

Minutes of the Workshop Meeting of the Arizona Game and Fish Commission.

Thursday, May 8, 2025

Hualapai Mountain Resort, Yavapai County, AZ.

Department Staff:

Tom Finley, Director

Joshua Hurst, Deputy Director

Commissioners Present:

Clay Hernandez, Chairman

Marsha Petrie-Sue

Jeff Buchanan

James Goughnour

Kurt Kerr

Thursday, May 8, 2025:

Chairman Hernandez called the workshop meeting to order at 10:00AM.

This meeting followed an Agenda dated May 6, 2025. This workshop was an information sharing and informal roundtable discussion. The Commission took no legal action during this meeting.

Discussion of 1) Threats to Wildlife Habitat, (2) Evaluation of Lifetime Trapping License, (3) Bonus Points for Youth Under the Age of 10, (4) Wildlife Conservation and Habitat Funding Sources, and (5) Mandatory Harvest Reporting.

Regarding Item 1: Department staff led a discussion regarding potential threats to wildlife and wildlife habitat including wildlife connectivity, and the impacts to wildlife, habitat and recreational access following disposal, transfer, or conversion of public lands.

Regarding Item 2: Department staff led an informal discussion regarding opportunities for trapping license holders to obtain a trapping license through online purchase, and/or an opportunity for a lifetime trapping license.

Regarding Item 3: Department staff led an informal discussion regarding the potential to expand the opportunity for youth under the age of 10 to obtain bonus points for big-game.

Regarding Item 4: Department staff led an informal discussion regarding Wildlife Conservation and Habitat funding sources statewide, including an informal discussion regarding the Commission's Special Big Game Tag program.

Regarding Item 5: Department staff led an informal discussion regarding the possibility of mandatory harvest reporting for wildlife species.

Chairman Hernandez adjourned the meeting at 3:00 P.M.

Submitted by:



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