



## New Mexico State Game Commission New Mexico Department of Game and Fish

# AGENDA NEW MEXICO STATE GAME COMMISSION

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Friday August 9, 2024

**UNM Taos** 

**Bataan Hall** 

121 Civic Plaza Dr Taos, NM 87571

9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

### VIRTUAL MEETING LOCATION

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**Public testimony and comment:** All those interested in participating and providing comments but unable to attend in person are encouraged to pre-register to attend the meeting on the Zoom Webinar platform. When you register, you will be asked if you wish to provide public comment. This will assist the NMSGC Chair to manage more effective public communication. Comments may be allowed on each item at the NMSGC Chair's discretion. Anyone who desires 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. No props or costumes will be permitted.

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

No. Presented by Discussion 1. **Richard Stump Meeting Called to Order** NMSGC Chair Gavel the meeting to Order Good morning and thank you for joining us today in Taos. I'd like to thank UNM Taos for graciously providing our meeting room today. 2. Michael Sloane **Roll Call DGF Director** Mr. Director please call the Roll **Introduction of Guests** 3. **Richard Stump NMSGC Chair** As is our tradition, I'd like to go around the room for introductions. Let's start in the front row to my left by stating your name and who you represent. Ensure all people in room identify themselves including Department personnel and **Commissioners** Again, thank you all for being here and for your interest in wildlife conservation. 4. **Richard Stump** Approval of Agenda (Action Item) **NMSGC Chair** Item 4 is the approval of the Agenda. Commissioners have questions, comments, or suggestions? Do I have a motion to approve? Do I have a second? All those in favor signify by saying yea Opposed nay

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5. Richard Stump NMSGC Chair

#### **Motion Passes**

**Consent Agenda (Action Item)** 

- A. Approval of minutes from May16, 2024, Meeting
- **B.** Revocations
- C. Disposal list
- D. Approval of Draw Deadlines for 2025
  - February 12, 2025 Bear and Turkey Permits
  - o March 19, 2025 Big Game
  - August 13, 2025 Sandhill Crane and Pheasent Permits

Item 5 is approval of the Consent Agenda. Director Sloane can you give us a brief summary of the items on the Consent Agenda?

(It is possible there will be questions and that some Commissioners may want to make individual motions but I am assuming one motion will be sufficient.

If a simple change to recommendation, one motion noting change is suffcient.

If multiple changes, may need multiple motions for clarity.)

Do Commissioners have questions or is there a motion?

Do I have a second?

All those in favor signify by saying yea Opposed nay

**Motion Passes** 

Hearing - Migratory Game Bird Rule 19.31.6 NMAC for the 2024-2025 Hunting Season (Action Item)

Item 6 is the Migratory Bird Rule Hearing.

6. Stewart Liley DGF Chief

I am going to ask the Director to act as the hearing officer in this matter. Mr. Director, please proceed with the hearing.

(I will say something to end the hearing and transfer back to you)

Thank you.

Do Commissioners wish to discuss or is there a motion?

Do I have a second?

All those in favor signify by saying yea Opposed nay

**Motion Passes** 

See attached script

Hearing - Bighorn Sheep Rule 19.31.17 NMAC (Action Item)

Item 7 is the Bighorn Sheep Rule

I am going to ask the Director to act as the hearing officer in this matter. Mr. Director, please proceed with the hearing.

(I will say something to end the hearing and transfer back to you)

Thank you.

Do Commissioners wish to discuss or is there a motion?

Do I have a second?

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Stewart Liley DGF Chief

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# All those in favor signify by saying yea Opposed nay

**Motion Passes** 

See attached script

8. Stewart Liley DGF Chief

Update on Required Revision of the State Wildlife Action Plan

Item 8 is an update on progress with revision to the State Wildlife Action Plan. Stewart, please proceed with your presentation.

Is there any public comment?

Do Commissioner have comments?

**Thank you Stewart** 

9. Stewart Liley NMDGF Chief

Approval to Open the 14 Day Public Comment Period on the Director's Draft 2024 Biennial Review (Action Item)

Item 9 is discussion and approval to open a 14 day comment period for the Director's Draft Biennial Review. Stewart, please proceed.

Are there any public comments?

Do Commissioners have any questions or wish to discuss?

Do I have a motion to approve opening the 14 day comment period?

Is there a second?

All in favor signify by saying yea

All opposed nay

Motion passes

Thank you Stewart

Approval of FY26 Budget Proposal (Action Item)

10. Paul Varela

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Item 10 is the Approval of the fiscal year 2026 budget proposal. Paul please proceed with your presentation.

Are there any public comments?

Do Commissioners have any questions or wish to discuss?

Do I have a motion to approve the FY26 Budget Proposal as presented?

Is there a second?

All in favor signify by saying yea

All opposed nay

**Motion passes** 

Thank you Paul

11. Darrell Cole and Ty Jackson DGF Captains

Approval of Two Shooting Preserve Applications (Action Item)

- Dan Perry Property
- Jon Ness Property

Item 11 is approval of two shooting preserve applications. I would like to note for the record that I will be recusing myself from the discussion and any vote related to the application by Mr. Dan Perry.

Ty and Darrell please proceed to present both applications

Are there any public comments?

Do Commissioners have any questions or wish to discuss?

Do I have a motion on the Shooting Preserve Application for Mr. Perry?

Is there a second.

All in favor signify by saying yea

All opposed nay

**Motion passes** 

Do I have a motion on the Shooting Preserve Application for Mr. Ness?

Is there a second

All in favor signify by saying yea

All opposed nay

**Motion passes** 

Thank you Ty and Darrell

12. Richard Stump NMSGC Chair

**General Public Comment** 

Item 12 is general public comment during which members of the public have 3 minutes to provide information and comment on any topic.

Are there any members of the public wishing to comment?

13. Richard Stump NMSGC Chair

**Executive Session** 

- A. Pursuant to Section 10-15-1(H)(8) NMSA 1978 Purchase, Acquisition or Disposal
  - 1. Properties in Catron County, Record 24-105
  - 2. Property in Rio Arriba County, record 22-201
- B. Pursuant to Section 10-15-1(H)(7) NMSA 1978, Attorney-Client Privilege, Litigation Update
  - State Road 199, Record 23-100, Colfax County, NM
  - Kalvin Kiehne, et. al., v. New Mexico Department of Game and Fish, Record 23-104
- C. Pursuant to Section 10-15-1(B) NMSA 1978, Limited Personnel Matters

Director's Performance Evaluation

Item 13 is an Executive session closed to the public. Executive Session requires a motion and a roll call vote.

Do I have a motion?

MOTION IS: "Move to adjourn into executive session, closed to the public, pursuant to Section 10-15-1(H)(8) NMSA 1978, to discuss Property purchase, acquisition or disposal; Pursuant to Section 10-15-1(H)(7) NMSA 1978, to discuss Attorney- Client Privilege, Litigation Update, and Pursuant to 10-15-1(H)2 Limited Personnel Matters."

\*Secretary: "This motion requires a roll call vote."

Is there a second?

Director, please call the roll.

Motion passes and we are adjourned to executive session

Action(s) From Executive Session (Action Item(s))

Upon return read out the following:

"This Commission had adjourned into executive session, closed to the public. During the executive session, the Commission discussed only those matters specified in its Motion to Adjourn, and it took no action as to any matter."

14. NMSGC Chair

#### 15. NMSGC Chair

If necessary ask for motion(s) from executive session discussion, seek a second(s), call the vote, and announce result

## Adjourn

Prior to adjourning for the day, I would like to request that the Director have staff bring forward at the next Commission meeting a recommendation on how to reduce conflicts between shed hunting and spring hunts as well as reduce habitat damage caused by the large number of folks in the field. The Commission continues to hear that shed hunting and overcrowding are significant issues and we would like to have the Department bring forward a recommendation on how to address the problem.

With that, thank you to all who attended today. Our next meeting will be November 8 in Las Cruces.

We are adjourned.