

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

A Public Hearing will be held at the RedRossa Convention Center, 808 W. Sioux Avenue, Pierre, South Dakota, on Wednesday, July 1, 2015, at 2:00 o'clock P.M. (CDT), to consider adoption, amendment and repeal of Rules pertaining to:

1. ARSD 41:06:07 – Custer State Park Restrictions.

Effect: The proposed amendments would prohibit hunting any big game species within 200 yards of any public access road or building in Custer State Park.

Reason: The proposed restrictions will serve to enhance the quantity and quality of big game visible from the roads by reducing the removal of high quality animals located near the roads and allowing the animals to become more habituated to non-threatening disturbance, reduce hunter and viewing opportunity conflicts, and standardize the restrictions for hunting adjacent to roads in CSP to 200 yards.

2. ARSD 41:06:14 – Fall Wild Turkey Hunting Season.

Effect: The proposed rule amendments would adjust the number of licenses/tags available to include offering resident hunters 100 more one-tag “any turkey” licenses in the East River Prairie Units than were offered in 2014; offering resident hunters 250 fewer one-tag “any turkey” licenses and nonresident hunters 20 fewer one-tag “any turkey” licenses in the Black Hills Unit (Unit BH1) than were offered in 2014; and modify Unit NE1 unit to include those portions of Marshall County located south and east of South Dakota State Highway 25 and north of South Dakota State Highway 10 and Roberts County north of South Dakota State Highway 10.

Reason: Provide hunting opportunity consistent with wildlife management objectives.

3. ARSD 41:06:23 – Antelope Hunting Season.

Effect: The proposed rule amendments would adjust the number of licenses/tags

available to include offering resident hunters 75 more one-tag licenses (75 tags) and 125 more two-tag licenses (250 tags) than were offered in 2014; and offering nonresident hunters 1 more one-tag license (1 tag) and 5 more two-tag licenses (10 tags) than were offered in 2014.

Reason: Provide hunting opportunity consistent with wildlife management objectives.

4. ARSD 41:06:50 – Early Fall Canada Goose Hunting Season and ARSD 41:06:16 – Waterfowl Hunting Seasons.

Effect: The proposed rule amendments would modify the boundaries of Units 1 and 2 established in ARSD § 41:06:16:07 by adding the following to Unit 2: those portions of Lincoln and Minnehaha counties within a line beginning at the junction of the South Dakota-Minnesota state line and Minnehaha County Highway 122 (254th Street) west to its junction with Minnehaha County Highway 149 (464th Avenue), south on Minnehaha County Highway 149 (464th Avenue) to Hartford, then south on Minnehaha County Highway 151 (463rd Avenue) to State Highway 42, east on State Highway 42 to State Highway 17, south on State Highway 17 to its junction with Lincoln County Highway 116 (Klondike Road), and east on Lincoln County Highway 116 (Klondike Road) to the South Dakota-Iowa state line, then north along the South Dakota-Iowa and South Dakota-Minnesota borders to the point of beginning.

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 either wildinfo@state.sd.us or gfpadminrules@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 P.M. on the date of the 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.

The above rule proposals are available for review on the internet by going to <https://rules.sd.gov/> and 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. Notice is further given to individuals with disabilities that this hearing is being held in a physically accessible place. Any individuals with disabilities who will require a reasonable accommodation in order to participate in the hearing should submit a request to the undersigned at 605.773.3718 or 605.223.7684 (Telecommunication Device for the Deaf).

Dated this _____ day of June, 2015.

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Kelly R. Hepler, Secretary

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