

## Utah Wildlife Board Work Session

May 1, 2013, DNR Auditorium

1594 West North Temple, Salt Lake City, Utah

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### Board Members Present

Del Brady – Chair  
Ernie Perkins – Vice Chair  
Mike Fowlks – Exec Sec  
John Bair  
Calvin Crandall  
Bill Fenimore  
Jake Albrecht  
Mike King

### Public Present

Sterling Brown  
Robert Byrnes  
Elmer Nix  
Thomas Wright

### Division Personnel Present

Rory Reynolds	Greg Sheehan
Mike Caning	Vance Mumford
Marty Bushman	Greg Hansen
Tony Wood	Teresa Griffin
Kenny Johnson	Karen Caldwell
Staci Coons	Suzette Fowlks
Thu Vo-Wood	Jason Robinson
Dean Mitchell	Bill Bates
Lindy Varney	Kevin Bunnell
Richard Hepworth	Scott McFarlane
Anita Candelaria	Covy Jones
Justin Shannon	Randy Wood
Judi Tutorow	Dax Mangus
Bryan Christensen	Anis Aoude
Jason Nicholes	

- 1) Approval of Agenda (**Action**) **0:00:00 to 0:00:53 of 4:06:22**

Chairman Brady welcomed the audience and went over the agenda. The items for discussion are informational only. The meeting is open to the public but no public comment will be accepted.

The following motion was made by Bill Fenimore, seconded by Jake Albrecht and passed unanimously.

**MOTION: I move that we approve the agenda as presented.**

- 2) Update – Mike Fowlks (**Informational**) **0:00:54 to 0:02:39 of 4:06:22**

Deputy Director Fowlks reported the Governor has approved the sage-grouse statewide plan and they are now in the process of creating an implementation team to determine how to execute the plan.

- 3) Review of RAC Agenda Items – Anis Aoude (**Informational**) **0:02:45 to 1:35:43 of 4:06:22**

Anis Aoude summarized the RAC agenda items and motions made. (See Work Session Attachments #1&2 Monroe/Wasatch).

- 4) Definition of “Youth” – Judi Tutorow (**Informational**) **1:35:46 to 1:39:53 of 4:06:22**

Judi Tutorow presented a proposal to standardize the definition of “youth” according to the hunt process. (See Work Session Attachment #3 Youth).

- 5) Preference Points – Lindy Varney (**Informational**) **1:40:03 to 2:02:33 of 4:06:22**

Lindy Varney lead a discussion on the preference points system relative to the 30 unit deer plan. (See Work Session Attachment #4 Preference Point).

- 6) Use of Scopes on Muzzleloaders and Use of Crossbow during Any Weapon Hunts – Tony Wood, Anis Aoude, Marty Bushman (**Informational**) **2:03:05 to 2:48:53 of 4:06:22**

Tony Wood led a discussion on the use of scopes on muzzleloaders and use of crossbow during Any Weapon hunts. (See Work Session Attachment #5 Crossbows...scopes).

- 7) Update on the Monroe Mountain Working Group – Vance Mumford (**Informational**) **2:48:56 to 3:36:53 of 4:06:22**

Vance Mumford led a discussion on the Monroe Mountain working group aspen stand development. (See Work Session Attachment #6 Monroe Mtn. Working Group).

- 8) Other Business – Del Brady (**Informational**) **3:36:56 to 4:06:22 of 4:06:22**

Ernie Perkins led a discussion on the election of the new board chair and vice-chair.

Jake Albrecht led a discussion on mitigation tags.

Meeting adjourned.

Approved

# Utah Wildlife Board Meeting

May 2, 2013, DNR, Boardroom  
1594 W. North Temple, Salt Lake City, Utah

Thursday, May 2, 2013, Board Meeting 9:00 am

1. Approval of Agenda **ACTION**  
– Del Brady, Chairman
2. Approval of Minutes **ACTION**  
– Del Brady, Chairman
3. Old Business/Action Log **CONTINGENT**  
– Ernie Perkins, Vice-Chair
4. DWR Update **INFORMATION**  
– Greg Sheehan, DWR Director
5. Bucks, Bulls and OIAL Permit Recommendations and Rule Amendments for 2013 **ACTION**  
– Anis Aoude, Big Game Coordinator
6. Antlerless Permit Recommendations for 2013 **ACTION**  
– Anis Aoude, Big Game Coordinator
7. Antlerless CWMU Permit Recommendations for 2013 **ACTION**  
– Scott McFarlane, Acting Wildlife Section Chief
8. R657-44 Depredation Rule Amendments **ACTION**  
– Scott McFarlane, Acting Wildlife Section Chief
9. Lake Powell – Infestation of Quagga Mussell **ACTION**  
– Larry Dalton, AIS Coordinator
10. Stipulation and Order **ACTION**  
– Greg Hansen, Attorney
11. Other Business **CONTINGENT**

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**Summary of Motions**

1) Approval of Agenda (**Action**)

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**MOTION: I move that we approve the agenda as presented.**

2) Approval of Minutes (**Action**)

The following motion was made by Calvin Crandall, seconded by John Bair and passed unanimously.

**MOTION: I move that we approve the minutes of the January 10, 2013 meeting as well as the March 21, 2013 Wildlife Board Meeting as presented.**

3) Old Business/Action Log (Contingent)

**Action Item “additional use of Crossbows” was combined with “scopes on muzzleloader rifles” item is to be brought to the RAC’s and Board beginning with the Big Game Recommendations in November.**

**Action Item “preference point presentation” will have a status change to reflect additional information and a recommendation to be discussed at the May 29, 2013 work session**

**Action Item “definition of youth” is to be taken to the RAC’s as a proposal as each rule and guidebook comes up for revision.**

**Action Item “multi-year guidebooks and rules” will have a status change to reflect an update to be given to the board at the May 29, 2013 work session.**

4) Bucks, Bulls and OIAL Permit Recommendations and Rule Amendments for 2013 (**Action**)

The following motion was made by Ernie Perkins, seconded by John Bair and passed unanimously.

**MOTION: I move that we accept the UBA proposal for the late elk hunt on the Wasatch Mountains, Central Mountains Nebo, and West Desert Deep Creek permit allocations to reflect 50% any weapon, 30% archery and 20% muzzleloader.**

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The following motion was made by Ernie Perkins, seconded by Bill Fenimore and passed unanimously.

**MOTION: I move that we accept the recommendation from the Northern RAC to reduce the permit numbers on the Cache Limited Entry Elk units to 70 permits on the North Cache and 240 permits on the South Cache.**

The following motion was made by John Bair, seconded by Jake Albrecht and passed unanimously.

**MOTION: I move that we reduce the Book Cliff deer permits by 20% from last year's numbers.**

The following motion was made by John Bair, seconded by Calvin Crandall and passed 4 -3 with the tie being broken in favor of the motion by Chairman Del Brady. Ernie Perkins, Bill Fenimore and Mike King were opposed.

**MOTION: I move that we keep the permit numbers the same on the Henry Mountains unit as presented in 2012.**

The following motion was made by Ernie Perkins, seconded by Jake Albrecht and passed unanimously.

**MOTION: I move that we ask the division to prepare a sheet(s) for the Board and the NRO RAC that shows the sheep unit grouping and permit percentage rules that were passed (by the Board) last year and the subsequent total permits and breakout between OIAL, Conservation and Convention permits for each sheep species and each unit group.**

The following motion was made by Calvin Crandall, seconded by Jake Albrecht and passed unanimously.

**MOTION: I move that we accept the balance of the recommendations for Bucks, Bulls and OIAL permit numbers as presented by the Division.**

5) Antlerless Permit Recommendations for 2013 (**Action**)

The following motion was made Calvin Crandall, seconded by Jake Albrecht and passed unanimously.

**MOTION: I move that we extend the season dates on the Paunsaugunt Skutumpah antlerless elk hunt to January 31, 2014.**

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**MOTION: I move that we support the NRO RAC recommendation to leave the permit numbers on the Cache unit the same as 2012.**

The following motion was made by Bill Fenimore, seconded by Mike King and passed unanimously.

**MOTION: I move that we accept the balance of the recommendations for Antlerless Permit numbers as presented by the division.**

6) Antlerless CWMU Permit Recommendations for 2013 (**Action**)

The following motion was made by Ernie Perkins, seconded by Bill Fenimore and passed unanimously.

**MOTION: I move that we accept the Antlerless CWMU permit recommendations as presented by the division.**

7) R657-44 Depredation Rule Amendments (**Action**)

The following motion was made by Jake Albrecht, seconded by Mike King and passed unanimously.

**MOTION: I move that we accept the amendments to rule R657-44 Depredation rule as presented by the division.**

8) Lake Powell – Infestation of Quagga Mussel (**Action**)

The following motion was made by Calvin Crandall, seconded by Ernie Perkins and passed unanimously.

**MOTION: I move that we approve the listing of Lake Powell as an infested water body.**

9) Stipulation and Orders (**Action**)

The following motion was made by Ernie Perkins, seconded by Calvin Crandall and passed unanimously.

**MOTION: I move that we accept the Stipulation and Orders for Eric Stevens, Jared Anderson, and Tyler Robinson as presented by the Division.**

The following motion was made by Calvin Crandall, seconded by Mike King and passed unanimously.

**MOTION: I move that we accept the Stipulation and Order for Shawn Pearce as presented by the Division.**

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**Wildlife Board Members Present**

Del Brady – Chair  
Ernie Perkins – Vice-Chair  
Greg Sheehan – Exec Sec  
Mike King  
Calvin Crandall  
John Bair  
Bill Fenimore  
Jake Albrecht

**RAC Chairs Present**

Central – Gary Nelson  
Southern – Kevin Bunnell  
Southeastern – Derris Jones  
Northeastern - Floyd Briggs  
Northern – Robert Byrnes

**Public Present**

Fred Oswald  
Byron Bateman, SFW    Lee Tracy, UWC    Thomas Wright    Elmer Nix  
Ben Lowder, UBA    Ty Boulter, UWC    Ken Strong    Doyle Moss  
Troy Justensen, SFW    Don Peay    Sterling Brown, Farm Bureau

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Staci Coons    Scott McFarlane  
Justin Shannon    Karen Caldwell  
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Larry Dalton    Vicki Summers  
Teresa Griffin    Darren DeBloois  
Justin Dolling    Dax Mangus  
Mike Fowlks    Greg Hansen  
Kent Hersey    Marty Bushman  
Randy Wood    Boyde Blackwell  
Bill Bates    Rick Olson  
Covy Jones    Carmen Bailey  
Lindy Varney    Mike Canning  
Brad Vaske    Kenny Johnson  
Eric Anderson    Roger Wilson  
Jimi Gragg    Monson Shaver  
Bryan Christensen

Chairman Brady welcomed the audience and introduced the Wildlife board and RAC Chairs.

- 1) Approval of Agenda (**Action**) **00:01:56 – 00:02:17 of 06:57:46**

The following motion was made by Ernie Perkins, seconded by Bill Fenimore and passed unanimously.

**MOTION: I move that we approve the agenda as presented.**

- 2) Approval of Minutes (**Action**) **00:02:17 – 00:02:53 of 06:57:46**

The following motion was made by Mike King, seconded by John Bair and passed unanimously.

**MOTION: I move that we approve the minutes of the January 10, 2013 meeting as well as the March 21, 2103 Wildlife Board Meeting as presented.**

3) Old Business/Action Log (**Contingent**) 00:02:55 – 00:08:15 of 06:57:46

Ernie Perkins presented action log items that were proposed at the May 1 work session for Board consideration.

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4) DWR Update (**Informational**) 00:08:20 – 00:12:56 of 06:57:46

Greg Sheehan said the state sage-grouse plan has been approved by the governor.

Coyote management program will continue through the summer. So far 6,250 coyotes have been redeemed.

Quagga mussels have been identified at Lake Powell. There will be some changes to how the division will approach management of the waterways.

There is an emergency change at Ken’s Lake, effective today May 2, 2013.

The Wild Sheep Foundation will be hosting a summit in Salt Lake, June 6-8, 2013.

DWR is expecting a formal proposed rule on the delisting of northern gray wolves within the next few weeks.

5) Bucks, Bulls and OIAL Permit Recommendations and Rule Amendments for 2013 (**Action**) 00:12:58 – 02:56:01 of 06:57:46

Anis Aoude presented the recommendations and rule amendments.

**Board Questions 00:40:15 – 00:54:04**

The Board posed some questions to clarify numbers and processes for determining numbers and recommendations.

**Public Questions & Comments 00:54:26 – 01:24:20**

The Board accepted public questions and comments.

**Board Comments 01:24:24 – 01:26:33**

Del Brady expressed similar sentiments of others present in the meeting to keep the Henrys a premier hunting unit.

**RAC Recommendations 01:26:35 – 02:56:01**

The RACs had various motions and amendments that differed from the Division's recommendations. Chairman Brady proposed to address each varying motion first, then address the balance of the DWR recommendations.

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- 6) Antlerless Permit Recommendations for 2013 (Action) 02:57:20 – 03:33:54 of 06:57:46

Anis Aoude presented the 2013 antlerless permit recommendations that will help meet the population objectives on big game species.

#### **Board Questions 03:04:07 – 03:04:52**

Jake Albrecht wondered why DWR is issuing tags for pronghorn on the Henrys if the objective is to remove them in the first place. Anis explained it would be a better use of resources to issue tags for hunters who happen to be hunting in the area than to have DWR search and remove five pronghorns in the vast area.

#### **RAC Recommendation 03:05:14 – 03:11:59**

SERO, NERO, and CRO unanimously passed the antlerless permit recommendations for 2013.

Northern RAC unanimously passed the recommendations with a side motion to keep the antlerless permit numbers for the Cache unit the same as in 2012.

Southern RAC voted 7 to 3 to accept the Division's recommendations as presented for antlerless elk permits with the exception of an extended hunt date on the Paunsaugunt Skutumpah to January 31, 2014. Deer passed unanimously as presented. Pronghorn passed 8 to 2 as presented except for a 750 permit increase on the Plateau.

#### **Public Comments 03:12:11 – 03:20:35**

The Board accepted public comments at this time. There were no questions from the public.

**Board Discussion 03:20:40 – 03:33:54**

The following motion was made Calvin Crandall, seconded by Jake Albrecht and passed unanimously.

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- 7) Antlerless CWMU Permit Recommendations for 2013 (Action) **03:34:15 – 03:45:29 of 06:57:46**

Scott McFarlane presented the antlerless CWMU permit recommendations for 2013.

**RAC Recommendations**

The antlerless CWMU permit recommendations for 2013 passed unanimously at all RACs.

The following motion was made by Ernie Perkins, seconded by Bill Fenimore and passed unanimously.

**MOTION: I move that we accept the Antlerless CWMU permit recommendations as presented by the division.**

- 8) R657-44 Depredation Rule Amendments (Action) **03:45:30 – 04:03:10 of 06:57:46**

Scott McFarlane presented amendments for R657-44 Depredation Rule addressing mitigation permits and vouchers for this season. A statewide plan is under development, and following that there will be a more comprehensive rule change and review to be completed by the November/December RAC.

**Board Questions 03:51:44 – 03:55:28**

Calvin Crandall wanted clarification on the term ‘cleared and planted land.’ He also wanted to know if a hunting license was required for either a depredation permit or voucher. The answer is yes for both.

**RAC Recommendations 03:55:30 – 03:56:14**

All RACs, except Northern RAC, unanimously passed the amendments for Depredation Rule R657-44. Northern RAC passed it 10 to 2.

**Public Questions and Comments 03:56:15 – 04:02:40**

Sterling Brown wanted clarification on the term ‘buffer zone.’ Scott McFarlane explained that it is the distance determined by the landowner and biologist and goes through a regional review. The design of the rule is to address the offending animal on agricultural lands. Greg Sheehan further clarified it, stating that the buffer zone does not authorize trespassing on other properties unless previously agreed. The buffer zone does allow for flexibility.

The following motion was made by Jake Albrecht, seconded by Mike King and passed unanimously.

**MOTION: I move that we accept the amendments to rule R657-44 Depredation rule as presented by the division.**

- 9) Lake Powell – Infestation of Quagga Mussel (Action) 04:03:12 – 04:40:38 of 06:57:46

Larry Dalton requested the Board list Lake Powell as an infested water body. Preliminary testing indicates veligers have been detected in the water. It is uncertain how long it will take for the infestation to spread or if breeding will occur. A closure order was issued in March 2013.

The following motion was made by Calvin Crandall, seconded by Ernie Perkins and passed unanimously.

**MOTION: I move that we list Lake Powell as an infested water body.**

- 10) Stipulation and Order (Action) 04:41:18 – 05:00:007 of 06:57:46

Marty Bushman presented three stipulations – Eric Stevens, Jared Anderson, and Tyler Robinson.

Greg Hansen presented one stipulation for Shawn Pearce.

The following motion was made by Ernie Perkins, seconded by Calvin Crandall and passed

unanimously.

**MOTION: I move that we accept the Stipulation and Orders for Eric Stevens, Jared Anderson, and Tyler Robinson as presented by the Division.**

The following motion was made by Calvin Crandall, seconded by Mike King and passed unanimously.

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11) Other Business (**Contingent**) **05:00:14 – 06:57:46 of 06:57:46**

The Board discussed who would be attending summer WAFWA in Omaha, Nebraska.

Don Peay presented a PowerPoint on mule deer population in Utah (Informational, see Board Meeting Attachment #1).

Meeting adjourned.

Approved