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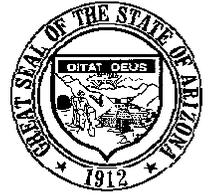
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July 17, 2006

A public meeting of the Arizona Game and Fish Commission will be held on August 27-28, 2006, and as authorized by A.R.S. § 17-201(D), this is a work session only, no action will be taken on the following matters:

Sunday, August 27, 2006, Arizona Game and Fish Commission at Sipe White Mountain Wildlife Area located 7 miles southeast of Eager, Arizona.

Meeting begins at 12:00 p.m.

- 1. Presenter: Dustin McKissen, Rules and Risk Manager. The Rules Process.** The Rules & Risk Manager will give a brief PowerPoint presentation on the rules process. The presentation will focus on how new rules as well as changes to existing rules are developed, reviewed by staff, the public, and approved or rejected by the Commission as well as the Governor's Regulatory Review Council. A question and answer period on the rules process, as well as any other rule related subject, will follow.
- 2. Presenter: Bob Broscheid, Habitat Branch Chief. Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Land Management Planning Process.** The Department will present the Commission with a complete overview of BLM's land management planning process in Arizona. Topics will include a discussion and example project analysis of wildlife management activities proposed within areas managed for wilderness characteristics, visual resource management and other allocations. Discussion with the Commission may occur regarding any and all of the topics presented.
- 3. Call to the Public.** Those persons wishing to speak should complete a speaker's card and present it to the host. Unless prior approval has been granted by the Chairman, comments will be limited to no more than three minutes. No discussion or action will be taken by the Commission. Any items requiring further discussion or action will be included on a future Commission meeting agenda.

Monday, August 28, 2006, Arizona Game and Fish Commission at Sipe White Mountain Wildlife Area located 7 miles southeast of Eager, Arizona.

Meeting begins at 8:00 a.m.

- 1. Presenter: Leonard Ordway, Game Branch Chief; Brian Wakeling, Big Game Programs Supervisor; Jim Heffelfinger, Game Specialist, Region V; and Chantal O'Brien, Research Branch Chief. Public Work Session on Deer Management in Arizona.** The Department will present the Commission with a complete overview of deer management activities in Arizona. Topics will include Mule Deer and White-tailed Deer Management Guidelines, Deer Hunt Guidelines, survey methodology and protocol, population trend assessment, hunt-permit recommendation process, current research on deer management issues, and deer habitat development and enhancement. Discussion with the Commission may occur regarding any and all of the topics presented.
- 2. Presenter: Mark Weise, Development Branch Chief; and Sal Palazzolo, Landowner Relations Program Manager. Issues Related to Sportsmen's Access in Arizona.** The presenters will provide a brief overview of issues pertaining to the loss of recreational access across the State. They will also showcase the tools that the Department utilizes to work with private landowners to establish relationships and broaden the scope of projects that provide a win-win situation for all involved. The presentation will conclude with examples of several successful projects that have restored or maintained recreational access to both private and federal lands in Arizona and discussion pertaining to the future direction of the program. An opportunity for discussion and questions will be provided at the conclusion of the presentation.
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The agenda may be revised and additional items may be added prior to the meeting as authorized by A.R.S. §38-431.02. In that event, an addendum to the agenda will be noticed and posted prior to the meeting at Department offices. Commission agenda items not noticed for a specific time may be taken out of order.

Background materials provided to Commission members concerning public agenda items are available for public inspection at the main office of the Arizona Game and Fish Department at 2222 West Greenway Road, Phoenix, at Department regional offices in Pinetop, Flagstaff, Kingman, Yuma, Tucson, Mesa and at the meetings.

During the public meeting, the Commission may afford any person, their duly authorized representative, or both, the opportunity to present statements relating to agenda items, with or without the opportunity to present them orally.

The Commission may go into Executive Session for the purpose of obtaining legal advice from the Commission Attorneys on any of the above agenda items pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03 (A) (3) & (4).

Persons with a disability may request a reasonable accommodation, such as a sign language interpreter, or this document in an alternative format, by contacting the AGFD Deputy Director, 2221 W. Greenway Road, Phoenix, Arizona 85023, 602-942-3000. Requests should be made as early as possible to allow time to arrange the accommodation.

The Arizona Game and Fish Department is responsible for managing Arizona's fish and wildlife resource as an enduring public trust. In addition, the Department is charged with promoting safe and responsible use of watercraft and off-highway vehicles. Funding is provided from the sale of licenses and permits; watercraft registration fees; federal excise taxes on firearms, fishing equipment, boats, and other sporting goods; State lottery revenues; donations on State income tax forms; and various contracts and grants. Department policy is set by the Arizona Game and Fish Commission, whose five members are appointed by the Governor.

“Managing Today for Wildlife Tomorrow”

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Duane L. Shroufe". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized initial "D".

Duane L. Shroufe
Director

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