

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
DEPARTMENT OF GAME, FISH, AND PARKS**

A Public Hearing will be held at the Holiday Inn Express, 110 East Stanley Road, Ft. Pierre, South Dakota, on January 9, 2014, at 2:00 o'clock P.M. (CST), to consider adoption, amendment and repeal of Rules pertaining to:

ARSD 41:06:56 – Black Hills Bighorn Sheep Hunting Season

Effect: The proposed amendments would make the bighorn sheep auction tag valid only in Unit 2 and modify the current boundary description for Unit 1 to include only the geographic area of the Rapid Creek bighorn sheep sub-herd population.

Reason: Provide hunting opportunity consistent with wildlife management objectives.

The above rule proposals may be modified or amended following receipt of public comment at the hearing to include or exclude matters that are described in this Notice of Hearing. The hearing may be continued from time to time until its business has been completed and may be rescheduled.

Interested persons will be given reasonable opportunity to submit data, opinions, arguments, and their views, either orally or in writing (or both) at the hearing. Persons unable to attend the hearing may mail data, opinions, arguments, and their views to the office of the Secretary of the Department of Game, Fish, and Parks, Foss Building, 523 East Capitol, Pierre, South Dakota 57501, or transmit by email to Wildinfo@state.sd.us. All persons who desire to submit written data, opinions, arguments, and their views by mail or email are encouraged to mail or transmit the same in sufficient time so that it is received by and in the office of the Secretary of the Department of Game, Fish, and Parks on or before 12:00 o'clock Noon three (3) days prior to the date of hearing. Interested persons will be given reasonable opportunity to submit data, opinions, arguments, and their views, either orally or in writing (or both) to the Commission for their consideration. All written and email comments must include the name, home town/city and state of the person submitting the

comments.

Copies of the proposed rules may be requested from the office of the Secretary of the Department of Game, Fish, and Parks, Foss Building, 523 East Capitol, Pierre, South Dakota 57501. Persons with disabilities may contact the undersigned for assistance.

Dated this 11th day of December, 2013.

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Jeffrey R. Vonk, Department Secretary

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