#### STATE GAME COMMISSION MEETING AND RULE MAKING NOTICE

The New Mexico State Game Commission ("Commission") will be hosting a hybrid virtual meeting and rule hearing on Friday, August 19, 2022 beginning at 9:00 a.m. at the University of New Mexico – Gallup Campus, Room STC 200, 705 Gurley Ave., Gallup, New Mexico 87301. For instructions on how to attend this meeting either in person or virtually, visit the Department's website at <a href="http://www.wildlife.state.nm.us/commission/webcast/">http://www.wildlife.state.nm.us/commission/webcast/</a>. The purpose of this meeting is to hear and consider action as appropriate on the following: Repeal of the Landowner Certification of Non-Navigable Water Rule 19.31.22. NMAC.

#### Synopsis for Landowner Certification of Non-Navigable Water Rule 19.31.22 NMAC:

The proposal is to permanently repeal the Landowner Certification of Non-Navigable Water Rule 19.31.22 NMAC. On March 1, 2022, the New Mexico State Supreme Court issued a ruling from the bench that the Landowner Certification of Non-navigable Water Rule 19.31.22 NMAC is unconstitutional. Later that same day, the State Game Commission repealed the rule on an emergency basis in accordance with emergency rule provisions in 14-4-5.6 NMSA (1978). The Supreme Court also issued a Writ of Mandamus on March 2, 2022 wherein the State Game Commission was ordered to cease further implementation of 19.31.22 NMAC and withdraw the regulations as void and unconstitutional. The 180-day limit on an emergency rule will expire on August 28, 2022. Therefore, there is a need to permanently repeal the rule in accordance with the Writ of Mandamus.

A full text of changes is available on the Department's website at: www.wildlife.state.nm.us.

Interested persons may submit comments on the proposed changes to the Fisheries Rule at: <a href="DGF-Non-NavigableRule@state.nm.us">DGF-Non-NavigableRule@state.nm.us</a>; or individuals may submit written comments to the physical address below. Comments are due by 5:00 p.m. on August 2, 2022. The final proposed rule will be voted on by the Commission during a hybrid virtual public meeting on August 19, 2022. Interested persons may also provide data, views or arguments, orally or in writing, at the hybrid virtual public rule hearing to be held August 19, 2022.

Full copies of the text of the proposed new rule, technical information related to proposed rule changes, and the agenda can be obtained from the Office of the Director, New Mexico Department of Game and Fish, 1 Wildlife Way, Santa Fe, New Mexico, 87507, or from the Department's website at <a href="https://www.wildlife.state.nm.us/commission/proposals-under-consideration/">https://www.wildlife.state.nm.us/commission/proposals-under-consideration/</a>. This agenda is subject to change up to 72 hours prior to the meeting. Please contact the Director's Office at (505) 476-8000, or the Department's website at <a href="https://www.wildlife.state.nm.us">www.wildlife.state.nm.us</a> for updated information.

If you are an individual with a disability who needs a reader, amplifier, qualified sign language interpreter, or any other form of auxiliary aid or service to attend or participate in the hearing or meeting, please contact the Department at (505) 476-8000 at least one week prior to the meeting or as soon as possible. Public documents, including the agenda and minutes, can be provided in various accessible formats. Please contact the Department at (505) 476-8000 if a summary or other type of accessible format is needed.

Legal authority for this rulemaking can be found in the General Powers and Duties of the State Game Commission 17-1-14, et seq. NMSA 1978; Commission's Power to establish rules and regulations 17-1-26, et seq. NMSA 1978.

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**REOUIREMENTS:** 

### TITLE 19 NATURAL RESOURCES AND WILDLIFE CHAPTER 31 HUNTING AND FISHING PART 22 LANDOWNER CERTIFICATION OF NON-NAVIGABLE WATER [19.31.22 NMAC, filed 1/2/2018 was repealed. Effective ------] 19.31.22.1 ISSUING AGENCY: New Mexico State Game Commission. [19.31.22.1 NMAC N, 01 22 2018] SCOPE: Department, staff, and landowners whose private property contains within its boundary, 19.31.22.2 a segment of non-navigable public water. [19.31.22.2 NMAC N, 01 22 2018] 19.31.22.3 STATUTORY AUTHORITY: Section 17 1 14 NMSA 1978, Section 17 1 26 NMSA 1978, and Section 17 4 6 NMSA 1978, provide that the New Mexico state game commission has the authority to establish rules and regulations that it may deem necessary to carry out the purpose of Chapter 17 NMSA 1978 and all other acts pertaining to protected species. [19.31.22.3 NMAC N, 01 22 2018] **DURATION:** Permanent. 10 31 22 4 [19.31.22.4 NMAC N, 01-22-2018] 19.31.22.5 EFFECTIVE DATE: January 22, 2018, unless a later date is cited in the history note at the end of a section. [19.31.22.5 NMAC N. 01.22.2018] 19.31.22.6 OBJECTIVE: To establish rules, requirements, definitions and regulations implementing the process for a landowner to be issued a certificate and signage by the director and the commission that recognizes that within the landowner's private property is a segment of a non-navigable public water, whose riverbed or streambed or lakebed is closed to access without written permission from the landowner. [19.31.22.6 NMAC N, 01 22 2018] 19.31.22.7 **DEFINITIONS:** "Certified non-navigable public water" shall mean a segment of watercourse or river submitted to the department by a landowner which has met all requirements described in 19.31.22.8 NMAC and has been issued a certificate by the director, and approved by the commission. "Commission" shall mean the New Mexico state game commission. "Department" shall mean the New Mexico department of game and fish. "Director" shall mean the director of the department of game and fish or designee. F "Landowner" shall mean any person or entity that has legal, record title to private property within the state of New Mexico. "Navigable in fact" shall mean that a watercourse or river is navigable in fact when it was used at the time of statehood, in its ordinary and natural condition, as a highway for commerce over which trade and travel was or may have been conducted in the customary modes of trade or travel on water. A navigable in fact determination shall be made on a segment by segment basis. "Non-navigable public water" shall mean a watercourse or river which, at the time of statehood, was not navigable in-fact. A watercourse or river is not navigable in-fact when it was not used at the time of statehood, in its ordinary and natural condition, as a highway for commerce over which trade and travel was or may have been conducted in the customary modes of trade or travel on water. The certification on non navigable public water shall be made by the director and approved by the commission on a segment by segment basis. -H. "Segment" shall mean the watercourse or river located within the boundaries of a landowner's private property. [19.31.22.7 NMAC - N, 01-22-2018]

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LANDOWNER NON-NAVIGABLE PUBLIC WATER SEGMENT CERTIFICATION

Application: An application by a landowner for certification of non-navigable public water on a segment by segment basis shall be made on a form or in a manner provided by the department as prescribed by the director. The form or manner shall be available to the public on or before February 2, 2018, via the department's website. Contents: A landowner requesting certification of a non-navigable public water segment shall provide the following information: name of owner, address, telephone number, name of property or ranch, name of contact (1) person authorized to grant written permission to access property; current recorded property deed(s) or other written, recorded instruments of title and a complete legal description of property(s); county; name(s) of non-navigable public water, stream or river on property; a map of sufficient size and detail to allow the identification of potential access points to water and access roads to be located by someone unfamiliar with the area shall be included; proof of publication of notice of application for certification for three consecutive weeks in a newspaper of general circulation in the county where the property is located. (4) substantial evidence which is probative of the waters, watercourse or river's being nonnavigable at the time of statehood, on a segment by segment basis. This may include any reports to the US department of interior from the territorial governor(s) of New Mexico, any pre-statehood cases discussing the navigability or non-navigability of New Mexico's watercourses or rivers, any title opinion or other expert opinion, and any other evidence that may be probative. Application acceptance: An application shall be accepted for further consideration if it includes the required contents without regard to the merits of the application. An application shall not be refused for technical reasons. Refused applications may be amended, supplemented, and resubmitted and then reconsidered by the department and director in accord with the deadlines set forth herein for an original application. Refused applications can be appealed. D. Application deadline: A landowner may engage in the certification process at any time by completing and submitting the proper application form. A refused application is without prejudice. [19.31.22.8 NMAC N, 01 22 2018] WRITTEN DETERMINATION AND RECOMMENDATION BY DIRECTOR AND **DESIGNATION OF NON-NAVIGABLE PUBLIC WATER STATUS:** An accepted application shall be forwarded by the department to the director so that a determination can be made by the director whether the application meets the requirements set forth in 19.31.22.8 NMAC. The director shall have 60 days to make a written determination and recommendation or a written rejection to the commission. — If the director determines that the application meets the requirements set forth in 19.31.22.8 NMAC, the director's shall issue a written determination and recommendation to the commission that the segment in the application shall be designated a "non-navigable public water," stating the reasons for written determination and recommendation, and the matter shall be heard at a future regular meeting or special meeting, subject to availability of time and time constraints on the agenda, but in no event more than 180 days after the director issues a written determination and recommendation to the commission, for final vote of approval by the commission. (2) If the director determines that the application does not meet the requirements set forth in 19.31.22.8 NMAC, the director shall issue a written rejection of the application stating the reasons for rejection, and the matter shall be heard at a future regular meeting or special meeting, subject to availability of time and time constraints on the agenda, but in no event more than 180 days after the director issues a written rejection, for final vote of approval by the commission. The department shall post on its website, the director's recommendation to the commission at least 21 days before regular or special meeting at which the application will be presented to the commission. [19.31.22.9 NMAC N, 01-22-2018] 19.31.22.10 NOTICE OF WRITTEN DETERMINATION AND RECOMMENDATION OF NON-NAVIGABLE PUBLIC WATER STATUS: The posting of the written determination and recommendation by the director of proposed certification of non-navigable public water on the commission's agenda or written rejection for

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final vote and approval shall serve as notice of the commission's intent to take final action on the application and

written determination and recommendation or written rejection of the director.

### [19.31.22.10 NMAC N, 01 22 2018]

### 19.31.22.11 MEETING PROCEDURES: The commission shall make and preserve a record of the meeting. Comments and proposed documentary evidence of the landowner, persons with standing, and the general public shall only be taken in writing and in a written format; this format will allow for comments and proposed documentary evidence to be submitted electronically as stated in the notice of meeting or the agenda. There shall be no oral or verbal comment from the landowner, persons with standing, and the general public at the meeting. There shall be no exception to this rule except upon good cause shown and at the sole discretion of the chairman. The comment period closes 14 days before the meeting at which the application will be considered for final action by the commission. Final action may be postponed or continued at the discretion of the commission but in no event shall a final determination as required in Subsection B of 19.31.22.9 NMAC exceed the 180 day deadline. E. The director shall provide copies of the application and supporting documentation and all comments and proposed documentary evidence to the commission members at least seven days before the meeting at which the application will be considered for final action by the commission. The same information shall be posted on the department website at least seven days before the meeting at which the application will be considered for final action by the commission. In a meeting held under this section, the chairman may admit any evidence, in his or her sole discretion, which is probative of the issues. The chairman may exclude, in his or her sole discretion, incompetent, irrelevant, immaterial and unduly repetitious evidence. Proposed documentary evidence may be received in the form of copies or excerpts. The commission may take notice of well-known, cognizable facts. G. The commission may take final action on the application by approving or rejecting the written determination and recommendation or written rejection of the director but is not limited to those options. The commission may take such other final action as necessary to resolve the application, including but not limited to determining and finding that a segment be designated a non navigable public water. Within 60 days of the meeting, the commission shall issue its written final agency action and decision with the factual and legal basis for that decision. A copy of that decision will be given to all persons who were a party in the proceeding and every person who has filed a written request for notice of the final decision of that specific application. [19.31.22.11 NMAC N, 01 22 2018] JUDICIAL REVIEW: A landowner having made application under this rule or a person with standing may appeal to the district court for relief in accordance with Section 39-3-1.1 NMSA 1978. Any appeal may not be filed more than 30 days after issuance of the written final agency action and decision. Any appeal filed outside that 30 day period is untimely. Upon appeal, the district court shall set aside the action and decision only if it is found to be: fraudulent, arbitrary, or capricious; not supported by substantial evidence in the record; or otherwise not in accordance with the law. [19.31.22.12 NMAC N, 01 22 2018] FINAL VOTE AND APPROVAL BY COMMISSION AND EFFECT THEREOF: 19.31.22.13 If the commission votes to approve the director's determination that a segment be designated a non navigable public water or otherwise votes to determine and find that a segment be designated a non navigable public water and issues a written final agency action and decision indicating the segment identified in the application or any portion thereof is now a "certified non navigable public water", a certificate shall be issued by the director immediately following the issuance of the written final agency action and decision indicating the segment identified in the application, or any portion thereof identified by the commission, is now a "certified non navigable public water". The certificate shall include sufficient information for recording purposes with the various county clerks of the state of New Mexico and shall be in a format sufficient for recording purposes with the various county clerks of the state of New Mexico. The certificate and certification shall run with the segment, the land, and the real property.

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property are non-navigable public waters and therefore trespass on private property through non-navigable public

The certificate formally recognizes that the segment and certain waters found on the private

water of via accessing public water via private property is not lawfur unless prior written permission is received
from the landowner in accordance with Section 17 4 6 NMSA 1978.
C. Landowners that receive an actual certificate are eligible to receive a sufficient number of signs
for a reasonable fee. The fee is to fully compensate the department for the cost of sign production. The posting of
signs and the addition of contact information written or adhered to the sign will be the responsibility of the
applicant.
D. Sign requirements:
(1) Signs shall be at least 144 square inches (12 inches by 12 inches)
(2) Signs shall be printed in English and Spanish.
(3) Signs shall state the following prohibitions in accord with Subsection C of Section 17
NMSA 1978. Hunting and fishing on private property; posting; penalty: No person engaged in hunting, fishing,
trapping, camping, hiking, sightseeing, the operation of watercraft or any other recreational use shall walk or wad
onto private property through non-navigable public water or access public water via private property unless the
private property owner or lessee or person in control of private lands has expressly consented in writing.
(4) Signs shall have the name and address of a person authorized to grant permission.
E. Sign posting requirements:
(1) Signs shall be posted in at least six conspicuous places on the property.
(2) Signs shall be posted along all the exterior boundaries of the property.
(3) Signs shall be posted at each roadway or other way of access in conspicuous places.
(4) Signs shall be posted where water line crosses all property boundaries.
(5) Signs shall be posted every 500 feet along the exterior boundaries if property is not
fenced.
(6) Signs shall not be posted on any public land or any easements that the department or
commission has acquired.
F. Effect of signage: A sign issued in accordance with this rule and meeting the requirements of
rule is prima facie evidence that the property subject to the sign is private property, subject to the laws, rules, and
regulations of trespass and related laws, rules, and regulations.
[19.31.22.13 NMAC N, 01-22-2018]
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### HISTORY OF 19.31.22 NMAC: [RESERVED]

History of Repealed Material:

19.31.22 NMAC – Landowner Certification of Non-Navigable Water, Repealed due to New Mexico Supreme
Court Decision in Adobe Whitewater Club v. N.M. State Game Commission, S-1-SC-38195), effective -----.

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CHAPTER 31 HUNTING AND FISHING

PART 22 LANDOWNER CERTIFICATION OF NON-NAVIGABLE WATER

[19.31.22 NMAC, filed 1/2/2018 was repealed. Effective ------]

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# **AGENDA ITEM NO. 11**

Kirk Patten Gallup, NM August 19, 2022

Landowner Certification of Non-navigable Waters 19.31.22 NMAC



# Non-navigable Water Rule

- Adobe Whitewater Club v. N.M. State Game Commission (2022) – Writ of Mandamus
- Emergency Repeal of 19.31.22 NMAC
  - Expires August 28, 2022
- No public comment
- Formal Repeal per State Rules Act



### Proposed Repeal of the Landowner Certification of Non-Navigable Water Rule 19.31.22 NMAC

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1	IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO
2	March 02, 2022
3	NO. S-1-SC-38195
4 5 6 7 8 9	ADOBE WHITEWATER CLUB OF NEW MEXICO, a non-profit corporation, NEW MEXICO WILDLIFE FEDERATION, a non-profit corporation, and NEW MEXICO CHAPTER OF BACKCOUNTRY HUNTERS & ANGLERS, a non-profit organization,
11	Petitioners,
12	v.
13	STATE GAME COMMISSION,
14	Respondent,
15	and
16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31	CHAMA TROUTSTALKERS, LLC; RIO DULCE RANCH; Z&T CATTLE COMPANY, LLC; RANCHO DEL OSO PARDO, INC.; RIVER BEND RANCH; CHAMA III, LLC; FENN FARM; THREE RIVERS CATTLE LTD., CO.; FLYING H. RANCH INC.; SPUR LAKE CATTLE CO.; BALLARD RANCH; DWAYNE AND CRESSIE BROWN; COTHAM RANCH; WAPITI RIVER RANCH; MULCOCK RANCH; WILBANKS CATTLE CO.; 130 RANCH; WCT RANCH;

1	THE NEW MEXICO FARM AND							
2	LIVESTOCK BUREAU; CHAMA							
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	TO: New Mexico State Game Commission P.O. Box 25112 Santa Fe, NM 87504							
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14	GREETINGS:							
15	WHEREAS, a petition for writ of mandamus having been granted by this							
16	Court on March 2, 2022, and the Court being sufficiently informed and good cause							
17	appearing for the issuance of a writ of mandamus;							
18	NOW, THEREFORE IT IS ORDERED that the New Mexico State Game							
19	Commission shall cease from further implementation of the regulations set forth in							
20	19.31.22 NMAC, and shall withdraw the regulations as void and unconstitutional.							
21	IT IS SO ORDERED.							
	WITNESS, the Honorable Michael E. Vigil, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of the State of New							



f Mexico, and the seal of said Court this 2nd day of March, 2022.

Jennifer L. Scott, Chief Clerk of the Supreme Court of the State of New Mexico

I CERTIFY AND ATTEST:

A true copy was served on all parties or their counsel of record on date filed.

Jennifer L. Scott

Chief Clerk of the Supreme Court of the State of New Mexico

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### NMAC Transmittal Form



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## **Concise Explanatory Statement For Rulemaking Adoption:**

Findings required for rulemaking adoption:

Findings MUST include:

- Reasons for adopting rule, including any findings otherwise required by law of the agency, and a summary of any independent analysis done by the agency;

<ul> <li>Reasons for any change between the published proposed rule and the final rule; a</li> <li>Reasons for not accepting substantive arguments made through public comment.</li> </ul>	and
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### New Mexico Register / Volume XXXIII, Issue 16 / August 23, 2022

On March 1, 2022 the New Mexico Supreme Court issued an opinion that 19.31.22 NMAC is unconstitutional. As such, the New Mexico State Game Commission voted to repeal the entire rule on an emergency basis that same day. The State Game Commission voted to permanently repeal 19.31.22 NMAC on August 19, 2022 as directed by the State Supreme Court.