

**GAME, FISH AND PARKS COMMISSION ACTION  
ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION  
PROPOSAL**

**Bighorn Sheep Hunting Season**  
Units Valid for Bighorn Sheep Auction License  
41:06:56

<b>Commission Meeting Dates:</b>	<b>Proposal</b>	<b>May 2-3, 2019</b>	<b>Custer State Park</b>
	<b>Public Hearing</b>	<b>June 6, 2019</b>	<b>Pierre</b>
	<b>Finalization</b>	<b>June 6-7, 2019</b>	<b>Pierre</b>

**COMMISSION PROPOSAL FOR ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION**

**Auction License:** The Commission shall determine in which unit or units the auction license is valid per described in administrative rule 41:06:56:06.

**Proposed administrative action:**

- 1. Allow the bighorn sheep auction license to be valid in both the Custer County (BH2) and Badlands (BH3) hunting units for the 2020 bighorn sheep hunting season.

**SUPPORTIVE INFORMATION**

With the number and quality bighorn sheep rams found within the Badlands hunting unit, this is a fundraising opportunity to not only generate funds for South Dakota bighorn sheep management, but to also raise funds to supplement the Second Century habitat initiative and showcase the state of South Dakota. Last year a world record ram was harvested and there are other Boone and Crocket quality rams remaining in the herd. It should also be understood should the Badlands hunting unit be included for the area valid for the auction license, there would still only be one (1) SD auction license and there would still be a resident lottery license available in the Badlands hunting unit.

<b>APPROVE</b> _____	<b>MODIFY</b> _____	<b>REJECT</b> _____	<b>NO ACTION</b> _____
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