

Nevada Board of Agriculture
Meeting notice and agenda
Tuesday, December 12, 2017 at 8 a.m.



Meeting location: Nevada Department of Agriculture
2300 East St. Louis Avenue
Las Vegas, NV 89104
702-668-4590

Video conference: Nevada Department of Agriculture Nevada Department of Agriculture
405 South 21st Street 4780 East Idaho Street
Sparks, NV 89431 Elko, NV 89801
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Public notice

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Agenda

1. Open meeting-call meeting to order by Chair Paul Anderson

- A. Pledge of Allegiance
- B. Roll call

2. Public Comment

3. Board Presentations

- A. *The Nevada Board of Agriculture directs the Nevada Department of Agriculture to transfer ownership of all feral/stray horses, commonly known as the Virginia range estrays, located south of I80, north of highway 50, east of highway 395 and west of alternate 95, to a non-profit animal advocate organization through a request for proposal process, in accordance with NRS 569.010 and NRS 569.031 – Boyd Spratling, Vice Chair (*for possible action*)
- B. *Oath of office: Boyd Spratling, Paul Anderson, Timothy Dufurrena – Dennis Belcourt, Nevada Deputy Attorney General (*for possible action*)
- C. *Board of Agriculture 2018 meeting dates – Alora Bartosz, Executive Assistant (*for possible action*)
 - i. Wednesday, March 7, 2018
 - ii. Wednesday, June 6, 2018
 - iii. Wednesday, September 5, 2018
 - iv. Wednesday, December 5, 2018

4. Minutes

- A. *Approve September 6, 2017 meeting minutes (*for possible action*)

5. Director's Report

- A. Report – Jim Barbee, Director (*for information*)

6. Animal Industry

- A. Board update – Doug Farris, Administrator (*for information*)
- B. Discuss possible NAC allowing the use of Radio Frequency Identification Brucellosis Tags to be utilized by Nevada Cattle Producers – Dr. J.J. Goicoechea (*for information*)

7. Plant Industry

- A. Board update – Meghan Brown, Deputy Administrator (*for information*)
- B. *Request to adopt, by authority of the board, amendments to NAC 557 (LCB File No. R155-16) –

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PESTICIDES FOR INDUSTRIAL HEMP: The previously approved workshop and hearing was conducted to draft regulations related to pesticides for industrial hemp. No changes were made. A copy of the final language is included in the board packet – Meghan Brown, Deputy Administrator (*for possible action*)

- C. *Request to adopt, by authority of the board, amendments to NAC 557 (LCB File No. R065-17) – HEMP FEE CLARIFICATION: The previously approved workshop and hearing was conducted to draft regulations related to hemp fees. No changes were made. A copy of the final language is included in the board packet – Meghan Brown, Deputy Administrator (*for possible action*)
- D. Update on adoption of amendments to NAC 587, 576, 555 and SB 396 – Meghan Brown, Deputy Administrator (*for information*)

8. Administration

- A. Board update – Debra Crowley, Fiscal Administrator (*for information*)
- B. Board update – Rebecca Allured, Public Information Officer II (*for information*)

9. Consumer Equitability

- A. Board update – Mike Gower, Interim Administrator (*for information*)

10. Food & Nutrition

- A. Board update – Homa Anooshehpour, Administrator (*for information*)

11. Public Comment

12. Adjournment