

# **Initiation of the Importation of Live Non-Domestic Animals Rule 19.35.7 NMAC**

**Agenda Item 13**



# Statutory Authority

- 17-3-32 NMSA (1978) - In order to protect game animals, birds and fish against importation of undesirable species and introduction of infectious or contagious diseases, it is a misdemeanor to import any live animals, birds or fish into this state, except domesticated animals or domesticated fowl or fish from government hatcheries, without first obtaining a permit from the department of game and fish.



# Importation Rule

- 19.35.7.8 NMAC - It shall be unlawful to import any live non-domesticated animal into New Mexico without first obtaining appropriate permit(s) issued by the director except those animals identified within the species importation list group I.



# Importation Rule

- 19.35.7.10 NMAC – Director’s List of Species
  - Group I – Semi-domesticated animals, do not require importation permit
  - Group II – Non-domesticated animals, not invasive or dangerous, do not pose risk to health, safety, domestic livestock, native wildlife
  - Group III – Non-domesticated animals, manageable concern, conditions for approval to address health, safety, domestic livestock, native wildlife
  - Group IV – Non-domesticated animals considered dangerous, invasive, T&E. Generally prohibited for general public importation.



# Importation Rule

- Application Information
- Temporary Importation
- Importation and Approved Suppliers of Fish
- Importation Conditions for Pronghorn, Bovids, and Cervids
- Appeal Process



# Proposed Changes and Public Outreach

- Provide consistency in review of importation permits for all species
- Remove requirement for hatchery renovation and/or depopulation if positive for bacterial kidney disease
- Clarify ages of fish required for whirling disease testing
- Minor formatting changes



# Questions?

