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### South Dakota - Game, Fish, and Parks

## Petition for Rule Change

A new form was just submitted from the <http://gfp.sd.gov/> website with the following information:

**ID:** 101  
**Petitioner Name:** Jeremy Silko  
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**Phone:**  
**Rule Identification:** 41:06:04:11. Minimum size and type of big game ammunition  
**Describe Change:** Soft-point, expanding bullets, and non-toxic fluted copper are permitted.  
**Reason for Change:** There are two reasons for my requested change. (1) Technology has advanced enough to prove that monolithic copper when fluted and used as bullets can provide quick, ethical kills to animals with the same or better effectiveness of copper-jacketed, lead-based hollow points or soft points as currently allowed. The rounds are produced in South Dakota by Lehigh defense and loaded by at least two respected ammunition producers. One of those is Black Hills Ammo, also located in Rapid City, SD. The second is Underwood Ammo in Illinois. Ruger also produces a similar polymer/copper fluted design. I ask that the commission ask these producers for detailed analysis, and to consider these projectiles as options for hunters. The (2) second reason for allowing these rounds would be to allow another option for non-toxic rounds. We should allow hunters every opportunity to preserve our great resources for the next generations, and many to come. The small steps today, just may add up to big steps tomorrow. Respectfully, Jeremy Silko