



Bradley Crowell, *Director*  
James R. Lawrence, *Deputy Director*  
Dominique Etchegoyhen, *Deputy Director*

STEVE SISOLAK  
*Governor*

State of Nevada  
Off-Highway Vehicles Program  
901 South Stewart Street, Suite 1003  
Carson City, Nevada 89701  
Telephone (775) 684-2794  
ohv.nv.gov



Nevada Commission on Off-Highway Vehicles  
Greg McKay, *Chair*  
Sue Baker, *Vice Chair*

## **DRAFT MINUTES OF THE COMMISSION ON OFF-HIGHWAY VEHICLES**

**Date and Time: Tuesday, March 12, 2019, 8:30 am – 4:00 pm**

**Location: This meeting was held in Carson City, NV, 901 South Stewart Street, first floor Meeting room. There was also a Conference Call-In number to listen and participate in the meeting:**

**USA Toll-Free: 888-204-5984**  
**USA Caller Paid/International Toll: 602-333-2014**  
**ACCESS CODE: 7580217**

### **1. CALL TO ORDER**

### **2. ROLL CALL OF THE COMMISSION MEMBERS**

Commissioner Greg McKay  
Commissioner Sue Baker  
Commissioner Kerry Lee  
Commissioner Charlie Cox  
Commissioner Kevin Hill  
Commissioner Phillip Fell  
Commissioner Brian Parks  
Commissioner Eddie Booth  
Commissioner Michael Gerow

Ex-Officio members

Bureau of Land Management, Leo Drumm  
Humboldt-Toiyabe National Forest, Kevin Wilmot  
Nevada Department of Motor Vehicles, Yvonne Young Brown  
Nevada Department of Tourism and Cultural Affairs, Devon Blunden

### **3. PUBLIC COMMENT**

*Public Comment was taken, there was no public comment.*

### **4. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA \*FOR POSSIBLE ACTION\* Greg McKay, Chairman.** *Moved to approve by Commissioner Baker, seconded by Commissioner Hill. Motion approved.*

### **5. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF December 11, 2018, MINUTES \*FOR POSSIBLE ACTION\* –** *Greg McKay, Chairman. Moved to approve by Commissioner Baker, seconded by Commissioner Malone. Motion approved.*

### **6. UPDATE ON PROGRAM MANAGER POSITION Dominique Etchegoyhen – Nikhil Narkhede was** *introduced as the new Program Manager for the Nevada OHV Program. One week overlap was*

*approved with Jennifer Scanland. Nikhil thanked DCNR and the OHV Commission for the opportunity.*

- 7. COMMISSION TRAINING: ETHICS, OPEN MEETING LAW, USE OF ALCOHOL AND DRUGS AND HARRASSEMENT TRAINING** – *Deputy Attorney General’s Office; Bryan Stockton presented sexual harassment training and policy for signature.*
- 8. FINANCIAL UPDATE** – *Kelly Williams, ASO IV, NDCNR, provided financial update for year to date OHV registration revenues.*
- 9. UPDATE ON CURRENT LEGISLATION** – *Dominique Etchegoyhen, Deputy Director, NDCNR.*
- 10. PRESENTATION: NEVADA OUTDOORSMEN IN WHEELCHAIRS** – *Matt Murray, Elko, NV. Presented about the local non-profit that hosts hunting expeditions around Nevada for disabled individuals. He showcased custom built hunting apparatus to encourage wheelchair bound grant applicants the opportunity to attend a guided hunt.*

- 11. PRESENTATION: UPDATE ON CLARK COUNTY OHV ADVISORY COMMITTEE’S RECOMMENDATION TO THE BOARD OF CLARK COUNTY COMMISSIONERS TO ADOPT A RESOLUTION URGING THE NEVADA CONGRESSIONAL DELEGATION TO ENACT FEDERAL LEGISLATION THAT WILL DESIGNATE THREE OFF-HIGHWAY VEHICLE RECREATION AREAS IN CLARK COUNTY, NEVADA** – *Commissioner Baker explained the formation of the Clark County OHV Advisory Committee and its role in protecting OHV interests. Desert Tortoise endangered species listings forced decision makers to slow building permits around rural areas of the Las Vegas Valley. Baker detailed the impacts to OHV recreation approved lands due to development and disposal. She presented a misunderstanding between land managers and OHV race groups that requires better communication to resolve. In order to increase attendance and awareness, the Clark Count OHV Advisory Committee will be holding public meetings to better inform the OHV community.*

*Commissioner Booth inquired about the loss of specific OHV designated riding areas and the development impacts to wildlife. Commissioner Baker added that new OHV areas would need to be designated.*

- 12. UPDATE ON OHV GRANT PROGRAM** – *Jenny Scanland, Executive Secretary, NDCNR provided an update on the Las Vegas Valley Loop Trail, federal shutdown outcomes and providing notice to proceed to 2019 grantees.*

**PRESENTATION: UPDATE - NV TRAIL MAPPING COLLABORATIVE and 2<sup>ND</sup> ANNUAL OHV SUMMIT PROPOSAL** – *Holly Smith and Nikhil Narkhede, Great Basin Institute. Holly provided an update to the process for producing web based maps that be used offline. She discussed collaboration with land managers and maps that have been completed. Commissioner Baker made a comment regarding what to expect on the website, and how to provide updates to the public about trail maps. An inquiry was made regarding ground truthing the trails that are being published. Nikhil Narkhede expanded on the field operations of the mapping project, showing a statewide dataset held in one location. Kyle Simper was introduced as the new field technician who brings audio/visual support to the team. Nikhil continued to talk about three communities that have submitted interest in hosting the 2019 OHV Summit. Caliente, Mesquite and Beatty are introduced to showcase their rural tourism and OHV opportunities in their vicinity. Commissioner Baker added information about the Bunkerville Community Center. The presentation focused on costs and amenities associated with hosting the OHV Summit in Caliente.*

The summit timeline is October to November, given the NOHVCC conference in mid-October. A discussion ensues about locations and staffing support for the NOHVCC conference at the Whitney Peak Hotel Oct 10 – 15, 2019.

- 13. PRESENTATION: OHV REGISTRATION AND PROGRAM MARKETING** – Lora Hendrickson, MXT Media, presented about the OHV marketing campaign and correlations between different marketing efforts and registration event turnouts. General trends showed southern Nevada fall events were more successful than spring registration drives. Lora continues to collaborate with local law enforcement to provide a one stop shop for VIN inspections and OHV Registrations. Commissioner Fell asked how many registrations are successful and what to do with unique circumstances. Lora provided a general success rate and the correct paperwork to register if not possible on site. Advertising numbers were tracked by asking visitors at the events how they heard about the registration day.

Lora answered questions related to OHV website updates and inactive periods. A question was posed to the program to discuss what constitutes a large OHV. Jennifer answered with a need for a law enforcement handout or booklet. A discussion ensued about what constitutes a large OHV.

- 14. EX-OFFICIO MEMBER UPDATES: Ex-Officio Members.** Kevin Wilmont, USFS, Carson District Ranger presented intent to identify and maintain roads for OHV access during following meeting.

Devon Blunden, Travel Nevada, encouraged collaboration with the mapping team, media content, and the travel designations for parts of Nevada, For example: cowboy country.

**15. CALL FOR AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING.**

Commissioners may at this time recommend agenda items to the Chairman for the next meeting. No deliberation or action will be taken on any information presented until the matter itself has been specifically included on an agenda as an item upon which action may be taken. – Greg McKay, Chairman. Updates were requested on summit, NOHVCC, Clark Co OHV Recreation.

**16. PUBLIC COMMENT**

Public comment was taken at the end of the meeting.

Gary Langman thanked the commission and discussed the economic prospects presented by OHV recreation. He pointed out misconceptions of data used in previous economic studies and discussed the jobs that depend on the OHV Tourism. Gary also encouraged support for the LVVLT and advocacy for creating trail systems using the desert resources pointing out the nightingale range. He advocated to keep the riding area open under threat from the Clark County lands disposal bill. Gary concluded his segment asking for an action item to discuss Gabbs and the Middlegate DOD expansion.

Paul Quade works in public lands access policies and discussed DOD expansions as related to impacts to wildlife refuges, OHV recreation, and other natural resource impacts. He continued to discuss AB 160 as it relates to economic tourism. AB96 creates the historic locations passport program. AB171 decreases fees for certain user groups in state parks.

- 17. ADJOURNMENT \*FOR POSSIBLE ACTION\*** A plaque was presented to Jennifer Scanland as thanks for service to the OHV Commission. Commissioner Baker moved to adjournment, Commissioner Gerow seconded the motion, motion passed.

**NOTICE: Items on this agenda may have been taken in a different order than listed, combined for consideration, or removed from the agenda at the discretion of the Chair.**

THIS NOTICE WAS POSTED ON OR BEFORE 9:00 AM ON THE THIRD WORKING DAY BEFORE THE MEETING AT THE FOLLOWING LOCATIONS:

Nevada Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, 901 S. Stewart Street, Carson City, Nevada

Nevada Department of Agriculture, 405 South 21st Street, Sparks, Nevada

Nevada Department of Wildlife, 1100 Valley Road, Reno, Nevada

Capitol Building, 101 North Carson Street, Carson City, Nevada

Legislative Building, 401 South Carson Street, Carson City, Nevada

Library and Archives, 100 N. Stewart Street, Carson City, Nevada

Nevada Department of Motor Vehicles, 555 Wright Way, Carson City, Nevada

Notice of this meeting was also posted on the Nevada Commission on Off-Highway Vehicles Website at:

<http://ohv.nv.gov/commission> and <https://notice.nv.gov/>