

## STATE OF ARIZONA LIVESTOCK LOSS BOARD

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December 31, 2015

Governor Douglas A. Ducey  
1700 West Washington  
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Dear Governor Ducey,

Please find attached the first year-end report of the Arizona Livestock Loss Board (Board) activities as required by Chapter 172, Article 6, Laws 2015. The Board was established to address the depredation of wolves on livestock operations in Arizona. The Board has held organizational meetings focused on the creation of a Mission Statement, Goals and Objectives, and subcommittees with charters to guide their work. The members of the Board are keenly aware of the task before them and are committed to meeting their responsibilities.

Enclosed, please find Chapter 172, a Membership Roster, Meeting Agendas, Minutes, Mission Statement, Goals and Objectives, Subcommittee Charters, and authorization from the Secretary of State to use the State Seal. We anticipate a very busy calendar in 2016, including some outreach meetings around the state, as we carry out our statutory duties serving the citizens of Arizona.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Larry D. Voyles".

Larry D. Voyles  
Chairman

CC: Secretary of State  
President of the Senate  
Speaker of the House of Representatives  
Hunter Moore, Natural Resource Policy Advisor

House Engrossed Senate Bill

State of Arizona  
Senate  
Fifty-second Legislature  
First Regular Session  
2015

**CHAPTER 172**  
**SENATE BILL 1466**

AN ACT

AMENDING SECTIONS 17-306 AND 17-309, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; AMENDING TITLE 17, CHAPTER 4, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES, BY ADDING ARTICLE 6; RELATING TO GAME AND FISH.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

1 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:

2 Section 1. Section 17-306, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to  
3 read:

4 17-306. Importation, transportation, release or possession of  
5 live wildlife; violations; classification

6 A. No person shall import or transport into the THIS state or sell,  
7 trade or release within the THIS state or have in his THE PERSON'S possession  
8 any live wildlife except as authorized by the commission or as defined in  
9 title 3, chapter 16.

10 B. IT IS UNLAWFUL FOR A PERSON TO KNOWINGLY AND WITHOUT LAWFUL  
11 AUTHORITY UNDER STATE OR FEDERAL LAW IMPORT AND TRANSPORT INTO THIS STATE AND  
12 RELEASE WITHIN THIS STATE A SPECIES OF WILDLIFE THAT IS LISTED AS A  
13 THREATENED, ENDANGERED OR CANDIDATE SPECIES UNDER THE ENDANGERED SPECIES ACT  
14 OF 1973 (P.L. 93-205; 87 STAT. 884; 16 UNITED STATES CODE SECTIONS 1531  
15 THROUGH 1544).

16 C. A PERSON WHO VIOLATES SUBSECTION B OF THIS SECTION IS GUILTY OF A  
17 CLASS 6 FELONY.

18 D. A PERSON WHO VIOLATES SUBSECTION B OF THIS SECTION WITH THE INTENT  
19 TO DISRUPT OR INTERFERE WITH THE DEVELOPMENT OR USE OF PUBLIC NATURAL  
20 RESOURCES TO ESTABLISH THE PRESENCE OF THE SPECIES IN AN AREA NOT CURRENTLY  
21 KNOWN TO BE OCCUPIED BY THAT SPECIES IS GUILTY OF A CLASS 4 FELONY.

22 Sec. 2. Section 17-309, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

23 17-309. Violations; classification

24 A. Unless otherwise prescribed by this title, it is unlawful for a  
25 person to:

26 1. Violate any provision of this title or any rule adopted pursuant to  
27 this title.

28 2. Take, possess, transport, RELEASE, buy, sell or offer or expose for  
29 sale wildlife except as expressly permitted by this title.

30 3. Destroy, injure or molest livestock, growing crops, personal  
31 property, notices or signboards, or other improvements while hunting,  
32 trapping or fishing.

33 4. Discharge a firearm while taking wildlife within one-fourth mile of  
34 an occupied farmhouse or other residence, cabin, lodge or building without  
35 permission of the owner or resident.

36 5. Take a game bird, game mammal or game fish and knowingly permit an  
37 edible portion thereof to go to waste, except as provided in section 17-302.

38 6. Take big game, except bear or mountain lion, with the aid of dogs.

39 7. Make more than one use of a shipping permit or coupon issued by the  
40 commission.

41 8. Obtain a license or take wildlife during the period for which the  
42 person's license has been revoked or suspended or the person has been denied  
43 a license.

- 1           9. Litter hunting and fishing areas while taking wildlife.
- 2           10. Take wildlife during the closed season.
- 3           11. Take wildlife in an area closed to the taking of that wildlife.
- 4           12. Take wildlife with an unlawful device.
- 5           13. Take wildlife by an unlawful method.
- 6           14. Take wildlife in excess of the bag limit.
- 7           15. Possess wildlife in excess of the possession limit.
- 8           16. Possess or transport any wildlife or parts of the wildlife that was
- 9 unlawfully taken.
- 10          17. Possess or transport the carcass of big game without a valid tag
- 11 being attached.
- 12          18. Use the edible parts of any game mammal or any part of any game
- 13 bird or nongame bird as bait.
- 14          19. Possess or transport the carcass or parts of a carcass of any
- 15 wildlife that cannot be identified as to species and legality.
- 16          20. Take game animals, game birds and game fish with an explosive
- 17 compound, poison or any other deleterious substances.
- 18          21. Import into this state or export from this state the carcass or
- 19 parts of a carcass of any wildlife unlawfully taken or possessed.
- 20          B. Unless a different or other penalty or punishment is specifically
- 21 prescribed, a person who violates any provision of this title, or who
- 22 violates or fails to comply with a lawful order or rule of the commission, is
- 23 guilty of a class 2 misdemeanor.
- 24          C. A person who knowingly takes any big game during a closed season or
- 25 who knowingly possesses, transports or buys any big game that was unlawfully
- 26 taken during a closed season is guilty of a class 1 misdemeanor.
- 27          D. A person is guilty of a class 6 felony who knowingly:
- 28            1. Barters, sells or offers for sale any big game or parts of big game
- 29 taken unlawfully.
- 30            2. Barters, sells or offers for sale any wildlife or parts of wildlife
- 31 unlawfully taken during a closed season.
- 32            3. Barters, sells or offers for sale any wildlife or parts of wildlife
- 33 imported or purchased in violation of this title or a lawful rule of the
- 34 commission.
- 35            4. Assists another person for monetary gain with the unlawful taking
- 36 of big game.
- 37            5. Takes or possesses wildlife while under permanent revocation under
- 38 section 17-340, subsection B, paragraph 3.
- 39          E. A peace officer who knowingly fails to enforce a lawful rule of the
- 40 commission or this title is guilty of a class 2 misdemeanor.

1           Sec. 3. Title 17, chapter 4, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended by  
2 adding article 6, to read:

3                           ARTICLE 6. LIVESTOCK LOSS BOARD

4           17-491. Livestock loss board; members; terms; compensation;  
5                           annual report; board termination

6           A. THE LIVESTOCK LOSS BOARD IS ESTABLISHED TO ADDRESS THE DEPREDATION  
7 OF WOLVES ON LIVESTOCK OPERATIONS. THE LIVESTOCK LOSS BOARD CONSISTS OF THE  
8 FOLLOWING MEMBERS:

9           1. THE DIRECTOR OF THE ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE OR THE  
10 DIRECTOR'S DESIGNEE.

11           2. THE DIRECTOR OF THE ARIZONA GAME AND FISH DEPARTMENT OR THE  
12 DIRECTOR'S DESIGNEE.

13           3. THREE MEMBERS WHO REPRESENT THE LIVESTOCK INDUSTRY, WHO HAVE  
14 KNOWLEDGE AND EXPERIENCE WITH WILDLIFE IMPACTS AND MANAGEMENT AND WHO ARE  
15 APPOINTED BY THE GOVERNOR PURSUANT TO SECTION 38-211.

16           4. TWO MEMBERS WHO REPRESENT WILDLIFE CONSERVATION OR WILDLIFE  
17 MANAGEMENT, WHO HAVE KNOWLEDGE AND EXPERIENCE WITH LIVESTOCK PRODUCTION OR  
18 MANAGEMENT AND WHO ARE APPOINTED BY THE GOVERNOR PURSUANT TO SECTION 38-211.

19           5. ONE MEMBER WHO IS A LIVESTOCK AUCTION MARKET OWNER AND WHO IS  
20 APPOINTED BY THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

21           6. ONE MEMBER WHO IS A FACULTY MEMBER AT A UNIVERSITY UNDER THE  
22 JURISDICTION OF THE ARIZONA BOARD OF REGENTS, WHO HAS EXPERTISE IN  
23 AGRICULTURAL AND LIFE SCIENCES AND WHO IS APPOINTED BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE  
24 SENATE.

25           B. THE INITIAL MEMBERS OF THE LIVESTOCK LOSS BOARD WHO ARE APPOINTED  
26 PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION A, PARAGRAPHS 3, 4, 5 AND 6 OF THIS SECTION SHALL  
27 ASSIGN THEMSELVES BY LOT TO TERMS OF TWO AND FOUR YEARS IN OFFICE. ALL  
28 SUBSEQUENT MEMBERS SERVE FOUR-YEAR TERMS OF OFFICE. THE CHAIRPERSON SHALL  
29 NOTIFY THE GOVERNOR'S OFFICE, THE PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE AND THE SPEAKER OF  
30 THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THESE APPOINTMENTS.

31           C. A MAJORITY OF THE MEMBERS CONSTITUTE A QUORUM.

32           D. THE LIVESTOCK LOSS BOARD SHALL ANNUALLY ELECT A CHAIRPERSON FROM  
33 ITS MEMBERS.

34           E. MEMBERS OF THE LIVESTOCK LOSS BOARD ARE NOT ELIGIBLE TO RECEIVE  
35 COMPENSATION BUT ARE ELIGIBLE FOR REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENSES PURSUANT TO TITLE  
36 38, CHAPTER 4, ARTICLE 2.

37           F. THE LIVESTOCK LOSS BOARD SHALL SUBMIT TO THE GOVERNOR, THE  
38 PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE AND THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES ON OR  
39 BEFORE DECEMBER 31 OF EACH YEAR A REPORT OF THE NUMBER OF APPLICATIONS FOR  
40 COMPENSATION, THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF MONIES PROVIDED TO LANDOWNERS, LESSEES AND  
41 LIVESTOCK OPERATORS THAT YEAR AND ANY RECOMMENDATIONS. THE LIVESTOCK LOSS  
42 BOARD SHALL PROVIDE A COPY OF THIS REPORT TO THE SECRETARY OF STATE.

43           G. THE BOARD ESTABLISHED BY THIS SECTION ENDS ON JULY 1, 2023 PURSUANT  
44 TO SECTION 41-3103.

1           17-492. Powers and duties  
2           A. THE LIVESTOCK LOSS BOARD SHALL:  
3           1. ESTABLISH AND IMPLEMENT PROCEDURES TO COMPENSATE LANDOWNERS,  
4 LESSEES OR LIVESTOCK OPERATORS FOR WOLF DEPREDAION ON LIVESTOCK.  
5           2. ESTABLISH REQUIREMENTS FOR LANDOWNERS, LESSEES AND LIVESTOCK  
6 OPERATORS TO REPORT AND DEMONSTRATE WOLF DEPREDAION ON LIVESTOCK.  
7           3. ESTABLISH ELIGIBILITY AND APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS TO RECEIVE  
8 COMPENSATION FOR WOLF DEPREDAION ON LIVESTOCK.  
9           4. DETERMINE THE COMPENSATION RATE FOR EACH LIVESTOCK ANIMAL  
10 DEPREDATED BY WOLVES.  
11           5. RESEARCH AND DEVELOP MEASURES TO PREVENT WOLF DEPREDAION ON  
12 LIVESTOCK.  
13           6. ESTABLISH PROCEDURES FOR LANDOWNERS, LESSEES OR LIVESTOCK OPERATORS  
14 TO APPEAL DECISIONS OF THE LIVESTOCK LOSS BOARD.  
15           B. THE LIVESTOCK LOSS BOARD MAY:  
16           1. COMPENSATE LANDOWNERS, LESSEES OR LIVESTOCK OPERATORS FOR WOLF  
17 DEPREDATION ON LIVESTOCK.  
18           2. IMPLEMENT A PAY-FOR-PRESENCE PROGRAM THAT PROVIDES COMPENSATION FOR  
19 THE LANDOWNERS, LESSEES AND LIVESTOCK OPERATORS WHO ALLOW WOLVES TO BE  
20 PRESENT ON PRIVATE PROPERTY OWNED OR LEASED BY THE LANDOWNER, LESSEE OR  
21 LIVESTOCK OPERATOR AND ACCEPT POTENTIAL WOLF DEPREDAION ON LIVESTOCK. A  
22 PAY-FOR-PRESENCE PROGRAM MAY NOT PROVIDE COMPENSATION FOR THE PRESENCE OF  
23 WOLVES ON PUBLIC LANDS.  
24           3. COORDINATE WITH THE DEPARTMENT IN AN INVESTIGATION OF WOLF  
25 DEPREDATION ON LIVESTOCK AND ANY CORRECTIVE MEASURES TAKEN PURSUANT TO  
26 SECTION 17-239.  
27           4. COORDINATE WITH STATE AND FEDERAL WILDLIFE AGENCIES TO VERIFY WOLF  
28 DEPREDATION ON LIVESTOCK.  
29           5. COLLABORATE WITH FEDERAL FARM SERVICES AGENCIES IN THIS STATE TO  
30 PROMOTE LIVESTOCK COMPENSATION PROGRAMS.  
31           6. ADOPT RULES PURSUANT TO TITLE 41, CHAPTER 6 AS NECESSARY TO  
32 ADMINISTER AND ENFORCE THIS SECTION.  
33           17-493. Livestock compensation fund; exemption  
34           A. THE LIVESTOCK COMPENSATION FUND IS ESTABLISHED CONSISTING OF  
35 FEDERAL MONIES, LEGISLATIVE APPROPRIATIONS FROM THE STATE GENERAL FUND,  
36 PUBLIC AND PRIVATE GRANTS AND PRIVATE DONATIONS RECEIVED FOR THE PURPOSE OF  
37 COMPENSATING LANDOWNERS, LESSEES AND LIVESTOCK OPERATORS FOR WOLF DEPREDAION  
38 ON LIVESTOCK. MONIES IN THE LIVESTOCK COMPENSATION FUND MAY ALSO BE USED TO  
39 COMPENSATE LANDOWNERS, LESSEES AND LIVESTOCK OPERATORS FOR PARTICIPATION IN A  
40 PAY-FOR-PRESENCE PROGRAM IMPLEMENTED BY THE LIVESTOCK LOSS BOARD PURSUANT TO  
41 SECTION 17-492.

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1           B. THE LIVESTOCK LOSS BOARD SHALL ADMINISTER THE LIVESTOCK  
2 COMPENSATION FUND. MONIES IN THE FUND ARE CONTINUOUSLY APPROPRIATED. THE  
3 LIVESTOCK LOSS BOARD MAY ACCEPT AND SPEND FEDERAL MONIES, PUBLIC AND PRIVATE  
4 GRANTS, GIFTS, CONTRIBUTIONS AND DEVICES TO ASSIST IN CARRYING OUT THE  
5 PURPOSES OF THIS ARTICLE. THESE MONIES DO NOT REVERT TO THE STATE GENERAL  
6 FUND AT THE END OF A FISCAL YEAR. MONIES IN THE FUND SHALL BE USED TO  
7 SUPPLEMENT, NOT SUPPLANT, MONIES OTHERWISE APPROPRIATED TO THE DEPARTMENT.

8           C. MONIES IN THE LIVESTOCK COMPENSATION FUND ARE EXEMPT FROM THE  
9 PROVISIONS OF SECTION 35-190 RELATING TO LAPSING OF APPROPRIATIONS.

APPROVED BY THE GOVERNOR APRIL 1, 2015.

FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE APRIL 2, 2015.

# Chapter 172, Laws 2015

## Board Membership Roster

## Livestock Loss Board

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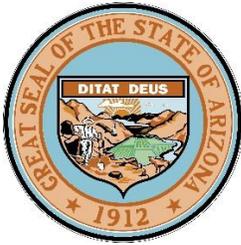
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Larry D. Voyles

November 19, 2015

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

Arizona Livestock Loss Board  
Meeting Date: Monday, November 23, 2015

Notice is hereby given to Members of the Arizona Livestock Loss Board (Board) and the general public, that the Board will hold a meeting, open to the public, on **November 23, 2015 at 1:00 p.m.** pursuant to S.B. 1466 § Chapter 172. Article 6. The meeting will be held at the Arizona Game and Fish Department, Quail Room, 5000 West Carefree Highway, Phoenix, Arizona 85086. Please enter through the front entrance of the headquarters building. The Board will discuss and may vote to take action on the following matters:

**Meeting begins at 1:00 p.m.**

1. **Welcome**
2. **Roll Call of Board Members**
3. **Introductions of the Arizona Livestock Loss Board**
4. **The Board will discuss and take action to elect a Chairperson**
5. **Review and discussion of SB 1466 § Chapter 172. Article 6, codified at A.R.S. §§ 17-491 to 17-493.**
6. **Overview and discussion of the Montana Livestock Loss Board**
7. **Discussion and possible action to adopt a Mission Statement and Goals and Objectives**
8. **Discussion and possible action to establish the following – Sub Committees: Depredation, Compensation, Outreach, Adaptive Management, Other.**
9. **Call to the Public**

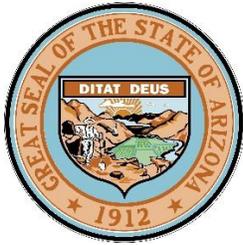
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10. **Future Agenda Items**

The Board will set a date and time for the next meeting.

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The agenda may be revised prior to the meeting as authorized by A.R. S. § 38.431.02. In that event, an addendum to the agenda will be noticed and posted prior to the meeting. Agenda items not noticed for a specific time may be taken out of order. Persons with a disability may request a reasonable accommodation, such as a sign language interpreter, or this document in an alternative form, by contacting 5000 West Carefree Highway, Phoenix, AZ 85086, 623-236-7281. Requests should be made as early as possible to allow time to arrange the accommodation.



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Dr. George Ruyle  
James H. Unmacht  
Ken Van De Graaff

December 16, 2015

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

Arizona Livestock Loss Board  
Meeting Date: Thursday, December 17, 2015  
Revision 1

Notice is hereby given to Members of the Arizona Livestock Loss Board (Board) and the general public, that the Board will hold a meeting, open to the public, on **December 17, 2015 at 9:30 a.m.** pursuant to S.B. 1466 § Chapter 172, Article 6. The meeting will be held at the Arizona Game and Fish Department, Quail Room, 5000 West Carefree Highway, Phoenix, Arizona 85086. Please enter through the front entrance of the headquarters building. The Board will discuss and may vote to take action on the following matters:

### Meeting begins at 9:30 a.m.

1. **Welcome**
2. **Roll Call**
3. **Review and approve minutes of November 23, 2015 meeting**
4. **Review of previously approved Mission Statement.**
5. **Review for further discussion and possible amendments of the previously approved Goals and Objectives**
6. **Review and take action to establish the following subcommittees, charters, and membership**  
Depredation, Compensation, Outreach, Adaptive Management, Fund Development
7. **Review and take action to approve the draft Year-End Report**
8. **Discussion of Congressional and Legislative actions.**
9. **Call to the Public**

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**MINUTES OF PUBLIC MEETING**  
Arizona Livestock Loss Board  
5000 West Carefree Highway  
Phoenix, AZ 85086-5000

**PRESENT:** (Board Members)

Stephen Clark  
Sarahmarge Crigler  
Mark W. Killian  
Jim F. O'Haco  
Dr. George Ruyle  
James H. Unmacht  
Ken Van De Graaff  
Larry D. Voyles

**Monday, November 23, 2015**

(Staff)

Kevin Kinsall  
Amelia Leavenworth  
AZGFD

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**1. Welcome**

Larry Voyles called the meeting to order at **1:03** p.m. and led those present through the Pledge of Allegiance. This meeting followed an agenda dated November 19, 2015.

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**2. Roll Call of Board Members**

Kevin Kinsall led the roll call and noted attendance of the Board members (8 present and 1 absent).

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**3. Introduction of the Arizona Livestock Loss Board**

The Board members introduced themselves; James Unmacht from New River, representing Wildlife Conservation & Knowledge of Livestock; Stephen Clark from Glendale, representing Wildlife Conservation & Knowledge of Livestock; Dr. George Ruyle from Tucson, representing Faculty Member at University; Mark Killian Phoenix, Director of AZ Department of Agriculture; Larry Voyles from Phoenix, Director of AZ Game & Fish Department; Jim O'Haco from Winslow, representing Livestock Industry; Sarahmarge Crigler from Springerville, representing Livestock Industry; and Ken Van de Graaff from Gilbert, representing Livestock Industry. Clay Parsons from Marana, representing Livestock Auction Market Owner was not present for this meeting.

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**4. The Board will discuss and take action to elect a Chairperson**

**MOTION:** ELECT LARRY VOYLES AS THE CHAIRMAN. Mark Killian moved and Ken Van de Graaff seconded

**VOTE:** Unanimous

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**5. Review and discussion of SB 1466 § Chapter 172, Article 6, codified at A.R.S. §§ 17-491 to 17-493**

Chairman Voyles asked Mr. Kinsall to give an overview of SB 1466 § Chapter 172. Article 6 that established the Board and its duties.

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**6. Overview and discussion of the Montana Livestock Loss Board**

Chairman Voyles asked Albert Eiden, Landowner Relations Program Manager for Arizona Game and Fish Department to give a power point presentation/overview of the Montana Livestock Loss Board. Mission, goals and objectives, membership and role, the Livestock Loss Mitigation Program, the Livestock Loss Reduction Program, and funding of the Montana Livestock Loss Board were all reviewed. The Livestock Indemnity Program (LIP), its purpose, payments, payment limitations, and eligible animals were discussed. The NRCS EQIP funding and Regional Conservation Partnership Program was also reviewed.

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**7. Overview and discussion of a draft Mission Statement**

Chairman Voyles asked the Board to review the draft Mission Statement and opened up the floor for discussion.

**MOTION:** ADOPT THE MISSION STATEMENT AS FOLLOWS: “TO ADDRESS THE ECONOMIC IMPACTS OF WOLVES ON INDIVIDUAL PRODUCERS BY REIMBURSING CONFIRMED AND PROBABLE WOLF CAUSED LOSSES, HELP TO REDUCE THEIR LOSSES BY APPROVING PROJECTS AND FUNDING PROGRAMS THAT WILL DISCOURAGE AND PREVENT WOLVES FROM KILLING LIVESTOCK, PROVIDE FUNDING FOR PAY FOR PRESENCE, AND SEEK APPROPRIATE LEVELS OF SECURE FUNDING TO SUPPORT THE ACTIONS OF THE BOARD.” Jim O’Haco moved and Ken Van de Graaff seconded.

**VOTE:** Unanimous

Chairman Voyles asked Mr. Kinsall to review the draft Goals and Objectives one by one and opened the floor for review and discussion of proposed Goals and Objectives.

**MOTION:** ADOPT THE GOAL “ESTABLISH AND IMPLEMENT PROCEDURES TO COMPENSATE LANDOWNERS, LESSEES, OR LIVESTOCK OPERATORS FOR WOLF DEPREDATION ON LIVESTOCK”. Dr. Ruyle moved and Jim O’Haco seconded.

**VOTE:** Unanimous

**MOTION:** ADOPT THE GOAL “ESTABLISH REQUIREMENTS FOR LANDOWNERS, LESSEES, AND LIVESTOCK OPERATORS TO REPORT AND DEMONSTRATE WOLF DEPREDATION ON LIVESTOCK”. Ken Van De Graaff moved and Jim O’Haco seconded.

**VOTE:** Unanimous

**MOTION:** ADOPT THE GOAL “ESTABLISH ELIGIBILITY AND APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS TO RECEIVE COMPENSATION FOR WOLF DEPREDATION ON LIVESTOCK”. Mark Killian moved and Ken Van De Graaff seconded.

**VOTE:** Unanimous

**MOTION:** ADOPT THE GOAL “DETERMINE THE COMPENSATION RATE FOR EACH LIVESTOCK ANIMAL DEPREDATED BY WOLVES”. Mark Killian moved and Ken Van De Graaff seconded.

**VOTE:** Unanimous

**MOTION:** ADOPT THE GOAL “RESEARCH AND DEVELOP MEASURES TO PREVENT WOLF DEPREDATION ON LIVESTOCK”. Mark Killian moved and Stephen Clark seconded.

**VOTE:** Unanimous

**MOTION:** ADOPT THE GOAL “ESTABLISH PROCEDURES FOR LANDOWNERS, LESSEES, OR LIVESTOCK OPERATORS TO APPEAL DECISIONS OF THE LIVESTOCK LOSS BOARD”. Mark Killian moved and Jim O’Haco seconded.

**VOTE:** Unanimous

**MOTION:** ADOPT THE GOAL “ANNUALLY PROVIDE A REPORT ON THE BOARD’S ACTIVITIES AND RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE GOVERNOR, SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE, AND SECRETARY OF STATE”. Mark Killian moved and Jim O’Haco seconded.

**VOTE:** Unanimous

**MOTION:** ADOPT THE GOAL “WORK WITH FEDERAL AND STATE AGENCIES, LIVESTOCK OPERATORS, AND OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES TO DEVELOP ADAPTIVE MANAGEMENT OPTIONS TO REDUCE WOLF CONFLICTS AND DEPREDATIONS”. Mark Killian moved and Ken Van De Graaff seconded.

**VOTE:** Unanimous

**MOTION:** ADOPT THE GOAL “EDUCATE THE PUBLIC ON THE FINANCIAL, SOCIAL, AND ECOLOGICAL IMPACTS OF THE MEXICAN WOLF REINTRODUCTION PROGRAM ON RURAL COMMUNITIES”. Mark Killian moved and Ken Van De Graaff seconded.

**VOTE:** Unanimous

**MOTION:** ADOPT THE GOAL “DEVELOP A REPOSITORY FOR MEXICAN WOLF INFORMATION AND DATA THAT THIS COMMITTEE GENERATES RELATED TO WOLVES IN ARIZONA”. Mark Killian moved and Jim O’Haco seconded.

**VOTE:** Unanimous

**MOTION:** ADOPT THE GOAL “DEVELOP AN IMPLEMENTATION PROCESS FOR A PAY FOR PRESENCE PROGRAM”. Mark Killian moved and Sarahmarge Crigler seconded.

**VOTE:** Unanimous

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**8. Discussion and possible action to establish the following – Subcommittees: Depredation, Compensation, Outreach, Adaptive Management, Other**

Chairman Voyles asked Kevin Kinsall to read through the proposed list of potential subcommittees of the Board, and then opened the floor for discussion on the development of subcommittees. The subcommittees’ areas of focus include Depredation, Compensation, Outreach, Adaptive Management, and Funding Development. Mark Killian’s staff will develop and write draft charters for the subcommittees to be available for review at the next meeting.

**MOTION:** DEVELOP SUBCOMMITTEES WITHIN THE LIVESTOCK LOSS BOARD. Mark Killian moved and Sarahmarge Crigler seconded.

**VOTE:** Unanimous

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**9. Call to the Public**

Chairman Voyles invited any public attendees who wanted to be heard to present their Blue Speaker Cards.

Patrick Bray, the Executive Vice President of Arizona Cattlemen’s Association, addressed the Board. He remarked upon the large challenges set before the Board, particularly the crucially

important task of developing a viable compensation program. He encouraged the board to take small and accurate steps during this process, and pledged the assistance of the Arizona Cattlemen's Association if the opportunity arose.

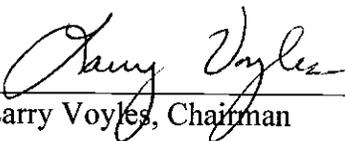
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**10. Future Agenda Items**

The Board will set a date and time for the next meeting(s). The Board will discuss and may take action on the year-end report to the Governor, Speaker, and the President. The Board will revisit and may revise the Goals and Objectives. Subcommittees will be discussed, Board members may be assigned to some subcommittees, and the Board may discuss subcommittee charters. The Board may discuss and take action on Federal and State Legislative matters.

Chairman Voyles adjourned this meeting at **3:01p.m.**

**I attest that these minutes were reviewed and approved by the members of the Livestock Loss Board on December 17, 2015.**

  
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Larry Voyles, Chairman

# **Arizona Livestock Loss Board**

## **Mission Statement**

To address the economic impacts of wolves on individual producers by reimbursing confirmed and probable wolf caused losses, help to reduce their losses by approving projects and funding programs that will discourage and prevent wolves from killing livestock, provide funding for Pay for Presence, and seek appropriate levels of secure funding to support the actions of the Board.

## **Goals & Objectives**

- Establish and implement procedures to compensate landowners, lessees, or livestock operators for wolf depredation on livestock
- Establish requirements for landowners, lessees, and livestock operators to report and demonstrate wolf depredation on livestock
- Establish eligibility and application requirements to receive compensation for wolf depredation on livestock
- Determine the compensation rate for each livestock animal depredated by wolves
- Research and develop measures to prevent wolf depredation on livestock
- Establish procedures for landowners, lessees, or livestock operators to appeal decisions of the livestock loss board
- Annually provide a report on the Board's activities and recommendations to the Governor, Speaker of the House of Representatives, President of the Senate, and Secretary of State
- Work with federal and state agencies, livestock operators, and other interested parties to develop adaptive management options to reduce wolf conflicts and depredations
- Use sound science to educate the public on the financial, social, and ecological impacts of the Mexican wolf reintroduction program on rural communities to promote rational discourse
- Develop a repository for Mexican wolf information and data that this committee generates related to wolves in Arizona
- Develop an implementation process for a Pay for Presence program
- Develop a process for supporting conflict avoidance measures by livestock operations

# **Arizona Livestock Loss Board**

## **Subcommittees, Charters, Members, and Issues**

**Depredation Subcommittee:** Is established by the Livestock Loss Board and is charged with defining depredation by Mexican wolves, establishing a process for reporting depredations as well as programs that will discourage and prevent wolves from killing or harming livestock.

**Members:** Stephen Clark, Mark Killian, Jim O’Haco, James Unmacht, Ken Van de Graaff

**Issues:** \*Define Depredation \*Develop checklist for reporting an incident \*Develop checklist for agency(s) assessment / findings \*Develop an incident reporting database \*Other

**Compensation Subcommittee:** Is established by the Livestock Loss Board and is charged with developing a compensation schedule for covering costs associated with Mexican wolf depredation and impacts to livestock operations, including programs to discourage and prevent wolves from killing or harming livestock and a Pay for Presence program in conjunction with the Depredation Subcommittee.

**Members:** Sarahmarge Crigler, Jim O’Haco, Clay Parsons, Dr. George Ruyle, Ken Van de Graaff

**Issues:** \*Determine compensation schedules \*Losses due to depredation \*Determine criteria for participation in a Pay for Presence program and reimbursement \*Determine criteria for participation in a Conflict Avoidance program and reimbursement \*Other

**Outreach Subcommittee:** Is established by the Livestock Loss Board and is charged with developing and implementing a plan to help educate parties (individuals to communities) that are directly and indirectly impacted by the reintroduction of Mexican wolves in Arizona and the creation of a repository for wolf information on financial, social, and ecological impacts.

**Members:** Stephen Clark, Sarahmarge Crigler, Clay Parsons, Dr. George Ruyle, Larry Voyles

**Issues:** \*Develop key messages \*Determine methods of outreach \*List and prioritize outreach targets \*Other

**Adaptive Management Subcommittee:** Is established by the Livestock Loss Board and is charged with developing administrative procedures to implement the statutory provisions of S.B. 1466, Chapter 172 Laws of 2015 and for the integration of actions (e.g. conflict avoidance strategies) proposed by the subcommittees to forward the Livestock Loss Board’s mission.

**Members:** Sarahmarge Crigler, Mark Killian, Dr. George Ruyle, James Unmacht, Larry Voyles

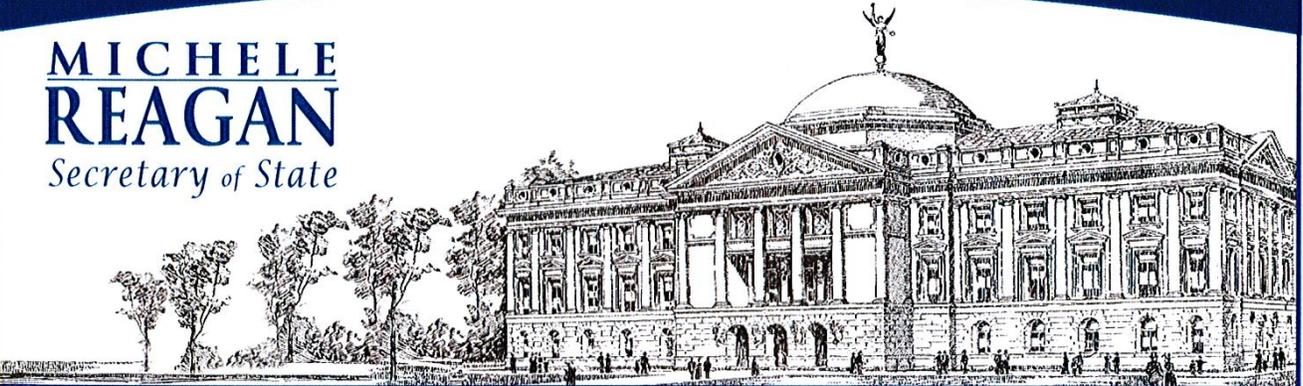
**Fund Development Subcommittee:** Is established by the Livestock Loss Board and is charged with seeking financial support (direct funding or in-kind contributions) to carry out the mission of the Livestock Loss Board and its statutory mandates.

**Members:** Stephen Clark, Mark Killian, Jim O’Haco, Ken Van de Graaff, Larry Voyles

**Issues:** \*Set up a fund (OSPB) \*Review, prioritize, and pursue potential funding sources \*Other

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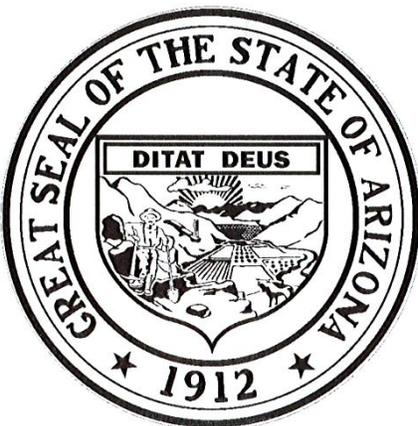
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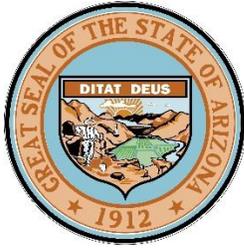


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