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

A Public Hearing will be held at the RedRossa Convention Center, 808 W. Sioux Ave., Pierre, South Dakota, on January 14, 2016, at 2:00 o'clock P.M. (CST), to consider adoption, amendment and repeal of Rules pertaining to:

ARSD 41:06:01 - Application for License (Authorization for Terminally III Residents to hunt deer, antelope and turkey)

Effect: The proposed rule would authorize the Department Secretary to authorize a terminally ill resident to hunt deer, antelope and turkey during established seasons under certain terms and conditions.

Reason: The Department has been approached about the concept of providing hunting opportunities to residents who have been diagnosed with a terminal illness. The department is recommending an authorization process whereby the Secretary of Game, Fish and Parks has the ability to grant such opportunities. The authorization would address requests based on each individual's circumstances within the guidelines provided in the new administrative rule.

The above rule proposal may be modified or amended following receipt of public comment at the hearing to include or exclude matters that are described in this Notice of Hearing. The hearing may be continued from time to time until its business has been completed and may be rescheduled.

Interested persons will be given reasonable opportunity to submit data, opinions, arguments, and their views, either orally or in writing (or both) at the hearing. Persons unable to attend the hearing may mail data, opinions, arguments, and their views to the office of the Secretary of the Department of Game, Fish, and Parks, Foss Building, 523 East Capitol, Pierre, South Dakota 57501, or transmit by email to either <u>wildinfo@state.sd.us</u> or <u>gfpadminrules@state.sd.us</u>. All persons who desire to submit written data, opinions,

arguments, and their views by mail or email are encouraged to mail or transmit the same in sufficient time so that it is received by and in the office of the Secretary of the Department of Game, Fish, and Parks on or before 12:00 o'clock P.M. on the date of the hearing. Interested persons will be given reasonable opportunity to submit data, opinions, arguments and their views, either orally or in writing (or both) to the Commission for their consideration. All written and email comments must include the name, home town/city, and state of the person submitting the comments.

The above rule proposal is available for review on the internet by going to <a href="https://rules.sd.gov/">https://rules.sd.gov/</a> and copies of the proposed rule may be requested from the office of the Secretary of the Department of Game, Fish, and Parks, Foss Building, 523 East Capitol, 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").

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Kelly R. Hepler, Secretary

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