Chair Dan Gilbert advised a motion to approve the Agenda for August 13, 2024, as presented.
- Board member John Hiatt seconds the motion.
- **Motion passes 5-0.**

VI. CCABMW Member Items/Announcements/Correspondence:

(Informational) CCABMW members may present emergent items. No action may be taken by the CCABMW. Any item requiring CCABMW action will be scheduled on a future CCABMW agenda. CCABMW board members may discuss any correspondence sent or received. (CCABMW board members must provide hard copies of their correspondence for the written record).

VII. Recap of the May 3, 2024 & May 4, 2024, Board of Wildlife Commissioners Meeting by Vice-Chair Dan Gilbert (*Informational*)

- Chair Paul Dixon introduced this topic.
- Chair Paul Dixon advised that (Heritage Account Principal Project, Commission Policy 12, FY 2025 Predation Management Plan, CGR 500, CRG 518, CGR 519, CGR 520, CGR 522, CR 24-11, CR 24-12 were approved.
- **Chair Paul Dixon advised that this item is hereby closed.**

VIII. General Business/Action Items:

Discuss & make recommendations regarding the following Action Items from the Board of Wildlife Commissioners September 27, 2024 & September 28, 2024, meeting agenda, as well as additional items brought forth to the CCABMW from the public for discussion. CCABMW agenda & support materials are available upon request to Darlene Kretunski at (702) 455-1402 or you may email Darlene Kretunski darlene.kretunski@clarkcountynv.gov. The

final commission agenda & support at:

http://www.ndow.org/Public_Meeting/Commission/Agenda/

- a. Fiscal Year 2025 County Advisory Boards to Manage Wildlife (Budget Requests) (For possible action).** The CCABMW Board will review, discuss, and make recommendations to the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners about the Clark CCABMW 2025 Budget Requests.
- Chair Paul Dixon introduced this topic.
 - Chair Paul Dixon advised motion to approve FY 2025 CCABMW Budget Requests as presented.
 - Board member John Hiatt seconds the motion.
 - **Motion approved 5-0.**
- b. New Commission Policy 12-Fee for Habitat, Research and Management (For possible action)** The CCABMW Board will review, discuss, and make recommendations to the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners about new Commission Policy 12.
- Chair Paul Dixon introduced this topic.
 - Vice Chair Dan Gilbert advised a motion to approve Commission Policy 12-Fee for Habitat, Research and Management as presented.
 - John Hiatt seconds the motion.
 - **Motion passes 5-0.**
- c. Approval for Elk Damage Payment Exceeding \$10,000(For possible action)** The CCABMW Board will review, discuss, and make recommendations to the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners about the FY 2025 Predation Management Plan.
- Chair Paul Dixon introduced this topic.
 - Vice Chair Dan Gilbert advised a motion to approve Elk Damage Payment Exceeding \$10,000 as presented.
 - Board member Dave Talaga seconds the motion.
 - **Motion passes 5-0.**
- d. Heritage Project Extension Requests (For possible action)** The CCABMW Board will review, discuss, and make recommendations to the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners about extensions requests from projects approved in previous fiscal years.
- Chair Paul Dixon introduced this topic.
 - Board member John Hiatt advised a motion to approve Heritage Project Extension Requests as presented.
 - Board member Dave Talaga seconds the motion.
 - **Motion passes 5-0.**
- e. Heritage Funding Reallocation (For possible action)** The CCABMW Board will review, discuss, and make recommendations to the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners about reallocation of any unused Heritage funds from previously approved projects to other previously approved projects from the same fiscal year.

- Chair Paul Dixon introduced this topic.
- Board member John Hiatt advised approval of Heritage Funding Reallocation of the monies unspent from Heritage funding from previous projects to augment new and existing projects.
- Board member Dave Talaga seconds the motion.
- **Motion passes 5-0.**

f. Fiscal Year 2025 Heritage Project Proposals (*For possible action*) The CCABMW Board will review, discuss and make recommendations to the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners to approve up to \$1,840,130.76 for projects submitted for FY 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 \$7,938,679.40. Funding requests are listed and may be approved by the Commission: 1) Memory Ranch Conservation Easement (\$200,000) 2) FY 25 Bighorn Sheep and Mountain Goat Restoration and Management (\$110,600). 3) FY 25 Wildfire related Restoration and Seed Purchase (\$150,000) 4) FY 25 Nevada Spring Protection Project (\$100,000) 5) FY 25 Nevada Water Development Maintenance (\$50,000) 6) FY 25 Clover Valley Wildlife Passage Improvement Project (\$50,000) 7) FY 25 Cave Lake Habitat Improvement and Erosion Control (\$98,538.40) 8) FY 25 Rosencrans Habitat Restoration (\$50,000) 9) FY 25 Current Summit PJ Removal (\$75,000) 10) FY 25 Warmwater Fisheries Enhancement (\$133,000) 11) FY 25 Lake Tahoe Fish Management Structure Phase 2 (\$100,000) 12) FY 25 Shoshone Beach Habitat Restoration (\$50,000) 13) FY 25 Corta Fire Habitat Improvement Phase III (\$75,000) 14) FY 25 Sheep Creek Mountains Habitat Improvement Project (\$72,500) 15) FY 25 Mule Deer Enhancement Project (\$100,000) 16) FY 25 Toe Jam Mountain Habitat Improvement Project (\$50,000) 17) FY 25 Statewide Elk Trace Mineral Profile and Population Demographics (\$149,999) 18) FY 25 Granite Range Bitterbrush Planting (\$45,000) 19) FY 25 Supplemental Oxygen for Gallaher Hatchery (\$25,000) 20) FY 25 Black Bear Monitoring (\$50,000) 21) Leafy Spurge Eradication (\$70,652) 22) Evaluation and Improvement of Springbox Restoration in the Sheldon National Wildlife Refuge, Nevada (\$73,690) 23) Mountain Lion Predation on Native and Feral Ungulates in Southeast Nevada (\$59,700).

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- Chair Paul Dixon introduced this topic.
- Vice Chair Dan Gilbert advised a motion to approve FY 25 Heritage Project Proposals as presented with a question (why supplemental oxygen is used as opposed to aerating with small bubbles for oxygenation of the waters (Heritage Project 25-19).
- Board member Dave Talaga seconds the motion.
- **Motion passes 5-0.**

g. Biennial Small Game Release Plan for FY 2024 and 2025, with Amendment #1 (*For possible action*) The CCABMW Board will review, discuss, and make recommendations to the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners Commission about an amendment to the Department's proposed Biennial Small Game Release Plan for FY 2024 & 2025.

- Chair Paul Dixon introduced this topic.
- Vice Chair Dan Gilbert advised a motion to approve Biennial Small

Game Release Plan for FY 2024 & 2025, Amendment #1 as presented.

- Board member John Hiatt seconds the motion.
- **Motion passes 5-0.**

h. Biennial Big Game Release Plan for Fiscal Years 2024 and 2025, Amendment #1 *(For possible action)* The CCABMW Board will review, discuss, and make recommendations to the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners about an amendment to the Department's Biennial Big Game Release Plan for FY 2024 and FY 2025.

- Chair Paul Dixon introduced this topic.
- Board member Dave Talaga advised a motion to approve Biennial Big Game Release Plan for FY 2024 and FY 2025, Amendment #1 as presented.
- Vice Chair Dan Gilbert seconds the motion.
- **Motion passes 5-0.**

i. Energy and Solar Update *(For possible action)* The CCABMW Board will review, discuss and make recommendations to the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners about the Bureau of Wildlife Commissioners about the Bureau of Land Management's (BLM) Solar Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement. The Commission will discuss possible providing a letter of comment on this project, as well as an overview of renewable energy across Nevada.

- Chair Paul Dixon introduced this topic.
- Board member John Hiatt advised a motion of approval of support and the CAB believes that comment period on this has expired therefore what is the use of Commission letter at this time.
- Board Brian Patterson seconds the motion.
- **Motion passes 5-0.**

j. Duck Stamp Request *(For possible action)* The CCABMW Board will review, discuss and make recommendations to the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners about approving up to \$90,750 for projects submitted for FY 2025 funding from the Duck Stamp Account. The specific Duck Stamp projects that may be approved are listed: 1) FY 25 Argenta WMA Improvement Project (\$15,000) 2) FY 25 Ducks Unlimited Wetlands Conservation Support (\$35,000) 3) Carson Lake WMA Noxious Weed Treatment (\$25,000) 4) FY 25 Purchase Support for Airboat (\$13,750) 5) FY 25 Full Lifecycle Conservation of International Migratory Waterfowl and Other Avian Species (\$2,000).

- Chair Paul Dixon introduced this topic.
- Vice Chair Dan Gilbert advised a motion to approve Duck Stamp Project Request with fundings as presented.
- Board member Dave Talaga seconds the motion.
- **Motion passes 5-0.**

k. Upland Game Bird Stamp Request *(For possible action)* The CCABMW Board will review, discuss and make recommendations to the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners Commission about approving up to \$262,230 for projects submitted for FY 25 funding from the Upland Game Bird Stamp Account. The specific Upland Game Bird Stamp projects that may be approved are listed: 1)

FY 25 Gilbert Creek Habitat Restoration Project Phase II (\$15,000) 2) FY 25 Argenta WMA Improvement Project (\$20,000) 3) FY 25 Toe Jam Mountain Habitat Improvement Project (\$12,500) 4) FY 25 Greater Sage-grouse Monitoring (\$46,330) 5) FY 25 Mineral Development Effects on Greater Sage-grouse (\$60,000) 6) FY 25 Upland Game Translocation and Monitoring (\$12,400) 7) FY 25 Bi-State Sage-grouse Coordinator (\$10,000) 8) FY 25 Bi-State Sage-grouse Monitoring (\$30,000) 9) FY 25 Petersen Mountains Bitterbush Planting (\$15,000) 10) FY 25 Common Raven Modeling (\$40,000).

- Chair Paul Dixon introduced this topic.
- Vice Chair Dan Gilbert advised a motion to approve Upland Game Bird Request as presented.
- Board member John Hiatt seconds the motion.
- **Motion passes 5-0.**

i. Commission Regulation 23-15 Amendment 1, Fishing Seasons and Regulations for the Two-Year Period January 1, 2024, through December 31, 2025 (*For possible action*) The CCABMW Board will review, discuss and make recommendations to the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners about amending CR 23-15 to designate Smith Creek Reservoir as a closed water in Lander County.

- Chair Paul Dixon introduced this topic.
- Board member Brian Patterson advised a motion to approve CR 23-15 Amendment #1 as presented.
- Vice Chair Dan Gilbert seconds the motion with a recommendation to generate a PSA (Public Service Announcement) on fishing on this reservoir.
- **Motion passes 5-0.**

m. Commission Regulation 24-05 Amendment #1, Fishing Seasons and Regulations for the Two-Year Period January 1, 2024, through December 31, 2025 (*For possible action*) The CCABMW Board will review, discuss and make recommendations to the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners about Heritage Tag Vendor Proposals for 2025 and may act on the proposals.

- Chair Paul Dixon introduced this topic.
- Vice Chair Dan Gilbert advised a motion to approve Commission Regulation 24-05 Amendment #1, Fishing Seasons and Regulations for the Two-Year Period January 1, 2024, through December 31, 2025 as presented.
- Board member Dave Talaga seconds the motion.
- **Motion passes 5-0.**

n. Commission Regulation 24-13, 2024-2025 & 2025-2026 Upland Game and Furbearer Seasons and Bag Limits (*For possible action*) The CCABMW Board will review, discuss and make recommendations to the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners to establish and adopt regulations for upland game birds and mammals, furbearers, and wild turkey for the 2024-2025 and 2025-2026 seasons.

- Chair Paul Dixon introduced this topic.
- Vice Chair Dan Gilbert advised the motion for approval of Commission Regulation 24-13, 2024-2025 & 2025-2026 Upland Game and Furbearer Seasons and Bag Limits as presented.
- Board member Brian Patterson seconds the motion.
- **Motion passes 5-0.**

IX. Authorize Chair Paul Dixon to prepare and submit any recommendations from today's meeting to the Wildlife Commission for its consideration at its June 28, 2024 & June 29, 2024, meeting in Lovelock (*For possible action*).

- Chair Paul Dixon introduced this topic.
- Chair Paul Dixon advised a motion on behalf of himself as Chair to prepare and submit any recommendations from tonight's meeting to the Wildlife Commission for its consideration at the Commission meeting on June 28, 2024 & June 29, 2024, as presented.
- Vice Chair Dan Gilbert seconds the motion.
- **Motion passes 5-0.**

X. The next CCABMW Board meeting will be scheduled for August 13, 2024, in the Clark County Government Center (*Pueblo Room*) 500 S. Grand Central Parkway, Las Vegas. The meeting will be in support of the Commission meeting on August 16, 2024 & August 17, 2024, meeting in Elko, NV.

XI. Adjournment.

(POSTING) The agenda for this meeting was legally noticed and posted at the following locations:

- Nevada Department of Wildlife: 3373 Pepper Lane, Las Vegas, NV 89120
- Clark County Government Center: 500 Grand Central Parkway, Las Vegas, NV 89108
- City of Henderson: Henderson City Clerk: 240 S. Water Street, Henderson, NV 89015
- Laughlin Regional Government Center: 101 Civic Way, Laughlin, NV 89028
- Moapa Valley Community Center: 320 North Moapa Valley Road, Overton, NV 89040
- Mesquite City Hall: 10 East Mesquite Boulevard, Mesquite, NV 89027
- Boulder City: Boulder City Hall, 401 California Avenue, Boulder City, NV 89005

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