PROPOSED REGULATION OF THE BOARD OF WILDLIFE COMMISSIONERS

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

AUTHORITY: §1, NRS 501.105, 501.181.

A REGULATION relating to wildlife; establishes provisions pertaining to use of trail cameras for the purpose of hunting wildlife.

Section 1. Chapter 503 of NAC is hereby amended by adding thereto section 2 through 5, inclusive of this regulation, to read as follows.

- Section 2. Except as otherwise provided in this section, a person shall not, for the purpose of hunting, locate or observe, or assist another person in locating or observing, any big game mammal in a management unit described in NAC 504.210 during the period beginning 30 days before a big game hunting season opens until the close of the season in that management unit with the use of:
 - (a) A trail camera, including without limitation, any device that is used for photographing or filming that captures images or video using a heat or motion detector to trigger the camera.
 - (b) Any other device that is used for photographing or filming that captures images or video not held and manually operated by a person.

Section 3. For the purpose of this section, the season for hunting a mountain lion which is open in a management unit shall be deemed not to be a big game hunting season during the period beginning after the big game hunting season for all other species of big game has closed in that management unit until the period beginning 30 days before the opening of a big game hunting season established for hunting any other species of big game in that management unit.

Section 4. Evidence of an act constituting a violation of this section includes, without limitation:

- (a) Images or video of big game mammals captured using a heat or motion detector to trigger a camera and the captured images or video are stored on the camera or video device.
- (b) Images or video of big game mammals captured using a heat or motion detector to trigger a camera and the captured images or video are transmitted to a viewing device at another location.
- (c) Any other device which captures images or video of big game mammals not held and manually operated by a person.

Section 5. The provisions of this section do not apply to a person who:

- (a) Is acting within the scope of his or her official duties and who is:
 - a. An employee or authorized agent of this State;
 - b. An employee of a municipal or county government of this State; or
 - c. An employee of the federal government.