

AGENDA

NEW MEXICO STATE GAME COMMISSION

New Mexico Military Institute

Pearson Auditorium

101 West College Boulevard

Roswell, NM 88201

Thursday, November 19, 2015

9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Public testimony and comment: All those interested in providing oral comments are encouraged to prepare a "Speaker's Card" for each item on which they will comment. These cards assist the Commission Chair to manage more effective public communication. Comments may be allowed on each item at the Commission Chair's discretion, regardless of card completion. Those who desire to address the Commission and who claim to represent an organization must provide the following information: the number of members in the organization, frequency of the organization's meeting and either a signed statement from that organization's president that states the organization has discussed the topic and approved the position that the representative is presenting, or proof that they are a registered lobbyist for the organization.

AT THEIR DISCRETION, THE COMMISSION MAY TAKE ACTION ON ANY AGENDA ITEM

AGENDA ITEM NO. 1: Meeting Called to Order.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 2: Roll Call.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 3: Pledge of Allegiance.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 4: Approval of Agenda.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 5: Introduction of Guests.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 6: Approval of Minutes September 29, 2015, Albuquerque, NM.

NEW BUSINESS:

AGENDA ITEM NO. 7: Turner Endangered Species Fund Appeals of the Denial of Applications to Import and Possess Mexican Gray Wolves.

Presented by Mike Phillips – The Turner Endangered Species Fund (TESF) or their designee will present an appeal of the Department's denial of the TESF's application to Import and Possess Mexican Gray Wolves on the Ladder Ranch. No public comment shall be allowed on appeals before the Commission as those matters are quasi-judicial in nature.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 8: Renewal Request from Vermejo Ranch to Import and Possess Black Footed Ferrets.

Presented by Dustin Long – Vermejo Ranch representatives will present a renewal request to import and possess black footed ferrets into New Mexico.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 9: Proposed State Land Easement Agreement 2016 Season.

Presented by Mike Perry – The Department will present to the Commission a current update on negotiations on the 2016 State Land Easement Agreement between the Department and the State Land Office to provide continued sportsmen access to State Trust Lands.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 10: Revocations.

Presented by Robert Griego – The Department will present a list of individuals that meet established criteria for initiation of the suspension process for license privileges.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 11: Request to Recognize Sportsmen for Fish and Wildlife New Mexico as a Qualified Non-profit to Receive or Submit Youth Recipients for Donated Licenses or Permits.

Presented by Robert Griego – The Department will present to the Commission, Sportsmen for Fish and Wildlife as an organization that can participate in receiving, identifying or submitting recipients for donated licenses as required by rule (19.31.3.11.F NMAC).

AGENDA ITEM NO. 12: Final Proposed Adoption of Amendments to the Oryx and Pronghorn Rules Regarding Hunt Date Conflicts on White Sands Missile Range (19.31.15 and 19.31.12 NMAC).

Presented by Stewart Liley – WMSR is planning on holding annual Trinity Site Tours for the first weekend in October in 2016, 2017, and 2018. The dates of the Trinity Site Tours are in direct conflict with concurrent Oryx and Pronghorn hunts. The Department will present to the Commission a final recommendation to move the hunt dates outside the tour dates.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 13: Final Proposed Amendments to the Fisheries Rule (19.31.4 NMAC) for Designation of Special Trout Waters on the Valles Caldera National Preserve.

Presented by Mike Sloane – The Department will present to the Commission final amendments to the Fisheries Rule (19.31.4 NMAC) to designate all waters on the Valles Caldera National Preserve as Special Trout waters with a two fish limit, terminal tackle restrictions, and a fishing season. The Department will also present final changes to the current San Antonio Special Trout Water off of the Preserve.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 14: Special Hunt Draw Deadlines for the 2016-2017 Season.

Presented by David Rohrbach –The Department will make a recommendation to the Commission regarding the application deadline dates for the lottery draws for the 2016-2017 license year.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 15: Gaining Access Into Nature (GAIN) Proposed Rule Revision (19.34.3 NMAC).

Presented by Stewart Liley – The Department will present potential amendment changes to the Use of State Game Commission Lands Rule on Wildlife Management Areas (19.34.3 NMAC).

AGENDA ITEM NO. 16: Proposed Amendments to the Aquatic Invasive Species Rule (19.30.14 NMAC).

Presented by James Dominguez –The Department will present proposed amendments to the Aquatic Invasive Species (AIS) rule specifying that all boats arriving from out of state must be inspected prior to launch, requiring all boats stop at AIS inspection stations, requiring boat owners to remove drain plugs after leaving a waterbody, and creation of a seal program to facilitate inspection/protection of New Mexico's waters.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 17: Bosque Bird Dog Farm Shooting Preserve Application.

Presented by Colin Duff – The Department will facilitate a shooting preserve presentation. Tony Bridgman has submitted an application for a shooting preserve permit for the Boys Ranch property located in Socorro County in accordance to 17-3-35 through 17-3-42, NMSA, 1978 Compilation (Regulated Shooting Preserve Act) and 19.35.3 NMAC, Shooting Preserves.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 18: Hunter Education Update

Presented by Craig Sanchez – The Department will present an update to the Commission on the Department's efforts to revise and update the methods of delivering Hunter Education including the introduction of a web-based curriculum and testing option.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 19: Bluewater Lake Management Strategy Update

Presented by Mike Sloane – The Department will update the Commission on recent surveys at Bluewater Lake and discuss future management actions to maintain the fishery.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 20: Commission Approval of the State Wildlife Action Plan (SWAP)

Presented by Matt Wunder – The Department will present to the Commission a final revision of the State's Wildlife Action Plan (SWAP). The Department has been in the process of updating the State Wildlife Action Plan which has been compiled to include input from multiple agencies, universities, as well as individuals.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 21: Proposed amendments to Hunting and Fishing License Application Rule (NMAC 19.31.3).
Presented by Chris Chadwick – The Department will present to the Commission amendments to the hunting and fishing license application rule (NMAC 19.31.3) to allow the Department to develop a verification process for New Mexico veterans and active duty service members to receive a fifty percent discount on licenses, permits, or stamp purchases.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 20: Closed Executive Session.

The State Game Commission will vote as to whether it will adjourn into Executive Session closed to the public, pursuant to Section 10-15-1(H)(8) NMSA 1978, to discuss the acquisition of real property located in Bernalillo, Chavez and San Juan Counties and pursuant to Section 10-15-1(H)(7) on matters subject to the attorney-client privilege relating to threatened or pending litigation: (LPC, Docket No. 1:15-CV-00252-EGS); (State of Arizona v. Sally Jewell, No. 4:15-cv-245-JGZ, U.S. District Court for the District of Arizona) in which the Commission and/or Department is or may become a participant.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 22: General Public Comments (Comments Limited to 3 Minutes)

AGENDA ITEM NO. 23: Adjourn.

NOTE: The meeting will be adjourned upon completion of the agenda or up to those items that time allows. Any items not discussed will be on the following meeting's agenda. The Agenda is subject to change up to 72 hours prior to the scheduled meeting date and time as deemed necessary by the Chairman. To inquire about agenda changes, please contact the Office of the Director at (505) 476-8008. If you are an individual with a disability who is in need of a reader, amplifier, qualified sign language interpreter, or any other form of auxiliary aid or service to attend or participate in the hearing or meeting, please contact Ms. Angelica Ruiz at (505) 476-8027 at least 3 working days before the meeting date. Public documents, including the Agenda and Minutes can be provided in various accessible forms. Please contact Ms. Ruiz if a summary or other type of accessible form is needed.

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