

**STATE OF NEVADA
NEVADA BOARD OF WILDLIFE COMMISSIONERS
NEVADA DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE
SMALL BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT PURSUANT TO NRS233B**

Re: Commission General Regulation 463; LCB File No. R093-16: Duties of Person Transporting a Vessel or Conveyance

The purpose of this form is to provide a framework pursuant to NRS 233B.0608 to determine whether a small business impact statement is required for submittal of a proposed regulation before the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners. Note: Small business is defined as a “business conducted for profit which employs fewer than 150 full-time or part-time employees” (NRS233B.0382).

1. Describe the manner in which comment was solicited from affected small businesses, a summary of their response and an explanation of the manner in which other interested persons may obtain a copy of the summary:

ANSWER:

Comment was not solicited from affected small businesses. The regulation affects any person transporting a vessel, conveyance or equipment that is removed from a water body in this State and is transported on public highways of this State, by requiring that any drain plugs on that vessel, conveyance or equipment be removed and remain removed during that transport. This regulation does not regulate the operation of any small business.

2. Describe the manner in which the analysis was conducted:

ANSWER:

Agency personnel and board members of the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners concluded that there would be no small businesses impact and no need for a small business impact statement.

3. Describe the estimated economic effect of the proposed regulation on the small businesses which it is to regulate, including, without limitation:

- a.) Both adverse and beneficial effects:
- b.) Both direct and indirect effects:

ANSWER:

There will be no adverse or beneficial, direct or indirect economic effects from the proposed regulation on small business because it does not regulate the operation of any small business.

4. Describe the methods that the agency considered to reduce the impact of the proposed regulation on small businesses and a statement regarding whether the agency actually used any of those methods:

ANSWER:

The agency concluded that this regulation does not regulate any small business; therefore, no methods were considered to reduce the impact, because there is no impact.

5. Describe the estimated cost to the agency for enforcement of the proposed regulation:

ANSWER:

The enforcement of the regulation falls within current operations of the Department; therefore, there will be no additional cost to the agency above the legislatively approved budget.

6. If the proposed 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:

ANSWER:

This regulation does not propose new fees or increased fees.

7. If the proposed regulation includes provisions which duplicate or are more stringent than federal, state or local standards regulating the same activity, an explanation of why such duplicative or more stringent provisions are necessary:

ANSWER:

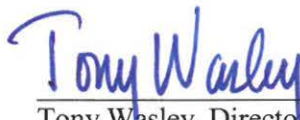
NAC 488.520(1)(e) requires persons removing a vessel or conveyance from a water of the State which has been identified as impaired by Aquatic Invasive Species (AIS) to drain all water from that vessel or conveyance. This regulation extends that requirement to include all waters of the State, which significantly expands protections to prevent the spread of AIS as waters may contain AIS which have not yet been detected.

8. The reasons for the conclusions of the agency regarding the impact of a regulation on small businesses:

ANSWER:

There is no impact on small businesses because this regulation is associated with individual persons operating and transporting recreational vessels and equipment operated on waters of this State. Removal of drain plugs is a normal and customary activity when transporting vessels, conveyances and equipment from a body of water.

I hereby certify that to the best of my knowledge or belief, a concerted effort was made to determine the impact of the proposed regulation on small businesses and that the information contained in this statement was prepared properly and is accurate.



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