

AGENDA
NEW MEXICO STATE GAME COMMISSION
Farmington Civic Center
200 West Arrington
Farmington, NM 87401
Thursday, May 7, 2015
9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Public testimony and comment: All those interested in providing oral comments are encouraged to prepare a "Speaker's Card" for each item on which they will comment. These cards assist the Commission Chair to manage more effective public communication. Comments will be allowed on each item, regardless of card completion.

Those who desire to address the Commission and who claim to represent an organization must provide the following information: the number of members in the organization, frequency of the organization's meeting and either a signed statement from that organization's president that states the organization has discussed the topic and approved the position that the representative is presenting, or proof that they are a registered lobbyist for the organization.

AT THEIR DISCRETION, THE COMMISSION MAY TAKE ACTION ON ANY AGENDA ITEM

AGENDA ITEM NO. 1: Meeting Called to Order.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 2: Roll Call.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 3: Pledge of Allegiance.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 4: Approval of Agenda.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 5: Introduction of Guests.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 6: Approval of Minutes March 26, 2015, Alamogordo, NM.

NEW BUSINESS:

AGENDA ITEM NO. 7: Awards of Excellence and Dedication to Wildlife Management.

Presented by Alexa Sandoval et al. – The Department and U.S. Forest Service will present awards to employees that have made significant contributions to Department and Wildlife Management Programs.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 8: Request from Turner Endangered Species Fund to Import and Possess Mexican Gray Wolves.

Presented by Mike Phillips – The Turner Endangered Species Fund will present a request to bring Mexican gray wolves into New Mexico to be placed at the Ladder Ranch (a private property) as part of an endangered species recovery program.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 9: Revocations.

Presented by Robert Griego – The Department will present a list of individuals that meet established criteria for initiation of the suspension process for license privileges.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 10: Penalty Assessment Violations for Manner and Method - 19.31.10 NMAC.

Presented by Robert Griego – The Department will present an initial discussion on potential penalty assessments violations for Commission consideration as provided for in House Bill 202 from the 2015 legislative session.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 11: Final Proposal to Amend Miscellaneous Permit Fees Including those for Game Fish Propagation and License Vendor Requirements and Restrictions - 19.30.9 NMAC.

Presented by Robert Griego and Dave Rohrbach – The Department will present final proposals to change the fee structure for miscellaneous fees including those for captive live fish used for propagation and sell, and will discuss modifying license vendor requirements and restrictions established in 19.30.09 (NMAC).

AGENDA ITEM NO. 12: Review of Law Enforcement Reports or Cases in 2014-2015 Relating to Multiple Tagging of Illegal Game with One License.

Presented by Robert Griego – The Department will present a summary of enforcement reports or cases in the 2014-2015 season of people allegedly abusing the print at home option to kill and tag multiple game animals with one license.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 13: Reserving Two Elk Licenses for Non-Profit Wish - Granting Organization.

Presented by Robert Griego – The Department is recommending that the Commission reserve two elk licenses to be distributed through non-profit wish - granting organizations for two individuals with a life threatening illness.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 14: A Review of Other States that Have Online or Licensing Restrictions For A Convicted Felon to Prohibit the Taking of a Game Animal or Bird with a Firearm.

Presented by Robert Griego – The Department will present a summary of other states' restrictions that are implemented to prevent a convicted felon from taking a game animal or bird with a firearm.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 15: Bear and Cougar Rule Development - 19.31.11 NMAC for the 2016-2020 Seasons.

Presented by Elise Goldstein – The Department will present proposed changes to the Bear and Cougar rule (19.31.11 NMAC) based on public comment, harvest data, population status, and other impacts.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 16: Final Proposals for Reporting Requirements for Licensed Trappers and Furbearer Hunters - 19.30.10 NMAC for the 2015 – 2016 Seasons.

Presented by Stuart Liley – The Department will present final proposals to change reporting requirements for Licensed Trappers and Furbearer Hunters established in 19.30.10 (NMAC).

AGENDA ITEM NO. 17: Migratory Game Bird Rule Development - 19.31.6 NMAC for the 2014 – 2015 Seasons.

Presented by Kristin Madden – The Department will present an update on changes to the Migratory Game Bird rule (19.31.6 NMAC) based on public comment, harvest data, and survey information.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 18: Proposal to Develop Shooting Ranges in New Mexico .

Presented by Lance Cherry – The Department will propose shooting range locations and development needs throughout the State.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 19: Fiscal Year 2017 Initiation of Budget Development.

Presented by Dave Rohrbach – The Department is seeking Commission input on operating budget and capital project development for Fiscal Year 2017.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 20: Request to Dispose of Vehicles and Other Assets.

Presented by Dave Rohrbach – The Department is requesting Commission approval to dispose of capital assets that are worn out, obsolete, or have reached the end of their service life.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 21: Update of the Aquatic Invasive Species (AIS) Program - 19.30.14 NMAC.

Presented by Michael B. Sloane and James Dominguez –The Department will present information concerning zebra and quagga mussels, recent partnerships and current education, monitoring, prevention and response programs implemented by the Department.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 22: Proposals for Importation and Possession of Tilapia and Other Fish - 19.31.4, 19.31.9, 19.35.7 and 19.35.9 NMAC.

Presented by Michael B. Sloane – The Department will present an initial discussion on potential importation and possession restrictions and allowance on Tilapia and other fish.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 23: Rule Development for a Department Volunteer Program.

Presented by Lance Cherry – The Department will present an initial discussion on potential rules for a Department Volunteer Program as provided for in Senate Bill 231 from the 2015 legislative session.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 24: Closed Executive Session.

The State Game Commission will vote as to whether it will adjourn into Executive Session closed to the public, pursuant to, Section 10-15-1(H)(2) NMSA 1978, to discuss limited personnel matters relating to complaints and discipline, and pursuant to Section 10-15-1(H)(7) on matters subject to the attorney-client privilege relating to threatened or pending litigation pertaining to State of Oklahoma, et al. v. US Dept. of the Interior et al., Defenders of Wildlife, et al. v. Sally Jewel et al., WildEarth Guardians v. Kirkpatrick, and State of New Mexico et al. v. United States et al. (D-1116-CV—7500184), in which the Commission and/or Department is or may become a participant.

AGENDA ITEM NO.25: General Public Comments (Comments Limited to 3 Minutes).

AGENDA ITEM NO. 26: Adjourn.

NOTE: The meeting will be adjourned upon completion of the agenda or up to those items that time allows. Any items not discussed will be on the following meeting's agenda. The Agenda is subject to change up to 72 hours prior to the scheduled meeting date and time as deemed necessary by the Chairman. To inquire about agenda changes, please contact the Office of the Director at (505) 476-8008. If you are an individual with a disability who is in need of a reader, amplifier, qualified sign language interpreter, or any other form of auxiliary aid or service to attend or participate in the hearing or meeting, please contact Ms. Angelica Ruiz at (505) 476-8027 at least 3 working days before the meeting date. Public documents, including the Agenda and Minutes can be provided in various accessible forms. Please contact Ms. Ruiz if a summary or other type of accessible form is needed.

