PROPOSED REGULATION OF THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

LCB File No. R146-16

DIVISION OF PLANT INDUSTRY

NOTICE OF INTENT TO ACT UPON A REGULATION And NOTICE OF HEARING FOR THE ADOPTION OF REGULATIONS

The Nevada Department of Agriculture will hold a public hearing on Monday, October 17, 2016, at time 9:30am, at Agriculture Headquarters, 405 South 21st Street, Sparks, NV 89431; Phone: (775) 353-3601. The purpose of the hearing is to receive comments from all interested persons regarding the Amendment of regulations that pertain to chapter 561, of the Nevada Administrative Code. The proposal has been designated as File No. R146-16 by the Nevada Legislative Counsel Bureau.

The following information is provided pursuant to the requirements of NRS 233B.0603:

The purpose is to solicit public comments from interested persons on the following proposed regulation: NAC 561; a regulation relating to aquaculture and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

- 1. The need for and the purpose of the proposed regulation or amendment
 - The purpose of the proposed amendment to NAC 576 is to include the practice of aquaculture in the requirements for obtaining a producers certificate. There are currently no existing small businesses that will be impacted by these regulations.
- 2. Either the terms or the substance of the regulations to be adopted, amended or repealed, or a description of the subjects and issues involved.
 - Participation is voluntary and may identify profit potential in Nevada based aquaculture production.
- 3. The estimated economic effect of the regulation on the business which it is to regulate and on the public. These must be stated separately and in each case must include:
 - The regulations will impose little, if any, net economic impact on small businesses.
- 4. The estimated cost to the agency for enforcement of the proposed regulation.
 - As with any producer certificate the agency issues an inspection of the production site is required. This would include travel time, mileage and inspection time. If some new businesses were to become established enforcement could cost the agency between \$200 and \$500.
- 5. A description of and citation to any regulations of other state or local governmental agencies which the proposed regulation overlaps or duplicates and a statement explaining

why the duplication or overlapping is necessary. If the proposed regulation overlaps or duplicates a federal regulation, the notice must include the name of the regulating federal agency.

- Does not apply
- 6. If the regulation is required pursuant to federal law, a citation and description of the federal law.
 - Does not apply
- 7. If the regulation includes provisions which are more stringent than a federal regulation that regulates the same activity, a summary of such provisions.
 - Does not apply
- 8. Whether the proposed regulation establishes a new fee or increases an existing fee.
 - This regulation proposes a new application and also a renewal fee for aquaculture products.

A concerted effort was made to determine the impact of the proposed regulation on small businesses. Division administration determined that this regulation change will not have an impact on small businesses.

The LCB approved revision can be found on the Nevada Department of Agriculture website at www.agri.nv.gov.

Persons wishing to comment upon the proposed action of the Nevada Department of Agriculture may appear at the scheduled public hearing or may address their comments, data, views, or arguments, in written form, to the address below.

Nevada Department of Agriculture 405 S. 21st Street Sparks, NV 89431 ATTN: Robert Little, Division Administrator (775) 353-3729 rlittle@agri.nv.gov

Written submissions must be received by the Nevada Department of Agriculture on or before 5:00 pm on Wednesday, October 12, 2016. If no person who is directly affected by the proposed action appears to request time to make an oral presentation, the Nevada Department of Agriculture may proceed immediately to act upon any written submissions.

A copy of this notice and the regulation to be amended will be on file at the State Library, 100 Stewart Street, Carson City, Nevada, for inspection by members of the public during business hours. Additional copies of the notice and the regulation to be amended will be available at:

Nevada Department of Agriculture 405 South 21st Street Sparks, NV 89431 Nevada Department of Agriculture 2300 E. St Louis Avenue Las Vegas, NV 89104 Nevada Department of Agriculture 4780 E. Idaho Street Elko, NV 89445

And in all counties in which an office of the agency is not maintained, at the main public library, for inspection and copying by members of the public during business hours. This notice and the text of the proposed regulation are also available in the State of Nevada Register of Administrative Regulations, which is prepared and published monthly by the Legislative Counsel Bureau pursuant to NRS 233B.0653, and on the Internet at http://www.leg.state.nv.us. Copies of this notice and the proposed regulation will also be mailed to members of the public upon request. A reasonable fee may be charged for copies if it is deemed necessary.

NRS 233B.064(2) provides: Upon adoption of any regulation, the agency, if requested to do so by an interested person, either before adoption or within 30 days thereafter, will issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption, and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption.

This notice of hearing has been posted at the following locations:

The Nevada State Library in Carson City, and all Nevada county libraries. The Department of Agriculture offices in Sparks, Las Vegas or Elko during the hours of 8:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Clark County Library, 833 Las Vegas Boulevard North, Las Vegas, NV 89101 Douglas County Library, 1625 Library Lane, Minden, NV 89423 Elko County Library, 720 Court Street, Elko, NV 89801 Esmeralda County Library, Corner of Crook & 4th Streets, Goldfield, NV 89013 Eureka Branch Library, 10190 Monroe Street, P.O. Box 293, Eureka, NV 89316 Humboldt County Library, 85 East 5th Street, Winnemucca, NV 89445 Lander County Library, 625 South Broad Street, Battle Mountain, NV 89820 Lincoln County Library, 63 Main Street, Pioche, NV 89043 Lyon County Library, 20 Nevin Way, Yerington, NV 89447 Mineral County Public Library, 110 1st Street, Hawthorne, NV 89415 Pershing County Library, 1125 Central Avenue, Lovelock, NV 89419 Storey County Public Library, 95 South R Street, Virginia City, NV 89440 Tonopah Public Library, 167 Central Street, Tonopah, NV 89049 Washoe County Library, 301 South Center Street, Reno, NV 89501 White Pine County Library, 950 Campton Street, Ely, NV 89301 Nevada State Legislature Website: www.leg.state.nv.us

MEETING NOTICE AND AGENDA

Public Hearing

Notice of Intent to Act Upon a Regulation

LOCATION: Nevada Department of Agriculture

405 S. 21st Street Sparks, NV 89431 Phone: 775-353-3601

Video-conference to: Nevada Department of Agriculture

2300 E. St Louis Avenue Las Vegas, NV 89104 Phone: 702-668-4590

Nevada Department of Agriculture

4780 E. Idaho Street Elko, NV 89801 Phone: 775-738-8076

DATE AND TIME: Monday, October 17, 2016, at 9:30am

Public comment will be taken on the intent to adopt a regulation. The purpose is to solicit public comments from interested persons on the following proposed regulation: NAC 561; a regulation relating to Aquaculture; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Note: We are pleased to make reasonable accommodations for members of the public who are disabled and wish to attend the meeting. If special arrangements for the meeting are necessary, please notify The Dept. of Agriculture in writing at 405 S. 21st Street, Sparks, NV 89431 or contact Jerri Conrad at 775-353-3619.

Copies of both the State of Nevada Board of Agriculture Agenda with supporting documentation and Open Meeting Minutes are available, at no charge, for inspection at the Dept. of Agriculture 405 S. 21st Street, Sparks, NV, 89431 or Dept. of Agriculture website at www.agri.nv.gov. For additional information contact Jerri Conrad at 775-353-3619.

Notice of this meeting was posted on or before 9:00 a.m. on the third working day before the meeting at the following locations: Nevada Department of Agriculture, 405 S. 21st Street, Sparks, NV 89431, Nevada Department of Agriculture, 2150 Frazer Ave., Sparks, NV 89431, Nevada Department of Agriculture, 4780 E. Idaho Street, Elko, NV 89801, Nevada Department of Agriculture, 2300 E. St Louis Avenue, Las Vegas, NV 89104, State of Nevada Capital Building, Carson City NV, State Library and Archives, Carson City.