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MEMORANDUM

DATE: March 3, 2025

TO: All Interested Parties

SUBJECT: 2026 Wildlife Heritage Tags - Authorization of Vendors

FROM: License Office - Chrissie Rose

N.R.S. 502.250 authorizes the Wildlife Commission to designate Wildlife Heritage game tags to be auctioned each year. During the January 2025 Board of Wildlife Commission meeting the Commission approved the seasons and authorized species for the 2026 hunt year:

- two Nelson (Desert) Bighorn sheep tag
- two Mule Deer tags
- two Pronghorn Antelope tags
- two Rocky Mountain Elk tags
- five Wild Turkey tags

The purpose of this letter is to inform you of the Wildlife Commission's intent to select vendors for the auctioning of all 2026 Wildlife Heritage tags at the June 2025 commission meeting. The Department will post the meeting date on our website at www.ndow.org. If your organization is interested in being considered to auction off one or more of these tags for 2026, you may submit a proposal to be a vendor. The deadline for the proposal is in the vendor procedure.

Enclosed are copies of the procedure for vendor proposal submission including the deadline date, CR 25-04 2026 Wildlife Heritage Tags season, quota and special regulations and Commission Policy P-10, including a form for the required information for your proposal.

If you have any questions or need further information, please contact Chrissie Rose, Program Officer I, License Office, at (775) 688-1512 or FAX (775) 688-1509. Lastly, since there have been questions in previous years, we would like to remind vendors that if they are selected to auction a tag or tags the full amount of the bid is to be remitted to the Department within 30 days of the auction.

Thank you for your interest, and we look forward to hearing from you.

2026 Wildlife Heritage Tag Vendor Proposal Procedure

Proposal Deadline: April 21, 2025

Where to Submit Proposal: Mail to Nevada Department of Wildlife, License Office – Heritage Tags, 6980 Sierra Center Pkwy, Suite 120, Reno, Nevada, 89511 or submit your packet online at ndowinfo@ndow.org, subject line Heritage Tags.

Only those proposals will be considered which are submitted to the Department by the April 21, 2025, deadline. Proposals received after the deadline may be considered for award of Wildlife Heritage Tags by the Commission after the Commission has considered all other proposals received and when necessary to fulfill the purpose of this policy.

A vendor proposal to auction Wildlife Heritage Tag(s) must provide the following information:

- Organization name, contact person, phone number and email address. (a)
- Date, time, and place of auction. If the proposed date, time, and place of the auction (b) changes due to circumstances beyond the organization's control, it is the vendor's responsibility to notify the Department in order to post the updated information.
- Type of function (banquet, convention, etc.) (c)
- (d) Estimated attendance.
- Proposed advertising and marketing strategy. (e)
- An explanation of any "packaging" of the game hunt; i.e., other services to be provided (f) in addition to the authorized tag, such as guide or taxidermy services, etc.
- Except for subsection (b), no changes or alterations may occur to the proposal after the (g) deadline for receipt of the proposals.

The Wildlife Heritage Committee will meet in early May to review and make recommendations on the 2026 Wildlife Heritage Tag Vendor proposals.

Committee meeting dates and times will be posted on www.ndow.org and you are welcome to attend. The recommendations of the Wildlife Heritage Committee will be provided at the June 14 – 15, 2025 Commission Meeting.

The Commission will review all proposals and select vendors to auction the respective tags. If no proposals are received, the Commission may authorize other organizations within or outside Nevada to auction the tag. If no acceptable organization can be found to administer an auction, the tag may be sold by sealed bid.

The Commission reserves the right to refuse any proposal received for auctioning Wildlife Heritage Tags annually.

All vendors who submit proposals will be notified in writing of the results by the Department.

By the deadline established in the regulation, all vendors must provide the successful bidder information on an application provided by the Department and the Wildlife Heritage donation.

Commission Policy P-10, season dates and regulations for the 2026 Wildlife Heritage mule deer, pronghorn antelope, Rocky Mountain elk, Nelson (Desert) Bighorn sheep, and wild turkey tags are enclosed.

Enclosures

CC: Director

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