## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING DEPARTMENT OF GAME, FISH AND PARKS

A Public Hearing will be held at the RedRossa Convention Center, 808 West Sioux Avenue, Pierre, SD 57501 on January 11, 2018 at 2:00PM (CST), to consider adoption, amendment and repeal of Rules pertaining to:

1. Amend ARSD 41:06:16:02.01 - Low Plains duck hunting season established.

Effect: The proposed amendment would modify the Low Plains South Zone hunting season to begin on the third Saturday instead of the second Saturday.

Reason: There has been interest expressed from the public to add hunting opportunities on the end of the duck hunting season over the past few years. Information obtained through public meetings and an on-line input process indicated interest to explore this adjustment for the South Zone area.

2. Amend ARSD 41:06:16:03 - Daily bag limit.

Effect: The proposed amendment would increase the pintail bag limit from one to two.

Reason: The daily bag limit for pintail has been adjusted from 1 to 2 per day through the US Fish and Wildlife Service and the federal framework establishing waterfowl hunting seasons. The GFP Commission has proposed this adjustment to conform to the federal framework and provide the opportunity to harvest the maximum allowable pintail per day.

3. Amend ARSD 41:06:16:07 – Goose hunting season, Conservation Order, and August Management Take established.

Effect: The proposed amendment would remove Lawrence and Meade Counties from Unit 1 and place them in Unit 2.

Reason: Interest expressed from the public has been brought forward to move hunting opportunity from early fall to late season hunting in western South Dakota. This

Pierre, South Dakota 57501. Notice is further given to individuals with disabilities that this hearing is being held in a physically accessible place. Any individuals with disabilities who will require a reasonable accommodation in order to participate in the hearing should submit a request to the undersigned at 605.773.3718 or 605.223.7684 (Telecommunication Device for the Deaf).

Dated this 18 day of December, 2017.



Kelly R. Hepler, Secretary