

LCB File No. R083-09

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

COMMISSION GENERAL REGULATION 371

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

AUTHORITY: §1, NRS 501.105, 501.181, 503.290, 503.300, 503.310).

A REGULATION relating to wildlife; establishes provisions pertaining to restrictions on bait and lures for fishing.

Section 1. *Chapter 503 of NAC is hereby amended by adding thereto section 2 and section 3, inclusive of this regulation, to read as follows.*

Section 2. NAC 503.506 Eastern Region: Applicable waters; restrictions on bait and lures.

1. The Eastern Region consists of all waters in Elko, Eureka, Lander and White Pine counties.

2. Within this region:

(a) The possession while fishing or use of fish as bait, whether dead or alive, or parts thereof, except preserved salmon eggs, is prohibited.

(b) Aquatic bait may be used only in the water from which it is taken.

3. Only artificial lures may be used in ~~Crittenden Reservoir~~, Tonkin Springs Reservoir and the collection ditch of the Ruby Lake National Wildlife Refuge.

4. Only artificial lures with single barbless hooks may be used on *Smith Creek Reservoir and on* the south fork of the Humboldt River from the access causeway for the Lucky Nugget subdivision upstream to Lee. Only one single barbless hook may be attached to each hook eye or ring of the lure.

Section 3. NAC 503.507 Southern Region: Applicable waters; restrictions on bait and lures.

1. The Southern Region consists of all waters in Clark, Esmeralda, Lincoln and Nye counties.

2. In the waters of Lake Mead, Lake Mohave and the Colorado River located in Clark County:

(a) Only golden shiner, fathead minnow, mosquitofish, red shiner, threadfin shad, carp and goldfish may be used as live bait fish.

(b) Other forms of aquatic and animal life, including, but not limited to, the waterdog, grasshopper, earthworm and crayfish, may be used as bait.

(c) A person holding a fishing license may purchase fish authorized for use as bait from a dealer in bait licensed in Arizona, California or Nevada or he may, for his own use, take fish authorized for use as bait by:

(1) A dipnet;

- (2) A cast net with a radius not exceeding 3 feet measured from the horn to the leadline;
- (3) A seine not exceeding 10 feet in length and 4 feet in width; or
- (4) A trap for minnows not exceeding 12 inches in depth, 12 inches in width or 24 inches in length.

3. Only artificial lures may be used on Dacey Reservoir in Kirch WMA.

~~3.~~ **4.** In all other waters of the Southern Region, the capture, possession while fishing or use of fish as bait, whether dead or alive, or parts thereof, other than preserved salmon eggs is prohibited.