

**Informational statement relating to Commission General Regulation No. 439
LCB File No. R108-14 - as required by Chapter 233B.066.**

1. A clear and concise explanation of the need for the adopted regulation.

The purpose of this regulation is to clarify what devices are prohibited from being towed behind a vessel in restricted areas already defined in NAC 488. The current regulation only defines water skiing, but there are now a wide variety of devices being towed behind boats. This is causing public safety concerns in narrow channels, high use areas, and certain areas that are not large enough to accommodate towing activity. The new definition will cover all towed devices and limit their operation in areas already closed to water skiing under NAC 488.

2. Description of how public comment was solicited, a summary of public response, and an explanation of how other interested persons may obtain a copy of the summary.

A copy of the proposed regulation was noticed and provided to Nevada's 17 County Advisory Boards to Manage Wildlife (CABs) as part of the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners (NBWC) agenda and support material for their September 13, 2014 workshop and meeting. Those CABs that held public meetings prior to the September 13-14, 2014 NBWC workshop and meeting provided opportunity for public comment at their individual meetings. Public comment was solicited at the NBWC workshop on September 13, 2014 in Las Vegas. The NBWC approved adoption on November 15, 2014 at their meeting in Reno. A survey was conducted at the two marinas that may be affected. Other public response was received at the NBWC meeting pertaining to the provisions of this regulation. Those surveyed did not feel this regulation will adversely impact their businesses.

The survey conducted found that this regulation will not adversely impact any business.

The public did not voice any opposition to adopting this regulation.

A summary is available by contacting the Nevada Department of Wildlife, Division of Law Enforcement, 1100 Valley Road, Reno, Nevada 89512, or call (775) 688-1549.

3. The number of persons who:

- (a) Attended each hearing: 27 Workshop 19 Hearing**
- (b) Testified at each hearing: 1 Workshop 0 Hearing**
- (c) Submitted written comments: 0 Public Comment 0**

4. For each person identified in paragraphs (b) and (c) of number 3 above, the following information if provided to the agency conducting the hearing:

- (a) Name; Paul R. Dixon, Chairman**
- (b) Telephone number; (505) 699-1744**
- (c) Business address; 9445 Greenville Avenue, Las Vegas, NV 89134**
- (d) Business telephone number; (505) 665-4595**
- (e) Electronic mail address; and MLDPRD24@yahoo.com**
- (f) Name of entity or organization represented. Clark CABMW**

5. **A description of how comment was solicited from affected businesses, a summary of their response and an explanation of how other interested persons may obtain a copy of the summary.**

Comment was not solicited from businesses as this regulation does not regulate businesses.

6. **If the regulation was adopted without changing any part of the proposed regulation, a summary of the reasons for adopting the regulation without change.**

No public comment or testimony was received expressing concern or need to modify the regulation as proposed.

7. **The estimated economic effect of the regulation on the business which it is to regulate and on the public.**

(a) Estimated economic effect on the businesses which they are to regulate.

Nevada Department of Wildlife (NDOW) determined that the proposed regulation does not impose a direct or significant economic burden on small businesses or restrict the formation, operation, or expansion of a small business because this regulation does not regulate a business.

(b) Estimated economic effect on the public which they are to regulate.

NDOW determined there will be no economic effect on the public because this regulation only further defines what a towable apparatus is.

8. **The estimated cost to the agency for enforcement of the proposed regulation:**

There will be no additional cost for the agency to enforce this regulation as game wardens are currently enforcing watercraft laws.

9. **A description of any regulations of other State or governmental agencies which the regulation overlaps or duplicates and a statement explaining why the duplication or overlap is necessary. If the regulation overlaps or duplicates a federal regulation, the name of the regulating federal agency.**

There are no other overlapping local, state, or federal government regulations.

10. **If the regulation includes provisions that are more stringent than a federal regulation that regulates the same activity, a summary of such provisions.**

There are no federal regulations that regulate this activity.

11. **If the regulation provides a new fee or increases an existing fee, the total annual amount the agency expects to collect and the manner in which the money will be used.**

There is no new fee.