

A G E N D A
NEW MEXICO STATE GAME COMMISSION
National Hispanic Cultural Center
Salon Room
1704 4th St SW
Albuquerque, NM 87102
Thursday, May 15, 2014
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: Approval of Agenda.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 4: Introduction of Guests.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 5: Approval of Minutes - March 20, 2014, Las Cruces, NM and April 3, 2014, Albuquerque, NM, and Commission statement regarding May 14, 2014, Closed Executive meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

AGENDA ITEM NO. 6: Selection of Director and Secretary to the State Game Commission.

State Game Commission Members – The membership will select a Director for the Department of Game and Fish.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 7: 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. 8: Request to Qualify the Youth Hunting Club from Las Cruces to Receive or Submit Youth Recipients for Donated Licenses or Permits.

Presented by Robert Griego – The Department will present the Youth Hunting Club as another organization that can participate in receiving, identifying or submitting recipients for donated licenses or permits as required by rule (19.31.3.11.F NMAC).

AGENDA ITEM NO. 9: 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, 10-15-1(H)(8) NMSA 1978, to discuss the acquisition of real property, and pursuant to Section 10-15-1(H)(7) on matters subject to the attorney-client privilege pertaining to threatened or pending litigation in which the Commission and/or Department is or may become a participant.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 10: 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. 11: Final Proposal Prohibiting the Use of Drones for Hunting (19.31.10 NMAC).

Presented by State Game Commission – The Department is proposing prohibiting drones as a method to assist in

hunting for game. A definition to include drones as aircraft will be discussed as a manner and method prohibition.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 12: Prohibitions for Hunting and Taking Nongame Species on Wildlife Management Areas.

Presented by Robert Griego – The Department will present a summary of restrictions and allowances established in Chapter 17 and 19.31.10, 19.34.3 and 19.34.5 (NMAC) relating to hunting and taking nongame on Wildlife Management Areas.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 13: Awards of Excellence.

Presented by RJ Kirkpatrick – The Department will present awards to employees that have made significant contributions to the Department's programs and strategic goals.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 14: Final Proposals to the Javelina Rule - 19.31.21 NMAC for the 2015-2019 Seasons.

Presented by Cal Baca – The Department will present final proposals to the javelina rule (19.31.21 NMAC) based on public comment and harvest data.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 15: Final Proposals to the Barbary Sheep, Oryx and Persian Ibex Rule - 19.31.12 NMAC for the 2015-2019 Seasons.

Presented by Cal Baca – The Department will present final proposals to the Barbary sheep, oryx and Persian ibex rule (19.31.12 NMAC) based on public comment, harvest data, and survey information.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 16: Migratory Game Bird Rule Development - 19.31.6 NMAC for the 2014 – 2015 Seasons.

Presented by Cal Baca – 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. 17: Turkey Rule Development - 19.31.16 NMAC for the 2015-2019 Seasons.

Presented by Cal Baca – The Department will present an update on changes to the Turkey rule (19.31.16 NMAC) based on public comment and harvest data.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 18: Pronghorn Antelope Rule Development - 19.31.15 NMAC for the 2015-2019 Seasons.

Presented by Cal Baca – The Department will present an update on changes to the Pronghorn Antelope rule (19.31.15 NMAC) based on public comment, harvest data, population status, and drought impacts.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 19: Bighorn Sheep Rule Development - 19.31.17 NMAC for the 2015-2019 Seasons.

Presented by Cal Baca – The Department will present an update on changes to the Bighorn Sheep rule (19.31.17 NMAC) based on public comment, harvest data, population status, and management goals.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 20: Initiation of Deer Rule Development - 19.31.13 NMAC for the 2015-2019 Seasons.

Presented by Cal Baca – The Department will initiate rule development for the deer rule (19.31.13 NMAC) which has a 4 year cycle and is expiring March 31, 2015.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 21: Initiation of Elk Rule Development - 19.31.14 NMAC for the 2015-2019 Seasons.

Presented by Cal Baca – The Department will initiate rule development for the elk rule (19.31.14 NMAC) which has a 4 year cycle and is expiring March 31, 2015.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 22: Fiscal Year 2016 Initiation of Budget Development.

Presented by Alexa Sandoval – The Department is seeking Commission input on operating budget and capital project development for Fiscal Year 2016.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 23: Fee Review for Special Drawings.

Presented by Alexa Sandoval – The Department will initiate a review of the administrative fee charged for Special Drawing.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 24: Shooting Sports Programs.

Presented by Anthony Chavez – The Department will present a summary of its current shooting sports programs and future goals for these programs.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 25: Terk Decision Ruling.

Presented by Allison Marks and Alexa Sandoval – The recent federal ruling vacating the Terk injunction and the potential impacts to the Department will be summarized.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 26: Lease of State Game Commission Property located at 1085 Richards Ave, Santa Fe, NM.

Presented by Cal Baca – The Department has received a request from State Forestry to lease Commission owned property in Santa Fe for a veteran's firefighter training program.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 27: Lesser Prairie Chicken Legal Update.

Presented by Peter Robertson – The Department will present an update on pending litigation in the federal case of Oklahoma et al. v. Department of the Interior et al., US District Court Case No. 4:14-CV-00123 and its potential impact on NM Department of Game and Fish in achieving its mandate with respect to the Endangered Species Act.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 28: General Public Comments (Comments Limited to 3 Minutes).

AGENDA ITEM NO. 29: 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. Shellie Sanchez at (505) 476-8028 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. Sanchez if a summary or other type of accessible form is needed.

