



## **AGENDA**

### **Game, Fish and Parks Commission**

June 2-3, 2016

Watertown Convention Center

1901 9<sup>th</sup> Avenue SW, Watertown, SD

### **Tour Proposed Watertown Office Location**

### **Call to order 1:00 PM**

#### **Division of Administration**

##### Action Items:

1. Approve Minutes of the May 2016 Meeting  
<http://gfp.sd.gov/agency/commission/docs/2016/may-meeting-minutes.pdf>
2. Additional Commissioner Salary Days
3. License List Request
4. FY17 Budget

##### Information Items:

5. Update on New Conflict of Interest Law
6. Strategic Planning Update

#### **Proposals**

7. Time Restrictions for State Parks
8. Bicycle Use Restriction
9. Camping Registration
10. Length of Camping Stay
11. Sage Grouse Hunting Season
12. Fall Turkey Hunting Season
13. Antelope Hunting Season
14. Authorization for Fisheries Management on Impounded Waters Located on Private Land
15. Allowance for Bird Processing Records to be Included in Shooting Preserve Records and Number of Processed Birds Allowed Per Package
16. Requirements and Eligibility for Disabled Veteran Pheasant Hunts

### **2:00 PM Public Hearing**

#### **Finalizations**

17. Deer Hunting Seasons
18. Areas Open for Free Landowners Antlerless Deer Licenses

## **Open Forum**

### **Division of Parks and Recreation**

Information Items:

19. Angostura/Shadehill Market Rent Survey Update
20. Oahe Downstream Concession
21. CHM Study Update
22. Parks Revenue, Camping and Visitation Reports

### **Division of Wildlife**

Action Items:

23. Turkey Management Plan
24. Aquatic Invasive Species Management Plan
25. Wetlands America Trust Addition to Swan Lake GPA – Clark County
26. Wetlands America Trust Addition to Odessa #1 GPA – McPherson County

Information Items:

27. Land Acquisition Projects
28. Sportsmen Against Hunger
29. Landowner and Hunter Opinion Survey of Deer Management
30. Sage Grouse Management Plan Update
31. Private Shooting Preserve Update
32. Brook Brown Boating Officer of the Year Award
33. 2016 License Sales Update

## **Adjourn**

Next meeting information:

July 7-8, 2016  
RedRossa Convention Center  
808 W. Sioux Ave., Pierre, SD

Minutes of the Game, Fish, and Parks Commission  
May 5-6, 2016

Chairman Petersen called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. MDT at the Creekside Lodge in Custer, South Dakota. Commissioners Cathy Peterson, Barry Jensen, John Cooper, H. Paul Dennert, Gary Jensen, Russell Olson, W. Scott Phillips, and Jim Spies were present. Secretary Kelly Hepler was present along with approximately 30 public, staff, and media.

**Executive Session – Discuss Pending Litigation**

Motioned by B. Jensen, seconded by G. Jensen to enter into executive session to discuss pending litigation. The Commission concluded executive session at 1:40 p.m. MDT

**DIVISION OF ADMINISTRATION**

**Approval of Minutes**

Chairperson Peterson called for any additions or corrections to the April 7-8, 2016, minutes or a motion for approval.

Motion by Cooper with second by Spies TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE APRIL 7-8, 2016, MEETING. Motion carried unanimously.

**Additional Commissioner Salary Days**

Commissioner Phillips requested two additional salary days for his participation in the agency strategic planning workgroup.

Motion by Dennert with second by Spies TO APPROVE THE ADDITIONAL SALARY DAYS AS REQUESTED. Motion carried unanimously.

**License List Requests**

Chris Petersen, Administration Division Director presented a license list request for pheasant hunter by state from Dakota Prairie Lodge and Resort LLC of Kimball, SD to be used for direct marketing to hunters. This is a full fee request

Motion by B. Jensen with second by Phillips TO APPROVE THE LICENSE LIST REQUEST. Motion carried unanimously.

Petersen also provided a summary of the license lists requested processed under the new procedures. Those requests were as follows: National Wild Turkey Federation – licensed turkey hunters, Chuck Ross (pending) – small game preserve license holders, and Cabela's William-Neil and Associates (pending) – all 2015 resident and nonresident hunting licenses.

**Strategic Planning Update**

Secretary Hepler provided an update from the strategic planning workgroup meeting that was held in April. He indicated the 50 person group composed of staff from all positions across the state met to develop a department mission, vision and values as well as goals. Hepler further explained how the information from the staff focus groups held throughout the state will be added to these goals and that the plan will become a business plan for department. The next workgroup meeting will be held June 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup>.

Commissioner Phillips reported the process was good and engaging. He noticed great staff representation from across the state and all participated well. His recommendation was to define the terms used to describe what staff do for better understanding by all.

Commissioner Peterson asked the Commissioners to let her know if they are available to attend future meetings.

## **PROPOSALS**

### **Black Hills Deer Hunting Season**

Program Administrator Chad Switzer presented recommended changes to the Black Hills Deer Hunting Season to offer 400 more resident antlerless whitetail licenses and 32 more nonresident antlerless whitetail licenses than in 2015. Other changes include modifying the Black Hills antlerless deer management units and removing language from administrative rule depicting the license type and number of license from each hunting unit.

Motioned by Spies with second by G. Jensen TO APPROVE THE PROPOSAL FOR BLACK HILLS DEER HUNTING SEASON AS PRESENTED. Motion carried unanimously.

### **East River Deer Hunting Season**

Switzer presented the recommended changes in the east river deer hunting season as specified below

1. Offer 4,220 less one-tag licenses, 5,075 more two-tag licenses (10,150 tags), and 1,400 more 3-tag licenses (4,200 tags) compared to 2015.
2. Establish Unit ERD-12B as an antlerless deer unit within Bon Homme County described as that portion of Bon Homme County south of SD Highway 50 and east of SD Highway 37 (see map).
3. Remove the language in administrative rule depicting the license type and number of licenses from each hunting unit.

Motioned by Cooper with second by Dennert TO APPROVE THE PROPOSAL AS RECOMMENDED. Motion carried unanimously.

### **West River Deer Hunting Season**

Switzer provided the recommend changes to west river deer hunting season as specified below

1. Adjust resident license numbers by decreasing one-tag licenses by 2,095 and increasing two-tag licenses by 3,800 compared to 2015.
2. Adjust nonresident license numbers by decreasing one-tag licenses by 168 and increasing two-tag licenses by 304 compared to 2015.
3. Remove the language in administrative rule depicting the license type and number of licenses from each hunting unit.

Motioned by G. Jensen with second by Phillips TO APPROVE THE PROPOSAL AS RECOMMENDED. Motion carried unanimously.

### **National Wildlife Refuge Deer Hunting Season**

Switzer presented the recommended changes to the national wildlife refuge deer hunting season to offer 10 less resident and 1 less nonresident any deer licenses for RFD-LC2 in Lacreek National Wildlife Refuge and remove the language in administrative rule that depicts the license type and number of licenses for each hunting unit.

Motioned by Spies with second by G. Jensen TO APPROVE THE PROPOSAL AS RECOMMENDED. Motion carried unanimously.

### **Archery Deer Hunting Season**

Switzer provided the recommend changes to archery deer hunting season as specified below

1. For Unit ARD-LM1, close units 39A and 45B and open units BD1, BD2, 01A, 06A, 07B, 12B, 27B, 35A, 35C, 43A, 44A (north of 273<sup>rd</sup> Street), 46A, 49A, 49B, 52A, and 53A.
2. Increase the number of "antlerless whitetail deer" archery access permits from 20 to 25 for the Adams Homestead and Nature Preserve.
3. Remove the language in administrative rule depicting the license type and number of licenses from each hunting unit and the number of access permits from each designated area.

Motioned by Cooper with second by Phillips TO APPROVE THE PROPOSAL AS RECOMMENDED. Motion carried unanimously.

### **General Muzzleloading Deer Hunting Season**

Switzer provided the recommend changes to archery deer hunting season as specified below

1. For Unit MZD-LM1, close units 39A and 45B and open units BD1, BD2, 01A, 06A, 07B, 12B, 27B, 35A, 35C, 43A, 46A, 49A, 49B, 52A, and 53A.
2. Remove language in administrative rule depicting the license type and number of licenses from each hunting unit.

Motioned by G. Jensen with second by Phillips TO APPROVE THE PROPOSAL AS RECOMMENDED. Motion carried unanimously.

### **Youth Deer Hunting Season**

Switzer provided the recommendation to not make any changes to the youth deer hunting season from 2015.

Motioned by B. Jensen with second by G. Jensen TO KEEP THE CURRENT REQUIREMENTS AND RESTRICTIONS WITHOUT CHANGES FROM 2015 AS RECOMMENDED. Motion carried unanimously.

### **Custer State Park Deer Hunting Season**

Switzer provided the recommended changes to the Custer State Park deer hunting season to offer 10 more antlerless whitetail deer muzzleloader license, repeal unit CUD-ZZ1 and remove the language in administrative rule depicting the license type and number of licenses from each hunting unit.

Motioned by Dennert with second by B. Jensen TO APPROVE THE PROPOSAL AS RECOMMENDED. Motion carried unanimously.

### **Deer Hunting Seasons – Hunting Unit License & Access Permit Allocations**

Deputy Director Tom Kirschenmann presented the number and type of hunting licenses in each unit for the Black Hills, East River, West River, Refuge, Muzzleloader, and Custer State Park Deer Hunting Seasons and allocations of Archery Deer Access Permits.

Motioned by Cooper with second by Dennert TO APPROVE THE PROPOSED LICENSE ALLOCATIONS AND ACCESS PERMITS AS RECOMMENDED. Motion carried unanimously.

### **Application for License**

Switzer presented a change to the application for license to allow the Department to make free antlerless deer license available to qualifying farmers and ranchers in designated area in accordance with current harvest management objectives.

1. Repeal language referencing licenses available after second lottery drawing from the previous year and to those counties where antlerless archery and muzzleloader licenses are restricted.
2. Make "antlerless whitetail deer" licenses available to those eligible applicants in hunting units which offer a deer license with multiple tags for antlerless deer (e.g. double or triple "any antlerless deer" or "antlerless whitetail deer" tags) in the lottery drawing for the East River and West River deer seasons (see attached map).

Motioned by Cooper with second by G. Jensen TO APPROVE THE PROPOSAL AS RECOMMENDED. Motion carried unanimously.

### **OPEN FORUM**

David Hanna and Jeff Olson of the Black Hills Fly Fisherman presented Game Fish and Parks with a check for \$50,000 to be used toward the Pactola Basin hydro project on. Their organization pledged another 70,000 for next year.

Frank English, Rapid City, SD shared with the Commission his idea to utilize vacant public land along the interstate to create shelterbelts for wildlife. His plan would

enlist the help of volunteers and jail trustees to plant saplings that can be purchased from the state for under a dollar a piece. He recommended each county be responsible for the projects along their interstate roadways.

Russ Roberts, St. Onge, SD requested a change to the third application for deer, antelope and turkey draws to only allow for two licenses instead of 5 to allow sportsman more opportunity.

Nancy Hilding, Prairie Hills Audubon Society, was present to invite the Commission and public to Endangered Species day. Hilding also stated she would like to see legislature change current state law in regards to killing of a state or federal listed endangered species making it a class 1 misdemeanor to be consistent with the illegal take of big game. Hilding also expressed her concern to increase state trap checking guidelines to have a 24 hour trap check time and have a trapper id requirement. Hilding also suggested South Dakota review their Cougar hunting laws similar to Wyoming to address concerns about management for sync.

Jeff Olson, Sportsman Against Hunger spoke to the group recognizing the success of due to their 10 year partnership with GFP and indicated 35,000 pounds was donated last year to provide meals for those in need.

Ben Wudtke, Black Hills Forest Resource Association spoke in regards to EAS issues in the Black Hills. Wudtke stated endangered species are important issues and requested his organization work with Commission & GFP in the future. He noted three species they are currently tracking the Northern Long-Eared Bat, Black Backed Woodpecker, and Wester Bumble Bee/Yellow-Banded Bumble Bee.

Jim Glines provided maps to indicating the limited mountain lion hunting area due to Forest Service road closures not allowing access to a large portion of the hunting area. Doesn't want to see the hunting reduced because the quota is not being met as this is an important factor.

#### **PETITIONS FOR RULE CHANGE**

Glenn Spitzer, Aberdeen, SD submitted a petition to authorize issuing a limited number of youth "any deer" licenses for the youth deer season which are valid only on private lands to draw more youth hunters to the sport and give landowners with depredation problems another option.

Leif explained the Commissions options to accept the petition as proposed and amend the administrative rule or take action to reject the petition by a resolution stating the reasons why.

Per the request of the Commission, Leif presented a resolution outlining reasons for denial of the petition for the Commissions consideration.

Commissioner Phillips and Leif noted the Department is in the process of crafting a statewide deer management plan with the assistance of public input via a deer

stakeholder group to be utilized in recommendations of management through license allocations. With this in mind, in lieu of initiating rule-making proceedings at this time the appropriate approach would be to discuss the possibility of allowing additional youth licenses on private property with the deer stakeholder group through this planning process prior to making a recommendation.

Motion by Phillips with second by Spies TO ADOPT RESOLUTION 16-05 (Appendix A) DENYING THE PETITION WITH THE CAVEAT FOR DISCUSSION OF IN THE DEER MANAGEMENT PLAN WORKGROUP MEETINGS. Motion carried unanimously.

## **DIVISION OF PARKS AND RECREATION**

### **Parks and Wildlife Foundation Land Donation**

Katie Ceroll, Parks and Recreation Division Director described the 6 acre tract of land in Lincoln County to be gifted to the Department from the South Dakota Parks and Wildlife Foundation. Ceroll explained the land will be an addition to Good Earth State Park and will be utilized to provide park and public recreational opportunities.

Motion by B. Jensen with second by Spies TO ACCEPT THE GIFTED PROPERTY FROM THE SOUTH DAKOTA PARKS AND WILDLIFE FOUNDATION LOCATED IN LINCOLN COUNTY TO BE USED FOR PARKS AND RECREATION USE. (Appendix B). Motion carried unanimously.

### **Roy Lake Resort Concession**

Sean Blanchette, Concessions Manager provided an update on the prospectus for sale of the resort at Roy Lake noting no proposals have been received and an extension has not been requested. Resort owner Jan Pitzl will continue to operate as obligated under the current lease.

Blanchette also briefed the Commission on the status of the comprehensive review of the 6 concession operations that is currently being conducted with CHM Government Services to determine overall viability. He indicated the contract was amended to include Bridge City Marian in Mobridge and Cedar Shore Resort in Oacoma in the study. This will extend the the length of the study and move the project completion deadline from early June to July.

### **Park Revenue and Camping Reservation Report**

Bob Schneider, Assistant Director provided the parks revenue and camping reservation report. The report includes a year to date comparison the of state park system revenue, camping and visitation. Schneider reported it has been another good month with overall revenue up 8 percent. He also noted the parks Open House Weekend which coincides with the free fishing weekend will happen May 20<sup>th</sup> – 22<sup>nd</sup>.

## **DIVISION OF WILDLIFE**

### **Wetlands America Trust Addition to Swan Lake GPA – Clark County**

Kirschenmann provided a map of the Wetlands America Trust Addition to Swan Lake GPA located five miles northeast of Bradley in Clark County. Kirschenmann

stated the public notice for the 240 acre piece of land has been published. The appraised value is \$511,000.00. This purchase will be brought to the Commission for final action at the June meeting and if approved, the expected closing date would be in July 2016.

#### **Wetlands America Trust Addition to Odessa #1 GPA – McPherson County**

Kirschenmann provided a map of the Wetlands America Trust Addition to Odessa #1 GPA located nine miles southwest of Long Lake in McPherson County. Kirschenmann stated the public notice for this 80 acre piece of land has been published. The appraised value is \$84,000.00. This purchase will be brought to the Commission for final action at the June meeting and if approved, the expected closing date would be in July 2016.

#### **Deer Management Plan Progress Report**

Kirschenmann informed the Commission that a detailed progress report will be provided to the Commission later this fall. He indicated the first stakeholder meeting held in February identified issues to be addressed and the next meeting to be held in June will address license allocations. Kirschenmann also noted they are compiling the results from the public opinion survey to be provided to the Commission at the June meeting.

#### **Deer Population Report**

Andy Lindbloom, Senior Wildlife Biologist provide the Commission a deer management update with detailed information on herd composition and reproduction surveys as well as harvest data by type and location. Lindbloom also provided survival monitoring specifics, management objectives, and 2016 season recommendations.

#### **Upland Game Hunting Season and Population Estimates**

Travis Runia, Senior Upland Game Biologist, presented the 2015 upland game summary noting the number of hunters and their success rates for residents and nonresidents by license type. Runia further explained that hot and dry weather during most of the season was likely a part of the reason why harvest per hunter didn't improve.

#### **Turkey Management Plan Revision**

Chad Lehman, Senior Wildlife Biologist and Travis Runia presented the turkey management plan for 2016-2020. Lehman and Runia explained how they utilize biological data and hunter survey data to set population objectives and harvest strategies. Lehman noted they use an abundance estimate in the Black Hills based upon success rates. Lehman provided an update on the radio tracking study. Runia explained tools used to identify and manage areas with depredation.

#### **Joint Monitoring of Forage on Forest Service Properties with USFS**

Mike Kintigh, Wildlife Regional Supervisor and Justin Mcconkey, US Forest Service provided a powerpoint presentation to explain the work they have done to develop cooperative strategies to monitor forest and range conditions and best manage wildlife.

### **Black Hills Fisheries Management Plan Implementation Update**

Greg Simpson, Fisheries Biologist utilized a power point presentation to inform the Commission on the Black Hills Fisheries management plan. Simpson updated the Commission on the native species, reservoirs managed and fish stocked. He also noted 16 of the 17 objectives in the plan have been accomplished and they have already begun work on many of the objective for 2016. Objectives include a number of habitat projects, fish research, and working with the public.

### **2015 Angler Survey Results**

Geno Adams, Wildlife Program Administrator explained the survey developed by SDSU and staff to identify what anglers want. Themes identified are access, cost of licenses, and difference in opinion in regards to resident vs. nonresidents particularly in specific bodies of water. The completed survey results will be available within the next month.

### **Spring Spawning Operation Report**

John Lott, Wildlife Aquatics Chief provided a handout summarizing 2016 spring spawning. Lott indicated that 134 million walleye eggs were taken to meet fry and fingerling quotas for stocking. He also noted they collected perch eggs this year for a small research project. The walleye stocking schedule by lake indicating priority was provided to the Commission.

Lott also provided an update on aquatic invasive species by providing copies of the plan summary noting current objectives and major areas of emphasis.

### **2016 License Sales Update**

Scott Simpson, Wildlife Administration Chief provided the licensed sales report as of May 2, 2016 for all licenses type for residents and nonresidents. Simpsons stated the majority of sales have been fishing license and that 50 percent of the licenses have been sold for the season. He also noted sales are slightly behind on annual resident fishing sales and combination licenses are consistent with last year's sales.

Per Commissioner Dennert request Simson provide nonresident fishing license sales stats for 1989 – 2015. Nonresident annual license and nonresident family license sales have increased in the last four years by approximately 13,000.

### **Adjourn**

Motioned by Phillips with second by B. Jensen TO ADJOURN THE MEETING. Motion carried unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 9:30 a.m.

## Appendix A

### RESOLUTION 16 - 05

WHEREAS, Glenn Spitzer of Aberdeen, South Dakota, submitted a Petition to the Game, Fish and Parks Commission (Commission) dated April 15, 2016, requesting that the Game, Fish and Parks Commission amend ARSD 41:06:44 (Youth Deer Season) to authorize issuing a limited number of youth "any deer" licenses for the youth deer season which are valid only on private land for the reasons more fully set out in the petition (hereinafter referred to as "the Petition"); and

WHEREAS, all members of the Commission have been furnished with and have reviewed a copy of the Petition; and

WHEREAS, the Commission has been advised that a copy of the Petition has been served on all members of the Interim Rules Review Committee and Director of the Legislative Research Council as required by SDCL § 1-26-13; and

WHEREAS, the Commission has been advised that SDCL 1-26-13 requires that within thirty (30) days of submission of a Petition the Commission shall either "deny the petition in writing (stating its reasons for the denials) or shall initiate rule-making proceedings in accordance with SDCL 1-26-4."; and

WHEREAS, the Commission has been advised and is of the opinion that a hearing on the Petition is neither statutorily required nor necessary; and

WHEREAS, the Commission has reviewed and carefully considered the requirements and procedures set out in SDCL 1-26-13 and the contents of the Petition, including the reasons advanced by Petitioner in support of his request to authorize issuing a limited number of youth "any deer" licenses for the youth deer season which are valid only on private land; and

WHEREAS, the youth deer season was established to provide introductory and recruitment opportunities for young outdoor enthusiasts to hunt deer consistent with statewide deer management and equitable allocation of deer hunting opportunities; and

WHEREAS, the Department is currently in the process of developing a statewide deer management plan with the assistance of public input via a deer stakeholder group, which will cover an array of management components including elements such as seasons, licenses and tag allocations; and

WHEREAS, at this time the appropriate approach would be to discuss the request of an allocation of any deer licenses for the youth deer hunting season with the deer stakeholder group through this planning process prior to making a recommendation on the allowance for any deer licenses for the youth deer season.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Commission does hereby deny the Petition for the reasons hereinabove stated in this Resolution, which said Resolution as adopted by the Commission shall constitute the Commission's written denial of the Petition and its reasons therefore.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Petition, a record of the Commission's discussions concerning same, and this Resolution be made a part of the Minutes of the Commission meeting at which this Resolution is adopted, and further, that the Department be and it is hereby authorized and directed in compliance with SDCL 1-26-13 to serve a copy of an extract of that portion of the Commission minutes which pertain to the Commission's discussion of the Petition and its adoption of this Resolution, including a copy of the Resolution, on all members of the Interim Rules Review Committee and Director of the Legislative Research Council with copies also to be provided to the Petitioner, Glenn Spitzer of Aberdeen, South Dakota.

## Appendix B

### RESOLUTION 16 - 06

WHEREAS, South Dakota Parks and Wildlife Foundation owns real estate described as follows:

Tract 1A of Good Earth Park Entrance Addition in the Northwest Quarter (NW¼) of Section 14, Township 100 North, Range 49 West of the 5<sup>th</sup> P.M., Lincoln County, South Dakota, according to the recorded plat thereof (hereinafter "the Property"); **and**

WHEREAS, South Dakota Parks and Wildlife Foundation, Inc. desires to gift the Property to the South Dakota Department of Game, Fish and Parks (Department) as an addition to Good Earth State Park in Lincoln County, South Dakota; and

WHEREAS, the Department has evaluated and determined that the Property would serve very well as an addition to Good Earth State Park, providing park and public recreational opportunities; and

WHEREAS, the Department is authorized to accept gifts of property for park and recreational purposes per SDCL §§ 41-2-19 and 41-2-24; and

WHEREAS, the South Dakota Game, Fish & Parks Commission desires to authorize the Department to accept this gift of property from the South Dakota Parks and Wildlife Foundation to be used as an addition to Good Earth State Park, and further acknowledge the generosity of South Dakota Parks and Wildlife Foundation.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the South Dakota Game, Fish and Parks Commission does hereby authorize the Department to accept the gift of the Property from South Dakota Parks and Wildlife Foundation to be used as an addition to Good Earth State Park.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the South Dakota Game, Fish & Parks Commission, on behalf of the citizens of South Dakota, does hereby acknowledge and express its deepest appreciation and gratitude to South Dakota Parks and Wildlife Foundation for its generosity and ongoing support for Good Earth State Park, and further acknowledge the outdoor recreational opportunities this gift will provide to South Dakotans for generations to come.

# Rolling Budget Summary Report

FY 17

Center 0601 Administration	Actual	Actual	Budgeted	Inflation	Exp/Red	Request	Recommended	Rec. Inc/Dec
	FY14	FY15	FY16	FY17	FY17	FY17	FY17	FY17
<b>Personal Services</b>								
EMPLOYEE SALARIES	1,143,627	1,061,886	1,315,078	0	365,108	1,680,186	1,680,186	365,108
EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	332,118	314,461	432,486	0	146,323	578,809	578,809	146,323
<b>FTE</b>	19.2	18.2	20.1		7.5	27.6	27.6	7.5
<b>Funding Types</b>								
GENERAL	106,256	122,892	130,451	0	7,483	137,934	137,934	7,483
FEDERAL	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
OTHER	1,369,488	1,253,455	1,617,113	0	503,948	2,121,061	2,121,061	503,948
<b>Total PS</b>	<b>1,475,744</b>	<b>1,376,347</b>	<b>1,747,564</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>511,431</b>	<b>2,258,995</b>	<b>2,258,995</b>	<b>511,431</b>
<b>Operating Expenses</b>								
TRAVEL	68,647	75,297	108,033	0	7,693	115,726	115,726	7,693
CONTRACTUAL SERVICES	1,209,446	1,281,248	1,410,408	0	85,267	1,495,675	1,495,675	85,267
SUPPLIES & MATERIALS	51,528	59,945	46,788	0	286,450	333,238	333,238	286,450
CAPITAL OUTLAY	12,543	26,858	15,000	0	2,750	17,750	17,750	2,750
OTHER	0	0	0	0	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000
<b>Funding Types</b>								
GENERAL	821,015	825,202	823,172	0	-1,256	821,916	821,916	-1,256
FEDERAL	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
OTHER	521,149	618,145	757,057	0	385,416	1,142,473	1,142,473	385,416
<b>Total OE</b>	<b>1,342,164</b>	<b>1,443,347</b>	<b>1,580,229</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>384,160</b>	<b>1,964,389</b>	<b>1,964,389</b>	<b>384,160</b>
<b>TOTAL FOR 0601</b>								
<b>Funding Types</b>								
GENERAL	927,271	948,094	953,623	0	6,227	959,850	959,850	6,227
FEDERAL	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
OTHER	1,890,637	1,871,600	2,374,170	0	889,364	3,263,534	3,263,534	889,364
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,817,908</b>	<b>2,819,694</b>	<b>3,327,793</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>895,591</b>	<b>4,223,384</b>	<b>4,223,384</b>	<b>895,591</b>

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# Rolling Budget Summary Report

FY 2017

Center 0620	State Parks and Recreation								
	Actual FY14	Actual FY15	Budgeted FY16	Inflation FY17	Exp/Red FY17	Request FY17	Recommended FY17	Rec. Inc/Dec FY17	
<b>Personal Services</b>									
EMPLOYEE SALARIES	7,278,956	7,533,072	8,062,436	0	527,478	8,589,914	8,589,914		527,478
EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	2,060,568	2,001,741	2,317,057	0	16,967	2,334,024	2,334,024		16,967
FTE	234.2	239.1	244.2		4.0	248.2	248.2		4.0
<b>Funding Types</b>									
GENERAL	2,464,039	2,526,907	2,620,093	0	110,768	2,730,861	2,730,861		110,768
FEDERAL	792,391	875,899	910,324	0	36,339	946,663	946,663		36,339
OTHER	6,083,094	6,132,006	6,849,076	0	397,338	7,246,414	7,246,414		397,338
Total PS	9,339,524	9,534,812	10,379,493	0	544,445	10,923,938	10,923,938		544,445
<b>Operating Expenses</b>									
TRAVEL	92,048	90,236	119,957	0	0	119,957	119,957		0
CONTRACTUAL SERVICES	6,898,376	7,476,902	7,856,501	0	1,296,081	9,152,582	9,152,582		1,296,081
SUPPLIES & MATERIALS	2,053,367	1,895,716	2,033,659	0	93,495	2,127,154	2,127,154		93,495
GRANTS AND SUBSIDIES	696,582	652,270	700,000	0	125,000	825,000	825,000		125,000
CAPITAL OUTLAY	550,659	798,650	763,942	0	100,000	863,942	863,942		100,000
OTHER	403,752	421,646	419,809	0	25,000	444,809	444,809		25,000
<b>Funding Types</b>									
GENERAL	1,319,322	1,650,685	1,603,376	0	1,002,002	2,605,378	2,605,378		1,002,002
FEDERAL	1,898,686	2,193,061	2,518,811	0	177,146	2,695,957	2,695,957		177,146
OTHER	7,476,774	7,491,675	7,771,681	0	460,428	8,232,109	8,232,109		460,428
Total OE	10,694,783	11,335,420	11,893,868	0	1,639,576	13,533,444	13,533,444		1,639,576
<b>TOTAL FOR 0620</b>									
<b>Funding Types</b>									
GENERAL	3,783,361	4,177,592	4,223,469	0	1,112,770	5,336,239	5,336,239		1,112,770
FEDERAL	2,691,077	3,068,960	3,429,135	0	213,485	3,642,620	3,642,620		213,485
OTHER	13,559,869	13,623,681	14,620,757	0	857,766	15,478,523	15,478,523		857,766
<b>Total</b>	20,034,307	20,870,233	22,273,361	0	2,184,021	24,457,382	24,457,382		2,184,021

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**Center 0621 State Parks and Recreation - Dev/Imp**

	Actual FY14	Actual FY15	Budgeted FY16	Inflation FY17	Exp/Red FY17	Request FY17	Recommended FY17	Rec. Inc/Dec FY17
<b>Personal Services</b>								
EMPLOYEE SALARIES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>FTE</b>	0.0	0.0	0.0		0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
<b>Funding Types</b>								
GENERAL	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
FEDERAL	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
OTHER	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Total PS</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Operating Expenses</b>								
TRAVEL	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
CONTRACTUAL SERVICES	134,041	113,393	0	0	0	0	0	0
SUPPLIES & MATERIALS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
GRANTS AND SUBSIDIES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
CAPITAL OUTLAY	6,358,955	6,672,809	8,212,500	0	536,107	8,748,607	8,748,607	536,107
OTHER	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Funding Types</b>								
GENERAL	47,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
FEDERAL	3,224,300	2,829,750	4,388,613	0	-1,693,663	2,694,950	2,694,950	-1,693,663
OTHER	3,221,700	3,956,451	3,823,887	0	2,229,770	6,053,657	6,053,657	2,229,770
<b>Total OE</b>	6,493,000	6,786,201	8,212,500	0	536,107	8,748,607	8,748,607	536,107
<b>TOTAL FOR 0621</b>								
<b>Funding Types</b>								
GENERAL	47,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
FEDERAL	3,224,300	2,829,750	4,388,613	0	(1,693,663)	2,694,950	2,694,950	-1,693,663
OTHER	3,221,700	3,956,451	3,823,887	0	2,229,770	6,053,657	6,053,657	2,229,770
<b>Total</b>	6,493,000	6,786,201	8,212,500	0	536,107	8,748,607	8,748,607	536,107

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Center 0610	Wildlife - Info								
	Actual	Actual	Budgeted	Inflation	Exp/Red	Request	Recommended	Rec. Inc/Dec	
	FY14	FY15	FY16	FY17	FY17	FY17	FY17	FY17	FY17
<b>Personal Services</b>									
EMPLOYEE SALARIES	12,603,454	13,132,899	13,875,820	0	718,970	14,594,790	14,594,790		718,970
EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	4,480,955	4,399,353	4,546,886	0	10,725	4,557,611	4,557,611		10,725
<b>FTE</b>	290.4	291.0	295.0		(1.0)	294.0	294.0		(1.0)
<b>Funding Types</b>									
GENERAL	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		0
FEDERAL	3,848,086	3,731,453	3,890,460	0	314,107	4,204,567	4,204,567		314,107
OTHER	13,236,323	13,800,798	14,532,246	0	415,588	14,947,834	14,947,834		415,588
<b>Total PS</b>	<b>17,084,409</b>	<b>17,532,252</b>	<b>18,422,706</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>729,695</b>	<b>19,152,401</b>	<b>19,152,401</b>		<b>729,695</b>
<b>Operating Expenses</b>									
TRAVEL	632,995	602,291	746,561	0	20,557	767,118	767,118		20,557
CONTRACTUAL SERVICES	15,167,132	15,667,684	19,745,804	0	41,455	19,787,259	19,787,259		41,455
SUPPLIES & MATERIALS	2,987,627	3,545,244	4,034,585	0	-114,850	3,919,735	3,919,735		-114,850
GRANTS AND SUBSIDIES	1,746,215	1,590,740	2,374,410	0	18,239	2,392,649	2,392,649		18,239
CAPITAL OUTLAY	1,256,037	2,492,410	1,913,552	0	153,800	2,067,352	2,067,352		153,800
OTHER	28,065	30,913	2,000	0	-2,000	0	0		-2,000
<b>Funding Types</b>									
GENERAL	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		0
FEDERAL	9,639,383	11,544,851	13,522,399	0	15,462	13,537,861	13,537,861		15,462
OTHER	12,178,688	12,384,431	15,294,513	0	101,739	15,396,252	15,396,252		101,739
<b>Total OE</b>	<b>21,818,070</b>	<b>23,929,282</b>	<b>28,816,912</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>117,201</b>	<b>28,934,113</b>	<b>28,934,113</b>		<b>117,201</b>
<b>TOTAL FOR 0610</b>									
<b>Funding Types</b>									
GENERAL	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		0
FEDERAL	13,487,468	15,276,304	17,412,859	0	329,569	17,742,428	17,742,428		329,569
OTHER	25,415,011	26,185,230	29,826,759	0	517,327	30,344,086	30,344,086		517,327
<b>Total</b>	<b>38,902,479</b>	<b>41,461,534</b>	<b>47,239,618</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>846,896</b>	<b>48,086,514</b>	<b>48,086,514</b>		<b>846,896</b>

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FY 2017

**Center 0612 Wildlife -Development/Improvement - Info**

	Actual FY14	Actual FY15	Budgeted FY16	Inflation FY17	Exp/Red FY17	Request FY17	Recommended FY17	Rec. Inc/Dec FY17
<b>Operating Expenses</b>								
CAPITAL OUTLAY	2,618,000	1,512,000	1,130,000	0	642,585	1,772,585	1,772,585	642,585
<b>Funding Types</b>								
GENERAL	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
FEDERAL	1,731,000	1,093,750	868,750	0	209,500	1,078,250	1,078,250	209,500
OTHER	887,000	418,250	261,250	0	433,085	694,335	694,335	433,085
<b>Total OE</b>	<b>2,618,000</b>	<b>1,512,000</b>	<b>1,130,000</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>642,585</b>	<b>1,772,585</b>	<b>1,772,585</b>	<b>642,585</b>
<b>TOTAL FOR 0612</b>								
<b>Funding Types</b>								
GENERAL	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
FEDERAL	1,731,000	1,093,750	868,750	0	209,500	1,078,250	1,078,250	209,500
OTHER	887,000	418,250	261,250	0	433,085	694,335	694,335	433,085
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,618,000</b>	<b>1,512,000</b>	<b>1,130,000</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>642,585</b>	<b>1,772,585</b>	<b>1,772,585</b>	<b>642,585</b>

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**Center 0622      Snowmobile Trails - Info**

	Actual FY14	Actual FY15	Budgeted FY16	Inflation FY17	Exp/Red FY17	Request FY17	Recommended FY17	Rec. Inc/Dec FY17
<b>Personal Services</b>								
EMPLOYEE SALARIES	225,560	212,096	313,765	0	8,471	322,236	322,236	8,471
EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	66,347	58,472	73,685	0	1,671	75,356	75,356	1,671
<b>FTE</b>	7.8	6.7	9.1		0.0	9.1	9.1	0.0
<b>Funding Types</b>								
GENERAL	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
FEDERAL	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
OTHER	291,906	270,568	387,450	0	10,142	397,592	397,592	10,142
<b>Total PS</b>	<b>291,906</b>	<b>270,568</b>	<b>387,450</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>10,142</b>	<b>397,592</b>	<b>397,592</b>	<b>10,142</b>
<b>Operating Expenses</b>								
TRAVEL	17,728	14,090	22,550	0	0	22,550	22,550	0
CONTRACTUAL SERVICES	112,045	94,499	141,929	0	382	142,311	142,311	382
SUPPLIES & MATERIALS	207,427	172,667	181,750	0	0	181,750	181,750	0
GRANTS AND SUBSIDIES	143,605	108,292	312,500	0	0	312,500	312,500	0
CAPITAL OUTLAY	520,712	294,659	325,000	0	-75,000	250,000	250,000	-75,000
<b>Funding Types</b>								
GENERAL	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
FEDERAL	329,584	232,000	176,000	0	-176,000	0	0	-176,000
OTHER	671,934	452,208	807,729	0	101,382	909,111	909,111	101,382
<b>Total OE</b>	<b>1,001,518</b>	<b>684,208</b>	<b>983,729</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>-74,618</b>	<b>909,111</b>	<b>909,111</b>	<b>-74,618</b>
<b>TOTAL FOR 0622</b>								
<b>Funding Types</b>								
GENERAL	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
FEDERAL	329,584	232,000	176,000	0	(176,000)	0	0	-176,000
OTHER	963,840	722,776	1,195,179	0	111,524	1,306,703	1,306,703	111,524
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,293,424</b>	<b>954,776</b>	<b>1,371,179</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>(64,476)</b>	<b>1,306,703</b>	<b>1,306,703</b>	<b>(64,476)</b>

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USES OF PARKS AND PUBLIC LANDS  
Chapter 41:03:01

Commission Meeting Dates:	Proposal	June 2-3, 2016	Watertown
	Public Hearing	July 7-8, 2016	Pierre
	Finalization	July 7-8, 2016	Pierre

DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDATION

Recommended Changes:

**41:03:01:01.02. Time restrictions for use of state park system.** Only persons utilizing a state park, state recreation area, state nature area, or state lakeside use area for lawful fishing, hunting, trapping, snowmobiling, boating, or camping or other persons authorized by a department representative may enter, use or occupy any state park, state recreation area, state nature area, or state lakeside use area from 11:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m. from May 1 to September 30, inclusive, and 9:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m. from October 1 to April 30, inclusive.

**41:03:01:01.03. Time restrictions for use of public hunting areas and lake access areas.** Only persons who are engaged in lawful fishing, hunting, trapping, or boating activities may enter, use or occupy any of the following areas from 11:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m.:

- (1) Public shooting areas;
- (2) Game production areas;
- (3) Wildlife refuges; and
- (4) Lake and fishing access areas.

Lake and fishing access areas include public water access areas designated by the department.

SUPPORTIVE INFORMATION

It is the practice of Game, Fish and Parks to ask people to leave areas after established hours if they are not engaged in legal activities cited in rule. The rules suggested for change state that person(s) may not enter the listed areas after the established hours, but do not address people continuing to use or occupy those areas for activities not cited in rule. Rules later established for the use of the George S. Mickelson Trail (41:03:01:01:01) and Walk-in areas (41:03:01:01:04) utilize the language enter, use or occupy with regards to time restrictions. This is the intent of all time restriction rules and fits the practice of the Game, Fish and Parks. This allows the Department to be on more solid legal grounds if its actions are challenged in court.

APPROVE       MODIFY       REJECT       NO ACTION

**USES OF PARKS AND PUBLIC LANDS**  
**Chapter 41:03:01**

<b>Commission Meeting Dates:</b>	<b>Proposal</b>	June 2-3, 2016	Watertown
	<b>Public Hearing</b>	July 7-8, 2016	Pierre
	<b>Finalization</b>	July 7-8, 2016	Pierre

**DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDATION**

**Recommended Changes:** Repeal

~~**41:03:01:30. Bicycle use restricted to roads, campgrounds, picnic areas, and designated trails.**~~

~~Within Newton Hills State Park, and Lewis and Clark State Recreation Area, bicycle use is restricted to roads, campgrounds, picnic areas, and trails designated for bicycle use.~~

**SUPPORTIVE INFORMATION**

The rule applies to only two state park units and is redundant with other rules in the chapter that can be used to enforce the bicycle restriction.

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

**CAMPING PERMITS AND RULES**  
**Chapter 41:03:04**

Commission Meeting Dates:	Proposal	June 2-3, 2016	Watertown
	Public Hearing	July 7-8, 2016	Pierre
	Finalization	July 7-8, 2016	Pierre

**DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDATION**

**Recommended Changes:**

**41:03:04:04. Registration procedures -- ~~Display of registration card.~~** Upon receipt of the daily camping permit fee, the department shall provide each camper unit with a registration card. The card shall be placed on the pad post specifically provided for that purpose or conspicuously displayed otherwise if pad posts are not provided. The receipt section of the registration card shall show the amount paid and the date and shall be signed by a department representative.

**All campers must reserve a campsite prior to occupying the site in the park. Reservations can be placed either by using the on-line service at campsd.com or by calling 1-800-710-2267 or using the park reservation hot phone. Campers must be in possession of their confirmation information for that site. Individual campgrounds may have additional check-in procedures that the campers must follow.** Self-registration may be used at any campground. At campgrounds using this **a self-registration** system, the department shall post camping fees and provide registration forms for campers to complete. Each camper shall insert the correct fee in the envelope provided with the form and insert the envelope in the security box provided. The camper shall display the **provided** registration **slip** card as described in this section **on a provided site post or in a conspicuous place.**

Any camper unit desiring to extend occupancy of a site beyond the nights for which the camper unit is paid, up to the limits set in § 41:03:01:15, shall reregister at the entrance booth **may extend the reservation** by 4:00 p.m. on that last day and pay the camping fees for the additional nights desired, **only if the site is available for the duration of the extended stay,** except at Custer State Park where a camper shall reregister **extend the reservation** by noon on the last day. **A Camper staying on a Same-Day reservation site located at Center Lake in Custer State Park and the Yankton section of Lewis and Clark Recreation Area must extend the reservation prior to 12:00 AM (Midnight) on the last registered night's stay.**

Any camper registered for a designated first come, first served site at any state park and recreation area shall place a camping unit on the campsite immediately following registration.

Any camper with a same-day campsite reservation shall place a camping unit on the campsite by 10 p.m. of the first night of the reservation unless an alternate arrangement is made with park staff. If the camper fails to place a camping unit on the site, the camper shall be charged a cancellation fee and forfeit the remainder of the reservation.

**SUPPORTIVE INFORMATION**

Since this rule was last revised, the Division of Parks and Recreation has contracted the services of a point of sale and campsite reservation on-line and call center company. The proposed changes reflect the modified campsite registration procedures.

APPROVE       MODIFY       REJECT       NO ACTION

**CAMPING PERMITS AND RULES**  
**Chapter 41:03:04**

<b>Commission Meeting Dates:</b>	<b>Proposal</b>	June 2-3, 2016	Watertown
	<b>Public Hearing</b>	July 7-8, 2016	Pierre
	<b>Finalization</b>	July 7-8, 2016	Pierre

**DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDATION**

**Recommended Changes:**

**41:03:04:05.01. Campsite reservations -- Payment of camping fees -- Cancellation fees.**  
Nonprofit youth groups with adult supervision may reserve a designated group camping area for up to 45 14 consecutive days nights.

A person may reserve an available campsite at any state park, recreation area, or lakeside use area for up to ~~15~~ 14 consecutive days. nights. Once the person has occupied the campsite the 14<sup>th</sup> night, they must remove their camping unit from the state park, recreational area, or lake side use area, by check-out time the next day, for at least one night, before reserving that site, or another site, at that location.

Camping fees set in subdivisions 41:03:04:03(1) to (3), inclusive, (7) to (13), inclusive, and (15) must be paid for the entire duration of a camper's anticipated stay at the time the reservation is made. A person who cancels a reservation for a campsite through the reservation center or who cancels a reservation for a campsite after arrival at the park shall pay one night's camping fee for each campsite reserved. A person who cancels a reservation for a camping cabin or rent-a-camper through the reservation center or after arrival at the park shall pay a \$25 cancellation fee. A person who cancels or shortens a reservation for a lodge more than 30 days ahead of the scheduled arrival date shall be charged a \$25 cancellation fee. A person who cancels or shortens a reservation for a lodge 30 days or fewer ahead of the scheduled arrival date shall be charged a \$25 cancellation fee for every night cancelled. The department shall refund all other fees for unused days of camping or unused lodge fees except nonrefundable reservation fees.....

**SUPPORTIVE INFORMATION**

It is confusing to park users and staff referring to the number of days a camper may occupy a campsite. The time allowed to occupy a site has not changed, but 14 nights is more clearly understood than 15 days. When a camper arrives and occupies a site, that is their first night's stay. When they have reached their 14th night's stay, they must leave prior to check-out time on the 15th day.

The additional language clarifies the intent of this portion of the rule. A camper cannot reserve and move to another campsite after the 14<sup>th</sup> night, but must leave the campground area for at least one night. This allows the opportunity for more users to take advantage of our camping resources.

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

# GAME, FISH AND PARKS COMMISSION ACTION PROPOSAL

## Sage Grouse Hunting Season Chapters 41:06:10 and 41:06:01

<b>Commission Meeting Dates:</b>	<b>Proposal</b>	<b>June 2-3, 2016</b>	<b>Watertown</b>
	<b>Public Hearing</b>	<b>July 7, 2016</b>	<b>Pierre</b>
	<b>Finalization</b>	<b>July 7-8, 2016</b>	<b>Pierre</b>

### DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDATION

- Season Dates:** September 17-18, 2016
- Open Area:** All public land and private land leased as Walk-in Areas in Harding County and west of U.S. Highway 85 in Butte County.
- Hunting Permit:** 40 resident hunting permits
- Limit:** 1 sage grouse per hunter per year

#### **Requirements and Restrictions:**

1. Shooting hours are sunrise to sunset.
2. The season is open to hunters that hold a valid small game license and are successful in drawing a hunting permit.
3. Successful hunters are encouraged to provide post-hunt interviews, present harvested sage grouse to GFP staff for examination, and respond to a hunter harvest survey.

#### **Recommended changes from last year:**

1. Create a two-day season beginning on the third Saturday of September; shooting hours run from sunrise to sunset.
2. Offer 40 resident hunting permits, allocated by a limited drawing process, through the initial draw. Permits remaining after the first draw will be available to resident and nonresident hunters on a first-come first-serve basis. Applicants will need to have a small game or combination license to be eligible for the drawing.

### SUPPORTIVE INFORMATION

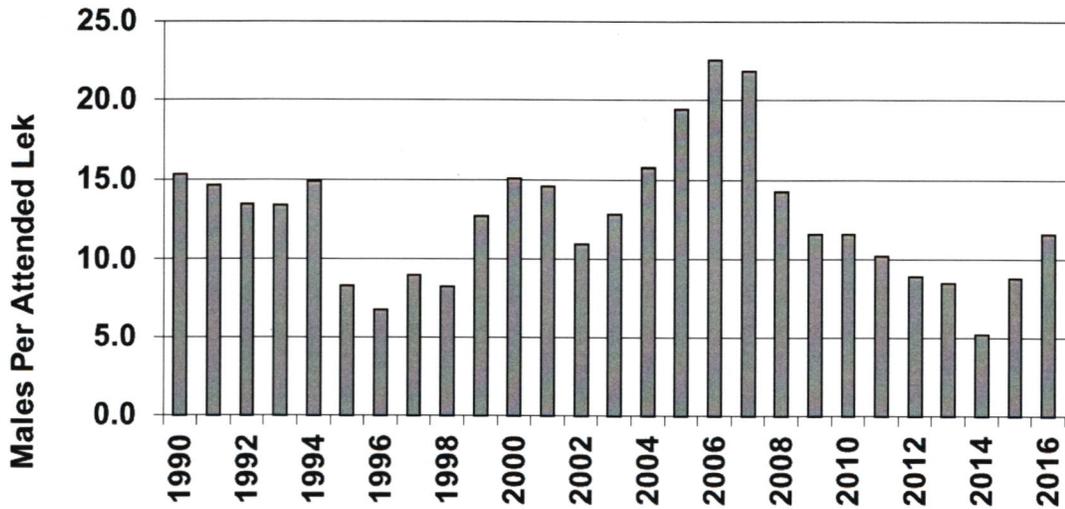
A restrictive hunting season is being recommended based on the season recommendation guidelines found within the "Sage-Grouse Management Plan for South Dakota, 2014-2018". Results from the 2016 spring lek surveys indicated 102 of males counted on priority leks and 278 males counted on all leks.

<u>Population Inices</u>	<u>Hunting Season Recommendation</u>
< 150 males counted on priority leks AND < 250 males counted on all leks	No Hunting Season
≥ 150 males counted on priority leks OR ≥ 250 males counted on all leks	2-day season, public land only in Harding County and Butte County west of US HWY 85, limit 1 sage-grouse per hunter per season
Sage-grouse listed as threatened or endangered under the Endangered Species Act	No Hunting Season

**APPROVE** \_\_\_\_\_ **MODIFY** \_\_\_\_\_ **REJECT** \_\_\_\_\_ **NO ACTION** \_\_\_\_\_

Year	Hunters	Sage Grouse Harvested
2004	53	25
2005	40	26
2006	46	15
2007	25	10
2008	24	17
2009	20	7
2010	26	12
2011	27	11
2012	35	9
2013	SEASON CLOSED	
2014	SEASON CLOSED	
2015	SEASON CLOSED	

Sage Grouse Lek Survey Results, 1990-2016.



APPROVE \_\_\_\_\_ MODIFY \_\_\_\_\_ REJECT \_\_\_\_\_ NO ACTION \_\_\_\_\_

# GAME, FISH, AND PARKS COMMISSION ACTION PROPOSAL

## Fall Wild Turkey Hunting Season Chapter 41:06:14

<b>Commission Meeting Dates:</b>	<b>Proposal</b>	<b>June 2-3, 2016</b>	<b>Watertown</b>
	<b>Public Hearing</b>	<b>July 7, 2016</b>	<b>Pierre</b>
	<b>Finalization</b>	<b>June 7-8, 2016</b>	<b>Pierre</b>

### DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDATION

**Season Dates:** November 1, 2016 – January 31, 2017

**Licenses:**

Black Hills:	400 resident and 32 nonresident one-tag "any turkey" licenses
Prairie Units:	Residents: 1,230 single tag "any turkey" licenses Nonresidents: 28 single tag "any turkey" licenses Residents: 50 two-tag "any turkey" licenses

**Requirements and Restrictions:**

1. One-half of the fall turkey licenses are available for landowner preference applicants.
2. A person may not use any firearm on the south unit and the signed portion of the north unit of the Bureau of Land Management Fort Meade Recreation Area.
3. No person may shoot a turkey that is in a tree or roost.

**Recommended changes from last year:**

1. For limited draw units, offer 105 less resident one-tag licenses for Prairie Units compared to 2015.
2. Dissolve the West River Prairie Unit and align fall units with spring unit boundaries where licenses will be allocated. For 2016, this will include Unit 30A (Gregory County); Unit 50A (Mellette County), and Unit 53A (Perkins County and that portion of Meade County north of US Hwy. 212).
3. Modify Unit 08A (Davison and Hanson counties) to include that portion adjacent to the city of Mitchell (see attached map).
4. Change the name of Unit NE1 (Northeast SD) to Unit 48A (Marshall and Roberts counties) and retain the same geographic area open for fall season.
5. Remove the language in administrative rule depicting the license type and number of licenses from each hunting unit.
6. Repeal rule language which limits a person to two fall turkey licenses.

### SUPPORTIVE INFORMATION

Year	Prairie				Black Hills			
	Licenses Sold	Toms Harvested	Hens Harvested	Success	Licenses Sold	Toms Harvested	Hens Harvested	Success
2011	5,649	2,497	1,838	41%	3,098	537	513	34%
2012	5,075	2,109	1,225	37%	2,165	483	458	46%
2013	5,066	1,180	721	22%	1,627	185	188	23%
2014	1,910	422	224	33%	810	100	114	27%
2015	1,936	422	227	33%	433	66	62	29%

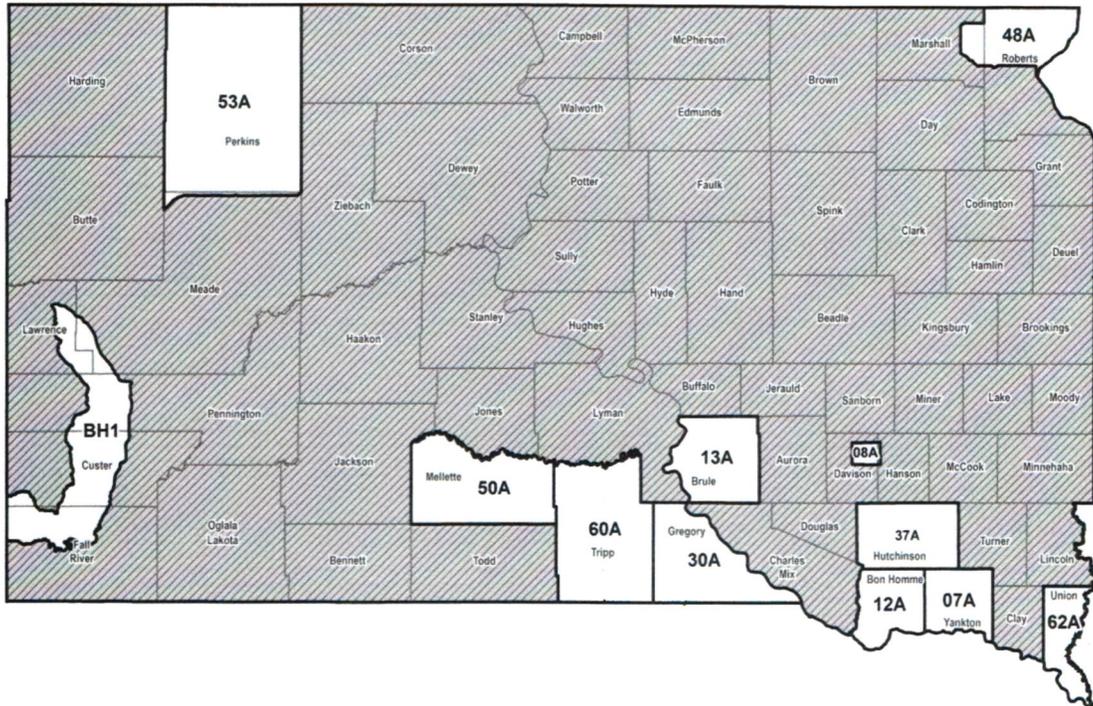
**APPROVE** \_\_\_\_\_ **MODIFY** \_\_\_\_\_ **REJECT** \_\_\_\_\_ **NO ACTION** \_\_\_\_\_

UNIT 08A (Davison & Hanson Counties)  
Recommended Unit Boundary Adjustment



APPROVE     MODIFY     REJECT     NO ACTION

# FALL TURKEY UNITS



## 2016 Fall Turkey Licenses (All tags are for "any turkey")

Unit	1-Tag	2-Tag	Unit	1-Tag	2-Tag
07A	100		48A	100	
08A		50	50A	50	
12A	150		53A	100	
13A	50		60A	50	
30A	150		62A	50	
37A	30		BH1	400	

2016 Fall Turkey

Unit #	Unit Name	Resident		Nonresident		License Totals							
		AnyT 31	2 AnyT 37	AnyT 31	2 AnyT 37	RES 1-tag	RES 2-tag	RES Lic	RES Tags	NR 1-tag	NR 2-tag	NR Lic	NR Tags
01A	Minnehaha	CLOSED											
02A	East Pennington	CLOSED											
06A	Brookings	CLOSED											
07A	Yankton	100	0	0	0	100	0	100	100	0	0	0	0
08A	Davison/Hanson	0	50	0	0	0	50	50	100	0	0	0	0
11A	Bennett	CLOSED											
12A	Bon Homme	150	0	0	0	150	0	150	150	0	0	0	0
13A	Brule	50	0	0	0	50	0	50	50	0	0	0	0
15A	Butte/Lawrence	CLOSED											
16A	Campbell/Walworth	CLOSED											
17A	Charles Mix/Douglas	CLOSED											
19A	Clay	CLOSED											
20A	Corson	CLOSED											
21A	Custer/Pennington	CLOSED											
22A	Day	CLOSED											
23A	Deuel	CLOSED											
24A	Dewey/Ziebach	CLOSED											
27A	Fall River	CLOSED											
29A	Grant	CLOSED											
30A	Gregory	150	0	12	0	150	0	150	150	12	0	12	12
31A	Haakon	CLOSED											
35A	Harding	CLOSED											
36A	Hughes	CLOSED											
37A	Hutchinson	30	0	0	0	30	0	30	30	0	0	0	0
39A	Jackson	CLOSED											
40A	Jerauld	CLOSED											
41A	Jones	CLOSED											
45A	Lyman	CLOSED											
44A	Lincoln	CLOSED											
48A	Marshall/Roberts	100	0	0	0	100	0	100	100	0	0	0	0
49A	Meade	CLOSED											
50A	Mellette	50	0	4	0	50	0	50	50	4	0	4	4
52A	Moody	CLOSED											
53A	Perkins	100	0	8	0	100	0	100	100	8	0	8	8
56A	Sanborn	CLOSED											
58A	Stanley	CLOSED											
60A	Tripp	50	0	4	0	50	0	50	50	4	0	4	4
61A	Turner	CLOSED											
62A	Union	50	0	0	0	50	0	50	50	0	0	0	0
65A	Oglala Lakota	CLOSED											
67A	Todd	CLOSED											
NE1	Northeast	DISSOLVED											
BH1	Black Hills	400	0	32	0	400	0	400	400	32	0	32	32
WR1	West River	DISSOLVED											
	TOTAL	1,230	50	60	0	1,230	50	1,280	1,330	60	0	60	60
Unit #	Unit Name	AnyT 31	2 AnyT 37	AnyT 31	2 AnyT 37	RES 1-tag	RES 2-tag	RES Lic	RES Tags	NR 1-tag	NR 2-tag	NR Lic	NR Tags
<b>RES &amp; NR:</b>						<b>1,290</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>1,340</b>	<b>1,390</b>				

FALL TURKEY  
2015--2016 Comparison

Unit #	Unit Name	2015 Resident Licenses	2016 Resident Licenses	# Change	% Change	2015 Resident Tags	2016 Resident Tags	# Change	% Change
01A	Minnehaha	0	0	0	0%	0	0	0	0%
02A	East Pennington	0	0	0	0%	0	0	0	0%
06A	Brookings	0	0	0	0%	0	0	0	0%
07A	Yankton	100	100	0	0%	100	100	0	0%
08A	Davison/Hanson	50	50	0	0%	100	100	0	0%
11A	Bennett	0	0	0	0%	0	0	0	0%
12A	Bon Homme	200	150	-50	-25%	200	150	-50	-25%
13A	Brule	75	50	-25	-33%	75	50	-25	-33%
15A	Butte/Lawrence	Unlimited	0	NA	NA	Unlimited	0	NA	NA
16A	Campbell/Walworth	0	0	0	0%	0	0	0	0%
17A	Charles Mix/Douglas	200	0	-200	-100%	200	0	-200	-100%
19A	Clay	50	0	-50	-100%	50	0	-50	0%
20A	Corson	0	0	0	0%	0	0	0	0%
21A	Custer/Pennington	0	0	0	0%	0	0	0	0%
22A	Day	0	0	0	0%	0	0	0	0%
23A	Deuel	0	0	0	0%	0	0	0	0%
24A	Dewey/Ziebach	0	0	0	0%	0	0	0	0%
27A	Fall River	0	0	0	0%	0	0	0	0%
29A	Grant	0	0	0	0%	0	0	0	0%
30A	Gregory	Unlimited	150	NA	NA	Unlimited	150	NA	NA
31A	Haakon	0	0	0	0%	0	0	0	0%
35A	Harding	0	0	0	0%	0	0	0	0%
36A	Hughes	30	0	-30	-100%	30	0	-30	-100%
37A	Hutchinson	30	30	0	0%	30	30	0	0%
39A	Jackson	0	0	0	0%	0	0	0	0%
40A	Jerauld	0	0	0	0%	0	0	0	0%
41A	Jones	Unlimited	0	NA	NA	Unlimited	0	NA	NA
45A	Lyman	Unlimited	0	NA	NA	Unlimited	0	NA	NA
44A	Lincoln	0	0	0	0%	0	0	0	0%
48A	Marshall/Roberts	100	100	0	0%	100	100	0	0%
49A	Meade	0	0	0	0%		0	0	0%
50A	Mellette	Unlimited	50	NA	NA	Unlimited	50	NA	NA
52A	Moody	0	0	0	0%	0	0	0	0%
53A	Perkins	Unlimited	100	NA	NA	Unlimited	100	NA	NA
56A	Sanborn	0	0	0	0%	0	0	0	0%
58A	Stanley	Unlimited	0	NA	NA	Unlimited	0	NA	NA
60A	Tripp	Unlimited	50	NA	NA	Unlimited	50	NA	NA
61A	Turner	0	0	0	0%	0	0	0	0%
62A	Union	50	50	0	0%	50	50	0	0%
65A	Oglala Lakota	0	0	0	0%	0	0	0	0%
67A	Todd	Unlimited	0	NA	NA	Unlimited	0	NA	NA
NE1	Northeast	100	Dissolved	NA	NA	100	Dissolved	NA	NA
BH1	Black Hills	400	400	0	0%	400	400	0	0%
WR1	West River	Unlimited	Dissolved	NA	NA	Unlimited	Dissolved	NA	NA
	TOTAL	1,385	1,280	105	-8%	1,435	1,330	105	-7%

Note: An additional 8% of the number of licenses will be available to nonresidents for the Black Hills and West River prairie units.

GAME, FISH AND PARKS COMMISSION ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION

Fall Turkey Hunting Seasons – Hunting Unit License Allocations

Commission Meeting Dates:	Proposal	June 2-3, 2016	Watertown
	Public Hearing	July 7, 2016	Pierre
	Finalization	July 7-8, 2016	Pierre

LICENSE ALLOCATION BY UNITS

Fall Turkey Hunting Season

2015 – 2016 Tag Comparison

Unit #	Unit Name	Resident Tags	
		Any Turkey	
		2015	2016
01A	Minnehaha	0	0
02A	East Pennington	0	0
06A	Brookings	0	0
07A	Yankton	100	100
08A	Davison/Hanson	100	100
11A	Bennett	0	0
12A	Bon Homme	200	150
13A	Brule	75	50
15A	Butte/Lawrence	Unlimited	0
16A	Campbell/Walworth	0	0
17A	Charles Mix/Douglas	200	0
19A	Clay	50	0
20A	Corson	0	0
21A	Custer/Pennington	0	0
22A	Day	0	0
23A	Deuel	0	0
24A	Dewey/Ziebach	0	0
27A	Fall River	0	0
29A	Grant	0	0
30A	Gregory	Unlimited	150
31A	Haakon	0	0
35A	Harding	0	0
36A	Hughes	30	0
37A	Hutchinson	30	30
39A	Jackson	0	0
40A	Jerauld	0	0
41A	Jones	Unlimited	0
45A	Lyman	Unlimited	0
44A	Lincoln	0	0
48A	Marshall/Roberts	100	100
49A	Meade	0	0
50A	Mellette	Unlimited	50
52A	Moody	0	0
53A	Perkins	Unlimited	100
56A	Sanborn	0	0
58A	Stanley	Unlimited	0
60A	Tripp	Unlimited	50
61A	Turner	0	0
62A	Union	50	50
65A	Oglala Lakota	0	0
67A	Todd	Unlimited	0
NE1	Northeast	100	Dissolved
BH1	Black Hills	400	400
WR1	West River	Unlimited	Dissolved
	TOTAL	1,435	1,330

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2016 License Allocations

Unit #	Unit Name	Resident Licenses
		Any Turkey
01A	Minnehaha	0
02A	East Pennington	0
06A	Brookings	0
07A	Yankton	100
08A	Davison/Hanson	50
11A	Bennett	0
12A	Bon Homme	150
13A	Brule	50
15A	Butte/Lawrence	0
16A	Campbell/Walworth	0
17A	Charles Mix/Douglas	0
19A	Clay	0
20A	Corson	0
21A	Custer/Pennington	0
22A	Day	0
23A	Deuel	0
24A	Dewey/Ziebach	0
27A	Fall River	0
29A	Grant	0
30A	Gregory	150
31A	Haakon	0
35A	Harding	0
36A	Hughes	0
37A	Hutchinson	30
39A	Jackson	0
40A	Jerauld	0
41A	Jones	0
45A	Lyman	0
44A	Lincoln	0
48A	Marshall/Roberts	100
49A	Meade	0
50A	Mellette	50
52A	Moody	0
53A	Perkins	100
56A	Sanborn	0
58A	Stanley	0
60A	Tripp	50
61A	Turner	0
62A	Union	50
65A	Oglala Lakota	0
67A	Todd	0
NE1	Northeast	Dissolved
BH1	Black Hills	400
WR1	West River	Dissolved
	TOTAL	1,280

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# GAME, FISH AND PARKS COMMISSION ACTION PROPOSAL

## Antelope Hunting Season Chapter 41:06:23

<b>Commission Meeting Dates:</b>	<b>Proposal</b>	<b>June 2-3, 2016</b>	<b>Watertown</b>
	<b>Public Hearing</b>	<b>July 7, 2016</b>	<b>Pierre</b>
	<b>Finalization</b>	<b>July 7-8, 2016</b>	<b>Pierre</b>

### DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDATION

#### Requirements and Restrictions:

1. One-half of the licenses allocated in each unit are available for landowner/operator preference.
2. Landowners not possessing a license that allows the harvest of a buck may purchase an "any antelope" or a two-tag "any antelope" + "doe/fawn antelope" license that is valid on their property only.

#### Recommended changes from last year:

1. Add language in administrative rule which clarifies that if no licenses are allocated for a specific hunting unit, that unit is dissolved for the purposes of designating areas open to hunting as it pertains to the archery antelope season and the provisions of codified law which describes reduced fee licenses for landowner on own land licenses.
2. Remove the language in administrative rule depicting the license type and number of licenses from each hunting unit and substitute with the cumulative number of single and multiple tag licenses.

### SUPPORTIVE INFORMATION

In recent years, a few antelope hunting units were issued no licenses due to antelope population levels. Those actions taken by the Commission per the recommendations of the Department were to eliminate harvest to allow antelope numbers to increase in those hunting units. In a few instances in these units, landowner on own land licenses were issued based on the language describing these licenses in codified law. Uncertainty exists and clarification is needed.

The Department is recommending the Commission add language into administrative rule clarifying that when a hunting unit is allocated zero licenses that the intent is to close that area to all hunting even though the unit may still remain listed and described within administrative rule. This will address the instances of question in previous years whether landowner on own land licenses should be issued in these hunting units where no licenses are allocated while also eliminating the necessity to go through the administrative rule process of removing the unit language in rule.

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GAME, FISH AND PARKS COMMISSION ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION

**Antelope Hunting Season – Hunting Unit License Allocations**

Commission Meeting Dates:	Proposal	June 2-3, 2016	Watertown
	Public Hearing	July 7, 2016	Pierre
	Finalization	July 7-8, 2016	Pierre

**LICENSE ALLOCATION BY UNITS**

Antelope Hunting Season

2015 – 2016 Tag Comparison

Unit #	Unit Name	Resident Tags	
		Any Antelope	
		2015	2016
02A	Pennington East	150	150
11A	Bennett/Oglala Lakota	50	50
15A	Butte NW	200	200
15B	Butte/Lawrence	250	250
20A	Corson	40	40
21A	Custer/Pennington Central	125	125
24A	Dewey	30	30
27A	Fall River/Custer Southwest	500	500
31A	Haakon	100	100
35A	Harding West	200	200
35B	Harding East	150	150
36A	Hughes/Hyde	40	40
39A	Jackson	50	50
41A	Jones	20	20
45A	Lyman	0	0
45B	Ft. Pierre National Grasslands	0	0
49A	Meade North	400	400
49B	Meade South	200	200
50A	Mellette	20	20
53A	Perkins North	100	100
53B	Perkins South	150	150
58A	Stanley	50	50
59A	Sully	20	20
60A	Tripp	0	0
63A	Walworth/Potter	0	0
64A	Ziebach	100	100
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>2,945</b>	<b>2,945</b>

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2016 License Allocations

Unit #	Unit Name	Resident Licenses
		Any Antelope
02A	Pennington East	150
11A	Bennett/Oglala Lakota	50
15A	Butte NW	200
15B	Butte/Lawrence	250
20A	Corson	40
21A	Custer/Pennington Central	125
24A	Dewey	30
27A	Fall River/Custer Southwest	500
31A	Haakon	100
35A	Harding West	200
35B	Harding East	150
36A	Hughes/Hyde	40
39A	Jackson	50
41A	Jones	20
45A	Lyman	0
45B	Ft. Pierre National Grasslands	0
49A	Meade North	400
49B	Meade South	200
50A	Mellette	20
53A	Perkins North	100
53B	Perkins South	150
58A	Stanley	50
59A	Sully	20
60A	Tripp	0
63A	Walworth/Potter	0
64A	Ziebach	100
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>2,945</b>

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**GENERAL PROVISIONS 41:07:01**

<b>Commission Meeting Dates:</b>	<b>Proposal</b>	June 2-3, 2016	Watertown
	<b>Public Hearing</b>	July 7, 2016	Pierre
	<b>Finalization</b>	July 7-8, 2016	Pierre

**WILDLIFE DIVISION RECOMMENDATION**

Create a new rule, 41:07:01:20, to provide authorization for landowners to perform fisheries management activities on created, man-made impoundments on land they own or lease.

Activities allowed would include:

1. the use of special sampling equipment including nets, seines, and electrofishing equipment
2. stocking permitted species of fish
3. chemical control of vegetation
4. fish removal beyond the allowance of applicable fish limits
5. allowance for an agent, contractor, or employee to conduct fisheries management activities

Requirements would include:

1. the landowner control all the land surrounding the created impoundment by ownership, easement, or lease
2. involvement of a Conservation Officer whenever live fish are transported off the property
3. notification of a Conservation Officer whenever fish in excess of applicable limits are transported

**SUPPORTIVE INFORMATION**

1. South Dakota statute requires Game, Fish and Parks authorization for certain activities typically used to manage fisheries including use of special sampling equipment, stocking and removal of fish, and applying chemicals to control vegetation.
2. Landowners have expressed a desire to be able to manage the fisheries on created, man-made impoundments on land they own or lease. Currently, these activities are permitted on a case by case basis, with each management activity on a water requiring submission of a separate application each time a landowner wishes to conduct a specific management action. Creating an administrative rule that would serve as a continual authorization to conduct the designated management actions would facilitate landowner management of created, man-made impoundments on land they control.
3. Private companies have expressed an interest in offering fisheries management services to landowners for created, man-made waters but there is not currently a mechanism for them to do so. This administrative rule would establish that mechanism in association with the landowner's authorization to conduct fisheries management activities.

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GAME, FISH AND PARKS COMMISSION ACTION  
PROPOSAL

**PROCESSING OF GAME/PRIVATE SHOOTING PRESERVES**  
**CHAPTERS 41:06:03 & 41:09:01**

<b>Commission Meeting Dates:</b>	<b>Proposal</b>	June 2-3, 2016	Watertown
	<b>Public Hearing</b>	July 7, 2016	Pierre
	<b>Finalization</b>	July 7-8, 2016	Pierre

**DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDATION**

Amend 41:06:03:11 to exempt licensed private shooting preserves from certain records requirements for wildlife processing facilities.

Amend 41:09:01:04 to increase the number of birds taken on a licensed private shooting preserve that may be packaged without identifying plumage attached.

**Recommended changes:**

**41:06:03:11. Records required for wildlife processing facilities.** No wildlife processing facility may:

(1) Receive or have in custody any wild animal unless accurate records are maintained that can identify each wild animal received by, or in the custody of, the facility by the name of the person from whom the wild animal was obtained and show the number of each species; the date each wild animal was received; the name and address of the owner of each wild animal; the date each wild animal was disposed of; and the name of the person or business to whom each wild animal was delivered; or

(2) Destroy any records required to be maintained under this section for a period of one year following receipt of each wild animal; or

(3) Allow any wild animal, or parts thereof, to leave the facility without a receipt bearing the name of the facility, number and species of wild animal, and the name of the owner of each wild animal.

However, the provisions of this section do not apply to permitted birds harvested on a licensed shooting preserve.

**41:09:01:04. Tagging of bagged birds.** Serially numbered tags, supplied by the department, must be securely attached around the leg or neck of all harvested bird species that are listed on the preserve permittee's permit. All pen-reared and wild birds harvested on a preserve shall be tagged by the shooting preserve permittee, or the permittee's employees or agents, upon any of the following circumstances:

- (1) Prior to leaving the preserve acreage;
- (2) At the time the birds are cleaned or processed;
- (3) Prior to the birds being placed in a cooling or freezing facility; or
- (4) Prior to midnight of the day that the birds were harvested.

The head, leg, or sufficient plumage must remain attached to the bird to identify the sex and species of the bird. The kill tag must remain attached to the bird while the bird is possessed, placed in public storage, transported, or shipped by anyone. However, the head, leg, and sufficient plumage may be detached from the bird and discarded if the bird is processed at a wildlife processing facility, if the bird is immediately packaged by a transparent vacuum-sealed or shrink-wrap packaging process, and if the kill tag is encased in the same package and clearly legible. The package shall contain only those individual bird parts associated with the original kill tag. No more than two birds may be enclosed in the same package. Except as provided in this section, the provisions of chapter 41:06:03 apply to the possession, processing, and transportation of game birds harvested on a preserve.

# GAME, FISH AND PARKS COMMISSION ACTION PROPOSAL

## SUPPORTIVE INFORMATION

In 2008, Department officials were contacted by both licensed hunters and game processing facility owners regarding transportation requirements for game and fish. In particular, game bird plumage requirements were discussed due to the fact that game processing had evolved from simple cleaning of pheasants and other game birds to smoking and curing of game. Regulatory changes were made that allowed more flexibility in processing. The creation of a wildlife preservation facility served to satisfy the enforcement needs of the department and the business needs of the processors. Licensed private shooting preserves that fit under the definition of a "wildlife processing facility" are currently required to maintain a separate set of processing records in addition to those records required for preserve activities (release, harvest, etc.). The proposed changes would exempt preserves from having to maintain a second set of records for birds that are processed at their respective cleaning facility. However, those preserves that hunt off-preserve would still be required to maintain records for the processing of those particular game birds.

The Department also proposes to increase the number of preserve birds that may be included in vacuum-sealed or shrink-wrapped packaging from one to two. This change would align requirements for transporting frozen non-preserve birds and those preserve birds that are breasted (i.e. no plumage attached) that have the kill tag enclosed in the required packaging.

**41:06:03:10. Wildlife processing facility defined.** A wildlife processing facility is any person or entity that has a South Dakota sales tax license to operate a business that receives, possesses, or has in custody any wild animal, as defined in § 41-1-1, belonging to another person for purposes of picking, skinning, cleaning, freezing, processing, or storage.

**41:06:03:11. Records required for wildlife processing facilities.** No wildlife processing facility may:

(1) Receive or have in custody any wild animal unless accurate records are maintained that can identify each wild animal received by, or in the custody of, the facility by the name of the person from whom the wild animal was obtained and show the number of each species; the date each wild animal was received; the name and address of the owner of each wild animal; the date each wild animal was disposed of; and the name of the person or business to whom each wild animal was delivered; or

(2) Destroy any records required to be maintained under this section for a period of one year following receipt of each wild animal; or

(3) Allow any wild animal, or parts thereof, to leave the facility without a receipt bearing the name of the facility, number and species of wild animal, and the name of the owner of each wild animal.

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GAME, FISH AND PARKS COMMISSION ACTION PROPOSAL

PHEASANT HUNTING SEASON FOR DISABLED VETERANS CHAPTER 41:06:54

Table with 4 columns: Commission Meeting Dates, Proposal, Public Hearing, Finalization, and location (Watertown, Pierre).

DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDATION

Amend 41:06:54:01 and 41:06:54:02 and repeal 41:06:54:04 to align administrative rule with legislation enacted in 2016 that pertains to the pheasant hunting season for disabled veterans.

Recommended changes:

41:06:54:01. Special pheasant hunting season authorized -- Valid on private land only. A special pheasant hunting season for qualifying disabled veterans may be established anytime during the month months of October or November upon application by a sponsoring non-profit organization. A special pheasant season for disabled veterans is valid only on private lands.

41:06:54:02. Season length -- Shooting hours -- Bag limits -- License requirements. The season length for a special pheasant season for disabled veterans is one day. The shooting hours for a special pheasant season for disabled veterans are sunrise to sunset except that after the start of the regular state pheasant season established pursuant to chapter 41:06:08, shooting hours are the same as those established for the regular state pheasant season. The bag limit is three cock pheasants. No hunting license or fee is required of qualifying disabled veterans.

41:06:54:04. Season eligibility. A person is eligible to hunt in a special pheasant season for disabled veterans if the person is a veteran who is confined to a wheelchair. Repealed.

SUPPORTIVE INFORMATION

SENATE BILL 71 - An Act to revise the provisions regarding the issuance of small game licenses and fishing licenses to certain veterans at reduced fees and to revise certain provisions regarding special pheasant hunts for disabled veterans.

Section 1. 41-6-10.2. Any resident who meets the requirements of this section may apply to the licensing office of the Department of Game, Fish and Parks in Pierre and receive a resident small game license and a resident fishing license upon payment of a reduced fee to be established by the Game, Fish and Parks Commission in rules promulgated pursuant to chapter 1-26. A resident is eligible for the reduced fee if the resident:

- (1) Receives a veterans allotment for a total forty percent or more disability which is deemed a service-connected injury or has received the United States Veterans' Administration K Award;
(2) Has served on active duty in the armed forces of the United States or has served as a member of the armed forces reserve or national guard, and the resident is totally forty percent or more disabled for the purposes of receiving social security benefits;
(3) Was held as a prisoner of war; or
(4) Has a total disability as defined by rules promulgated by the Game, Fish and Parks Commission.

The resident small game license and the resident fishing license are valid for a period of four calendar years if the licensee remains a resident of the state. A veteran may provide proof at the time of application of receipt of such an allotment, social security disability benefits, or award. Any other applicant shall provide proof of total any disability on a form provided by the Department of Game, Fish and Parks.

Section 2. That § 41-11-5.5 be amended to read:

41-11-5.5. Any nonprofit organization may establish a special one-day one-or-two-day pheasant hunt in which disabled veterans of the United States Armed Forces may participate. The special one-day one-or-two-day pheasant hunt may be held before or during the regular pheasant season. No fee may be charged to participants in any such special one-day one-or-two-day pheasant hunt, by either the state or the sponsoring organization. The Game, Fish and Parks Commission shall promulgate rules, pursuant to chapter 1-26, to administer the special one-day one-or-two-day pheasant hunts authorized in this section.

For the purposes of this section a disabled veteran of the United States Armed Forces is a resident or nonresident who meets one of the criteria established in subdivisions 41-6-10.2(1) or (2).

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# GAME, FISH AND PARKS COMMISSION ACTION FINALIZATION

## Black Hills Deer Hunting Season Chapter 41:06:19

Commission Meeting Dates:	Proposal	May 5-6, 2016	Custer State Park
	Public Hearing	June 2, 2016	Watertown
	Finalization	June 2-3, 2016	Watertown

### COMMISSION PROPOSAL

**Season Dates:** November 1-30, 2016

**Open Area:** Black Hills

**Licenses:** 200 resident and 16 nonresident "Any" deer licenses  
 3,500 resident and 280 nonresident "any Whitetail" deer licenses  
 400 resident and 32 nonresident "Antlerless Whitetail" deer licenses

#### Requirements and Restrictions:

1. One-half of the resident licenses allocated for each unit are available for landowner preference.

#### Proposed changes from last year:

1. Offer 400 more resident "Antlerless Whitetail" deer licenses and 32 more nonresident "Antlerless Whitetail" deer licenses compared to 2015.
2. Modify the Black Hills antlerless deer management units (see attached map).
3. Remove the language in administrative rule depicting the license type and number of licenses from each hunting unit.

### DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDATION

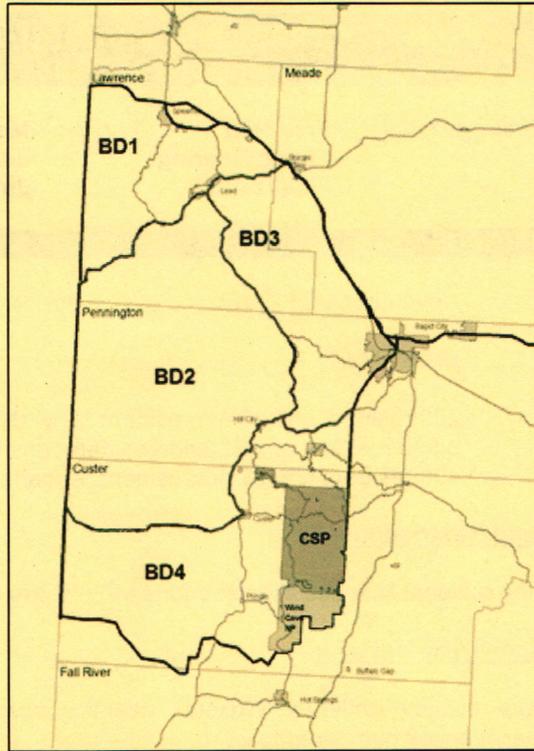
Recommended changes from proposal: None.

### SUPPORTIVE INFORMATION

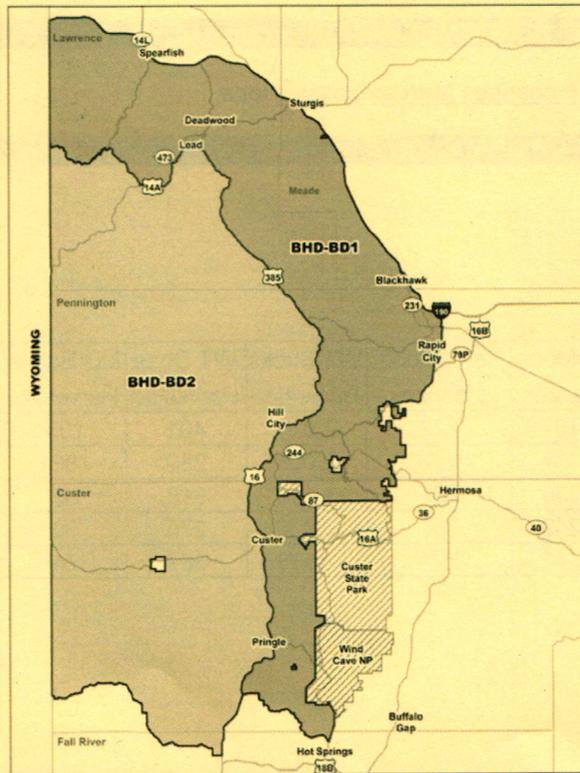
Year	Resident Licenses	Nonresident Licenses	WT Bucks Harvested	WT Does Harvested	MD Bucks Harvested	MD Does Harvested	All Deer Harvested	Hunter Success
2011	4,137	329	2,011	401	107	10	2,530	57%
2012	3,337	243	2,008	289	88	6	2,391	67%
2013	3,330	261	1,912	318	62	2	2,294	64%
2014	3,242	256	2,076	275	59	0	2,410	69%
2015	3,741	294	2,533	307	74	2	2,917	72%

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Current Black Hills Antlerless Deer Management Units  
(Units BD1, BD2, BD3, and BD4)

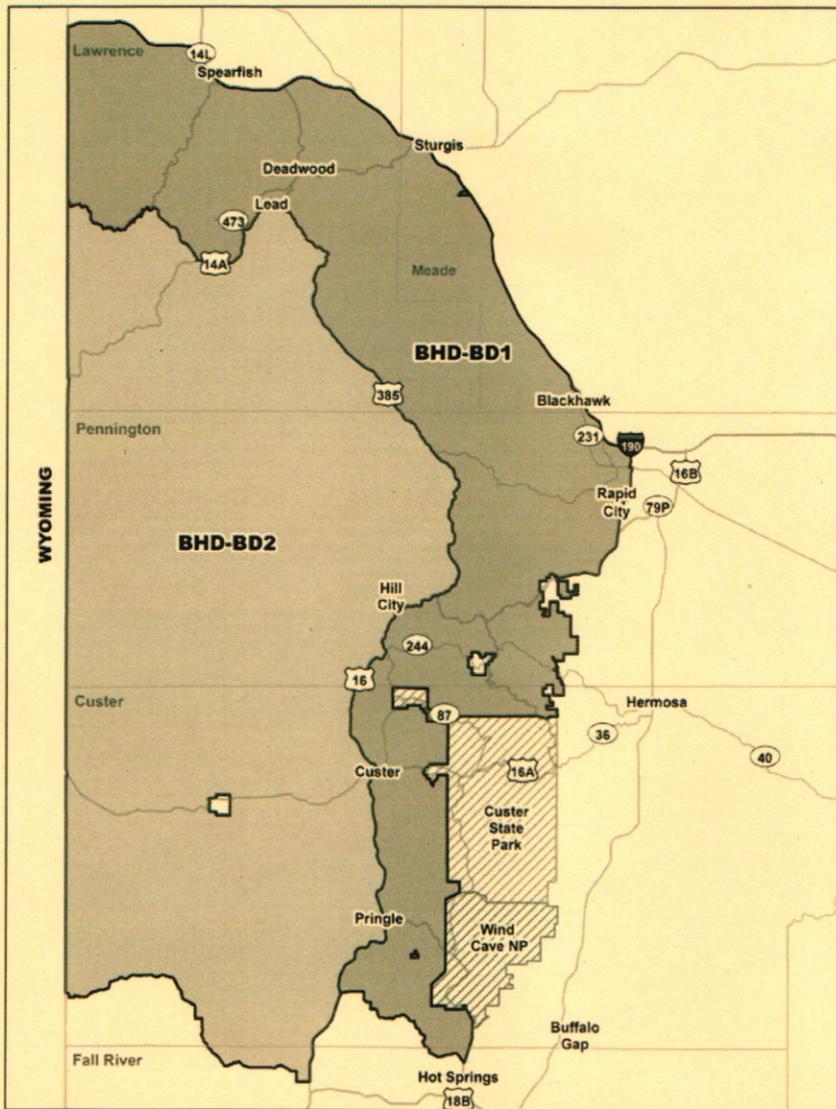


Proposed Black Hills Antlerless Deer Management Units  
(Units BHD-BD1 and BHD-BD2)



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# BLACK HILLS DEER UNITS



BH1 – All of the area in BD1 and BD2

## Black Hills Deer Licenses - 2016

Unit	Resident Licenses			Nonresident Licenses		
	"Any Deer"	"Any Whitetail"	"Any Antlerless Whitetail"	"Any Deer"	"Any Whitetail"	"Any Antlerless Whitetail"
BH1	200	3,500		16	280	
BD1			300			24
BD2			100			8

Black Hills Deer - 2016

Unit	Resident Licenses			Nonresident Licenses			License Totals							
	Any D	Any WT	Atl Whitetail	Any D	Any WT	Atl Whitetail	RES	RES	RES	RES	NR	NR	NR	NR
	01	11	13	01	11	13	1-tag	2-tag	Lic	Tags	1-tag	2-tag	Lic	Tags
BD1			300			24	300		300	300	24		24	24
BD2			100			8	100		100	100	8		8	8
BH1	200	3,500		16	280		3,700		3,700	3,700	296		296	296
TOTAL	200	3,500	400	16	280	32	4,100		4,100	4,100	328		328	328
Unit	Any D	Any WT	Atl Whitetail	Any D	Any WT	Atl Whitetail	RES	RES	RES	RES	NR	NR	NR	NR
	01	11	13	01	11	13	1-tag	2-tag	Lic	Tags	1-tag	2-tag	Lic	Tags
<b>RES and NR:</b>							<b>4,428</b>		<b>4,428</b>	<b>4,428</b>				

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BLACK H   DEER  
 2015--2016 Comparison

Resident Licenses												
Unit	Any Deer				Any Whitetail				Antlerless Whitetail			
	Year		Change		Year		Change		Year		Change	
	2015	2016	#	%	2015	2016	#	%	2015	2016	#	%
BD1									0	300	300	NA
BD2									0	100	100	NA
BH1	200	200	0	0%	3,500	3,500	0	0%				
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>3,500</b>	<b>3,500</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>400</b>	<b>400</b>	<b>NA</b>

Note: An additional 8% of the number of licenses will be available to nonresidents.

GAME, FISH AND PARKS COMMISSION ACTION  
FINALIZATION

**East River Deer Hunting Season**  
Chapter 41:06:21

Commission Meeting Dates:	Proposal	May 5-6, 2016	Custer State Park
	Public Hearing	June 2, 2016	Watertown
	Finalization	June 2-3, 2016	Watertown

**COMMISSION PROPOSAL**

**Season Dates:** November 19 – December 4, 2016

December 31, 2016 – January 8, 2017 for antlerless deer tags only

**Open Area:** See the attached map

**Licenses:** 17,505 one-tag, 10,175 two-tag, and 1,400 three-tag licenses (total of 42,055 tags)

**Requirements and Restrictions:**

1. One-half of the licenses allocated in each unit are available for landowner/operator preference.
2. In addition to these licenses, 556 "any deer" licenses are available through the "Special Buck" application as approved at the March GFP Commission meeting.
3. Landowners not possessing a license that allows the harvest of a buck may purchase an "any deer" or a two-tag "any deer + antlerless deer" license that is valid on their property only.
4. Initially, all licenses are available only to residents. Nonresidents may apply for licenses remaining after the second lottery drawing.
5. A portion of southeastern Minnehaha County is closed to hunting with firearms other than muzzleloaders and shotguns using slugs.
6. Only unfilled "any antlerless deer" and "antlerless whitetail deer" tags are valid for 9 days beginning on the Saturday after Christmas.

**Proposed changes from last year:**

1. Offer 4,220 less one-tag licenses, 5,075 more two-tag licenses (10,150 tags), and 1,400 more 3-tag licenses (4,200 tags) compared to 2015.
2. Establish Unit ERD-12B as an antlerless deer unit within Bon Homme County described as that portion of Bon Homme County south of SD Highway 50 and east of SD Highway 37 (see map).
3. Remove the language in administrative rule depicting the license type and number of licenses from each hunting unit.

Year	Buck Tags	Doe Tags	Total Tags
2015	19,625	12,300	31,925
2016	19,955	22,100	42,055

Buck Tags (+2%)  
Doe Tags (+80%)

**DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDATION**

Recommended changes from proposal:

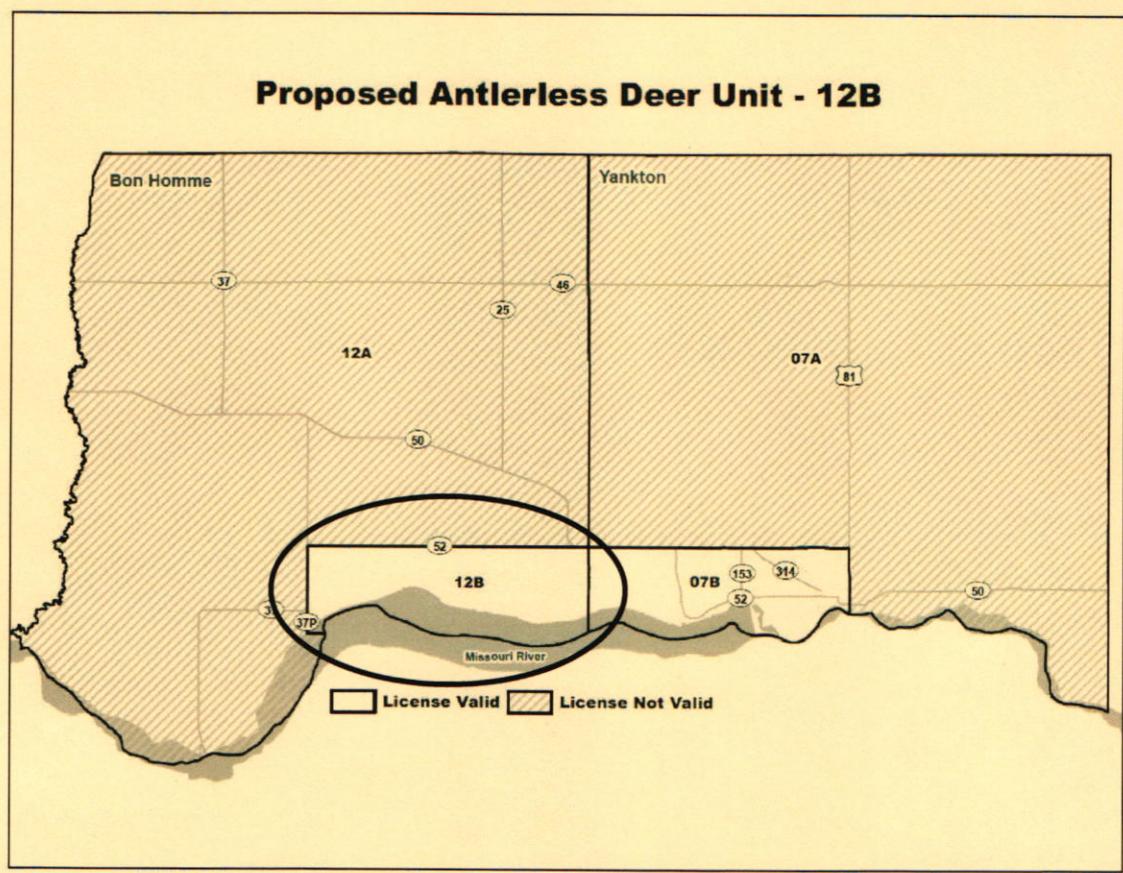
1. Establish Unit ERD-12B as an antlerless deer unit within Bon Homme County described as that portion of Bon Homme County south of SD Highway 50 and SD Highway 52, and east of SD Highway 37 (see map).

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**SUPPORTIVE INFORMATION**

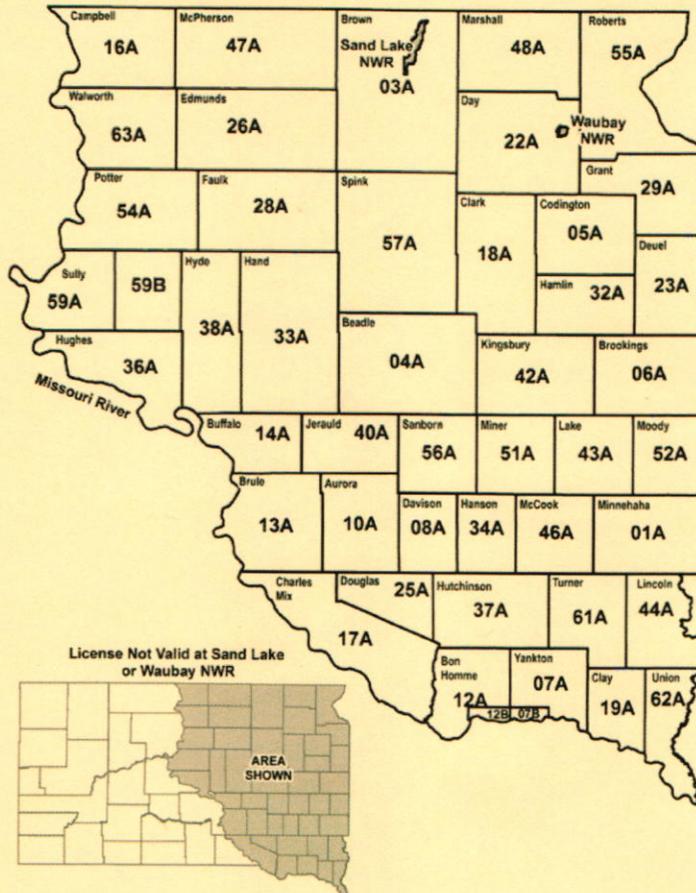
Year	Licenses Sold	WT Bucks Harvested	WT Does Harvested	MD Bucks Harvested	MD Does Harvested	All Deer Harvested	Tag Success
2011	47,539	14,970	19,401	502	513	35,386	44%
2012	39,284	13,522	14,153	383	337	28,394	46%
2013	32,990	8,914	9,857	189	249	19,210	38%
2014	25,171	9,679	5,864	254	48	15,845	55%
2015	26,752	10,041	6,413	246	59	16,759	53%

Proposed Unit ERD-12B (Antlerless Deer Unit)



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# EAST RIVER DEER UNITS



2016 – License and Tag Numbers by Unit

Unit	Licenses	Tags	Unit	Licenses	Tags	Unit	Licenses	Tags
01A	650	650	19A	200	200	44A	200	200
03A	2,200	2,200	22A	600	600	46A	450	450
04A	1,050	1,300	23A	400	400	47A	1,000	2,000
05A	250	250	25A	325	325	48A	500	500
06A	550	550	26A	1,300	2,600	51A	900	950
07A	250	250	28A	1,400	4,200	52A	450	450
07B	75	75	29A	300	300	54A	1,050	1,950
08A	300	300	32A	600	600	55A	500	500
10A	950	1,650	33A	870	1,720	56A	900	950
12A	200	200	34A	300	300	57A	1,300	1,300
12B	50	50	36A	600	775	59A	550	950
13A	1,150	2,000	37A	100	100	59B	470	920
14A	400	700	38A	920	1,820	61A	100	100
16A	720	1,420	40A	700	1,300	62A	250	250
17A	550	550	42A	700	700	63A	750	1,450
18A	600	600	43A	450	450			

Unit #	Unit Name	Resident Licenses												License Totals				
		AnyD	AtID	AD+2AntID	3AntID	AD+AtID	2 AtID	AnyW	AtIW	AnyW+2AntIW	3 AtIW	AW+AtIW	2 AtIW	RES	RES	RES	RES	RES
		01	03	06	07	08	09	11	13	16	17	18	19	1-tag	2-tag	3-tag	Licenses	Tags
01A	Minnehaha	550	100										650	0	0	650	650	
03A	Brown	1,000	1,200										2,200	0	0	2,200	2,200	
04A	Beadle							600	200				800	250	0	1,050	1,300	
05A	Codington	250											250	0	0	250	250	
06A	Brookings	450	100										550	0	0	550	550	
07A	Yankton	250											250	0	0	250	250	
07B	Yankton		75										75	0	0	75	75	
08A	Davison							300					300	0	0	300	300	
10A	Aurora							50	200				250	700	0	950	1,650	
12A	Bon Homme							200					200	0	0	200	200	
12B	Bon Homme								50				50	0	0	50	50	
13A	Brule	300											300	850	0	1,150	2,000	
14A	Buffalo	100											100	300	0	400	700	
16A	Campbell	20											20	700	0	720	1,420	
17A	Charles Mix	150						300	100				550	0	0	550	550	
18A	Clark	600											600	0	0	600	600	
19A	Clay	200											200	0	0	200	200	
22A	Day	600											600	0	0	600	600	
23A	Deuel	400											400	0	0	400	400	
25A	Douglas							250	75				325	0	0	325	325	
26A	Edmunds					700	600						0	1,300	0	1,300	2,600	
28A	Faulk			600	800								0	0	1,400	1,400	4,200	
29A	Grant	300											300	0	0	300	300	
32A	Hamlin	600											600	0	0	600	600	
33A	Hand	20											20	850	0	870	1,720	
34A	Hanson							300					300	0	0	300	300	
36A	Hughes	175						250					425	175	0	600	775	
37A	Hutchinson							100					100	0	0	100	100	
38A	Hyde	20											20	900	0	920	1,820	
40A	Jerauld							50	50				100	600	0	700	1,300	
42A	Kingsbury	500	200										700	0	0	700	700	
43A	Lake	350	100										450	0	0	450	450	
44A	Lincoln	200											200	0	0	200	200	
46A	McCook	350	100										450	0	0	450	450	
47A	McPherson					500	500						0	1,000	0	1,000	2,000	
48A	Marshall	500											500	0	0	500	500	
51A	Miner	400	450					50					850	50	0	900	950	
52A	Moody	350	100										450	0	0	450	450	
54A	Potter	150											150	900	0	1,050	1,950	
55A	Roberts	500											500	0	0	500	500	
56A	Sanborn							400	450				850	50	0	900	950	
57A	Spink	900	400										1,300	0	0	1,300	1,300	
59A	Sully West	150											150	400	0	550	950	
59B	Sully East	20											20	450	0	470	920	
61A	Turner	100											100	0	0	100	100	
62A	Union	250											250	0	0	250	250	
63A	Walworth	50											50	700	0	750	1,450	
	TOTAL	10,755	2,825	600	800	1,200	1,150	2,800	1,125	0	0	4,600	3,225	17,505	10,175	1,400	29,080	42,055
Unit #	Unit Name	AnyD	AtID	AD+2AntID	3AntID	AD+AtID	2 AtID	AnyW	AtIW	AnyW+2AntIW	3 AtIW	AW+AtIW	2 AtIW	RES	RES	RES	RES	RES
		01	03	06	07	08	09	11	13	16	17	18	19	1-tag	2-tag	3-tag	Licenses	Tags

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EAST RIVER DEER  
2015--2016 Comparison

Unit #	Unit Name	2015 Resident Licenses	2016 Resident Licenses	# Change	% Change	2015 Resident Tags	2016 Resident Tags	# Change	% Change
01A	Minnehaha	550	650	100	18%	550	650	100	18%
03A	Brown	1,500	2,200	700	47%	1,500	2,200	700	47%
04A	Beadle	1,000	1,050	50	5%	1,000	1,300	300	30%
05A	Codington	250	250	0	0%	250	250	0	0%
06A	Brookings	450	550	100	22%	450	550	100	22%
07A	Yankton	150	250	100	67%	150	250	100	67%
07B	Yankton	50	75	25	50%	50	75	25	50%
08A	Davison	300	300	0	0%	300	300	0	0%
10A	Aurora	800	950	150	19%	1,100	1,650	550	50%
12A	Bon Homme	150	200	50	33%	150	200	50	33%
12B	Bon Homme	0	50	50	NA	0	50	50	NA
13A	Brule	1,350	1,150	-200	-15%	1,350	2,000	650	48%
14A	Buffalo	400	400	0	0%	400	700	300	75%
16A	Campbell	720	720	0	0%	720	1,420	700	97%
17A	Charles Mix	450	550	100	22%	450	550	100	22%
18A	Clark	600	600	0	0%	600	600	0	0%
19A	Clay	150	200	50	33%	150	200	50	33%
22A	Day	600	600	0	0%	600	600	0	0%
23A	Deuel	400	400	0	0%	400	400	0	0%
25A	Douglas	250	325	75	30%	250	325	75	30%
26A	Edmunds	1,200	1,300	100	8%	2,400	2,600	200	8%
28A	Faulk	1,500	1,400	-100	-7%	3,000	4,200	1,200	40%
29A	Grant	300	300	0	0%	300	300	0	0%
32A	Hamlin	600	600	0	0%	600	600	0	0%
33A	Hand	1,020	870	-150	-15%	1,020	1,720	700	69%
34A	Hanson	300	300	0	0%	300	300	0	0%
36A	Hughes	575	600	25	4%	725	775	50	7%
37A	Hutchinson	20	100	80	400%	20	100	80	400%
38A	Hyde	920	920	0	0%	1,820	1,820	0	0%
40A	Jerauld	650	700	50	8%	850	1,300	450	53%
42A	Kingsbury	700	700	0	0%	700	700	0	0%
43A	Lake	350	450	100	29%	350	450	100	29%
44A	Lincoln	200	200	0	0%	200	200	0	0%
46A	McCook	350	450	100	29%	350	450	100	29%
47A	McPherson	800	1,000	200	25%	800	2,000	1,200	150%
48A	Marshall	500	500	0	0%	500	500	0	0%
51A	Miner	800	900	100	13%	800	950	150	19%
52A	Moody	300	450	150	50%	300	450	150	50%
54A	Potter	1,050	1,050	0	0%	1,050	1,950	900	86%
55A	Roberts	400	500	100	25%	400	500	100	25%
56A	Sanborn	800	900	100	13%	800	950	150	19%
57A	Spink	1,300	1,300	0	0%	1,300	1,300	0	0%
59A	Sully West	550	550	0	0%	950	950	0	0%
59B	Sully East	470	470	0	0%	920	920	0	0%
61A	Turner	100	100	0	0%	100	100	0	0%
62A	Union	200	250	50	25%	200	250	50	25%
63A	Walworth	750	750	0	0%	750	1,450	700	93%
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>26,825</b>	<b>29,080</b>	<b>2,255</b>	<b>8%</b>	<b>31,925</b>	<b>42,055</b>	<b>10,130</b>	<b>32%</b>

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

**West River Deer Hunting Season  
Chapter 41:06:20**

<b>Commission Meeting Dates:</b>	<b>Proposal</b>	<b>May 5-6, 2016</b>	<b>Custer State Park</b>
	<b>Public Hearing</b>	<b>June 2, 2016</b>	<b>Watertown</b>
	<b>Finalization</b>	<b>June 2-3, 2016</b>	<b>Watertown</b>

**COMMISSION PROPOSAL**

**Season Dates:**

Units 30A (Gregory) and 50A (Mellette): November 5-8 and November 21-27, 2016  
 All Other Units: November 12-27, 2016

**Open Area:** See the attached map

**Licenses:** Residents: 14,345 one-tag, 5,420 two-tag, and 0 three-tag licenses  
 Nonresidents: 1,151 one-tag, 434 two-tag, and 0 three-tag licenses

**Requirements and Restrictions:**

- 500 resident and 500 nonresident "any deer" licenses are available through the "Special Buck" application.
- One-half of the licenses allocated in each unit are available for landowner/operator preference applicants.
- Landowners may also purchase an "any deer" or "any deer + any antlerless deer" license that is valid only on their property as long they do not hold a regular West River deer license that allows the harvest of a buck.
- Only persons using a wheelchair may apply for the licenses in Stanley County (Unit 58D) designated as a special "Hunters with Disabilities Unit."

**Proposed changes from last year:**

- Adjust resident license numbers by decreasing one-tag licenses by 2,095 and increasing two-tag licenses by 3,800 compared to 2015.
- Adjust nonresident license numbers by decreasing one-tag licenses by 168 and increasing two-tag licenses by 304 compared to 2015.
- Remove the language in administrative rule depicting the license type and number of licenses from each hunting unit.

Year	Buck Tags	Doe Tags	Total Tags
2015	15,925	3,755	19,680
2016	16,480	8,705	25,185

Buck Tags (+4%)  
 Doe Tags (+132%)

**DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDATION**

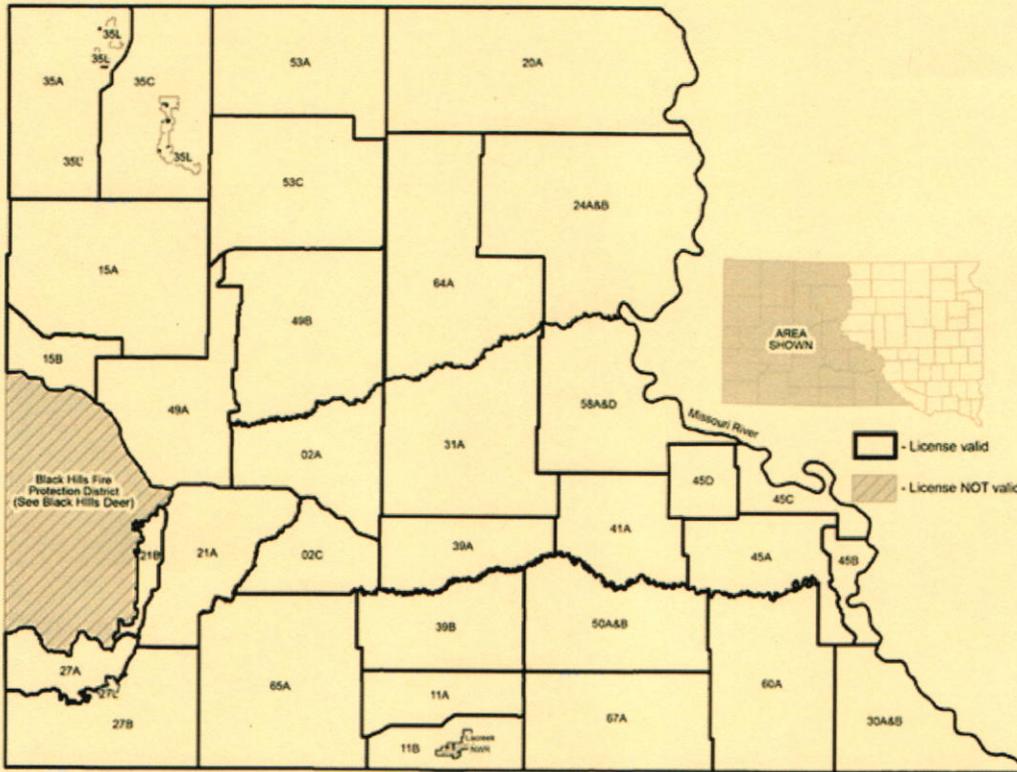
Recommended changes from proposal: None

**SUPPORTIVE INFORMATION**

Year	Licenses	WT Bucks	WT Does	MD Bucks	MD Does	All Deer	Tag
	Sold	Harvested	Harvested	Harvested	Harvested	Harvested	Success
2011	29,895	11,139	12,301	4,456	3,901	31,797	48%
2012	25,654	8,978	9,146	3,950	2,466	24,541	49%
2013	22,838	7,000	5,632	2,729	1,567	16,927	36%
2014	19,828	6,641	2,244	2,448	274	11,607	59%
2015	19,565	7,739	2,367	2,804	182	13,091	61%

**APPROVE** \_\_\_\_\_ **MODIFY** \_\_\_\_\_ **REJECT** \_\_\_\_\_ **NO ACTION** \_\_\_\_\_

# WEST RIVER DEER UNITS



**2016 - West River Deer License & Tag Numbers**

Unit	Resident		Nonresident		Unit	Resident		Nonresident	
	Licenses	Tags	Licenses	Tags		Licenses	Tags	Licenses	Tags
02A	600	800	48	64	39A	250	250	20	20
02C	150	150	12	12	39B	400	400	32	32
11A	250	250	20	20	41A	550	900	44	72
11B	225	225	18	18	45A	800	1,500	64	120
15A	1,000	1,850	80	148	45B	250	250	20	20
15B	800	1,450	64	116	45C	50	70	5	7
20A	400	400	32	32	45D	90	90	8	8
21A	300	300	24	24	49A	1,000	1,000	80	80
21B	150	150	12	12	49B	1,400	1,400	112	112
24A	450	450	36	36	50A	450	450	36	36
24B	20	20	2	2	50B	600	600	48	48
27A	100	100	8	8	53A	850	1,400	68	112
27B	500	500	40	40	53C	1,200	1,900	96	152
27L	20	20	2	2	58A	550	550	44	44
30A	850	1,550	68	124	58D	10	10	2	2
30B	850	1,550	68	124	60A	1,800	1,800	144	144
31A	850	850	68	68	64A	500	500	40	40
35A	650	650	52	52	65A	75	75	6	6
35C	500	500	40	40	67A	150	150	12	12
35L	125	125	10	10					



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WEST RIVER DEER  
2015--2016 Comparison

Unit #	Unit Name	2015 Resident Licenses	2016 Resident Licenses	# Change	% Change	2015 Resident Tags	2016 Resident Tags	# Change	% Change
02A	Pennington	600	600	0	0%	800	800	0	0%
02C	Pennington	150	150	0	0%	150	150	0	0%
11A	Bennett	250	250	0	0%	250	250	0	0%
11B	Bennett	200	225	25	13%	200	225	25	13%
15A	Butte	800	1,000	200	25%	1,500	1,850	350	23%
15B	Butte	750	800	50	7%	850	1,450	600	71%
20A	Corson	400	400	0	0%	400	400	0	0%
21A	Custer	300	300	0	0%	300	300	0	0%
21B	Custer	100	150	50	50%	100	150	50	50%
24A	Dewey	450	450	0	0%	450	450	0	0%
24B	Little Moreau	20	20	0	0%	20	20	0	0%
27A	Fall River	100	100	0	0%	100	100	0	0%
27B	Fall River	400	500	100	25%	400	500	100	25%
27L	Fall River	15	20	5	33%	15	20	5	33%
30A	Gregory	800	850	50	6%	800	1,550	750	94%
30B	Gregory	800	850	50	6%	800	1,550	750	94%
31A	Haakon	900	850	-50	-6%	900	850	-50	-6%
35A	Harding	300	650	350	117%	300	650	350	117%
35C	Harding	300	500	200	67%	300	500	200	67%
35L	Harding	100	125	25	25%	100	125	25	25%
39A	Jackson	250	250	0	0%	250	250	0	0%
39B	Jackson	350	400	50	14%	350	400	50	14%
41A	Jones	700	550	-150	-21%	700	900	200	29%
45A	Lyman	800	800	0	0%	1,400	1,500	100	7%
45B	Lyman	250	250	0	0%	250	250	0	0%
45C	Lyman	50	50	0	0%	70	70	0	0%
45D	Lyman	90	90	0	0%	90	90	0	0%
49A	Meade	850	1,000	150	18%	850	1,000	150	18%
49B	Meade	1,100	1,400	300	27%	1,100	1,400	300	27%
50A	Mellette	450	450	0	0%	450	450	0	0%
50B	Mellette	600	600	0	0%	600	600	0	0%
53A	Perkins	650	850	200	31%	650	1,400	750	115%
53C	Perkins	1,100	1,200	100	9%	1,100	1,900	800	73%
58A	Stanley	550	550	0	0%	550	550	0	0%
58D	Stanley	10	10	0	0%	10	10	0	0%
60A	Tripp	1,800	1,800	0	0%	1,800	1,800	0	0%
64A	Ziebach	500	500	0	0%	500	500	0	0%
65A	Oglala Lakota	75	75	0	0%	75	75	0	0%
67A	Todd	150	150	0	0%	150	150	0	0%
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>18,060</b>	<b>19,765</b>	<b>1,705</b>	<b>9%</b>	<b>19,680</b>	<b>25,185</b>	<b>5,505</b>	<b>28%</b>

Note: An additional 8% of the number of licenses will be available to nonresidents.

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

**National Wildlife Refuge Deer Hunting Season**

Chapter 41:06:36

<b>Commission Meeting Dates:</b>	<b>Proposal</b>	<b>May 5-6, 2016</b>	<b>Custer State Park</b>
	<b>Public Hearing</b>	<b>June 2, 2016</b>	<b>Watertown</b>
	<b>Finalization</b>	<b>June 2-3, 2016</b>	<b>Watertown</b>

**COMMISSION PROPOSAL**

**Season Dates:**

Sand Lake NWR	November 12-16, November 17-21, November 22-27, November 28 – December 4, December 5-11, and December 31, 2016 - January 8, 2017.
Lacreek NWR	October 19-25 and November 23-29.
Waubay NWR*	November 12-19, November 20-27, and November 28 – December 4.

\* includes Waubay State Game Refuge

**Licenses:**

Sand Lake NWR	Resident: 100 "any deer" and 50 "any antlerless deer" licenses Nonresident: 10 "any deer" and 5 "any antlerless deer" licenses
Lacreek NWR	Residents: 20 "any deer" licenses Nonresidents: 3 "any deer" licenses
Waubay NWR	Residents: 30 "any deer" licenses Nonresidents: 3 "any deer" licenses

**Requirements and Restrictions:**

- The first season on Sand Lake NWR, both seasons on Lacreek NWR and the first 2 seasons on Waubay NWR are restricted to muzzleloaders.
- Applicants may apply for only one refuge unit (season) in the first application period.
- Licenses remaining after the first application period may be purchased by any resident or nonresident on a first-come, first serve basis.

**Proposed changes from last year:**

- Offer 10 less resident and 1 less nonresident "any deer" licenses for Unit RFD-LC1 in Lacreek National Wildlife Refuge compared to 2015.
- Remove the language in administrative rule depicting the license type and number of licenses from each hunting unit.

**DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDATION**

Recommended changes from proposal: None.

**SUPPORTIVE INFORMATION**

Table includes harvest data from Sand Lake, Lacreek and Waubay National Wildlife Refuges.

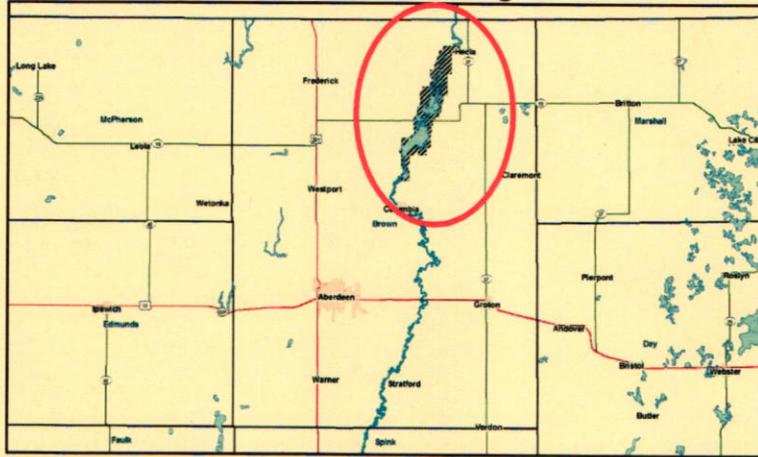
Year	Licenses	Bucks Harvested	Does Harvested	Total Harvest	Hunter Success
2011	329	55	67	122	37%
2012	248	64	31	95	38%
2013	213	63	23	85	37%
2014	200	60	6	66	33%
2015	212	59	6	65	31%

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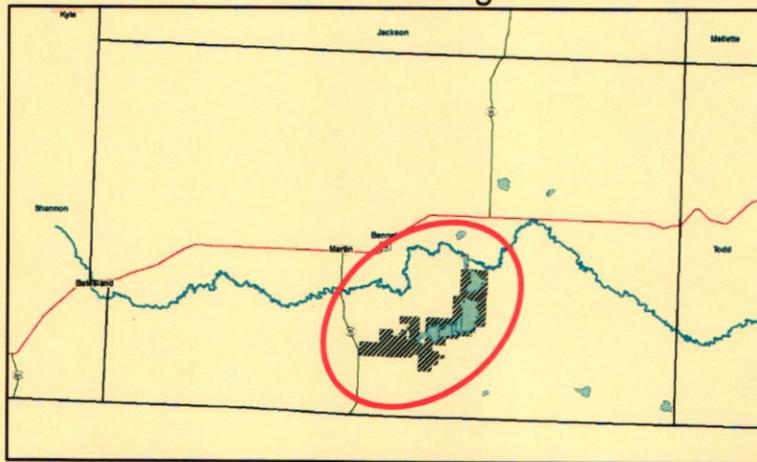
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# REFUGE DEER UNITS

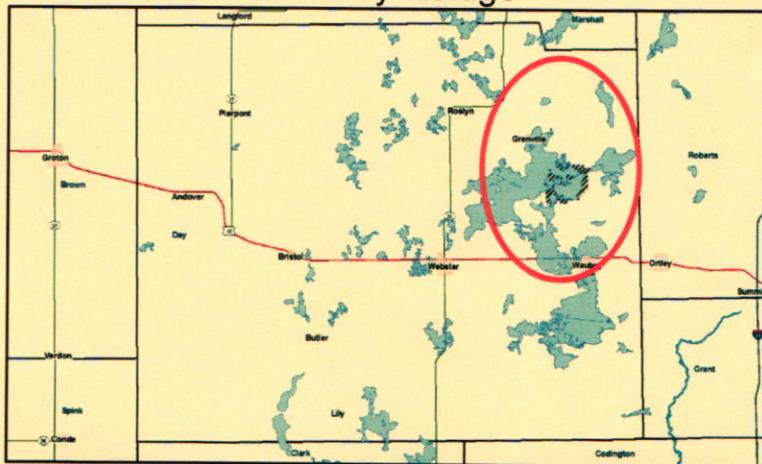
## Sand Lake Refuge



## Lacreek Refuge



## Waubay Refuge



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Refuge Deer - 2016

Unit	Resident Licenses	
	Any Deer	Any Antlerless Deer
	Lacreek Refuge	
RFD-LC1	5	
RFD-LC2	15	
Sand Lake Refuge		
RFD-SL1	20	10
RFD-SL2	20	10
RFD-SL3	20	10
RFD-SL4	20	10
RFD-SL5	20	10
Waubay Refuge		
RFD-WA1	10	
RFD-WA2	10	
RFD-WA3	10	
TOTAL	150	50

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REFUGE DEER  
2015--2016 Comparison

Resident Licenses								
Refuge Unit	Any Deer				Antlerless Deer			
	Year		Change		Year		Change	
	2015	2016	#	%	2015	2016	#	%
Lacreek Refuge								
RFD-LC1	15	5	-10	-67%				
RFD-LC2	15	15	0	0%				
Sand Lake Refuge								
RFD-SL1	20	20	0	0%	10	10	0	0
RFD-SL2	20	20	0	0%	10	10	0	0
RFD-SL3	20	20	0	0%	10	10	0	0
RFD-SL4	20	20	0	0%	10	10	0	0
RFD-SL5	20	20	0	0%	10	10	0	0
Waubay Refuge								
RFD-WA1	10	10	0	0%				
RFD-WA2	10	10	0	0%				
RFD-WA3	10	10	0	0%				
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>160</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>-10</b>	<b>-6%</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0%</b>

Note: An additional 8% of the number of licenses will be available to nonresidents.

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

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**Archery Deer Hunting Season 41:06:22**

Commission Meeting Dates:	Proposal	May 5-6, 2016	Custer State Park
	Public Hearing	June 2, 2016	Watertown
	Finalization	June 2-3, 2016	Watertown

**COMMISSION PROPOSAL**

- Season Dates:** September 24, 2016 – January 15, 2017
- Open Area:** "Any Deer" Licenses: Statewide, East River, West River  
"Antlerless Whitetail Deer" Licenses: Unit ARD-LM1
- Licenses:** Unlimited "any deer" licenses  
Unlimited single tag "antlerless whitetail deer" licenses

**Requirements and Restrictions:**

- Resident and nonresident hunters may purchase one (1) statewide "any deer" license or one (1) East River "any deer" license and one (1) West River "any deer" license.
- Residents and nonresidents may purchase one (1) "antlerless whitetail deer" license.
- Individuals may purchase one "antlerless whitetail deer" license for Unit ARD-LM1 (see map).
- Shooting hours are ½ hour before sunrise to ½ hour after sunset.
- From Jan 1-15, only "antlerless whitetail deer" licenses are valid.
- Sand Lake NWR is open Oct 15 – Dec 31, except during the Sand Lake NWR firearm deer season.
- Waubay Lake State Game Refuge and Waubay National Wildlife Refuge in Day County are open through Dec 31, except during refuge deer seasons.
- Lacreek NWR is open through Dec 31, except during the Lacreek NWR firearm deer seasons.
- Licenses must obtain an access permit from the Department issued by lottery drawing before hunting Adams Homestead and Nature Preserve, Good Earth State Park.

**Proposed changes from last year:**

- For Unit ARD-LM1, close units 39A and 45B and open units BD1, BD2, 01A, 06A, 07B, 12B, 17A, 25A, 27B, 35A, 35C, 43A, 44A (north of 273<sup>rd</sup> Street), 46A, 49A, 49B, 52A, and 53A.
- Increase the number of "antlerless whitetail deer" archery access permits from 20 to 25 for the Adams Homestead and Nature Preserve.

Designated Area	2016 Number of Access Permits		
	Any Deer	Antlerless Whitetail Deer	Total
Adams Homestead and Nature Preserve	5	25	30
Good Earth State Park	5	0	5

- Remove the language in administrative rule depicting the license type and number of licenses from each hunting unit and the number of access permits from each designated area.

**DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDATION**

Recommended changes from proposal: None.

**SUPPORTIVE INFORMATION**

Year	"Any Deer" Licenses	"Antlerless Deer" Licenses (Tags)	Hunter Success	WT Bucks Harvested	WT Does Harvested	MD Bucks Harvested	MD Does Harvested	Deer Harvested
2011	20,210	7,857 (10,958)	27%	4,216	3,534	459	193	8,401
2012	20,528	7,700 (9,630)	27%	4,221	3,363	354	135	8,074
2013	20,956	6,395 (8,590)	25%	4,040	2,633	445	158	7,277
2014	21,634	2,853 (2,853)	26%	4,052	1,487	516	85	6,141
2015	23,636	3,051 (3,051)	28%	5,136	1,589	647	78	7,451

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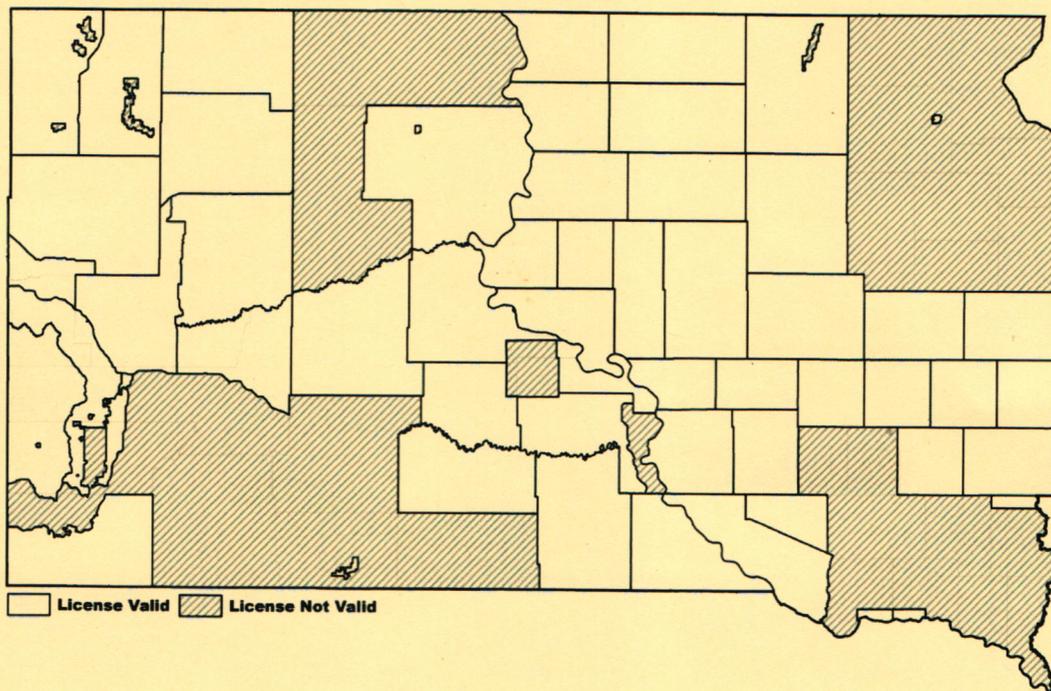
### Archery Deer Hunting Season 2016 "Antlerless License" Restrictions

1. The Unit ARD-LM1 single-tag "antlerless whitetail deer" license is valid in all areas except the shaded areas.
2. Archery antlerless deer licenses are not valid on Sand Lake National Wildlife Refuge in Brown County.

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#### Archery Antlerless Whitetail Deer

#### Unit ARD-LM1



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

**General Muzzleloading Deer Hunting Season  
Chapter 41:06:45**

<b>Commission Meeting Dates:</b>	<b>Proposal</b>	<b>May 5-6, 2016</b>	<b>Custer State Park</b>
	<b>Public Hearing</b>	<b>June 2, 2016</b>	<b>Watertown</b>
	<b>Finalization</b>	<b>June 2-3, 2016</b>	<b>Watertown</b>

**COMMISSION PROPOSAL**

**Season Dates:** December 1, 2016 – January 15, 2017

**Open Area:** "Any Deer" Licenses: Statewide  
"Antlerless Whitetail Deer" Licenses: Unit MZD-LM1

**Licenses:** 1,000 "any deer" licenses  
Unlimited single tag "antlerless whitetail deer" licenses

**Requirements and Restrictions:**

1. Only residents are eligible to apply for "any deer" tags. Residents and nonresidents may purchase "antlerless whitetail deer" licenses.
2. Individuals may purchase one "antlerless whitetail deer" license for Unit MZD-LM1 (see map).
3. Shooting hours are ½ hour before sunrise to ½ hour after sunset.
4. From Jan 1-15, only "antlerless whitetail deer" licenses are valid.
5. Sand Lake National Wildlife Refuge, Lacreek National Wildlife Refuge, Lake Andes National Wildlife Refuge, Waubay National Wildlife Refuge, Waubay State Game Refuge, Farm Island State Recreation Area, LaFramboise Island Nature Area, and the Fort Meade Bureau of Land Management South unit and the signed portion of the North unit are closed to general muzzleloading deer hunting.

**Proposed changes from last year:**

1. For Unit MZD-LM1, close units 39A and 45B and open units BD1, BD2, 01A, 06A, 07B, 12B, 17A, 25A, 27B, 35A, 35C, 43A, 46A, 49A, 49B, 52A, and 53A.
2. Remove language in administrative rule depicting the license type and number of licenses from each hunting unit.

**DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDATION**

Recommended changes from proposal: None.

**SUPPORTIVE INFORMATION**

Year	1st Choice Applications	"Any Deer" Licenses	"Antlerless Deer" Licenses (Tags)	Hunter Success	WT Bucks Harvested	WT Does Harvested	MD Bucks Harvested	MD Does Harvested	Deer Harvested
2011	5,404	1,018	5,012 (6,712)	26%	308	1,113	83	216	1,720
2012	6,062	986	4,158 (5,717)	29%	433	1,218	115	211	1,977
2013	5,866	1,019	3,617 (4,717)	23%	315	825	63	142	1,346
2014	6,823	1,000	3,155 (3,155)	26%	241	507	77	1	835
2015	6,892	1,013	2,433 (2,433)	27%	313	529	77	16	935

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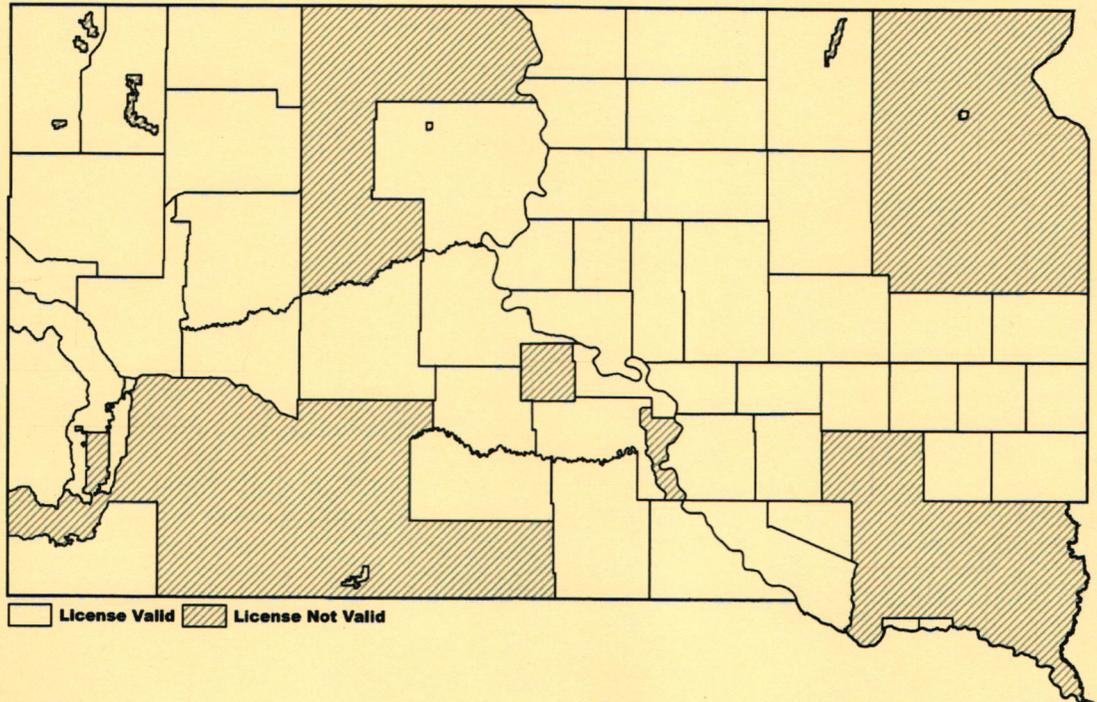
### Muzzleloader Deer Hunting Season 2016 "Antlerless License" Restrictions

1. The Unit MZD-LM1 single-tag "antlerless whitetail deer" license is valid in all areas except the shaded areas.

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#### Muzzleloader Antlerless Whitetail Deer

#### Unit ARD-LM1



# GAME, FISH, AND PARKS COMMISSION ACTION FINALIZATION

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## Custer State Park Deer Hunting Season Chapter 41:06:41

<b>Commission Meeting Dates:</b>	<b>Proposal</b> <b>Public Hearing</b> <b>Finalization</b>	<b>May 5-6, 2016</b> <b>June 2, 2016</b> <b>June 2-3, 2016</b>	<b>Custer State Park</b> <b>Watertown</b> <b>Watertown</b>
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### COMMISSION PROPOSAL

**Season Dates:** November 5-18, 2016

**Licenses:** 10 "Any Whitetail Deer" licenses  
 30 "Antlerless Whitetail Deer" muzzleloader licenses

**Requirements and Restrictions:**

1. Season open from the first Saturday in November for 14 consecutive days.
2. Applicants successful in drawing an "any" tag type are ineligible for the license again for 10 years.

**Proposed changes from last year:**

1. Offer 10 more "antlerless whitetail deer" muzzleloader licenses.
2. Remove the language in administrative rule depicting the license type and number of licenses from each hunting unit.
3. Repeal Unit CUD-ZZ1.

### DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDATION

**Recommended changes from proposal:** None.

### SUPPORTIVE INFORMATION

Year	License Type	Applicants	WT Bucks Harvested	WT Does Harvested	MD Bucks Harvested	MD Does Harvested	All Deer Harvested	Success
2011	Any WT	1,831*	9		1		10	100%
	Any Deer		1		1		2	100%
	Antlerless WT			23			23	82%
2012	Any WT	1,825*	10				10	100%
	Any Deer				1		1	50%
2013	Any WT	1,474*	7				7	67%
	Antlerless WT			17			17	87%
2014	Any WT	1,755*	8				8	80%
	Antlerless WT			13			13	65%
2015	Any WT	1,755*	8				8	80%
	Antlerless WT			15			15	79%

\*Number of applicants is for all seasons combined.

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# GAME, FISH AND PARKS COMMISSION ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION

## Deer Hunting Seasons – Hunting Unit License & Access Permit Allocations

Commission Meeting Dates:	Proposal	May 5-6, 2016	CSP
	Public Hearing	June 2, 2016	Watertown
	Finalization	June 2-3, 2016	Watertown

## LICENSE & ACCESS PERMIT ALLOCATION BY SEASONS AND UNITS

### Black Hills Deer Season

#### 2015 – 2016 Tag Comparison

Unit	Resident Tags					
	Any Deer		Any Whitetail		Antlerless Whitetail	
	2015	2016	2015	2016	2015	2016
BD1						300
BD2						100
BD3						
BD4						
BH1	200	200	3,500	3,500		
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>3,500</b>	<b>3,500</b>		<b>400</b>

#### 2016 License Allocations

Unit	Resident Licenses		
	Any Deer	Any Whitetail	Antlerless Whitetail
BD1			300
BD2			100
BH1	200	3,500	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>3,500</b>	<b>400</b>

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**East River Deer Season**

2015 – 2016 Tag Comparison

Unit #	Unit Name	Resident Tags							
		Any Deer Tags		Antlerless Deer Tags		Any Whitetail Tags		Antlerless Whitetail Tags	
		2015	2016	2015	2016	2015	2016	2015	2016
01A	Minnehaha	550	550		100				
03A	Brown	1,000	1,000	500	1,200				
04A	Beadle	600		400			650		650
05A	Codington	250	250						
06A	Brookings	450	450		100				
07A	Yankton	150	250						
07B	Yankton			50	75				
08A	Davison	300					300		
10A	Aurora	50				400	450	650	1,200
12A	Bon Homme					150	200		
12B	Bon Homme								50
13A	Brule	300	300			700	700	350	1,000
14A	Buffalo	100	100			250	250	50	350
16A	Campbell	20	20			400	400	300	1,000
17A	Charles Mix	150	150			300	300		100
18A	Clark	600	600						
19A	Clay	150	200						
22A	Day	600	600						
23A	Deuel	400	400						
25A	Douglas					250	250		75
26A	Edmunds	700	700	1,700	1,900				
28A	Faulk	600	600	2,400	3,600				
29A	Grant	300	300						
32A	Hamlin	600	600						
33A	Hand	20	20			500	450	500	1,250
34A	Hanson	300					300		
36A	Hughes	175	175			400	250	150	350
37A	Hutchinson					20	100		
38A	Hyde	20	20			500	500	1,300	1,300
40A	Jerauld	50				350	400	450	900
42A	Kingsbury	500	500	200	200				
43A	Lake	350	350		100				
44A	Lincoln	200	200						
46A	McCook	350	350		100				
47A	McPherson	500	500	300	1,500				
48A	Marshall	500	500						
51A	Miner	400	400	400	550				
52A	Moody	300	350		100				
54A	Potter	150	150			500	500	400	1,300
55A	Roberts	400	500						
56A	Sanborn	400		400			400		550
57A	Spink	900	900	400	400				
59A	Sully West	150	150			250	250	550	550
59B	Sully East	20	20			350	350	550	550
61A	Turner	100	100						
62A	Union	200	250						
63A	Walworth	50	50			400	400	300	1,000
	TOTAL	13,905	12,555	6,750	9,925	5,720	7,400	5,550	12,175

2016 License Allocations

Unit #	Unit Name	Resident Licenses											
		Any Deer	Antlerless Deer	Any Deer + 2 Antlerless Deer	3 Antlerless Deer	Any Deer + Antlerless Deer	2 Antlerless Deer	Any Whitetail	Antlerless Whitetail	Any Whitetail + 2 Antlerless Whitetail	3 Antlerless Whitetail	Any Whitetail + Antlerless Whitetail	2 Antlerless Whitetail
01A	Minnehaha	550	100										
03A	Brown	1,000	1,200										
04A	Beadle							600	200			50	200
05A	Codington	250											
06A	Brookings	450	100										
07A	Yankton	250											
07B	Yankton		75										
08A	Davison							300					
10A	Aurora							50	200			400	300
12A	Bon Homme							200					
12B	Bon Homme								50				
13A	Brule	300										700	150
14A	Buffalo	100										250	50
16A	Campbell	20										400	300
17A	Charles Mix	150						300	100				
18A	Clark	600											
19A	Clay	200											
22A	Day	600											
23A	Deuel	400											
25A	Douglas							250	75				
26A	Edmunds					700	600						
28A	Faulk			600	800								
29A	Grant	300											
32A	Hamlin	600											
33A	Hand	20										450	400
34A	Hanson							300					
36A	Hughes	175						250					175
37A	Hutchinson							100					
38A	Hyde	20										500	400
40A	Jerauld							50	50			350	250
42A	Kingsbury	500	200										
43A	Lake	350	100										
44A	Lincoln	200											
46A	McCook	350	100										
47A	McPherson					500	500						
48A	Marshall	500											
51A	Miner	400	450					50					
52A	Moody	350	100										
54A	Potter	150										500	400
55A	Roberts	500											
56A	Sanborn							400	450				50
57A	Spink	900	400										
59A	Sully West	150										250	150
59B	Sully East	20										350	100
61A	Turner	100											
62A	Union	250											
63A	Walworth	50										400	300
	TOTAL	10,755	2,825	600	800	1,200	1,150	2,800	1,125	0	0	4,600	3,225

**West River Deer Season**

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**2015 – 2016 Tag Comparison**

Unit #	Unit Name	Resident Tags							
		Any Deer Tags		Antlerless Deer Tags		Any Whitetail Tags		Antlerless Whitetail Tags	
		2015	2016	2015	2016	2015	2016	2015	2016
02A	Pennington	400	400			200	200	200	200
02C	Pennington	100	100			50	50		
11A	Bennett	150	150			100	100		
11B	Bennett	100	100			100	125		
15A	Butte	100	150			550	650	850	1,050
15B	Butte	650	150				500	200	800
20A	Corson	100	100			300	300		
21A	Custer	100	100			200	200		
21B	Custer	100	100						50
24A	Dewey	100	100			250	250	100	100
24B	Little Moreau					10	10	10	10
27A	Fall River	100	100						
27B	Fall River	200	200			200	200		100
27L	Fall River	15	10				10		
30A	Gregory	150	150			600	600	50	800
30B	Gregory	150	150			600	600	50	800
31A	Haakon	600	600			150	150	150	100
35A	Harding	150	200			150	250		200
35C	Harding	50	50			250	250		200
35L	Harding	100	125						
39A	Jackson	150	150			100	100		
39B	Jackson	250	250			100	150		
41A	Jones	300	200			250	350	150	350
45A	Lyman	200	100			450	550	750	850
45B	Lyman	50	50			200	200		
45C	Lyman	30	30					40	20
45D	Lyman	30	30			60	60		
49A	Meade	700	700			150	200		100
49B	Meade	700	700			400	400		300
50A	Mellette	150	150			200	200	100	100
50B	Mellette	250	250			250	250	100	100
53A	Perkins	300	300			350	350		750
53C	Perkins	500	500			300	400	300	1,000
58A	Stanley	150	150			200	200	200	200
58D	Stanley	5	5	5	5				
60A	Tripp	600	600			700	700	500	500
64A	Ziebach	300	300			200	200		
65A	Oglala Lakota	75	75						
67A	Todd	150	150						
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>8,305</b>	<b>7,725</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>7,620</b>	<b>8,755</b>	<b>3,750</b>	<b>8,680</b>



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**Refuge Deer Seasons**

2015 – 2016 Tag Comparison

Unit	Resident Tags			
	Any Deer		Any Antlerless Deer	
	2015	2016	2015	2016
Lacreek Refuge				
RFD-LC1	15	5		
RFD-LC2	15	15		
Sand Lake Refuge				
RFD-SL1	20	20	10	10
RFD-SL2	20	20	10	10
RFD-SL3	20	20	10	10
RFD-SL4	20	20	10	10
RFD-SL5	20	20	10	10
Waubay Refuge				
RFD-WA1	10	10		
RFD-WA2	10	10		
RFD-WA3	10	10		
TOTAL	160	150	50	50

2016 License Allocations

Unit	Resident Licenses	
	Any Deer	Any Antlerless Deer
Lacreek Refuge		
RFD-LC1	5	
RFD-LC2	15	
Sand Lake Refuge		
RFD-SL1	20	10
RFD-SL2	20	10
RFD-SL3	20	10
RFD-SL4	20	10
RFD-SL5	20	10
Waubay Refuge		
RFD-WA1	10	
RFD-WA2	10	
RFD-WA3	10	
TOTAL	150	50

**Muzzleloader Deer Season**

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2015 – 2016 Tag Comparison

	Resident Tags	
	Any Deer	
	2015	2016
Statewide	1,000	1,000
TOTAL	1,000	1,000

2016 License Allocations

	Resident Licenses
	Any Deer
Statewide	1,000
TOTAL	1,000

**Custer State Park Deer Season**

2015 – 2016 Tag Comparison

	Resident Tags			
	Any Whitetail Deer		Antlerless Whitetail Deer	
	2015	2016	2015	2016
Custer State Park	10	10	20	30
TOTAL	10	10	20	30

2016 License Allocations

	Resident Licenses	
	Any Whitetail Deer	Antlerless Whitetail Deer
Custer State Park	10	30
TOTAL	10	30

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**Access Permits – Archery Deer Season**

2015 – 2016 Access Permit Comparison

Designated Area	Number of Access Permits			
	Any Deer		Antlerless Whitetail Deer	
	2015	2016	2015	2016
Adams Homestead and Nature Preserve	5	5	20	25
Good Earth State Park	5	5	0	0
TOTAL	10	10	20	25

2016 Access Permit Allocations

Designated Area	Number of Access Permits	
	Any Deer	Antlerless Whitetail Deer
Adams Homestead and Nature Preserve	5	25
Good Earth State Park	5	0
TOTAL	10	25

GAME, FISH, AND PARKS COMMISSION ACTION  
FINALIZATION

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Application for License  
Chapter 41:06:01

Commission Meeting Dates:	Proposal	May 5-6, 2016	Custer State Park
	Public Hearing	June 2, 2016	Watertown
	Finalization	June 2-3, 2016	Watertown

COMMISSION PROPOSAL

Current Rule

**41:06:01:13. Designation of areas where free antlerless deer licenses can be used by farmers and ranchers.** Antlerless licenses authorized by SDCL 41-6-19.8 may be issued to any qualifying farmer or rancher for use in the West River, East River, Youth, Archery, and Muzzleloading deer hunting units where at least one antlerless deer tag is available after the second lottery drawing from the previous year East River and West River deer seasons. However, no such free antlerless license is valid in counties where antlerless archery or a muzzleloader license is restricted. The requirements and equipment restrictions for each deer season apply to any free antlerless license issued.

Proposed changes:

1. Repeal language referencing licenses available after second lottery drawing from the previous year and to those counties where antlerless archery and muzzleloader licenses are restricted.
2. Make "antlerless whitetail deer" licenses available to those eligible applicants in hunting units which offer a deer license with multiple tags for antlerless deer (e.g. double or triple "any antlerless deer" or "antlerless whitetail deer" tags) in the lottery drawing for the East River and West River deer seasons (see attached map).

SUPPORTIVE INFORMATION

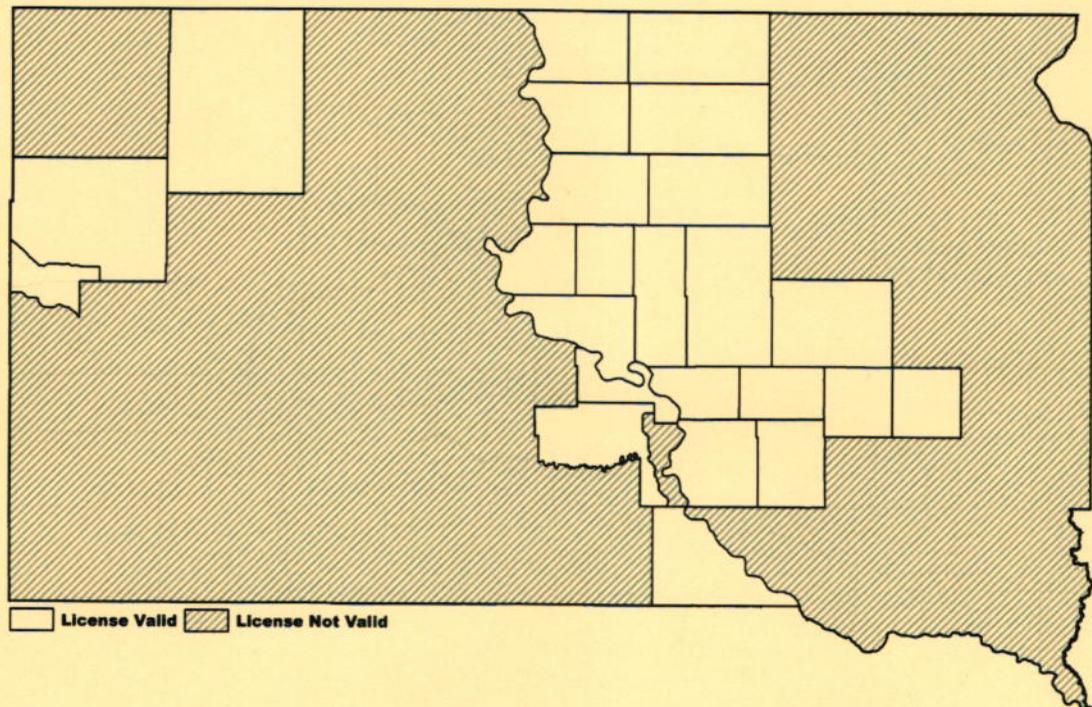
The recommended changes will allow the Department to make free antlerless deer licenses available to qualifying farmers and ranchers in designated areas in accordance with current harvest management objectives.

APPROVE \_\_\_\_\_ MODIFY \_\_\_\_\_ REJECT \_\_\_\_\_ NO ACTION \_\_\_\_\_

## Landowner Free Antlerless Deer License

1. **41:06:01:13. Designation of areas where free antlerless deer licenses can be used by farmers and ranchers.** Antlerless licenses authorized by SDCL 41-6-19.8 may be issued to any qualifying farmer or rancher for use in the West River, East River, Youth, Archery, and Muzzleloading deer hunting seasons. "Antlerless whitetail" deer licenses will be available to qualifying applicants in hunting units which offer a deer license with multiple tags for antlerless deer (e.g. double or triple tag "any antlerless" deer and "antlerless whitetail" deer licenses) in the lottery drawing for the East River and West River deer seasons. The requirements and equipment restrictions for each deer season apply to any free antlerless license issued.

2016 Landowner Free Antlerless Whitetail Deer License Map



## January to May 2016 Revenue Comparison by Item

	2015		2016		%
	Number	Dollar	Number	Dollar	
Annual	14,357	\$ 430,701	16,478	\$ 494,335	15%
Second Vehicle	3,440	\$ 51,603	3,999	\$ 59,982	16%
Combo	11,764	\$ 529,366	11,858	\$ 533,618	1%
Transferable	874	\$ 56,782	956	\$ 62,142	9%
Daily / Person	3,390	\$ 13,558	3,612	\$ 14,448	7%
Daily / Vehicle	7,724	\$ 46,346	9,484	\$ 56,904	23%
Unattended Vehicle Daily	268	\$ 2,682	236	\$ 2,355	-12%
Motorcoach Permit	497	\$ 1,491	567	\$ 1,701	14%
GSM Annual Trail Pass	809	\$ 12,135	954	\$ 14,310	18%
GSM Daily Trail Pass	835	\$ 2,505	816	\$ 3,264	30%
CSP Temp Daily / Vehicle	13,220	\$ 198,302	16,789	\$ 335,784	69%
Bike Band	346	\$ 3,460	582	\$ 5,818	68%
One-Day Special Event	N/A	\$ 1,815	N/A	\$ 1,525	-16%
<b>PERMITS</b>	<b>57,523</b>	<b>\$ 1,350,746</b>	<b>66,330</b>	<b>\$ 1,586,186</b>	<b>17%</b>
Camping Services Permits	-	\$ 4,653,411	-	\$ 5,004,637	8%
Gift Card	-	\$ 3,320	-	\$ 3,070	-8%
Picnic Reservations	-	\$ 8,410	-	\$ 12,314	46%
Firewood	6,133	\$ 30,663	5655	\$ 28,273	-8%
<b>ODGING</b>	<b>6,133</b>	<b>\$ 4,695,804</b>	<b>5655</b>	<b>\$ 5,048,294</b>	<b>8%</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>63,656</b>	<b>\$ 6,046,550</b>	<b>71,985</b>	<b>\$ 6,634,479</b>	<b>10%</b>

January to May 2016 Revenue Comparison by District

LOCATION	2015	2016	%
Fort Sisseton			
Roy Lake			
Sica Hollow			
<b>DISTRICT 1</b>	<b>\$ 129,836</b>	<b>\$ 141,539</b>	<b>9%</b>
Richmond Lake			
Mina Lake			
Lake Louise			
Fisher Grove			
Amsden			
<b>DISTRICT 2</b>	<b>\$ 121,944</b>	<b>\$ 124,845</b>	<b>2%</b>
Sandy Shore			
Hartford Beach			
Lake Cochrane			
Pelican Lake			
Pickerel Lake			
<b>DISTRICT 3</b>	<b>\$ 304,760</b>	<b>\$ 319,080</b>	<b>5%</b>
Oakwood Lakes			
Lake Poinsett			
Lake Thompson			
<b>DISTRICT 4</b>	<b>\$ 400,535</b>	<b>\$ 420,465</b>	<b>5%</b>
Lake Herman			
Walkers Point			
<b>DISTRICT 5</b>	<b>\$ 157,606</b>	<b>\$ 162,386</b>	<b>3%</b>
Snake Creek			
Platte Creek			
Burke Lake			
Buryanek			
<b>DISTRICT 6</b>	<b>\$ 237,315</b>	<b>\$ 237,574</b>	<b>0%</b>
Palisades			
Lake Vermillion			
Big Sioux			
<b>DISTRICT 7</b>	<b>\$ 339,288</b>	<b>\$ 365,328</b>	<b>8%</b>
Newton Hills			
Lake Alvin			
Union Grove			
Adams			
<b>DISTRICT 8</b>	<b>\$ 229,005</b>	<b>\$ 231,462</b>	<b>1%</b>

LOCATION	2015	2016	%
Lewis & Clark			
Springfield			
Chief White Crane			
Pierson Ranch			
Tabor			
Sand Creek			
<b>DISTRICT 9</b>	<b>\$ 961,298</b>	<b>\$ 1,009,721</b>	<b>5%</b>
White Swan			
South Scalp			
Randall Creek			
South Shore			
North Point			
Pease Creek			
Whetstone			
North Wheeler			
<b>DISTRICT 10</b>	<b>\$ 337,829</b>	<b>\$ 344,894</b>	<b>2%</b>
Farm Island			
West Bend			
<b>DISTRICT 11</b>	<b>\$ 261,758</b>	<b>\$ 287,267</b>	<b>10%</b>
Okobojo			
Spring Creek			
Oahe Downstream			
Cow Creek			
<b>DISTRICT 12</b>	<b>\$ 244,583</b>	<b>\$ 264,871</b>	<b>8%</b>
WalthBay			
East Whitlock			
West Whitlock			
Lake Hiddenwood			
Swan Creek			
Indian Creek			
Revheim Bay			
West Pollock			
<b>DISTRICT 13</b>	<b>\$ 177,249</b>	<b>\$ 199,321</b>	<b>12%</b>
Mickelson Trail			
Bear Butte			
<b>DISTRICT 14</b>	<b>\$ 33,927</b>	<b>\$ 38,482</b>	<b>13%</b>
Shadehill			
Llewellyn Johns			
Rocky Point			
<b>DISTRICT 15</b>	<b>\$ 209,003</b>	<b>\$ 248,764</b>	<b>19%</b>
Custer			
<b>DISTRICT 16</b>	<b>\$ 1,466,006</b>	<b>\$ 1,744,917</b>	<b>19%</b>
Angostura			
Sheps Canyon			
<b>DISTRICT 17</b>	<b>\$ 295,325</b>	<b>\$ 339,287</b>	<b>15%</b>
<b>PIERRE OFFICE</b>	<b>\$ 139,283</b>	<b>\$ 154,276</b>	<b>11%</b>
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$ 6,046,550</b>	<b>\$ 6,634,479</b>	<b>10%</b>

**DIVISION OF PARKS AND RECREATION**  
**January to May 2016 Camping Unit Comparison by District**

Dist	Park	2015 Units	2016 Units	%
1	Fort Sisseton	89	135	52%
	Roy Lake	819	832	2%
	Sica Hollow	9	27	200%
	<b>District 1</b>	<b>917</b>	<b>994</b>	<b>8%</b>
2	Richmond Lake	252	264	5%
	Mina Lake	427	409	-4%
	Lake Louise	374	345	-8%
	Fisher Grove	162	134	-17%
	Amsden	34	35	3%
	<b>District 2</b>	<b>1,249</b>	<b>1,187</b>	<b>-5%</b>
3	Sandy Shore	89	108	21%
	Hartford Beach	804	822	2%
	Lake Cochrane	209	356	70%
	Pelican South	834	1,053	26%
	Pickereel Lake	849	887	4%
	<b>District 3</b>	<b>2,785</b>	<b>3,226</b>	<b>16%</b>
4	Oakwood Lakes	1,520	1,491	-2%
	Lake Poinsett	1,031	1,005	-3%
	Lake Thompson	1,094	991	-9%
	<b>District 4</b>	<b>3,645</b>	<b>3,487</b>	<b>-4%</b>
5	Lake Herman	964	1,178	22%
	Walkers Point	447	642	44%
	Lake Carthage	17	-	-100%
	<b>District 5</b>	<b>1,428</b>	<b>1,820</b>	<b>27%</b>
6	Snake Creek	1,922	2,052	7%
	Platte Creek	413	362	-12%
	Burke Lake	13	14	8%
	Buryanek	709	733	3%
	<b>District 6</b>	<b>3,057</b>	<b>3,161</b>	<b>3%</b>
7	Palisades	907	1,013	12%
	Lake Vermillion	1,633	1,852	13%
	Big Sioux	1,068	1,328	24%
	<b>District 7</b>	<b>3,608</b>	<b>4,193</b>	<b>16%</b>
8	Newton Hills	2,008	2,158	7%
	Union Grove	287	295	3%
	<b>District 8</b>	<b>2,295</b>	<b>2,453</b>	<b>7%</b>

Dist	Park	2015 Units	2016 Units	%
9	Lewis & Clark	5,630	5,637	0%
	Tabor	13	33	154%
	Sand Creek	23	117	409%
	Springfield	159	129	-19%
	Chief White Crane	1,688	1,760	4%
	Pierson Ranch	656	691	5%
	<b>District 9</b>	<b>8,169</b>	<b>8,367</b>	<b>2%</b>
	10	North Point	1,434	1,214
North Wheeler		90	111	23%
Pease Creek		251	235	-6%
Randall Creek		1,054	984	-7%
South Shore		50	63	26%
Whetstone Bay		109	140	28%
White Swan		58	56	-3%
South Scalp		21	15	-29%
<b>District 10</b>		<b>3,067</b>	<b>2,818</b>	<b>-8%</b>
11	Farm Island	1,130	1,359	20%
	West Bend	1,607	2,148	34%
	<b>District 11</b>	<b>2,737</b>	<b>3,507</b>	<b>28%</b>
12	Oahe Downstream	2,220	2,964	34%
	Cow Creek	354	528	49%
	Okobojo Point	84	197	135%
	<b>District 12</b>	<b>2,658</b>	<b>3,689</b>	<b>39%</b>
13	West Whitlock	596	571	-4%
	Lake Hiddenwood	32	94	194%
	East Whitlock	6	43	
	Swan Creek	115	117	2%
	Indian Creek	878	1,007	15%
	Walth Bay	6	13	117%
	West Pollock	115	151	31%
	<b>District 13</b>	<b>1,748</b>	<b>1,996</b>	<b>14%</b>
14	Bear Butte	76	137	80%
	<b>District 14</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>137</b>	<b>80%</b>
15	Shadehill	736	888	21%
	Llewellyn Johns	55	44	-20%
	Rocky Point	822	1,056	28%
	<b>District 15</b>	<b>1,613</b>	<b>1,988</b>	<b>23%</b>
16	Custer	5,105	5,781	13%
	<b>District 16</b>	<b>5,105</b>	<b>5,781</b>	<b>13%</b>
17	Angostura	2,556	3,636	42%
	Sheps Canyon	188	220	17%
	<b>District 17</b>	<b>2,744</b>	<b>3,856</b>	<b>41%</b>
<b>TOTAL FEE AREA</b>				
<b>CAMPER UNITS</b>		<b>46,901</b>	<b>52,660</b>	<b>12%</b>

South Dakota Department of Game, Fish & Parks - Wildlife Division  
Land Acquisition and Disposal Report  
June 2016

Action Items

**Wetlands America Trust Addition to Swan Lake GPA**

**Location:** Clark County

**Description:** 240 acres

**Management Objective:** Game Production Area – wildlife habitat management and public hunting access

**Acquisition Cost:** \$511,000.00

**Expected Closing:** July 2016

**Requested Commission Action:** Adopt RESOLUTION 16 – 07 authorizing and confirming the purchase

**Wetlands America Trust Addition to Odessa #1 GPA**

**Location:** McPherson County

**Description:** 80 acres

**Management Objective:** Game Production Area – wildlife habitat management and public hunting access

**Acquisition Cost:** \$84,000.00

**Expected Closing:** July 2016

**Requested Commission Action:** Adopt RESOLUTION 16 – 08 authorizing and confirming the purchase

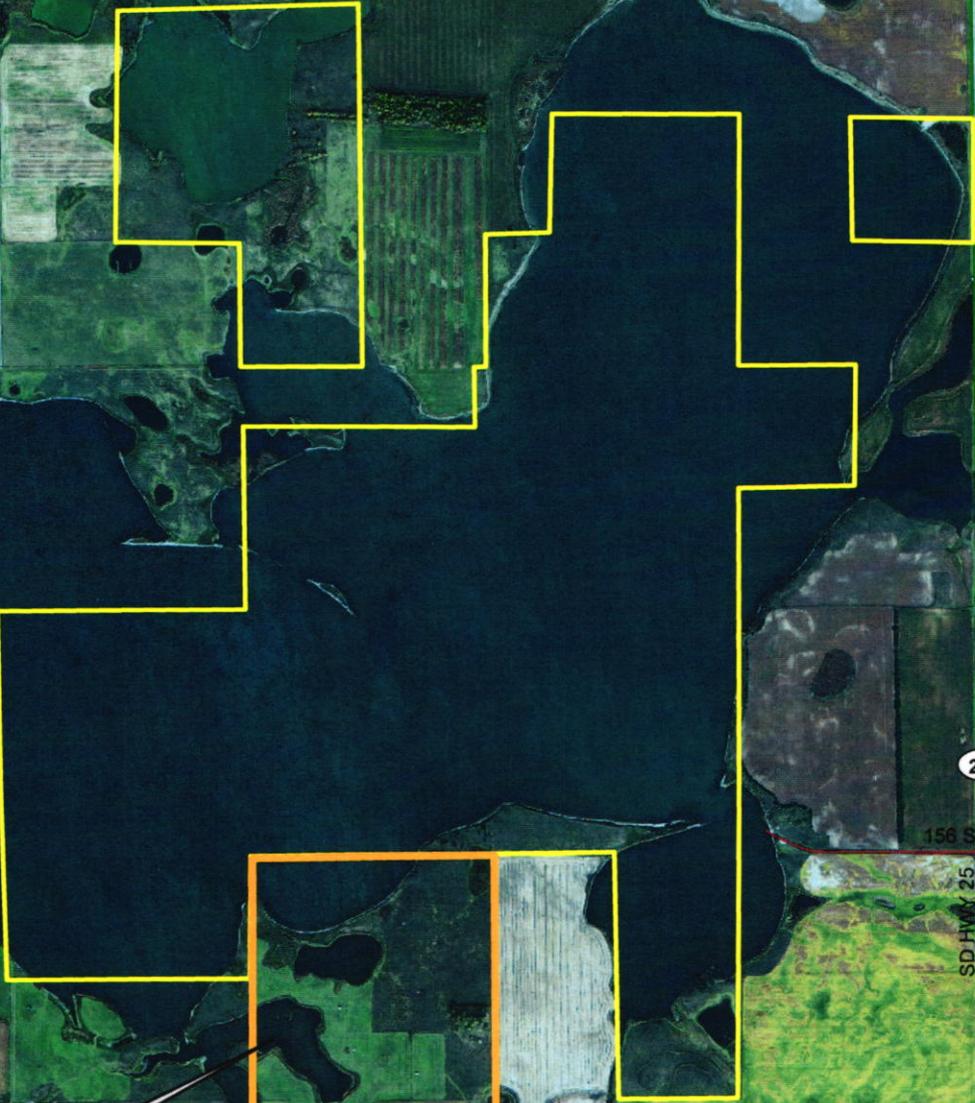
Information Items

None

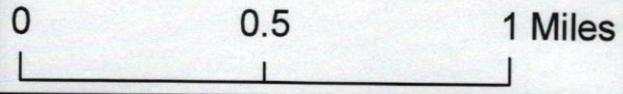
Early Development Projects

None

# WAT addition to Swan Lake GPA Clark County, SD

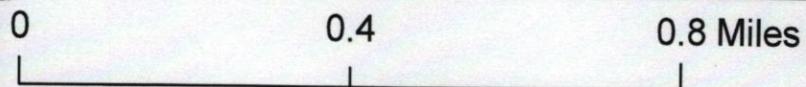
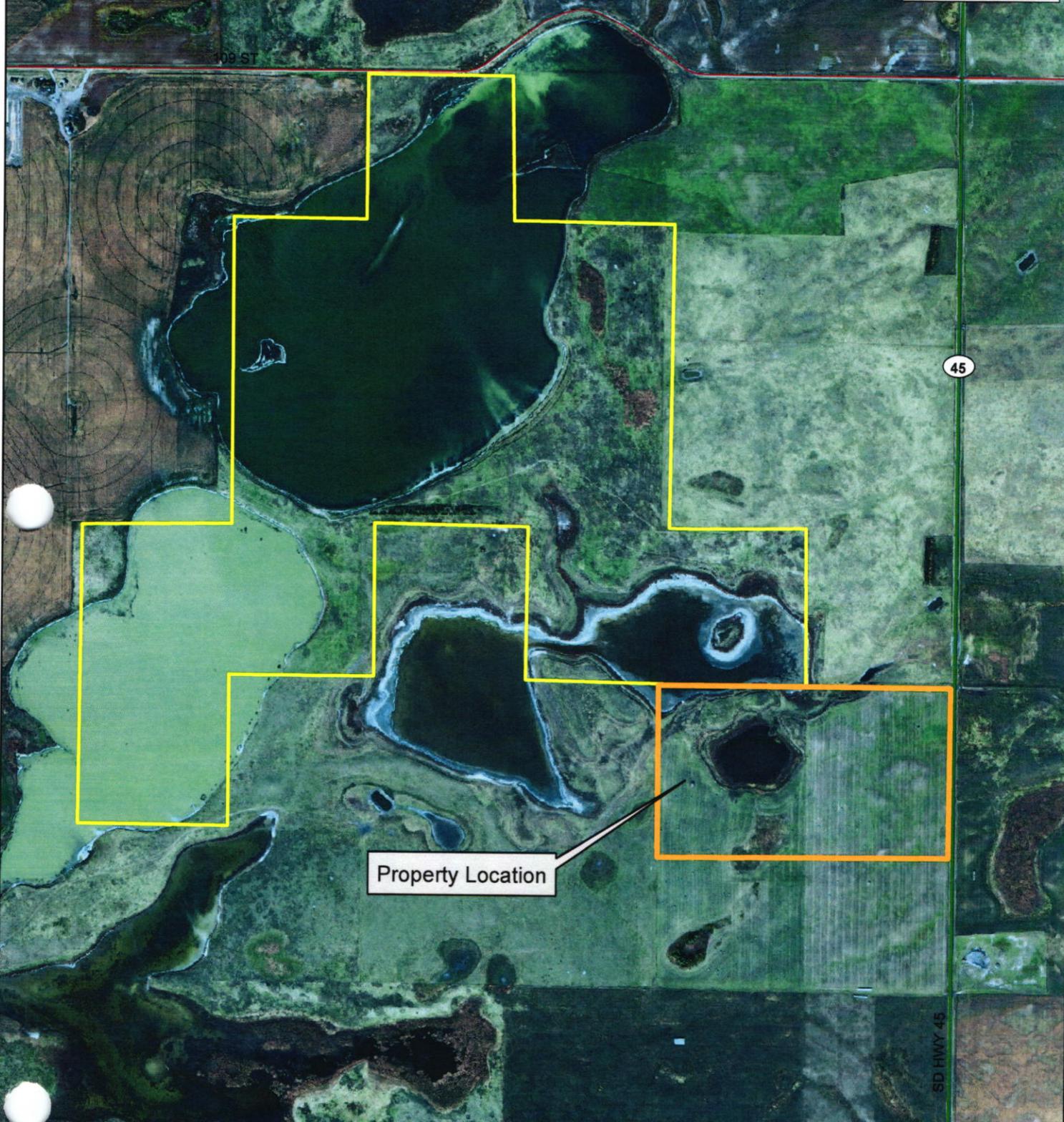


Property Location



 Game Production Areas

# WAT addition to Odessa #1 GPA McPherson County, SD



 Game Production Areas

## RESOLUTION 16 - 07

WHEREAS, the Department of Game, Fish, and Parks (GFP) has expressed an interest in acquiring real property presently owned by Wetlands America Trust, Inc., One Waterfowl Way, Memphis, Tennessee 38120, which property is described as:

Northeast Quarter (NE $\frac{1}{4}$ ) and the North Half of the Southeast Quarter (N $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ ) of Section Sixteen (16) in Township One Hundred Nineteen (119) North, Range Fifty-six (56) West, 5th P.M., Clark County, SD, containing 240, acres more or less and hereto referred to as the WETLANDS AMERICA TRUST PROPERTY; and

WHEREAS, said property is to be acquired by and utilized by GFP as a Game Production Area; and

WHEREAS, SDCL 41-4-1.1 requires that before GFP acquires and purchases property, GFP must notify owners of land located adjacent to the property sought to be acquired by publishing notice of the same once in each legal newspaper of the county in which the property to be purchased is located; and

WHEREAS, GFP has published the required legal notice at least thirty (30) days prior to the date of action by the Commission authorizing the intended purchases, which notice included the time and location of the meeting at which Commission action is expected and by giving notice of instructions for presenting oral and written comments to the Commission; and

WHEREAS, the Commission has reviewed any and all comments that may have been received relative to the intended purchase and after consideration of the same, the Commission approves the purchase of said property for use as a Game Production Area;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that GFP is authorized to complete negotiations for the purchase of the WETLANDS AMERICA TRUST PROPERTY and execute and consummate an agreement with Wetlands America Trust, Inc., which is acceptable to GFP to acquire by purchase, at the price of \$511,000.00, the WETLANDS AMERICA TRUST PROPERTY for use as a Game Production Area.

## RESOLUTION 16 - 08

WHEREAS, the Department of Game, Fish, and Parks (GFP) has expressed an interest in acquiring real property presently owned by Wetlands America Trust, Inc., One Waterfowl Way, Memphis, Tennessee 38120, which property is described as:

North Half of the Northeast Quarter (N½NE¼) of Section Twenty-six (26) in Township One Hundred Twenty-seven (127) North, Range Seventy-one (71) West, 5th P.M., McPherson County, SD, containing 80, acres more or less and hereto referred to as the WETLANDS AMERICA TRUST PROPERTY; and

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## SOUTH DAKOTA PRIVATE SHOOTING PRESERVES

<u>YEAR</u>	<u>NOT RENEWED</u>	<u>RENEWED</u>	<u>NEW</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
2007-08	18	197	26	223
2008-09	9	208	21	229
2009-10	17	204	16	220
2010-11	30	192	18	207
2011-12	23	189	8	197
2012-13	12	185	18	203
2013-14	16	187	14	201
2014-15	18	183	14	194
2015-16	13	181	19	200
2016-17	13	187	16	203

## PRIVATE SHOOTING PRESERVE PHEASANT HARVEST AND RELEASE RECORDS

<u>YEAR</u>	<u># OF PSP'S</u>	<u>SPECIES</u>	<u>BIRDS RELEASED</u>	<u>TOTAL BIRDS HARVESTED</u>	<u>RELEASED BIRDS HARVESTED</u>	<u>WILD BIRDS HARVESTED</u>
06-07	215	Pheasants	394,061	247,165	200,729 (81%)	46,436 (19%)
2007-08	223	Pheasants	439,454	278,242	214,066 (77%)	63,152 (23%)
2008-09	229	Pheasants	394,184	262,709	198,895 (76%)	63,914 (24%)
2009-10	220	Pheasants	375,273	227,138	177,638 (78%)	50,180 (22%)
2010-11	207	Pheasants	356,727	242,705	185,094 (76%)	57,611 (24%)
2011-12	197	Pheasants	386,563	243,196	200,337 (82%)	43,744 (18%)
2012-13	203	Pheasants	371,305	237,965	202,991 (85%)	36,630 (15%)
2013-14	201	Pheasants	434,005	260,426	234,590 (90%)	25,836 (10%)
2014-15	194	Pheasants	420,074	268,316	234,003 (87%)	34,313 (13%)
2015-16	200	Pheasants	432,304	276,383	243,168 (88%)	33,196 (12%)

## PRIVATE SHOOTING PRESERVE OTHER GAME BIRD HARVEST AND RELEASE RECORDS 2015

<u>SPECIES</u>	<u>BIRDS RELEASED</u>	<u>TOTAL HARVESTED</u>	<u>PERCENTAGE</u>
Partridge	9,530	5,095	53%
Quail	40	18	45%
Turkey	0	0	0%

## PRIVATE SHOOTING PRESERVES BY SIZE 2016-17

<u>Acreage</u>	<u>Number</u>
160	12
161 - 320	24
321 - 640	46
641 - 960	37
961 - 1279	22
1280 - 1919	35
1920 - 2559	19
2560	5

203 shooting preserves involving 167 operators

Total land in shooting preserves: 193,463 acres

Average preserve size: 967 acres

# License Sales Totals

(as of May 27)

date updated: 27 May 2016

<b>Resident</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2015</b>
Combination	34,497	33,918
Junior Combination	4,168	4,133
Senior Combination	6,706	6,154
Small Game	1,490	1,519
Youth Small Game	740	782
1-Day Small Game	231	196
Migratory Bird Certificate	12,808	13,589
Predator/Varmint	1,216	998
Furbearer	2,183	2,329
Annual Fishing	36,217	37,195
Senior Fishing	8,881	8,554
1-Day Fishing	1,307	1,397
Gamefish Spearing/Archery	2,034	2,059

<b>Nonresident</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2015</b>
Small Game	2,861	2,895
Youth Small Game	219	190
Annual Shooting Preserve	74	95
5-day Shooting Preserve	565	547
1-day Shooting Preserve	301	226
Spring Light Goose	3,968	4,249
Youth Spring Light Goose	138	161
Migratory Bird Certificate	160	67
Predator/Varmint	1,607	1,582
Furbearer	3	4
Annual Fishing	15,954	15,166
Family Fishing	5,087	5,075
Youth Annual Fishing	654	573
3-Day Fishing	7,127	6,547
1-Day Fishing	5,199	4,640
Gamefish Spearing/Archery	491	423
<b>TOTAL ON FILE =</b>	<b>156,886</b>	<b>155,263</b>