

# Utah Wildlife Board Meeting

August 22, 2013, DNR, Boardroom  
1594 W. North Temple, Salt Lake City, Utah  
AGENDA

Thursday, August 22, 2013 – 9:00 am

1. Approval of Agenda ACTION  
– Jake Albrecht, Chairman
2. Approval of Minutes ACTION  
– Jake Albrecht, Chairman
3. Old Business/Action Log CONTINGENT  
– Bill Fenimore, Vice-Chair
4. DWR Update INFORMATION  
– Greg Sheehan, DWR Director
5. Goat Management Plans ACTION  
– Dustin Schiable, Guy Wallace, Justin Shannon, Wildlife Biologist
6. Cougar Recommendations ACTION  
– John Shivik, Mammals Coordinator
7. Furbearer and Bobcat Harvest Recommendations ACTION  
– John Shivik, Mammals Coordinator
8. Turkey Depredation INFORMATION  
– Jason Robinson, Upland Coordinator
9. Waterfowl Guidebook and Rule R657-09 ACTION  
– Blair Stringham, Upland Game Biologist
10. R657-66 Military Installations New Rule ACTION  
– Kenny Johnson, Administrative Services Section Chief
11. Proposed Fee Schedule FY 2015 ACTION  
– Kenny Johnson, Administrative Services Section Chief
12. R657-52 Brine Shrimp Rule Amendments ACTION  
– John Luft, Brine Shrimp Coordinator
13. R657-60 AIS Rule Amendments ACTION  
– Jordan Nielson, AIS Coordinator
14. Convention Permit Audit ACTION  
– Kenny Johnson, Administrative Services Section Chief
15. Convention Permit Allocation ACTION  
– Mike Fowlks, Deputy Director
16. CRC - Recommendation ACTION  
– Staci Coons, CRC Chair
17. Wildlife Board Stipulation Agreement ACTION  
– Greg Hansen, Legal Counsel
18. Other Business CONTINGENT  
– Jake Albrecht, Chairman

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**Summary of Motions**

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

The following motion was made by Bill Fenimore, seconded by John Bair and passed unanimously.

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

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

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

**MOTION: I move that we approve the minutes of the May 29, 2013 Wildlife Board Work Session as amended.**

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

**MOTION: I move that we approve the minutes of the June 4, 2013 Wildlife Board Meeting.**

3) Goat Management Plans (**Action**)

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

**MOTION: I move that we approve the Goat Management Plan for Mt. Dutton with the augmentation of up to 125 goats and have the Division meet annually with an advisory group to address concerns.**

The following motion was made by John Bair, seconded by Kirk Woodward and passed 4-2. Bill Fenimore and Mike King dissented.

**MOTION: I move that we accept the Goat Management Plan for the La Sal with the transplant of up to 200 goats and have the Division meet annually with an advisory group to address concerns.**

The following amended motion was made by Mike King, seconded by Bill Fenimore. The amended motion failed 2-4.

**AMENDED MOTION: I move that we postpone transplants until monitoring is established and keep the goats to 1.8 per square miles.**

- 4) Cougar Recommendations (**Action**)

The following motion was made by John Bair, seconded by Steve Dalton and passed 5-1. Kirk Woodward voted against the motion.

**MOTION: I move that we accept the Cougar Recommendations as presented with the requirement that the Division reopen the management plan and provide a simplified proposal that incorporates unit by unit next year.**

- 5) Furbearer and Bobcat Harvest Recommendation (**Action**)

The following motion was made by Bill Fenimore, seconded by Calvin Crandall and passed unanimously.

**MOTION: I move that we accept the Furbearer and Bobcat Harvest Recommendations as presented**

- 6) Waterfowl Guidebook and Rule R657-09 (**Action**)

The following motion was made by Bill Fenimore, seconded by Kirk Woodward and passed unanimously.

**MOTION: I move that we accept the Waterfowl Guidebook and Rule R657-09 as presented, with a youth hunt start date of September 21, 2013.**

- 7) R657-66 Military Installations New Rule (**Action**)

The following motion was made by John Bair, seconded by Bill Fenimore and passed unanimously.

**MOTION: I move that we accept the Military Installations Permit Program R657-66 as presented by the Division.**

- 8) Proposed Fee Schedule FY 2015 (**Action**)

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

**MOTION: I move that we accept the FY 2015 Proposed Fee Schedule as presented.**

9) R657-52 Brine Shrimp Rule Amendments (**Action**)

The following motion was made by Bill Fenimore, seconded by Calvin Crandall and passed unanimously.

**MOTION: I move that we approve R657-52 Brine Shrimp Rule Amendments as presented the Division.**

10) R657-60 AIS Rule Amendments (**Action**)

The following motion was made by Calvin Crandall, seconded by Kirk Woodward and passed unanimously.

**MOTION: I move that we approve R657-60 AIS Rule Amendments as presented by the Division.**

11) Convention Permit Allocation (**Action**)

The following motion was made by Kirk Woodward, seconded by Steve Dalton and passed with one abstention by John Bair.

**MOTION: I move that we accept the Convention Permit Allocation as presented by the Division.**

12) CRC Recommendation (**Action**)

The following motion was made by John Bair, seconded by Steve Dalton and passed unanimously.

**MOTION: I move that we approve both CRC Recommendations as presented.**

13) Wildlife Board Stipulation Agreement (**Action**)

The following motion was made by Bill Fenimore, seconded by Steve Dalton and passed unanimously.

**MOTION: I move that we approve the Wildlife Board Stipulation Agreement for Jose L. Garcia as presented.**

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

**MOTION: I move that we approve the Wildlife Board Stipulation Agreement for Joel Murray as presented.**

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**Wildlife Board Members Present**

Jake Albrecht – Chair  
Bill Fenimore – Vice-Chair  
Greg Sheehan – Exec Sec  
Mike King  
Calvin Crandall  
John Bair  
Kirk Woodward  
Steve Dalton

**RAC Chairs Present**

Central – Richard Hansen  
Southern – Dave Black  
Southeastern – Kevin Albrecht  
Northeastern - Wayne McAllister  
Northern – Robert Byrnes

**Division Personnel Present**

Mike Fowlks	Bruce Johnson	Teresa Griffin
Rory Reynolds	Mark Hadley	Darren DeBloois
Mike Canning	Bill Bates	Jordan Nielson
Staci Coons	Kevin Bunnell	Scott McFarlane
Thu Vo-Wood	Chris Wood	Justin Dolling
Dustin Schiable	Troy Davis	Mike Roach
Guy Wallace	Robyn Pearson	John Fairchild
Justin Shannon	Covy Jones	Kenny Johnson
John Shivik	Robin Thomas	Jason Vernon
Jason Robinson	Lindy Varney	Randall Thacker
Blair Stringham	Rick Olson	Sid Groll
Kenny Johnson	Tony Wood	Phil Gray
Greg Hansen	Judi Tutorow	Roger Wilson
Marty Bushman	Dean Mitchell	John Luft
Boyde Blackwell	Kent Hersey	Drew Cushing
Ashley Green	Dax Mangus	Riley Peck
		Clint Mecham

**Public Present**

Ernie Perkins	Randy Dearth	Al Nielson	
Byron Bateman, SFW	Ryan Foutz	Adam Hadlock	Allison Jones, Wild Utah Project
Eric Tycksen, MDF	Fox 13	Brant Klun, UHA	Milton Hooper, Goshute Tribe
Kim Coleman	Stanton Gleaves	Brad Evans	Tye Boulter, United Wildlife
Shawn Mathewson	Del Brady	Dustin Sm	Sterling Brown, Utah Farm Bureau
Chet Young, UHA	Evan Hoyt	Amy Ekins	Wayne Hoskisson, Canyonlands Watershed Council
Jason Binder, UHA	Dan Cockayne, UHA	Annette York	Mary O'Brien, Grand Canyon Trust
Jeff Greenwell	Dustin Smuin, UHA	Lonnie Steinke	Kirk Robinson, Western Wildlife Conservancy
Brady Halladay	Earl Hansen	Adam Hadlock	Danielle Chi, Forest Service
Jared Workman	Kirt Connolly	Bryce Pilling	Robert Olson, Sanpete Valley Houndsman
Hal Mecham, UHA	Tyson Mathews	Ganett Gleaves	Ryan Benson, Big Game Forever
Kyler Wheeler	Zachary Rawlings	Martina Barnes	Jim Carter, Utah Anglers Coalition
Clair Woodbury	Don Leonard	George Sommers	Mark Lamon, Ocean Star International
Andy Lyon	Jeromy Kempton	Kevin Jensen, UHA	Troy Justensen, SFW

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

- 1) Approval of Agenda (**Action**) **00:04:33 – 00:04:58 of 07:34:21**

The following motion was made by Bill Fenimore, seconded by John Bair and passed unanimously.

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

- 2) Approval of Minutes (Action) 00:04:59 – 00:06:26 of 07:34:21

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

**MOTION: I move that we approve the minutes of the May 29, 2013 Wildlife Board Work Session as amended.**

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

**MOTION: I move that we approve the minutes of the June 4, 2013 Wildlife Board Meeting.**

- 3) Old Business/Action Log (Contingent) 00:06:33 – 00:07:00 of 07:34:21

The action log item, additional take of sandhill crane and swan, will be discussed during the waterfowl presentation.

- 4) DWR Update (Informational) 00:07:05 – 00:16:55 of 07:34:21

Greg Sheehan summarized an active law suit that will affect DWR's ability to manage wildlife. He also updated the fire situation around the state; low water issues that prompted emergency changes; and recognized Ernie Perkins for an award received during summer WAFWA.

- 5) Goat Management Plans – Mt. Dutton and La Sal (Action) 00:17:22 – 03:33:02 of 07:34:21

Dustin Schiable presented the goat management plan for Mt. Dutton.

Justin Shannon presented the goat management plan for the La Sal.

**Board Questions 00:35:00 – 01:00:14**

There were specific questions about monitoring processes and procedures.

**Public Questions 01:00:22 – 01:08:50**

Public questions were accepted at this time.

**RAC Recommendations 01:08:56 – 01:20:00**

Southern, Northeast, Central, and Northern RAC approved the Goat Management Plans for Mt. Dutton and La Sal with a few dissentions and abstentions.

Southern RAC passed an amendment to create a stakeholder group for the Mt. Dutton plan.

Northeast RAC included Farm Bureau's recommendation to incorporate on Mt. Dutton.

Southeast RAC passed the Mt. Dutton plan with two opposing votes. They were unable to break a tie for two proposed motions on the La Sal plan.

**Public Comments 01:20:04 – 02:32:45**

Public comments were accepted at this time. Individuals and organizations were very passionate in their positions.

**Board Discussion 02:32:55 – 03:33:02**

The Board tackled the Mt. Dutton discussion first and foresaw no negative impacts. They got engrossed in defining the group that would meet with the Division on an annual basis to review/monitor/evaluate the plan's progress.

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

**MOTION: I move that we approve the Goat Management Plan for Mt. Dutton with the augmentation of up to 125 goats and have the Division meet annually with an advisory group to address concerns.**

The Board expressed confidence in the Division's ability to manage and monitor the plan on the La Sals and felt the Division provided due process for the plan. They conveyed concerns for the relationship between the Division and Forest service. A couple board members erred on the side of caution and asked the Division for restraint.

The following motion was made by John Bair, seconded by Kirk Woodward and passed 4-2. Bill Fenimore and Mike King dissented.

**MOTION: I move that we accept the Goat Management Plan for the La Sal with the transplant of up to 200 goats and have the Division meet annually with an advisory group to address concerns.**

The following amended motion was made by Mike King, seconded by Bill Fenimore and failed 2-4.

**AMENDED MOTION: I move that we postpone transplants until monitoring is established and keep the goats to 1.8 per square miles.**

6) Cougar Recommendations (Action) 03:42:10 – 5:21:48 of 07:34:21

John Shivik presented the cougar recommendations.

**Board Questions 04:01:35 – 04:16:10**

The Board asked about the online training process and questions on how to simplify the management plan.

**Public Questions 04:16:15 – 04:33:16**

Public questions accepted at this time.

**RAC Recommendation 04:33:29 – 05:00:36**

Each RAC added stipulations to the Cougar Recommendations and passed it with varying dissent.

**Public Comments 05:00:37 – 05:03:07**

Public comments accepted at this time.

**Board Discussion 05:03:23 – 05:21:48**

Discussion revolved around determining units and areas, which proved to be perplexing and confounding.

The following motion was made by John Bair, seconded by Steve Dalton and passed 5-1. Kirk Woodward voted against the motion.

**MOTION: I move that we accept the Cougar Recommendations as presented with the requirement that the Division reopen the management plan and provide a simplified proposal that incorporates unit by unit next year.**

7) Furbearer and Bobcat Harvest Recommendations (Action) 05:22:43 – 05:32:00 of 07:34:21

John Shivik presented the furbearer and bobcat harvest recommendations.

**Public Questions 05:29:26 – 05:30:29**

Public questions accepted at this time.



**RAC Recommendations 05:30:30 – 05:30:54**

Southern, Northern, Northeast, and Central RACs unanimously passed the Furbearer and Bobcat Harvest recommendations as presented. Southeast RAC approved the recommendations 8 to 2.

**Public Comments 05:31:02 – 05:31:27**

Public comments accepted at this time.

**Board Discussion 05:31:33 – 05:32:00**

The following motion was made by Bill Fenimore, seconded by Calvin Crandall and passed unanimously.

**MOTION: I move that we accept the furbearer and bobcat harvest recommendations as presented.**

8) Turkey Depredation (**Informational**) **05:32:20 – 05:37:53 of 07:34:21**

Jason Robinson outlined HB 432 – Wild Turkey Management and the Divisions' plan of action to the bill.

**Board Questions 05:36:53 – 05:37:53**

The depredation permits will be for any sex although the regions can make that determination.

There are a variety of nuisance issues ranging from someone not liking turkeys to turkeys scratching hay bales and disrupting the yard.

9) Waterfowl Guidebook and Rule R657-09 (**Action**) **05:37:54 – 05:52:30 of 07:34:21**

Blair Stringham presented the Waterfowl Guidebook and Rule R657-09.

**Board Questions 05:47:16 – 05:49:20**

Board members asked about objectives, zones, and the effects of moving the youth hunt date.

**RAC Recommendations 05:49:30 – 05:50:52**

Southeast, Central, and Northeast RACs unanimously passed the Waterfowl Guidebook and Rule as presented. Southern and Northern RACs qualified their unanimous vote with a change in the youth hunt start date to September 21, 2013.

**Board Discussion 05:50:53 – 05:52:30**

The following motion was made by Bill Fenimore, seconded by Kirk Woodward and passed unanimously.

**MOTION: I move that we accept the Waterfowl Guidebook and Rule R657-09 as presented, with a youth hunt start date of September 21, 2013.**

10) R657-66 Military Installations New Rule (Action) 05:52:44 – 06:03:46 of 07:34:21

Kenny Johnson presented rule R657-66 Military Installations.

**Board Questions 05:55:58 – 05:57:04**

Most of the military bases do have their own biologists and will be working closely with DWR biologists.

**RAC Questions 05:57:05 – 05:57:45**

At this time, military personnel who are nonresidents will have to pay nonresident fees.

**Public Questions 05:57:46 – 05:59:04**

The military will determine if disabled or retired military personnel qualify.

**RAC Recommendations 05:59:12 – 06:01:40**

Southern, Northeast, and Central RACs unanimously passed the Military Installations Permit Program R657-66 as presented.

Southeast RAC passed with one opposing vote.

Northern RAC passed with one abstention. They suggested exploring additional hunting opportunities on military installations.

**Board Discussion 06:01:57 – 06:03:46**

The following motion was made by John Bair, seconded by Bill Fenimore and passed unanimously.

**MOTION: I move that we accept the Military Installations Permit Program R657-66 as presented by the Division.**

11) Proposed Fee Schedule FY 2015 (Action) 06:03:48 – 06:37:55 of 07:34:21

Kenny Johnson presented the proposed fee schedule for fiscal year 2015.

**Board Questions 06:23:33 – 06:24:39**

Multiple year licenses for seniors will be considered at a later time once a system is in place to calculate discounts.

**RAC Questions 06:24:43 – 06:26:44**

There was a lot of interest and discussion about lifetime licenses during the RAC meetings and prior; however, the high cost of the license and administrative expenses to maintain the program dissuaded many from pursuing this route. The five-year license is much more feasible.

**RAC Recommendations 06:26:53 – 06:29:09**

Southern, Central, and Northern RACs unanimously passed the Proposed Fee Schedule FY 2015 as presented. Southeast RAC passed with one opposing vote. Northeast passed 5-4.

**Public Comments 06:32:44 – 06:35:52**

Public comments taken at this time.

**Board Discussion 06:29:19 – 06:32:42; 06:35:55 – 06:37:55**

Jake Albrecht commended the DWR for keeping up with the fee schedule as needed rather than prolonging it for a harsher increase.

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

**MOTION: I move that we approve the FY2015 Proposed Fee Schedule as presented by the Division.**

- 12) R657-52 Brine Shrimp Rule Amendments (Action) 06:37:55 – 06:49:00 of 07:34:21

John Luft presented the Brine Shrimp Rule Amendments R657-52.

**RAC Recommendations 06:45:01 – 06:45:13**

Central and Northern RACs unanimously passed the Brine Shrimp Rule Amendments R657-52 as presented.

**Public Comments 06:45:17 – 06:48:12**

Public comments taken at this time.

**Board Discussion 06:48:14 – 06:49:00**

The following motion was made by Bill Fenimore, seconded by Calvin Crandall and passed unanimously.

**MOTION: I move that we accept the R657-52 Brine Shrimp Rule Amendments as presented by the Division.**

- 13) R657-60 AIS Rule Amendments (Action) 06:49:03 – 06:54:50 of 07:34:21

Jordan Nielson presented the amendments to AIS Rule R657-60.

**Board Questions 06:53:26 – 06:53:54**

Calvin Crandall confirmed that professional decontamination is not necessary each time a boat leaves/enters the same infested body of water during extended stays. Boats are only required to clean and drain.

**RAC Recommendations 06:54:09 – 06:54:50**

All RACs unanimously passed the AIS Rule Amendments R657-60 as presented.

The following motion was made by Calvin Crandall, seconded by Kirk Woodward and passed unanimously.

**MOTION: I move that we accept the AIS Rule Amendments R657-60 as presented by the Division.**

- 14) Convention Permit Audit (Action) 06:54:59 – 07:06:30 of 07:34:21

Kenny Johnson presented the Convention Permit Audit.

**Board Questions/Discussions 07:05:37 – 07:06:30**

Mike King asked about projects that were funded by the permits. Projects are listed in the Board packet.

- 15) Convention Permit Allocation (Action) 07:06:31 – 07:15:15 of 07:34:21

Mike Fowlks presented the Convention Permit Allocation.

**Board Questions/Discussions/Public Comments 07:09:54 – 07:15:15**

The spin off money in the economy from the Hunt Expo was roughly \$12 million.

John Bair wanted to clarify that once the tags are allocated to the draw they cannot be sold as something else or moved to serve some other purpose.

The following motion was made by Kirk Woodward, seconded by Steve Dalton and passed with one abstention by John Bair.

**MOTION: I move that we accept the Convention Permit Allocation as presented by the Division.**

16) CRC Recommendation (Action) 07:15:21 – 07:19:45 of 07:34:21

Staci Coons presented the CRC recommendations.

**Board Questions/Discussions 07:18:00 – 07:19:45**

The following motion was made by John Bair, seconded by Steve Dalton and passed unanimously.

**MOTION: I move that we accept both CRC recommendations as presented by the Division.**

17) Wildlife Board Stipulation Agreement (Action) 07:19:55 – 07:27:30 of 07:34:21

Greg Hansen presented the stipulation agreement for Jose L. Garcia.

Martin Bushman presented the stipulation for Joel Murray.

The following motion was made by Bill Fenimore, seconded by Steve Dalton and passed unanimously.

**MOTION: I move that we accept the Stipulation Agreement for Jose L. Garcia as presented by the Division.**

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

**MOTION: I move that we accept the Stipulation Agreement for Joel Murray as presented by the Division.**

18) Other Business (Contingent) 07:27:35 – 07:34:21 of 07:34:21

DWR Employee Awards banquet is September 19. The Board was in agreement with their nomination. Greg Sheehan invited the Board to attend and present the award to the recipient.

Jake Albrecht asked the RAC and Board to determine a better strategy for lengthy agendas. John Bair noted it's easier to take off one day from work than make arrangements for several days off to attend meetings.

Jake Albrecht proposed the Board attend some of the ongoing wildlife management projects around the state; dedicate a field trip day to learn about the various projects that become issues for discussion and consideration.

Meeting adjourned.

Approved