PROPOSED REGULATION OF THE

BOARD OF WILDLIFE COMMISSIONERS

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EXPLANATION – Matter in *italics* is new; matter in brackets [omitted material] is material to be omitted.

AUTHORITY: §1, NRS 488.045, 488.059, 501.105, 501.181 and 501.243; §2, NRS 501.105, 501.181 and 504.143.

A REGULATION relating to wildlife management areas; providing that only certain vessels may be used on the Dacey Reservoir in the Wayne E. Kirch Wildlife Management Area; revising certain other provisions governing the use of the Dacey Reservoir; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Section 1. NAC 488.467 is hereby amended to read as follows:

- 488.467 1. Except as otherwise provided in this section, use of vessels is restricted in the following wildlife management areas:
- (a) In the Overton Wildlife Management Area, located in Clark County, vessels are prohibited on all ponds. Vessels are allowed on the portion of the area inundated by Lake Mead, except that on Overton Hunt Days, vessels may be used only by persons authorized to hunt waterfowl.
 - (b) In the Humboldt Wildlife Management Area, located in Churchill and Pershing counties:
- (1) All vessels are prohibited on the ponds in the Humboldt and Toulon Sink areas 5 days before the opening day of the waterfowl season.
- (2) Airboats are prohibited on the Humboldt Sink until 1 hour after the legal shooting time on the opening day of the waterfowl season.
 - (3) Airboats are prohibited on the Toulon portion of the area during the waterfowl season.

- (c) In the Mason Valley Wildlife Management Area, located in Lyon County, all vessels are prohibited from February 15 through August 15 of each year, except on:
 - (1) Hinkson Slough;
 - (2) Bass Pond;
 - (3) Crappie Pond;
 - (4) Beaver Slough;
 - (5) The Walker River; and
 - (6) North Pond.
- (d) In the Fort Churchill Cooling Pond Cooperative Wildlife Management Area, all vessels and floating devices, except for vessels used by employees of [the Sierra Pacific Power
 Company] NV Energy in the performance of their official duties, are prohibited on the pond.
- (e) In the Wayne E. Kirch Wildlife Management Area, only vessels without motors and vessels which are powered by electric motors may be used on the Dacey Reservoir.
- 2. The provisions of subsection 1 do not apply to vessels owned, operated and used for official purposes by the Department.
 - 3. For the purposes of this section, a vessel is being used if the vessel:
- (a) Is upon the waters of this State, including, without limitation, if it is tied or fastened to a dock, mooring or shore; and
 - (b) Is not aground on the shore.
 - **Sec. 2.** NAC 504.120 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 504.120 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 6, a person shall not enter, occupy, use or be upon the following described portion of the Scripps Wildlife Management Area from February 15 through August 15:

That portion of the Scripps Wildlife Management Area which lies south of Little Washoe Lake, as posted, and further described as including all or portions of Sections 1 and 2, T. 16 N., R. 19 E., M.D.B. & M. and Sections 25, 26, 35 and 36, T. 17 N., R. 19 E., M.D.B. & M.

2. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 6, a person shall not enter, occupy, use or be upon the following described portion of the Key Pittman Wildlife Management Area from February 15 through August 15:

The portion of Nesbitt Lake north of the old fence line.

3. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 6, a person shall not enter, occupy, use or be upon the following described portion of the Wayne E. Kirch Wildlife Management Area from February 15 through August 15:

The upper portion of Adams-McGill, Cold Springs, *Dacey* and Haymeadow reservoirs, as posted, and all of *[Dacey and] the* Tule *[reservoirs.] Reservoir.*

4. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 6, a person shall not enter, occupy, use or be upon the following described portion of the Mason Valley Wildlife Management Area from February 15 through August 15:

The eastern portion of the main developed pond area, as posted.

5. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 6, a person shall not enter, occupy, use or be upon the following described portion of the Overton Wildlife Management Area from March 1 through August 1:

The Honey Bee Pond and the Center Pond.

6. The provisions of subsections 1 to 5, inclusive, do not apply to authorized personnel in the performance of their official duties.