

Rule Development for Wildlife Conservation Volunteers 19.30.15 NMAC



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Gives authority for Commission to allow the Department to develop a Wildlife Conservation Volunteers rule to provide guidance to:

- ◆ Recruit Volunteers
- ◆ Train Volunteers
- ◆ Utilize Volunteer Services



Volunteer Program

Considerations:

- ◆ Allow registered volunteers to ride in & drive Department vehicles
- ◆ Allow registered volunteers to utilize Department computers & equipment
- ◆ Allow registered volunteers to receive per diem, mileage & expense reimbursements
- ◆ Establish criteria for background investigations



Information & Education Division



Policy and Operational Manual

- ◆ Develop a volunteer
Policy
- ◆ Develop a volunteer
Operational Manual

Public Comment

Solicited through:

- Departments website
- Emails to current volunteers
- Facebook



12 public comments were received

8 People support the new rule

3 People have concerns with background checks

1 person felt volunteers shouldn't receive per diem

Commission Direction

- The Department respectfully suggests the following motion, unless Commission discretion indicates a different course of action:
- “Move to adopt the new Wildlife Conservation Volunteers Rule, 19.30.15 NMAC, as presented.”



Questions?

