

LCB File No. R108-07

**PROPOSED REGULATION OF THE
BOARD OF WILDLIFE COMMISSIONERS**

COMMISSION GENERAL REGULATION No. 350

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

AUTHORITY: NRS 501.105, 501.181

A REGULATION relating to wildlife; proposes to prohibit trapping within 1000 feet to each side of specific established hiking trails within the Humboldt – Toiyabe National Forest in southwestern Washoe County to minimize conflicts between trappers, hikers and their pets.

Section 1. NAC 504.340 is hereby amended to read as follows:

504.340 *Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3:*

1. The following areas are closed to all hunting and trapping:

~~1.~~ **(a)** Those portions of the Lake Mead National Recreation Area which are within:

~~(a)~~ **(1)** A 1-mile radius of Overton Landing, Willow Beach, Rogers Spring, the area for cabins at Stewart’s Point, Echo Bay, Eldorado Canyon, Cottonwood Cove and the petroglyphs of Grapevine Canyon.

~~(b)~~ **(2)** The Lower or Boulder Basin, including all of the area from Hoover Dam to a line running north and south near the peninsula between Hamblin Bay and Rotary Cove. The townships or portions of them located within the Lake Mead National Recreation Area and included within this closed area are: T. 20 S., R. 63 E., R. 64 E., R. 65 E.; Sections 6, 7 and 18 of T. 21 S., R. 66 E.; T. 21 S., R. 63 E., R. 63 1/2 E., R. 64 E., R. 65 E. and T. 22 S., R. 64 E. and R. 65 E., M.D.B. & M.

~~(c)~~ **(3)** A 1/2-mile strip parallel to the west shoreline of Lake Mohave from Hoover Dam south to a point 2 miles south of the campground at Willow Beach.

~~(d)~~ **(4)** The area of land extending 1/2 mile west of the water elevation of Lake Mohave and the Colorado River between the southern boundary of the Lake Mead National Recreation Area and the crossing of those cables of the power line located approximately 5 1/4 miles north of Davis Dam and all waters between that cable and the southern boundary.

~~2.~~ **(b)** All portions of the Stillwater National Wildlife Refuge in Churchill County south of Division Road, except that trapping is allowed to the extent authorized pursuant to 50 C.F.R. §§ 31.14 and 31.16.

~~3.~~ **(c)** All portions of the Ruby Lake National Wildlife Refuge, except that:

~~(a)~~ **(1)** Hunting is allowed pursuant to 50 C.F.R. § 32.47 on designated areas of the refuge in Elko and White Pine Counties and to the extent authorized by the Board of Wildlife Commissioners in regulations governing seasons, hours and bag limits adopted pursuant to NRS 501.118; and

~~[(b)]~~ (2) Trapping is allowed to the extent authorized pursuant to 50 C.F.R. §§ 31.14 and 31.16 and by the Board of Wildlife Commissioners in regulations governing seasons, hours and bag limits adopted pursuant to NRS 501.118.

~~[(4)]~~ (d) All portions of the Death Valley National Park.

~~[(5)]~~ (e) All portions of the Sheldon National Wildlife Refuge, except that hunting is authorized on designated areas of the refuge pursuant to 50 C.F.R. § 32.47, to the extent permitted by the Board of Wildlife Commissioners in regulations governing seasons, hours and bag limits adopted pursuant to NRS 501.118.

~~[(6)]~~ (f) All portions of Clark, Lincoln and Nye Counties within the boundaries of the Nellis Air Force Range, the Nevada Test Site and the Desert National Wildlife Refuge, except that the hunting of bighorn sheep is authorized in certain described portions of the Desert National Wildlife Refuge pursuant to 50 C.F.R. § 32.47 and the Nellis Air Force Range, to the extent authorized by the Board of Wildlife Commissioners in regulations governing seasons, hours and bag limits adopted pursuant to NRS 501.118.

~~[(7)]~~ (g) All portions of Clark, Lincoln and Nye Counties within the boundaries of the Nellis Air Force Range, the Nevada Test Site and the Desert National Wildlife Refuge, except that certain described portions of the Desert National Wildlife Refuge, not within the Nellis Air Force Range, will be opened for the hunting of deer pursuant to 50 C.F.R. § 32.47, to the extent authorized by the Board of Wildlife Commissioners in regulations governing seasons, hours and bag limits adopted pursuant to NRS 501.118.

~~[(8)]~~ (h) All portions of the Pahranaagat National Wildlife Refuge in Lincoln County, except that hunting is permitted on designated areas of the refuge pursuant to 50 C.F.R. § 32.47, to the extent authorized by the Board of Wildlife Commissioners in regulations governing seasons, hours and bag limits adopted pursuant to NRS 501.118.

~~[(9)]~~ (i) All portions of the Great Basin National Park.

~~[(10)]~~ (j) All portions of the Ash Meadows National Wildlife Refuge, except that hunting is permitted on designated areas of the refuge pursuant to 50 C.F.R. § 32.47, to the extent authorized by the Board of Wildlife Commissioners in regulations governing seasons, hours and bag limits adopted pursuant to NRS 501.118.

2. Trapping is prohibited within 1000 feet to each side of the following designated hiking trails established within that portion of the Humboldt - Toiyabe National Forest that is located north of the Washoe County – Carson City county line, west of U.S. Highway No. 395 and south of U.S. Interstate Highway No. 80:

(a) Hunter Creek Trail, U.S. Forest Service Trail No. 21053

(b) Jones Creek – White’s Creek Trail, U.S. Forest Service Trail No. 21056

(c) Ophir Creek Trail, U.S. Forest Service Trail No. 21059

(d) Tahoe Rim Trail, U.S. Forest Service Trail No. 21055

(e) Thomas Creek Trail, U.S. Forest Service Trail No. 21057

This subsection does not prohibit the lawful placing or setting of traps or snares inside a fence on private property which may be situated less than 1000 feet from designated trails.

3. Trapping may be permitted in areas listed above if conducted under the authority of wildlife depredation permit issued by the Department.