LCB File No. R136-98

PROPOSED REGULATION OF THE BOARD OF WILDLIFE COMMISSIONERS

NOTICE OF INTENT TO ACT UPON A REGULATION Notice of the Hearing for the (adoption/amendment/repeal) of Regulations of the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners

The Board of Wildlife Commissioners will hold a public hearing at 9 a.m. on August 15, 1998, at the Commercial Hotel, 345 Fourth Street, Elko, Nevada. The purpose of the hearing is to receive comments from all interested persons regarding the adoption of regulations CGR 271 pertaining to Chapter 502 of the Nevada Administrative Code.

- 1. The need for and purpose of the proposed regulation: To change the deadline date for submission for the questionnaire issued as part of a tag from an actual date to the last working day of January. Adds language to implement more stringent eligibility rules if a person fails to return the questionnaire or provides incomplete information for antelope, elk, or any subspecies of bighorn sheep where eligibility is affected by harvest.
- 2. Text of the proposed regulation: (Attached)
- 3A. The estimated economic effect of the regulation on the business which it is to regulate:
 - (a) Adverse effect-NA
 - (b) Beneficial effect-NA
 - (c) Immediate effect-NA
 - (d) Long term effect-NA
 - B. The estimated economic effect of the regulation on the public which it is to regulate:
 - (a) Adverse effect-NA
 - (b) Beneficial effect-NA
 - (c) Immediate effect-NA
 - (d) Long term effect-NA
- 4. Estimated cost to the Division of Wildlife for enforcement of the proposed regulation: **NA**

- 5. Description of, and citation to, any regulations of other state or local government agencies which the proposed regulation overlaps or duplicates and a statement explaining why the duplication or overlapping is necessary. If the proposed regulation overlaps or duplicates a federal regulation, the notice must include the name of the regulating federal agency. **NA**
- 6. If the regulation is required pursuant to federal law, a citation and description of the federal law: **NA**
- 7. If the regulation includes provisions which are more stringent than a federal regulation that regulates the same activity, a summary of such provisions: N/A.
- 8. The proposed regulation establishes a new fee or increases an existing fee: X_No. __Yes.

Persons wishing to comment upon the proposed action of the Board of Wildlife Commissioners may appear at the scheduled public hearing or may address their comments, data, views or arguments, in written form, to the Secretary, Board of Wildlife Commissioners, Post Office Box 10678, Reno, Nevada 89520-0022. Written submissions must be received by the Secretary, Board of Wildlife Commissioners, at least five days before the scheduled public hearing. If no person who is directly affected by the proposed action appears to request time to make an oral presentation, the Board of Wildlife Commissioners may proceed immediately to act upon any written submissions.

A copy of this notice and the proposed regulation will be on file at the State Library, 100 Stewart Street, Carson City, Nevada, for inspection by members of the public during business hours. Additional copies of the regulations to be adopted will be available at the:

Nevada Division of Wildlife 1100 Valley Road Reno, Nevada (702) 688-1500

Region II Office 1375 Mt. City Highway Elko, NV 89801 (702) 738-5332 Region I Office 380 W. "B" Street Fallon, NV 89406 (702) 423-3171

Region III Office 4747 W. Vegas Drive Las Vegas, NV 89108 (702) 486-5127

and in all county main public libraries for inspection and copying by members of the public during busienss hours.. This notice and the text of the proposed regulation are also available in the State of Nevada Register of Administrative Regulations which is prepared and published monthly by the Legislative Counsel Bureau pursuant to NRS 233B.0653 and on the Internet at http://www.leg.state.nv.us. Copies will also be mailed to members of the public upon request. A reasonable fee may be charged for copies if it is deemed necessary.

Upon adoption of any regulation, the agency, if requested to do so by an interested person, either before adoption or within 30 days thereafter, shall issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against it s adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption.

This notice of hearing has been posted at the above locations.

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STATE OF NEVADA BOARD OF WILDLIFE COMMISSIONERS COMMISSION GENERAL REGULATION 271

Authority: NRS 501.119

Notice of Intent:

Commission Approval:

EXPLANATION: Amends NAC 502.405 to change the deadline date for submission for the questionnaire issued as part of a tag from an actual date to the last working day of January. Adds language to implement more stringent eligibility rules if a person fails to return the questionnaire or provides incomplete information for antelope, elk, or any subspecies of bighorn sheep where eligibility is affected by harvest.

Section 1. NAC 502.405 is hereby amended to read as follows:

502.405 1. Unless otherwise provided by an annual regulation of the commission, the questionnaire issued as part of a tag must be properly completed and received by the Reno office of the division no later than 5 p.m. on [January 31] *the last working day of January* following the close of the season to which the tag applies.

- 2. Any person who fails to return the questionnaire within the period specified or who submits incomplete or false information on the questionnaire will be denied all big game tags for 1 year.
- 3. Any person who has been denied all big game tags pursuant to the provisions of this section may have those privileges reinstated if he pays to the division an administrative fine of \$50.

(4.) Any person who fails to comply with the provisions of subsection 1 of this regulation, will have his eligibility recorded as if the person harvested an animal according to NAC 502.341, 502.345, and 502.361.