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**April 15, 2008**

**REVISION #1**

A public meeting of the Arizona Game and Fish Commission will be held on April 18-19, 2008, and as authorized by A.R.S. § 17-201(D), the Commission will discuss and may vote to take action on the following matters:

**Friday, April 18, 2008, Arizona Game and Fish Commission at the Arizona Game and Fish Department 5000 West Carefree Highway, Phoenix, AZ 85086.**

**Meeting begins at 8:00 a.m.**

**1. Executive Session**

- a. **Litigation and Legal Counsel.** The Commission may vote to meet in Executive Session in accordance with A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(3) and (4) for the purpose of discussing and consulting with legal counsel in order to consider its position and to instruct legal counsel regarding the Commission’s position *In re General Stream Adjudication for the Little Colorado River and Gila River; Wilderness Watch vs. U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service CV-07-1185; Pruett v. Shroufe, 2:07-cv-01744-NVW.*
- b. **Personnel Matters.** The Commission may vote to go into Executive Session to discuss personnel matters, including the Director’s goals and objectives pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.01 (A) (1). The Commission may decide this matter in the public meeting or defer a decision to a later date.
- c. **Review of Solicitation GF8008-J for the Online License and Draw Application Process Contract.** The Commission may vote to go into executive session pursuant to A.R.S. § 38.431.03(A)(2) to review confidential records associated with the proposed contract award for solicitation GF8008-J regarding the Online License and Draw Application Process Contract.

**ADDITIONAL ITEM**

- d. **Litigation.** The Commission may vote to go into executive session in accordance with A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(4) to discuss and consult with the attorneys for the Commission in order to consider its position and instruct its attorneys regarding the Commission’s position on potential litigation over mountain lion management in and around the Kofa National Wildlife Refuge.

**Pledge of Allegiance.**

**2. Litigation Report.** The Department's legal counsel may report on the status of the litigation matters: *In re General Stream Adjudication for the Little Colorado River and Gila River; Wilderness Watch vs. U.S. Fish; and Wildlife Service CV-07-1185; and Pruett vs. Shroufe, 2:07-cv-01744-NVW.* The Commission may vote to take action on any case.

**3. Presenter: Jim Odenkirk, Assistant Attorney General, Espee Ranch Option Agreement.** The Commission may vote to enter into an option purchase agreement with Babbitt Ranches for the exclusive right to acquire an access and open space conservation easement on Espee Ranch.

**4. Presenter: Anthony Guiles, Legislative Liaison, State and Federal Legislation.** The Commission will be briefed on the status of State and Federal legislation. The Commission may vote to take a position or provide direction to the Department for coordination, action, or proposed changes to legislation or other elective issues related to Department responsibilities.

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#### ADDITIONAL ITEM

**4A. Presenter: Anthony Guiles, Legislative Liaison, Tumacacori Highlands Wilderness Act of 2007.** The Commission will be updated on H.R. 3287 proposed legislation for the designation of the Tumacacori Highlands Wilderness Area within the Coronado National Forest. The Commission may vote to take action on, or provide the Department direction on, the information provided in this presentation.

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**5. Presenter: Anthony Guiles, Legislative Liaison, Teaming with Wildlife Act of 2008 (S. 2670).** The Commission will be briefed on S. 2670, Teaming with Wildlife Act of 2008 The Commission may vote to take a position or provide direction to the Department for coordination, action, or proposed changes to this legislation.

**6. Presenter: Ty Gray, Assistant Director, Information and Education Division. Information and Education Activities Briefing.** The Commission will be given an update of Department activities and events related to Information and Education Programs. The update covers activities and events that have occurred since the March 2008 Commission meeting. The Commission may vote to take action on, or provide the Department direction on, items covered in the update.

**7. Presenter: Josh Avey, Habitat Branch Chief. An Update on Current Issues, Planning Efforts, and Proposed Projects on All Lands in Arizona and Other Matters Related Thereto.** The Commission will be briefed on the latest developments relating to the implementation of land and resource management plans and projects on private, state and federal lands in Arizona and other matters related thereto. The update addresses decisions or activities since the March 2008 Commission meeting. The Commission may vote to take action on, or provide the Department direction on, items covered in the update.

**8. 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.

**9. Presenter: Jennifer N. Stewart, Rules and Risk Manager. Request to Close the Rule Record and Adopt the Notice of Exempt Rulemaking to Amend Rules in Article 8, Wildlife Areas and Department Property.** The Commission will be asked to vote to close the rule record and adopt the Notice of Exempt Rulemaking to amend rules in Article 8, Wildlife Areas and Department Property.

**Lunch Break**

**10. Presenter: Pat Barber, Law Enforcement Branch Chief. Hearings on License Revocations for Violation of Game and Fish Codes and Civil Assessments for the Illegal Taking and/or Possession of Wildlife at Time Certain 2:00 p.m.** The Commission will consider and take action on the license revocations and/or civil assessments for the individuals listed below.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Conviction</u>
Pirtea, Alin	Count B: Possess unlawfully taken wildlife (game fish).
Benta, Ioan	Count C: Possess unlawfully taken wildlife (game fish).
Iudean, Dorin	Count B: Exceed bag limit (game fish).
Corrales, Sergio	Count A: Take mule deer with white-tailed deer permit. Count B: Take wildlife with the aid of a motor vehicle. Count C: Possess unlawfully taken mule deer.
Obershaw, Blake S.	Count A: Take wildlife with an artificial light (Black-tailed Jackrabbits). Count B: Take wildlife without a hunting license (Black-tailed Jackrabbits). Count C: Litter While Fishing or Hunting.
Holt, Gregory J.	Count A: Take wildlife with an artificial light (Black-tailed Jackrabbits). Count B: Take wildlife without a hunting license (Black-tailed Jackrabbits). Count C: Litter While Fishing or Hunting.
Holt, Stephen C.	Count A: Take wildlife with an artificial light (Black-tailed Jackrabbits). Count B: Take wildlife without a hunting license (Black-tailed Jackrabbits). Count C: Litter While Fishing or Hunting.
Fore, Jeffrey T.	Count A: Take 6 x 6 bull elk without a valid hunt license or big game tag (To wit: license and tag obtained fraudulently).
Scott, Benjamin T.	Count A: Take Javelina in wrong unit.

Anderson, Barry N.

Count A: Discharge a firearm within ¼ mile of residence.

Veit, Randall

Count H: Possession of unlawfully taken wildlife (Cormorant).

Count J: Shoot within ¼ mile of a residence.

Count K: Take migratory bird during closed season (Cormorant).

**11. 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.

**12. Presenter: Kirk Young, Fisheries Branch Chief. Colorado River Fish and Wildlife Council Good Neighbor Agreement.** The Commission will be asked to vote to approve execution of the "Good Neighbor Memorandum of Agreement."

**13. Presenter: Martin Fabritz, Executive Staff Assistant. Commission Work Sessions.** The Commission will discuss continuing educational training opportunity topics and dates and may vote to provide the Department direction regarding its desire for future training topics and work session dates.

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**REMOVED ITEM**

**14. Presenter: Harry Seck, Assistant Director, Special Services. Online License and Draw Application Contract.** The Department may announce the Department's new online license and draw application vendor selection. This item is for informational purposes only. The Commission will not take any action on this item.

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**ADDITIONAL ITEM**

**15. Presenter Mike Senn, Assistant Director of Field Operations. Options for Funding Operating Under the Influence Outreach and Law Enforcement Efforts from the Watercraft Licensing Fund for Fiscal Years 2010 and 2011.** The Commission will be presented options for funding the Department's Operating Under the Influence efforts for outreach and law enforcement from the Watercraft Licensing Fund for fiscal years 2010 and 2011. The Commission may discuss or provide the Department with further direction for development of the fiscal years 2010 and 2011 Watercraft Licensing Fund budget.

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**Saturday, April 19, 2008, Arizona Game and Fish Commission at the Arizona Game and Fish Department 5000 West Carefree Highway, Phoenix, AZ 85086.**

**Meeting Begins at 8:00 a.m.**

**Pledge of Allegiance.**

**Awards and Commissioning of Officers.**

**1. Presenter: Jay Cook, Education Branch Chief, Information and Education Division. Statewide Shooting Range Briefing.** The Commission will be given an update of Department activities related to shooting range support and development statewide. The update covers activities that have occurred since the March 2008 Commission meeting. The Commission may vote to take action on, or provide the Department direction on, items covered in the update.

**2. Presenter: Harry Seck, Assistant Director, Special Services. Hunt Permit-Tag Application Schedule for Fall 2008 Hunts.** The Department will provide the Commission with a presentation related to the proposed hunt-permit tag application schedule for fall 2008 hunts. The Commission will be asked to vote to approve the application schedule.

**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.

**4. Presenter: Leonard L. Ordway, Game Branch Chief, Consideration of Proposed Commission Orders 2, 5-10, and 26 for 2008-2009 Hunting Season, Commission Orders 11-18 for 2008-2009 and 2009-2010 Hunting Seasons, and Commission Order 23 for the 2008-2009 and 2009-2010 Trapping Seasons.** The Commission will consider and may vote to approve Commission Orders 2 (deer), 5-10 (turkey, javelina, bighorn sheep, buffalo, bear, and mountain lion), and 26 (population management) establishing seasons and season dates, bag and possession limits, permit numbers, and open areas for the 2008-2009 season. The Commission will also consider and may vote to approve Commission Orders 11-18 (tree squirrel, cottontail rabbit, predatory and furbearing mammals, other mammals and birds, pheasant, quail, chukar partridge, and blue grouse) establishing seasons and season dates, bag and possession limits, and open areas for the 2008-2009 and 2009-2010 seasons. Additionally, the Commission will consider and may vote to approve Commission Order 23 (trapping), establishing season dates, legal species, open and closed areas, and bag and possession limits for the 2008-2009 and 2009-2010 seasons. A detailed description of proposals is available for public review at Department offices. Spring turkey, spring bear, spring buffalo, and spring javelina Commission orders are presented at the August Commission meeting, whereas elk and pronghorn antelope are presented at the December Commission meeting.

**5. Presenter: Larry D. Voyles, Director. Director's Goals and Objectives – 2008.** The Commission will discuss and may vote to approve a list of goals and objectives for the Director to achieve during 2008.

**6. Presenter: Bob Broscheid, Assistant Director, Wildlife Management. The Establishment and Future Direction of the Commission's Conservationist Committee.** The Commission will discuss the membership and future direction of the Commission's newly established Conservationists Committee.

**7. 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.

**8. Director's and Chairman's Reports.** The Director and the Chairman will report on Department and Commission activities since the last meeting. This item will be informational only and no action will be taken at this meeting. If further discussion is necessary, those items requiring discussion may be placed on a future Commission meeting agenda.

**9. Commissioners' Reports.** The Commissioners will report on their activities since the last meeting related to Game and Fish Commission duties and responsibilities. This item will be informational only and no action will be taken at this meeting. If further discussion is necessary, those items requiring discussion may be placed on a future Commission meeting agenda.

**10. Approval of Minutes and Signing of Minutes.** The Commission will be asked to approve the minutes from February 21, 2008, March 3, 2008, March 7, 2008, March 14, 2008 and April 3, 2008.

**11. Future Agenda Items.**

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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 5000 W. Carefree Highway, 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).*

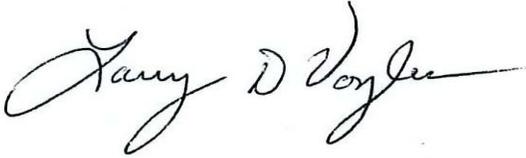
*One or more members of the Commission may appear and participate in the meeting telephonically or by other electronic means.*

*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, 5000 W. Carefree Highway, Phoenix, Arizona 85086, 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 "Larry D. Voyles". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long, sweeping underline.

Larry D. Voyles  
Director