

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

LCB File No. R156-12

July 16, 2012

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

AUTHORITY: §1, NRS 501.105, 501.181, 503.380 and 504.295.

A REGULATION relating to crayfish; authorizing a holder of a permit to take crayfish from the waters of Lake Tahoe to sell the crayfish to a food wholesaler or restaurant for human consumption; requiring the buyer and the seller of the crayfish to retain certain records of the purchase; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

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

503.540 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 holder of a permit issued pursuant to subsection 2 may sell any crayfish taken under the authority of the permit to a food wholesaler or restaurant for the purpose of human consumption.

4. A food wholesaler who purchases any crayfish from a holder of a permit issued pursuant to subsection 2 may sell the crayfish to a restaurant for the purpose of human consumption.

5. A person who sells any crayfish pursuant to subsection 3 or 4 shall, at the time of the sale, provide the buyer with a record of purchase that includes, without limitation:

(a) The name and address of the holder of the permit;

(b) The number of the permit;

(c) The date of purchase of the crayfish;

(d) The total amount of crayfish purchased, set forth in pounds and ounces; and

(e) The name and address of the seller, if different from the holder of the permit.

6. A copy of the record of purchase required by subsection 5 must be retained by the buyer and seller for at least 4 years and be made available for inspection at any reasonable time during that period upon request by the Department.