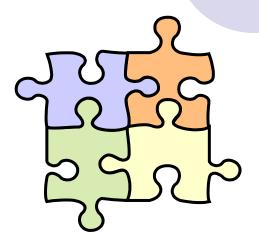




2011 Legislative Session Update







Odd Numbered Years are 60-Day or "Long" Sessions



- The New Mexico Constitution restricts matters discussed during 30-day sessions to:
 - Budget and fiscal matters
 - Items on the Governor's "call"
 - Legislation vetoed in the previous session

 During a long session, legislators may introduce bills without restrictions.



2011 Commission Approved Legislation



- Operating Budget Request (HB5/2)
- Capital Projects Requests





Operating Budget



- The budget begins as HB 5 and rolls into HB 2
- The amounts in the bill reflect the Executive recommendation, plus a 4.0 FTE increase for OHV and AIS
- No support from the state general fund for FY 2012.
 FY 2008 was the last year of GF appropriations (around \$330,000).











Capital Outlay



- The Department requested \$4.71 million for 9 projects, and the 3 top priorities in the request were:
 - Dam Safety Rules Compliance
 - Water Pipeline at Red River Hatchery
 - WMA Facility Improvements (Pecos)
- No capital bill passed









House of Representatives



- Bills
- Memorials
- Joint Memorials





HB 180 Military Discount Temporary Licenses



- Sponsored by Rep. George Dodge
- Do Pass in House Health & Government and Business & Industry Committees
- Passed House unanimously
- Do Pass in Senate Conservation Committee
- Passed Senate unanimously
- Signed into law by Governor Martinez



HB 362 Certain Military Hunting License Discounts



- Sponsored by Rep. Tomas Garcia
- Do Pass in Energy & Natural Resources and Business & Industry Committees
- Passed House unanimously
- Do Pass in Senate Conservation Committee
- Passed Senate unanimously
- Signed into law by Governor Martinez



Other House Bills Impacting the Department



- HB 12 Owner duties for Recreational Use of Land (Trujillo) Passed & Signed
- HB 149 Game & Fish Licenses Fee Changes (Rehm) Tabled
- HB 206 Merge Game & Fish with EMNRD (Hall) Tabled
- HB 270 Increase License Vendor Fee (Baldonado) Withdrawn



Other House Legislation Impacting the Department



- HJM 10 Large Animal Traffic Study Pilot Project (Stewart) Passed
- HJM 38 Maintain San Juan River Trout
 Fishery (Taylor) Passed
- HM 46 Endangered Species Act
 Enforcement Study (Wooley) Passed
- HM 48 Employment in Natural Resources Study (Cook) Passed



Senate







- Bills
- Memorials
- Joint Memorials



SB 196 Hunting Licenses for Residents and Nonresidents



- Sponsored by Sen. George Muñoz
- Do Pass in Senate Conservation and Finance Committees
- Passed Senate 38-3
- Do Pass in House Consumer & Public Affairs and Taxation and Revenue Committees
- Passed House 45-21
- Signed into law by Governor Martinez



SB 298 Big Game Hunting License Plate



- Sponsored by Sen. John Sapien
- Do Pass in Senate Conservation and Finance
 & Public Affairs Committees
- Passed Senate 35-2
- Do Pass in House Transportation & Public Works and Taxation and Revenue Committees
- Passed House 65-2
- Died by "pocket veto" at signing deadline



Other Senate Legislation Impacting the Department



 SM 21 – Limited entry bow hunts in Bandelier (Eichenberg) Passed



Important Dates



- March 19, 2011- Session Ends
- April 8, 2011- Legislation not acted upon by governor is pocket vetoed
- June 19, 2011- Effective date of legislation not carrying an emergency clause or other specified date
- Special Session Dates- TBD?



Questions, Comments?



