

**GAME, FISH, AND PARKS COMMISSION ACTION
FINALIZATION**

**Trapping Prohibitions
Chapter 41:08:02**

Commission Meeting Dates:	Proposal	February 28-March 1, 2019	Pierre
	Public Hearing	April 4, 2019	Rapid City
	Finalization	April 4-5, 2019	Rapid City
	Reconsideration	May 23, 2019	Pierre

COMMISSION PROPOSAL

Proposed changes from last year:

Amend 41:08:02:13. Traps to be rendered inoperable – Removal of trapping devices.

1. Modify the existing rule to allow the use of traps, snares and associated equipment to be used on public lands and improved road rights-of-ways, through August 31. *(currently May 1)

DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDATIONS

Recommended changes from proposal: None

SUPPORTIVE INFORMATION

With the launch of Governor Noem’s Second Century Initiatives, in particular the Live Trap Giveaway Program and the Nest Predator Bounty Program, this modification would allow trappers to use traps and snares on public lands and improved road rights-of-ways, through August 31. Public lands hold some of the best nesting habitat in the state and in order to remove nest predators during the nesting season, this modification would be needed.

APPROVE ____ **MODIFY** ____ **REJECT** ____ **NO ACTION** ____