

PROPOSED REGULATION OF THE BOARD OF WILDLIFE COMMISSIONERS

LCB File No. R156-12

COMMISSION GENERAL REGULATION 417

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

AUTHORITY: §§1 and 2, NRS 501.105, 501.181, 502.219, 502.222, 502.225

A REGULATION relating to fishing: allowing the use of gizzard shad to be used as live bait in the Southern Region applicable waters of Lake Mead, Lake Mohave, and the Colorado River system.

Section 1. NAC 503.540 is hereby amended to read as follows:

NAC 503.540 Commercial taking of crayfish unlawful; exception. (NRS 501.105, 501.181, 503.380, 503.597, 504.295)

1. **Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2,** it is unlawful for any person to take crayfish from any of the waters of the State for commercial purposes.

2. A person may obtain a permit to take crayfish commercially from the waters of Lake Tahoe upon application and payment to the Department of an annual permit fee of \$500 if the Department:

(a) Approves the location, time and manner of conducting the operation; and

(b) Determines the operation is not deleterious to fish or other wildlife indigenous or planted or propagated in those waters at public expense.

3. *A person possessing a commercial collection permit for crayfish may sell the crayfish possessed under the authority of the commercial permit to a food wholesaler or retail restaurant for purposes of human consumption.*

(a) The food wholesaler or retail restaurant receiving crayfish under the authority of section 3 may sell, for consumption, crayfish by possessing a Record of Purchase from the commercial collector, or food wholesaler of such aquatic wildlife with:

(i) The number of the commercial license;

(ii) The name of the commercial licensee;

(iii) The date of purchase from commercial licensee;

(iv) The total poundage of crayfish purchased; and

(v) The name and address of the seller.

(b) A copy of the Record of Purchase shall be retained by the permittee and food wholesaler or retail restaurant for a period of four years and shall be available for inspection at any reasonable time within that period by the department.