

**STATE OF NEVADA
BOARD OF WILDLIFE COMMISSIONERS
NEVADA DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE
LEGISLATIVE REVIEW OF ADOPTED REGULATION—NRS 233B.066
Informational Statement**

**LCB File No. R008-15
Commission General Regulation 455:
Trapping Questionnaire Deadline and Trapping License Valid Dates**

Informational statement relating to Commission General Regulation No.455
(LCB File No. R008-15) - as required by Chapter 233B.066.

1. A clear and concise explanation of the need for the adopted regulation:

This regulation aligns the administrative timeline of the trapping questionnaire submission with the Department's current trapping seasons. Specifically, it amends the trapping license validity period, when the trapping license questionnaire deadline is to occur, provides for the Department to administer the trapping questionnaire process and the subsequent prohibition of a trapping license purchase.

2. Description of how public comment was solicited, a summary of public response, and an explanation of how other interested persons may obtain a copy of the summary:

A copy of the proposed temporary regulation was noticed and provided to Nevada's 17 County Advisory Boards to Manage Wildlife (CABs) as part of the NBWC agenda and support material for their February 6 and 7, 2015 workshop and meeting. The support material and draft temporary regulation was also mailed to 1,294 licensed trappers, informing them of the draft regulation and the opportunity to comment at their local CAB meeting or Commission meeting. Additionally, the proposed permanent regulation was noticed and provided to Nevada's 17 County Advisory Boards to Manage Wildlife (CABs) as part of the NBWC agenda and support material for their August 7-8 and September 25-26, 2015 workshop and meetings.

The comments received from the public at the workshop and adoption meetings for the regulation were primarily positive and included statements that the information is important especially in regard to gathering data on non-target species. However, comments included questions on the accuracy of the data submitted since it is self-reporting. Comments also stated that the penalty in this regulation for non-compliance seemed inappropriate and inadequate.

A video recording and minutes from the meetings are available at:
http://www.ndow.org/Public_Meetings/Commission/Archive/

3. The number of persons who:

- (a) Attended each hearing: 26 attendees for the August 7 and 8, 2015 meeting, 6 at September 25, 2015 meeting and 21 at September 26, 2015 meeting.
- (b) Testified at each hearing: 1 at the August 7 and 8, 2015 meeting and 4 for the September 25 and 26, 2015 meeting

(c) Submitted written comments: 0

4. For each person identified in number 3 above, the following information if provided to the agency conducting the hearing:

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5. A description of how comment was solicited from affected businesses, a summary of their response, and an explanation how other interested persons may obtain a copy of the summary:

Comment was not solicited from businesses as none were determined to be affected, therefore a summary of responses is not available. The regulation changes were directed at individuals and not businesses and in early 2015 1,291 licensed trappers were notified by mail of the pending regulation change. There was a cover letter provided explaining the changes to include contact information for two Department employees to answer any questions.

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6. **If the regulation was adopted without changing any part of the proposed regulation, a summary of the reasons for adopting the regulation without change:**
The regulation was adopted with one wording edit as identified on the regulation.
7. **The estimated economic effect of the adopted regulation on the businesses which it is to regulate and on the public. These must be stated separately, and each case must include:**
 - (a) Both adverse and beneficial effects; and
There would be no impact upon small business. The language amendments are aligning the Department's administrative aspects of trapping questionnaire processes required by individual trapping license holders. The changes will allow the Department to more effectively administer the trapping questionnaire requirements.
 - (b) Both immediate and long-term effects:
The language affects a reporting requirement of the public. If trapping questionnaire requirements are met by the public they would remain eligible to purchase a trapping license for the following year if they so choose. If the public fails to meet the reporting requirement they would be ineligible to purchase a trapping license for the following year unless they choose to reinstate their eligibility by paying a \$50 administrative fee.
8. **The estimated cost to the agency for enforcement of the adopted regulation:**
Enforcement costs fall within the current duties of the Department.
9. **A description of any regulations of other state or government agencies which the proposed regulation overlaps or duplicates and a statement explaining why the duplication or overlapping is necessary. If the regulation overlaps or duplicates a federal regulation, the name of the regulating federal agency:**
There is no overlap to other state or federal language.
10. **If the regulation includes provisions that are more stringent than a federal regulation which regulates the same activity, a summary of such provisions:**
There are no federal regulations that regulate such activity.
11. **If the regulation provides a new fee or increases an existing fee, the total annual amount the agency expects to collect and the manner in which the money will be used:**
There is no new fee or change in an existing fee associated with this regulation.