

# GAME, FISH AND PARKS COMMISSION ACTION PROPOSAL

## Hunting Requirements and Prohibited Methods

Chapter 41:06:04

Commission Meeting Dates: Public Hearing July 8, 2013 Pierre  
Finalization July 8-9, 2013 Pierre

### COMMISSION PROPOSAL HIGHLIGHTS

#### Establish the following administrative rule:

**41:06:04:19. Mandatory inspection of harvested wolf.** Any person who harvests a wolf pursuant to § 41-6 shall notify a conservation officer within 24 hours after the kill and submit the animal for inspection by a conservation officer or other designated department representative no later than 48 hours following the kill.

### SUPPORTIVE INFORMATION

The following was enacted during the 2013 South Dakota Legislative Session:

Section 1. That subdivision (21) of § 41-1-1 be amended to read as follows:

(21) "Predator/varmint," coyote, wolf, gray fox, red fox, skunk, gopher, ground squirrel,

chipmunk

Section 2. That chapter 41-6 be amended by adding thereto a NEW SECTION to read as follows:

Wolves may only be hunted, taken, or killed in any area of the state in which the State of South Dakota has preeminent authority over the management of wolves.

Currently, the management of gray wolves associated with the Western Great Lakes population (East River in South Dakota) is under the control of the respective states. ~~The Northern Rocky Mountain population is currently protected in the United States under the Endangered Species Act. The gray wolf is currently protected west of the Missouri River in South Dakota under the Endangered Species Act.~~

Gray Wolf - Western Great Lakes Distinct Population Segment

