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Game, Fish and Parks Commission
Joe Foss Building
523 East Capitol
Pierre, SD 57501
C/o Jon Kotilnek - Jon.Kotilnek@state.sd.us

Dear Commissioners,

PETITION FOR RULEMAKING Submitted pursuant to SDCL 1-26-13.

Nancy Hilding and Prairie Hills Audubon Society of Western SD submit this petition. Nancy Hilding is a resident of Meade County, SD. Prairie Hills Audubon Society is a non-profit corporation registered in SD and as such is a person by SD law and Supreme Court decisions.

RULE TO BE AMENDED – Mountain Lion Hunting

41:06:61:06. Application requirements -- License and season restrictions -- Special conditions -- Carcass check-in procedures. The following requirements, restrictions, special conditions, and procedures apply to all applications for license and to all licenses issued under this chapter:

Change Requested

Add these new sections to **41:06:61:06**:

(12) No person may release dogs on mountain lion tracks where there are no trees or rock outcroppings for lions to get out-of-the-reach of hounds. If hounds have chased the lion to such an area, the hound hunter shall use the GPS/stimulation collar to call the hounds back to the hunter.

STATEMENT OF REASONS

If there are no trees or rock outcroppings for the lions to get out-of-the-reach of hounds, then you may see fighting between lions and hounds. This is animal cruelty.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Nancy Hilding". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, sweeping flourish at the end.

Nancy Hilding

President Prairie Hills Audubon Society

For the Society and myself as an individual