

A G E N D A
NEW MEXICO STATE GAME COMMISSION
Martinez Hall Theatre - New Mexico State University at Grants
1500 3rd Street, Grants, NM 87202
Thursday, August 22, 2013 8:00 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 (May 23, 2013 Roswell, NM)

NEW BUSINESS:

AGENDA ITEM NO. 6: Revocations

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

AGENDA ITEM NO. 7: Revocation Timeframes for Violators

Presented by Robert Griego – The Department will present a final proposal to amend the revocation timeframes that provide greater consistency with the Wildlife Violators Compact, the Parental Responsibility Act and consider increasing revocation periods for certain severe violations.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 8: Valles Caldera National Preserve

Presented by R.J. Kirkpatrick – The Department will solicit public comment relating to US Senate Bill 285 and the future disposition of the Valles Caldera National Preserve, and the Commission will take action on these issues and reconsider its action taken on these issues at the Commission meeting on May 23, 2013.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 9: Online License Sales Update

Presented by Alexa Sandoval - The Department will present an update on implementation of the online license sales system.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 10: Reservation of Two Elk Licenses for Non-profit Wish-Granting Organizations

Presented by Robert Griego – The Department will request the Commission to reserve elk licenses for two qualifying youth plus an alternate for each individual following the criteria established in 17-3-13.5 NMSA 1978.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 11: Director's Authority to Accommodate Disability or Medical Impairment

Presented by Robert Griego – The Department will present a final recommendation to allow the Director to modify the manner and method of take for a licensee who has a verifiable medical condition.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 12: Proposed Amendment to the Scientific and Education Rules 19.35.6 and 19.36.2 NMAC

Presented by Robert Griego – The Department will present proposed rule changes to the Educational Use of Wildlife (19.35.6 NMAC) and Taking and Possession of Protected Wildlife for Scientific and Educational Purposes (19.36.2 NMAC) rules. Proposed changes include merging the two rules into one, and requiring a report and data collection that must be reported to the Department.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 13: Wild Turkey Management Update and Objectives 19.31.10 NMAC

Presented by Cal Baca – The Department will present a final proposal to address hybridization of wild turkey subspecies by restricting importation, propagation, and sale within the state.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 14: Recent Wildfire Impacts to Wildlife and Habitat

Presented by Cal Baca – The Department will present a summary of the impacts of recent wildfires on New Mexico's wildlife and their habitat.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 15: Fiscal Year 2013 Annual Depredation and Nuisance Abatement Report

Presented by Cal Baca – The Department will report on the number of wildlife complaints filed and resolved in accordance with 19.30.2 for the second quarter fiscal year 2013.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 16: 2012 – 2013 Bear and Cougar Harvest Update

Presented by Cal Baca – The Department will present information on bear and cougar depredation and hunter harvest for 2012-2013 and consistent with the reporting requirement found in the bear and cougar rule (19.31.11 NMAC).

AGENDA ITEM NO. 17: Shooting Preserve – Chama, NM

Presented by Donald Jaramillo – Jay Ellis owner of Canones Creek Ranch is requesting the Commission approve 520 acres as a regulated shooting preserve.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 18: Pueblo of Santa Ana Pronghorn Antelope Management

Presented by Glenn Harper – The Pueblo of Santa Ana will discuss their pronghorn antelope management goals including the desire to transplant pronghorn on pueblo lands.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 19: Habitat Stamp Sikes Act Citizen Advisory Committee

Presented by Cal Baca – The Department will summarize the current status of Citizen Advisory Committee member terms and the process for future nominations.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 20: Proposed Amendments to (19.31.12 NMAC) Ibex and Barbary Sheep Management

Presented by Cal Baca – The Department will propose changes in the hunting and harvesting of Barbary sheep and Ibex to assist in management strategies to include removing over-the-counter license sales and strategies for population management of both species (19.31.12 NMAC).

AGENDA ITEM NO. 21: Migratory Game Birds (19.31.6 NMAC)

Presented by Cal Baca – The Department will propose final amendments to the Migratory Game Bird Rule (19.31.6 NMAC) for the 2013-2014 hunting season including the federal migratory bird requirements and allowances for the Central and Pacific Flyways and request Commission approval of the application deadline for these hunts.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 22: Fiscal Year 2015 Budget Request

Presented by Alexa Sandoval – The Department will present the proposed Fiscal Year 2015 Operating Budget Request and Infrastructure Capital Improvement Project (ICIP) Request for Commission review and approval.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 23: Proposed Amendments to Game and Fish Licenses/Permits (19.30.9 NMAC) - Vendor Bond Requirement

Presented by Alexa Sandoval – The Department will propose amendments to the Game and Fish Licenses/Permits rule (19.30.9 NMAC) as it relates to vendor bond requirements. This change is related to the transition to web-based sales by license vendors.

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)(7) NMSA 1978, to discuss 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. 25: Proposed Amendments to the Fisheries Rule, 19.31.4 and Manner and Method Rule 19.31.10 NMAC

Presented by Mike Sloane – The Department will continue to update the Commission on proposed changes to the fisheries rule and manner and method to accommodate the next 4-year rule cycle.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 26: San Juan Fisheries Project Update

Presented by Mike Sloane – The Department will update the Commission on the recent fisheries management project that has been implemented in the San Juan River.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 27: Hatchery Overview

Presented by Roddy Gallegos – The Department will provide an overview to the Commission on the state's hatchery facilities, personnel, and fish production.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 28: New Mexico's State Wildlife Action Plan

Presented by Matt Wunder – The Department will provide the Commission with a timeline and summary of progress to implement New Mexico's State Wildlife Action Plan (previously named the Comprehensive Wildlife Conservation Strategy).

AGENDA ITEM NO. 29: Vehicle-Wildlife Collisions

Presented by Mark Watson – The Department will provide the Commission an update on the work it has done in conjunction with the Department of Transportation, the Department of Public Safety and the University of New Mexico to assess, educate and identify wildlife safety zones to assist in reducing wildlife-vehicle collisions.

AGENDA ITEM NO.30: Department Personnel Overview

Presented by Sonya Quintana – The Department will provide the Commission a summary of hiring efforts relating to reorganization of the Department.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 31: Northwest Area Office Update

Presented by Chris Chadwick – The Department will provide the Commission with an update on the status of the Northwest Area Office lease and future needs, including relocation to accommodate Department personnel and services to the public.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 32: General Public Comments (Comments Limited to 3 Minutes)

AGENDA ITEM NO.33: 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. Sonya Quintana at (505) 476-8029 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. Quintana if a summary or other type of accessible form is needed.