Section I Notice of Development of Proposed Rules and Negotiated Rulemaking

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

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PURPOSE AND EFFECT: Subsection 403.064(18), Florida Statutes (F.S.), authorized the Department to adopt rules for potable reuse based on the recommendations of the Potable Reuse Commission's 2020 report "Advancing Potable Reuse in Florida: Framework for the Implementation of Potable Reuse in Florida." Rules to implement potable reuse will address contaminants of emerging concern and ensure potable reuse water meets or exceeds federal and state drinking water quality standards.

As part of the development of rules regarding potable reuse as directed by the Legislature, the Department will create a new rule, Chapter 62-565, Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C.), entitled "Permitting, Construction, Operation, and Maintenance of Advanced Treatment Water Facilities and Associated Systems".

SUBJECT AREA TO BE ADDRESSED: This new Chapter 62-565, F.A.C., will establish procedures to obtain a permit, construct, modify, operate, and maintain an Advanced Treatment Water Facility (ATWF); the requirements for monitoring and reporting once a permit for an ATWF is issued; and the requirements for the proper operation of potable reuse systems.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY: 403.861(9), 403.064(18), F.S. LAW IMPLEMENTED: 403.852(12), 403.861(7), 403.853(6), 403.861(17), 403.064(18), F.S.

IF REQUESTED IN WRITING AND NOT DEEMED UNNECESSARY BY THE AGENCY HEAD, A RULE DEVELOPMENT WORKSHOP WILL BE NOTICED IN THE NEXT AVAILABLE FLORIDA ADMINISTRATIVE REGISTER.

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT AND A COPY OF THE PRELIMINARY DRAFT, IF AVAILABLE, IS: Sydney Cummings, Senior Program Analyst, Division of Water Resource Management MS 3545, 2600 Blair Stone Road, Tallahassee, FL 32399, (850)245-8640, or by email at Sydney.Cummings@FloridaDEP.gov

THE PRELIMINARY TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT IS NOT AVAILABLE.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Board of Pharmacy

RULE NO.:	RULE TITLE:
64B16-27.831	Standards of Practice

4B16-27.831	Standards of Practice for the Filling of
	Controlled Sustance Prescriptions;
	Electronic Prescribing; Mandatory
	Continuing Education

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The Board proposes the rule amendment to update language regarding the standards of practice for the filling of controlled substance prescriptions, electronic prescribing, and mandatory continuing education.

SUBJECT AREA TO BE ADDRESSED: Standards of Practice for the Filling of Controlled Substance Prescriptions; Electronic Prescribing; Mandatory Continuing Education.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY: 456.013, 465.005, 465.0155, 465.009, 465.022(12) FS.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: 456.013, 456.42, 456.43, 465.0155, 465.003, 465.009, 465.016(1)(i), (s), 465.017, 465.022(12), 893.04 FS.

IF REQUESTED IN WRITING AND NOT DEEMED UNNECESSARY BY THE AGENCY HEAD, A RULE DEVELOPMENT WORKSHOP WILL BE NOTICED IN THE NEXT AVAILABLE FLORIDA ADMINISTRATIVE REGISTER.

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT AND A COPY OF THE PRELIMINARY DRAFT, IF AVAILABLE, IS: Jessica Sapp, Executive Director, Board of Pharmacy, 4052 Bald Cypress Way, Bin C08, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3258 or by email at jessica.sapp@flhealth.gov.

THE PRELIMINARY TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT IS AVAILABLE AT NO CHARGE FROM THE CONTACT PERSON LISTED ABOVE.

Section II Proposed Rules

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Board of Pharmacy

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

64B16-26.1032 Immunization Administration Certification Application

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The Board proposes the rule amendment to revise the incorporated form.

SUMMARY: The incorporated form will be revised.

SUMMARY OF STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED REGULATORY COSTS AND LEGISLATIVE RATIFICATION:

The Agency has determined that this will not have an adverse impact on small business or likely increase directly or indirectly regulatory costs in excess of \$200,000 in the aggregate within one year after the implementation of the rule. A SERC has not been prepared by the Agency.

The Agency has determined that the proposed rule is not expected to require legislative ratification based on the statement of estimated regulatory costs or if no SERC is required, the information expressly relied upon and described herein: During discussion of the economic impact of this rule at its Committee meetings and Board meetings, the Board, based upon the expertise and experience of its members, determined that a Statement of Estimated Regulatory Costs (SERC) was not necessary and that the rule will not require ratification by the Legislature. No person or interested party submitted additional information regarding the economic impact at that time.

Any person who wishes to provide information regarding a statement of estimated regulatory costs, or provide a proposal for a lower cost regulatory alternative must do so in writing within 21 days of this notice.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY: 465.005 FS.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: 465.0635, 465.014(7), 465.189 FS.

IF REQUESTED WITHIN 21 DAYS OF THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE, A HEARING WILL BE SCHEDULED AND ANNOUNCED IN THE FAR.

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE IS: Jessica Sapp, Executive Director, Board of Pharmacy, 4052 Bald Cypress Way, Bin C04, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3254; Jessica.Sapp@flhealth.gov.

THE FULL TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE IS:

64B16-26.1032 Immunization Administration Certification Application.

All applications for immunization certification shall be made on board approved form DH-MQA 1125, "Immunization Administration Certification Application," 10/2022 04/2022, which is hereby incorporated by reference. To obtain an application, contact the Board of Pharmacy at 4052 Bald Cypress Way, Bin #C04, Tallahassee, FL 32399-3254, or (850)245-4474, or download the application from the Department of Health's website at http://floridaspharmacy.gov/, or at http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-

14430. The application must be accompanied with a non-refundable application fee, if applicable, as set forth in Rule 64B16-26.1001, F.A.C.

Rulemaking Authority 465.005 FS. Law Implemented 465.0635, 465.014(7), 465.189 FS. History–New 9-21-10, Amended 8-13-13, 4-4-16, 8-20-17, 12-29-21, 7-11-22.

NAME OF PERSON ORIGINATING PROPOSED RULE: Board of Pharmacy

NAME OF AGENCY HEAD WHO APPROVED THE PROPOSED RULE: Board of Pharmacy

DATE PROPOSED RULE APPROVED BY AGENCY HEAD: October 20, 2022

DATE NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT PUBLISHED IN FAR: January 11, 2023

FISH AND WILDLIFE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Board of Pharmacy

RULE NO.:RULE TITLE:64B16-28.303Destruction of Controlled Substances All
Permittees (Excluding Institutional Class I
Nursing Homes)

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The Board proposes the rule amendment to update language regarding maintaining and destruction of records and to incorporate revised form DEA-41. SUMMARY: Language regarding maintaining and destruction of records will be updated and revised form DEA-41 will be incorporated in the rule.

SUMMARY OF STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED REGULATORY COSTS AND LEGISLATIVE RATIFICATION:

The Agency has determined that this will not have an adverse impact on small business or likely increase directly or indirectly regulatory costs in excess of \$200,000 in the aggregate within one year after the implementation of the rule. A SERC has not been prepared by the Agency.

The Agency has determined that the proposed rule is not expected to require legislative ratification based on the statement of estimated regulatory costs or if no SERC is required, the information expressly relied upon and described herein: During discussion of the economic impact of this rule at its Committee meetings and Board meetings, the Board, based upon the expertise and experience of its members, determined that a Statement of Estimated Regulatory Costs (SERC) was not necessary and that the rule will not require ratification by the Legislature. No person or interested party submitted additional information regarding the economic impact at that time.

Any person who wishes to provide information regarding a statement of estimated regulatory costs, or provide a proposal for a lower cost regulatory alternative must do so in writing within 21 days of this notice.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY: 465.005, 465.022 FS.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: 465.022, 465.018 FS.

IF REQUESTED WITHIN 21 DAYS OF THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE, A HEARING WILL BE SCHEDULED AND ANNOUNCED IN THE FAR.

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE IS: Jessica Sapp, Executive Director, Board of Pharmacy, 4052 Bald Cypress Way, Bin C04, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3254; Jessica.Sapp@flhealth.gov.

THE FULL TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE IS:

64B16-28.303 Destruction of Controlled Substances All Permittees (Excluding Institutional Class I Nursing Homes).

(1) No change.

(2) Permittees are required to complete a United States Drug Enforcement Administration (D.E.A.) Form DEA-41 "Registrants <u>Record of Controlled Substances Destroyed</u> <u>Inventory of Drugs Surrendered</u>" (<u>Expiration Date 01/31/2024</u> <u>effective 8/31/2014</u>), herein incorporated by reference, available at http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-<u>03998</u> or http://www.deadiversion.usdoj.gov/21cfr_reports/surrend/. This form, at the time of destruction, shall be witnessed and signed by the prescription department manager or the consultant pharmacist of record and D.E.A. agent, or a Department inspector. This method of destruction requires that a copy of the completed and witnessed Form DEA 41 be mailed to the D.E.A. office in his/her area within one (1) business day after the destruction.

(3) Another method of destruction shall be conducted by at least two persons: One will be the prescription department manager or the consultant pharmacist of record. The other will be one of the following: medical director or his/her physician designee, director of nursing or his/her licensed nurse designee, or a sworn law enforcement officer. These persons shall serve as the witnesses for the Form DEA-41 and the destruction. This method of destruction requires that a copy of the completed and witnessed Form DEA 41 be mailed to the D.E.A. office in the permittee's area within one (1) business day after destruction.

(4) through (5) No change.

(6) All records shall be maintained as required by section 465.022, F.S.

Rulemaking Authority 465.005, 465.022 FS. Law Implemented 465.022, 465.018 FS. History–New 4-21-87, Formerly 21S-19.003, Amended 7-31-91, Formerly 21S-28.303, 61F10-28.303, Amended 1-30-96, Formerly 59X-28.303, Amended 2-5-07, 10-27-09, 2-1-12, 4-20-14,_____.

NAME OF PERSON ORIGINATING PROPOSED RULE: Board of Pharmacy

NAME OF AGENCY HEAD WHO APPROVED THE PROPOSED RULE: Board of Pharmacy

DATE PROPOSED RULE APPROVED BY AGENCY HEAD: October 20, 2022

DATE NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT PUBLISHED IN FAR: January 11, 2023

FISH AND WILDLIFE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Freshwater Fish and Wildlife

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE: 68A-1.004 Definitions

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The purpose of the proposed rule amendment is to revise the definitions of the following terms: all-terrain vehicle, bow, crossbow, and legal game. The effect of the proposed rule amendment will be to clarify these terms and correct inadvertent errors which will enable the agency to better manage fish and wildlife resources.

SUMMARY: The proposed rule amends the definitions of "Allterrain vehicle" to reflect the definition set forth in section 317.0003(1) (2022), F.S. which will have the effect of simplifying the permitting process for ADA accommodations related to ATVs and general regulations for use of ATVs on public lands; "Bow" and "Crossbow" to allow the use of commonly used commercially available bows and crossbows; and "Legal game" to correct the misspelling of the word "mammals" and an error that limited the take of game species other than crows.

SUMMARY OF STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED REGULATORY COSTS AND LEGISLATIVE RATIFICATION:

The Agency has determined that this will not have an adverse impact on small business or likely increase directly or indirectly regulatory costs in excess of \$200,000 in the aggregate within one year after the implementation of the rule. A SERC has not been prepared by the Agency.

The Agency has determined that the proposed rule is not expected to require legislative ratification based on the statement of estimated regulatory costs or if no SERC is required, the information expressly relied upon and described herein: The nature of the rule and the preliminary analysis conducted to determine whether a SERC was required.

Any person who wishes to provide information regarding a statement of estimated regulatory costs, or provide a proposal for a lower cost regulatory alternative must do so in writing within 21 days of this notice.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY: Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const.

A HEARING WILL BE HELD AT THE DATE, TIME AND PLACE SHOWN BELOW:

DATE AND TIME: During the Commission's regular meeting February 21-22, 2023, 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., each day.

PLACE: Marriott Jacksonville, 4670 Salisbury Road, Jacksonville, Florida, 32256.

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least 5 days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: the ADA Coordinator at (850)488-6411.. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE IS: Paul Scharine, Public Hunting Areas Program Coordinator, Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, 620 South Meridian Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1600; (850)617-9487 or paul.scharine@myfwc.com.

THE FULL TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE IS:

68A-1.004 Definitions.

The following definitions are for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of the rules of the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission relating to wild animal life and freshwater aquatic life. As used herein, the singular includes the plural. The following shall be construed respectively to mean:

(1) through (4) No change.

(5) All-terrain vehicle – <u>As defined in section 317.0003(1)</u>, <u>F.S. (2022)</u>An engine powered vehicle with wheels or tracks of less than a 60 inch wheelbase measured from the center of the forward wheel or hub to the center of the rearmost wheel or hub.

(6) through (15) No change.

(16) Bow – A device consisting of flexible material having a string connecting its two ends, <u>either indirectly by cables or</u> <u>pulleys or directly</u>, for the purpose of discharging arrows; which propels arrows only by the energy stored by the drawing of the device; <u>and</u> which is hand-held, hand-drawn and handreleased; which is not equipped with a device that can mechanically hold the bowstring in the drawn (ready to fire) position; and which may include mechanical bowstring release devices provided they are only hand held.

(17) through (23) No change.

(24) Crossbow – A device consisting of <u>flexible material</u> having a string connecting its two ends, either indirectly by <u>cables or pulleys or directly</u>, a bow affixed to a stock for <u>the</u> <u>purpose of</u> discharging quarrels, bolts, or arrows: which propels quarrels, bolts, or arrows only by the energy stored by the <u>drawing of the device</u>; and which utilizes a non-hand-held locking mechanism to maintain the device in a drawn or ready-to-discharge condition.

(25) through (40) No change.

(41) Legal game – Game birds, game mammals, and crows (during open seasons established for each species by Rule 68A-13.003, 68A 13.004 or 68A-13.008, F.A.C.), and non-protected birds, non-protected <u>mammals</u> mannals, and wild hog unless otherwise stipulated for a particular species in a regulation established for a specific wildlife management area, wildlife and environmental area, public small game hunting area or public use area.

(42) through (94) No change.

PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2023

Rulemaking Authority Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const. Law Implemented Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const. History–New 8-1-79, Amended 6-15-81, 11-17-81, 6-21-82, 7-1-83, 7-1-84, 7-1-85, Formerly 39-1.04, Amended 6-1-86, 5-10-87, 10-8-87, 3-1-88, 4-13-88, 4-27-89, 4-11-90, 7-1-92, 4-20-93, 3-1-94, 7-1-94, 4-1-96, 11-23-97, 7-1-98, 6-23-99, Formerly 39-1.004, Amended 7-1-00, 5-1-01, 5-1-03, 7-1-04, 5-26-05, 7-1-06, 4-1-07, 7-1-08, 10-23-08, 7-1-10, 11-8-10, 1-1-11, 4-9-13, 7-29-15, 5-11-16, 7-1-18, 7-1-21, 7-1-22, <u>7-1-23</u>.

BE ADVISED THAT THESE PROPOSED RULES MAY BE FILED FOR ADOPTION AS SOON AS POSSIBLE FOLLOWING THE COMMISSION MEETING AT WHICH THEY ARE CONSIDERED IF THE RULES ARE NOT CHANGED. IF CHANGED, THE RULES MAY BE FILED AS SOON AS POSSIBLE AFTER PUBLICATION OF A NOTICE OF CHANGE IN THE F.A.R.

NAME OF PERSON ORIGINATING PROPOSED RULE: George Warthen, Director, Division of Hunting and Game

Management, Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, 620 South Meridian Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1600.

NAME OF AGENCY HEAD WHO APPROVED THE PROPOSED RULE: Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission.

DATE PROPOSED RULE APPROVED BY AGENCY HEAD: November 30, 2022

DATE NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT PUBLISHED IN FAR: November 08, 2022

FISH AND WILDLIFE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Freshwater Fish and Wildlife RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

68A-9.008: Permits for Physically Disabled

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The purpose of the proposed rule amendment is to revise the regulations for crossbow permits to include additional allowable methods of take and for alternative mobility permits to include additional qualifying criteria. The effect of the proposed rule amendment will be to enable the agency to better accommodate hunters seeking disabled crossbow or alternative mobility permits.

SUMMARY: The proposed rule amendments adjust current regulations by expanding the alternative mobility permit (AMP) criteria to include possession of a valid permanent disabled parking placard or a statement from a licensed physician certifying that individuals have a condition that prevents them from walking 200 feet without stopping to rest; and by allowing bows equipped with devices that mechanically hold the string in the drawn position to be allowed by disabled crossbow permit for taking game during archery season.

SUMMARY OF STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED REGULATORY COSTS AND LEGISLATIVE RATIFICATION:

The Agency has determined that this will not have an adverse impact on small business or likely increase directly or indirectly regulatory costs in excess of \$200,000 in the aggregate within one year after the implementation of the rule. A SERC has not been prepared by the Agency.

The Agency has determined that the proposed rule is not expected to require legislative ratification based on the statement of estimated regulatory costs or if no SERC is required, the information expressly relied upon and described herein: The nature of the rule and the preliminary analysis conducted to determine whether a SERC was required.

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RULEMAKING AUTHORITY: Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const. LAW IMPLEMENTED: Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const.

A HEARING WILL BE HELD AT THE DATE, TIME AND PLACE SHOWN BELOW:

DATE AND TIME: During the Commission's regular meeting February 21-22, 2023, 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., each day.

PLACE: Marriott Jacksonville, 4670 Salisbury Road, Jacksonville, Florida, 32256.

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THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE IS: Paul Scharine, Public Hunting Areas Program Coordinator, Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, 620 South Meridian Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1600, (850) 617-9487 or paul.scharine@myfwc.com.

THE FULL TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE IS:

68A-9.008 Permits for Physically Disabled.

The executive director or his designee may issue permits, to persons who are permanently physically disabled as described below, for activities which would otherwise be regulated or prohibited by these rules. Such permits shall be conditioned as necessary to protect natural resources and to regulate access in accordance with management plans and policies for the area. Individuals not meeting the criteria for a permit set forth in this rule may request accommodation through the process established by the agency:

(1) Crossbow permits. Permits to use crossbows <u>or bows</u> equipped with a device that can mechanically hold the <u>bowstring in the drawn (ready-to-fire) position</u> during an archery season will be issued based upon a determination that the applicant has submitted an original certificate from a licensed physician certifying that the individual is permanently incapable of drawing any type of bow with a minimum draw weight of 40 lbs.

(2) No change.

(3) Alternative mobility permits. Permits to operate an allterrain vehicle will be issued based upon a determination that the applicant <u>has been issued and possesses a valid permanent</u> <u>disabled parking placard or</u> has submitted an original certificate from a licensed physician certifying that the individual is mobility impaired in that he or she is one of the following: paraplegic, hemiplegic, quadriplegic, permanently dependent upon a wheelchair for ambulation, permanently required to use braces or <u>prostheses</u> prosthesis on both legs, <u>a recipient of</u> or complete single-leg amputation above the knee, <u>or unable to</u> walk a distance of 200 feet without stopping to rest. "All-terrain vehicle" shall be as defined in Rule 68A-1.004, F.A.C., provided that no two-wheeled or two-cycle vehicles will be permitted.

(4) No change.

PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2023

Rulemaking Authority Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const. Law Implemented Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const. History–New 5-10-04, Amended 5-1-05, 10-23-08, 8-11-11, 7-1-23.

BE ADVISED THAT THESE PROPOSED RULES MAY BE FILED FOR ADOPTION AS SOON AS POSSIBLE FOLLOWING THE COMMISSION MEETING AT WHICH THEY ARE CONSIDERED IF THE RULES ARE NOT CHANGED. IF CHANGED, THE RULES MAY BE FILED AS SOON AS POSSIBLE AFTER PUBLICATION OF A NOTICE OF CHANGE IN THE F.A.R.

NAME OF PERSON ORIGINATING PROPOSED RULE: George Warthen, Director, Division of Hunting and Game Management, Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, 620 South Meridian Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1600.

NAME OF AGENCY HEAD WHO APPROVED THE PROPOSED RULE: Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission.

DATE PROPOSED RULE APPROVED BY AGENCY HEAD: November 30, 2022

DATE NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT PUBLISHED IN FAR: November 08, 2022

FISH AND WILDLIFE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Freshwater Fish and Wildlife

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE: 68A-12.002 General Methods of Taking Game and Crows; Prohibitions

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The proposed rule amendment seeks to clarify the regulations regarding allowable methods of take during archery season. This change is consistent with the definition of the term "bow" set forth in the proposed amendment of Rule 68A-1.004. The effect of the proposed rule amendment will be to keep current methods of take during archery season in place while simplifying general definitions for archery equipment.

SUMMARY: The proposed rule amendment prohibits the take of game during archery season by use of a bow equipped with a device that can mechanically hold the bowstring in the drawn (ready-to-fire) position (except release devices that are handheld). The proposed rule amendment also includes a nonsubstantive, technical change.

SUMMARY OF STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED REGULATORY COSTS AND LEGISLATIVE RATIFICATION:

The Agency has determined that this will not have an adverse impact on small business or likely increase directly or indirectly regulatory costs in excess of \$200,000 in the aggregate within one year after the implementation of the rule. A SERC has not been prepared by the Agency.

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RULEMAKING AUTHORITY: Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const.

A HEARING WILL BE HELD AT THE DATE, TIME AND PLACE SHOWN BELOW:

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PLACE: Marriott Jacksonville, 4670 Salisbury Road, Jacksonville, Florida, 32256.

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THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE IS: Paul Scharine, Public Hunting Areas Program Coordinator, Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, 620 South Meridian Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1600, (850)617-9487 or paul.scharine@myfwc.com.

THE FULL TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE IS:

68A-12.002 General Methods of Taking Game and Crows; Prohibitions.

(1) through (2) No change.

(3) Resident game birds, crows or game mammals may be taken with any of the following:

(a) through (d) No change.

(e) Bow or crossbow, except that:

1. through 4. No change.

5. The take of game specified for any archery season with a bow equipped with a device that can mechanically hold the bowstring in the drawn (ready-to-fire) position is prohibited. Mechanical bowstring release devices may be used provided they are only hand-held.

(f) No change.

(4) through (6) No change.

(7) The taking of fawn deer, cub bear, bear with <u>at least</u> one or more cub bear, panther, or swimming deer is prohibited.

(8) through (9) No change.

PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2023

Rulemaking Authority Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const. Law Implemented Art. IV. Sec. 9, Fla. Const. History–New 8-1-79, Amended 6-4-81, 11-17-81, 6-21-82, 7-1-83, 7-1-84, 7-1-85, Formerly 39-12.02, Amended 6-1-86, 4-11-90, 4-14-92, 4-20-93, 3-1-94, 3-30-95, 4-1-96, 12-28-98, Formerly 39-12.002, Amended 7-1-05, 7-1-06, 7-1-08, 10-23-08, 1-1-11, 7-1-13, 12-23-14, 7-29-15, 7-1-18, 7-1-19, 7-1-20, 7-1-23.

BE ADVISED THAT THESE PROPOSED RULES MAY BE FILED FOR ADOPTION AS SOON AS POSSIBLE FOLLOWING THE COMMISSION MEETING AT WHICH THEY ARE CONSIDERED IF THE RULES ARE NOT CHANGED. IF CHANGED, THE RULES MAY BE FILED AS SOON AS POSSIBLE AFTER PUBLICATION OF A NOTICE OF CHANGE IN THE F.A.R.

NAME OF PERSON ORIGINATING PROPOSED RULE: George Warthen, Director, Division of Hunting and Game Management, Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, 620 South Meridian Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1600.

NAME OF AGENCY HEAD WHO APPROVED THE PROPOSED RULE: Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission.

DATE PROPOSED RULE APPROVED BY AGENCY HEAD: November 30, 2022

DATE NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT PUBLISHED IN FAR: November 08, 2022.

FISH AND WILDLIFE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Freshwater Fish and Wildlife

RULE NO.:RULE TITLE:68A-12.007Hunting Dogs; Molesting Game in Closed
Season; Training; Field Trials; Prohibited
for Certain Hunting

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The proposed rule amendment removes obsolete effective dates regarding requirements for tracking and correction devices on dogs used to pursue deer, wild hog, fox, or coyote. The effect of the proposed rule amendment will be to update the rule and clarify that the provision is fully in effect. SUMMARY: The rule amendment removes the obsolete effective dates for implementing tracking and correction devices required for dogs used to pursue deer, wild hog, fox, or coyote.

SUMMARY OF STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED REGULATORY COSTS AND LEGISLATIVE RATIFICATION:

The Agency has determined that this will not have an adverse impact on small business or likely increase directly or indirectly regulatory costs in excess of \$200,000 in the aggregate within one year after the implementation of the rule. A SERC has not been prepared by the Agency.

The Agency has determined that the proposed rule is not expected to require legislative ratification based on the statement of estimated regulatory costs or if no SERC is required, the information expressly relied upon and described herein: The nature of the rule and the preliminary analysis conducted to determine whether a SERC was required.

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RULEMAKING AUTHORITY: Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const.

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THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE IS: The nature of the rule and the preliminary analysis conducted to determine whether a SERC was required.

THE FULL TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE IS:

68A-12.007 Hunting Dogs; Molesting Game in Closed Season; Training; Field Trials; Prohibited for Certain Hunting.

(1) All dogs used for taking or attempting to take, trailing, pursuing, or molesting wildlife shall wear a collar or tag which

shall legibly display the name and address of the owner of the dog. No person shall use any dog to take or attempt to take, trail, pursue or molest wildlife unless such dog is wearing a collar or tag displaying the information required above. Removing, tampering, or otherwise interfering with any collar or tag (including remote tracking and behavior correction devices) of a dog used for hunting without the owner's permission is prohibited.

All dogs not under physical restraint that are used for pursuing deer, wild hog, fox, or coyote must be equipped and monitored with devices that allow remote tracking and behavior correction, except dogs used to pursue wild hog, fox or coyote during sanctioned mounted field trial events. The device(s) must be attached by a collar or similar means and must be used to deter dog egress from authorized areas or ingress into unauthorized areas. The remote tracking device(s) must include Global Positioning System (GPS) or telemetry tracking and the behavior correction device(s) must be designed to remotely correct dog behavior through auditory or physical stimulation. Effective Dates: The remote tracking device requirement in this paragraph shall not take effect until July 1, 2021 and the behavior correction device requirement in this paragraph shall not take effect until July 1, 2022.

(2) through (11) No change.

PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2023

Rulemaking Authority Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const. Law Implemented Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const. History–New 8-1-79, Amended 6-22-80, 6-21-82, 7-27-83, 7-5-84, 7-1-85, Formerly 39-12.07, Amended 4-11-90, 3-1-94, 7-1-94, 9-7-97, Formerly 39-12.007, Amended 12-9-99, 8-22-04, 7-17-05, 7-1-08, 7-1-10, 7-29-15, 7-1-20, 7-1-23.

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NAME OF PERSON ORIGINATING PROPOSED RULE: George Warthen, Director, Division of Hunting and Game Management, Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, 620 South Meridian Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1600.

NAME OF AGENCY HEAD WHO APPROVED THE PROPOSED RULE: Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission.

DATE PROPOSED RULE APPROVED BY AGENCY HEAD: November 30, 2022

DATE NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT PUBLISHED IN FAR: November 08, 2022

FISH AND WILDLIFE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Freshwater Fish and Wildlife

RULE NO.:	RULE TITLE:
68A-13.003	Hunting Regulations for Ducks, Geese, and
	Coots

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The purpose of the proposed rule amendment is to revise hunting regulations pertaining to "Youth" and "Active Military and Veteran Waterfowl" hunts. The effect of the proposed rule amendment will be to allow nonhunting guests to actively participate in these specialty waterfowl hunts.

SUMMARY: The proposed rule amendment would allow nonhunting adult supervisors with required licenses and permits to actively participate (set up decoys, call and retrieve birds, etc.) in Youth Waterfowl Hunts and Veterans and Active Military Waterfowl Hunts, provided they may not take wildlife with a gun.

SUMMARY OF STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED REGULATORY COSTS AND LEGISLATIVE RATIFICATION:

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THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE IS: Paul Scharine, Public Hunting Areas Program Coordinator, Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, 620 South Meridian Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1600, (850)617-9487, or paul.scharine@myfwc.com.

THE FULL TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE IS:

68A-13.003 Hunting Regulations for Ducks, Geese, and Coots.

The Commission has approved the following regulations and bag limits for taking ducks, geese, and coots:

(1) Duck, light goose, and coot season:

(a) Open season:

1. through 2. No change.

3. Youth Waterfowl Hunt – The Saturday prior to the opening of the first phase as specified in subparagraph (1)(a)1. and the second Saturday following the close of the second phase as specified in subparagraph (1)(a)2. Hunters must be under 16 years of age and must be accompanied by <u>an a non hunting</u> adult at least 18 years of age. <u>Adults with required licenses and permits for taking waterfowl, unless otherwise exempt from these requirements, may participate in the hunt, except they may not take wildlife with a gun. Daily bag limits and species restrictions for ducks, geese, and coots will be as described in paragraphs (1)(e) and (4)(c). Common gallinules may also be taken and bag and possession limits for this species will be as specified in Rule 68A-13.008, F.A.C.</u>

4. Veterans and Active Military Hunt – The first Saturday and Sunday following the close of the second phase as specified in subparagraph (1)(a)2. Hunters must be veterans or members of the Armed Forces on active duty, including members of the National Guard and Reserves on active duty. <u>Non-hunting guests with required licenses and permits for taking waterfowl</u>, <u>unless otherwise exempt from these requirements, may participate in the hunt, except they may not take wildlife with a gun. Daily bag limits and species restrictions for ducks, geese, and coots will be as described in paragraphs (1)(e) and (4)(c). Common gallinules may also be taken and bag and possession limits for this species will be as specified in Rule 68A-13.008, F.A.C.</u>

(b) through (e) No change.

(2) through (5) No change.

PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2023

Rulemaking Authority Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const.; 379.2223 FS. Law Implemented Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const.; 379.2223 FS. History–New 8-1-79, Amended 10-23-79, 8-19-80, 9-29-81, 8-30-82, 7-27-83, 8-13-84, 8-13-85, 10-1-85, Formerly 39-13.03, Amended 8-5-86, 8-24-87, 8-18-88, 12-12-88, 8-17-89, 10-30-89, 8-9-90, 10-31-90, 8-22-91, 10-31-91, 8-23-92, 10-22-92, 9-2-93, 10-28-93, 11-6-94, 10-23-95, 10-

20-96, 8-7-97, 10-28-97, 11-12-98, 6-23-99, Formerly 39-13.003, Amended 11-7-00, 5-13-02, 5-1-03, 7-1-04, 7-1-05, 2-1-06, 7-1-06, 1-9-07, 1-8-08, 7-1-08, 1-6-09, 1-19-10, 7-1-10, 1-5-11, 3-25-12, 2-12-13, 1-23-14, 1-19-15, 12-21-15, 7-1-16, 7-1-17, 8-13-18, 7-1-19, 7-1-19 (1)(f)1., 7-1-20, 7-1-22, 7-1-23.

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FISH AND WILDLIFE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Freshwater Fish and Wildlife

RULE NO.:RULE TITLE:68A-13.007Hunting Regulations on Public Small-Game
Hunting Areas

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The purpose of the proposed rule amendment is to revise hunting regulations regarding methods of take and legal game on Public Small Game Hunting Areas. The effect of the proposed rule amendment will be to remove restrictions on hunting dogs, allow the take of additional species, and expand shooting hours for certain species.

SUMMARY: The proposed rule amendment adjusts current regulations by removing restrictions on shoulder height of hunting dogs, allowing the take of non-protected birds, and expanding shooting hours for doves and waterfowl.

SUMMARY OF STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED REGULATORY COSTS AND LEGISLATIVE RATIFICATION:

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THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE IS: Paul Scharine, Public Hunting Areas Program Coordinator, Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, 620 South Meridian Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1600, (850)617-9487 or paul.scharine@myfwc.com.

THE FULL TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE IS:

68A-13.007 Hunting Regulations on Public Small-Game Hunting Areas.

(1) No change.

(2) The general regulations for public small-game hunting areas shall be as follows:

(a) Legal game for each public small-game hunting area shall be as identified in the specific area regulations. Legal game shall be limited to small game, <u>non-protected birds</u>, frogs, and all legal fish, except that wild hogs may be included as legal game when necessary for management purposes, and alligators and alligator eggs and hatchlings may be established as legal to take pursuant to Rules 68A-25.031, 68A-25.032 and 68A-25.042, F.A.C.

(b) through (c) No change.

(d) <u>Dogs</u> Waterfowl retrievers, bird dogs, and other dogs with a shoulder height of 17 inches or less may be used for hunting during open seasons unless prohibited by specific area regulation. Dogs may be possessed, under physical restraint only, during any period in which the taking of wildlife by the use of dogs is prohibited.

(e) Shooting hours for ducks, geese, and coots, and mourning and white-winged doves – During From the beginning of the shooting hours established pursuant to Rules Rule 68A-13.003 and 68A-13.008, F.A.C., unless otherwise provided by area-specific regulation until 12:00 noon. Shooting hours for mourning doves and white winged doves – Noon to sunset. Shooting hours for other legal game shall be provided by specific area regulation.

(f) through (n) No change.

PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2023

Rulemaking Authority Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const. Law Implemented Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const. History–New 10-4-82, Formerly 39-13.07, Amended 7-1-89, 7-1-96, Formerly 39-13.007, Amended 4-30-00, 7-1-06, 7-1-08, 7-1-09, 7-1-23.

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FISH AND WILDLIFE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Freshwater Fish and Wildlife

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

68A-15.004 General Regulations Relating to Wildlife Management Areas

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The purpose of the proposed rule amendment is to revise hunting regulations regarding shooting hours and methods of take on Wildlife Management Areas (WMAs). The effect of the proposed rule amendment will be to allow non-protected birds to be hunted with dogs and expand shooting hours during mourning and white-winged dove season.

SUMMARY: The proposed rule amendment adjusts current regulations on WMAs by allowing dogs to be used for hunting

non-protected birds during any period when at least one species of small game is legal to take with dogs and extending the shooting hours for mourning and white-winged doves from one-half hour before sunrise until sunset during Phase I of the statewide mourning and white-winged dove season, unless otherwise provided by area-specific regulations.

SUMMARY OF STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED REGULATORY COSTS AND LEGISLATIVE RATIFICATION:

The Agency has determined that this will not have an adverse impact on small business or likely increase directly or indirectly regulatory costs in excess of \$200,000 in the aggregate within one year after the implementation of the rule. A SERC has not been prepared by the Agency.

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THE FULL TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE IS:

68A-15.004 General Regulations Relating to Wildlife Management Areas.

(1) through (3) No change.

(4) Legal to hunt:

(a) through (j) No change.

(k) <u>Shooting Notwithstanding the provisions in Rule 68A-13.008, F.A.C.</u>, shooting hours for mourning doves and whitewinged doves shall be <u>from one-half hour before sunrise</u> noon until sunset during the first phase of mourning dove and whitewinged dove season unless otherwise provided by specific area regulation.

(5) through (6) No change.

(7) Dogs:

(a) Dogs may be used for hunting during open seasons, except bear season or if prohibited by regulations for the particular management area. The take of non-protected birds with dogs is allowed during any season when at least one species of small game is legal to take with dogs. The Executive Director or designee may issue permits to raccoon or fox hunting organizations that are sanctioned by the United Kennel Club, American Kennel Club, Professional Kennel Club, or similar sanctioning entity to allow raccoon or fox hunting during otherwise closed seasons and at times and places designated in the permit. Permits may be issued only in areas where this activity will not negatively impact wildlife, where adjoining landowner conflicts will be minimal, where cooperating landowners are in agreement with the permit conditions, and when not in conflict with other user groups.

(b) through (d) No change.

(8) through (15) No change.

PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2023

Rulemaking Authority Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const. Law Implemented Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const., 379.2223, 379.354 FS. History–New 8-1-79, Amended 6-4-81, 6-21-82, 6-9-83, 9-27-83, 7-5-84, 7-1-85, Formerly 39-15.04, Amended 5-7-86, 5-10-87, 4-13-88, 8-18-88, 4-19-90, 4-4-91, 4-14-92, 10-22-92, 7-26-94, 11-6-94, 3-30-95, 10-23-95, 9-15-96, 6-1-97, 7-1-98, 12-28-98, 4-15-99, Formerly 39-15.004, Amended 7-1-00, 6-2-02, 5-1-03, 7-1-04, 7-1-05, 7-1-06, 7-29-07, 7-1-08, 7-1-09, 7-1-10, 1-1-11, 5-2-12, 4-9-13, 7-1-14, 7-1-15, 7-1-16, 7-1-18, 7-1-19, 9-13-20, 7-1-21, 7-1-22, 7-1-23.

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FISH AND WILDLIFE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Freshwater Fish and Wildlife

RULE NO.:RULE TITLE:68A-15.005Quota Permits; Antlerless Deer Permits;
Special-Opportunity Permits

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The purpose of the proposed rule amendment is to revise regulations pertaining to limited entry permit numbers. The effect of the proposed rule amendment will be to facilitate the approval process for establishing the number of quota and special-opportunity permits to be issued.

SUMMARY: The proposed rule amendment removes the current requirement that the Commission approve orders of the Executive Director which establish the maximum number of quota and special opportunity permits.

SUMMARY OF STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED REGULATORY COSTS AND LEGISLATIVE RATIFICATION:

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THE FULL TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE IS:

68A-15.005 Quota Permits; Antlerless Deer Permits; Special-Opportunity Permits.

(1) At times specified in paragraph (1)(a), a quota permit or special-opportunity permit, in addition to other required licenses and permits shall be required for any person while hunting on land owned, leased or managed by the Commission.

(a) The maximum number of quota and special-opportunity permits shall be established by order of the Executive Director, after approval of the Commission. Estimated game density, estimated carrying capacity of available habitat and management objectives will be considered in determining the number of quota permits to be issued.

(b) through (d) No change.

(2) through (5) No change.

PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2023

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FISH AND WILDLIFE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Freshwater Fish and Wildlife

RULE NO.:RULE TITLE:68A-15.006Regulations Relating to Miscellaneous
Areas

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The purpose of the proposed rule amendment is to revise regulations on Miscellaneous Areas regarding vehicle access and species allowed to be taken. The effect of the proposed rule amendment will be to enable the agency to better manage fish and wildlife resources and public use on miscellaneous areas.

SUMMARY: The proposed rule amendment revises regulations on Miscellaneous Areas by expanding the types of vehicle access allowed for mobility-impaired hunters and allowing the take of non-protected birds in the Tier 1 hunt area, allowing the take of gray squirrel in all miscellaneous areas during certain seasons, and allowing the take of quail in the Tier II Area and the Kissimmee Public River Use Area during certain seasons. As amended, the proposed rule also removes the prohibition against using centerfire rifles during small game season in the Tier II Area. Additionally, the proposed rule amendment includes a non-substantive technical change.

SUMMARY OF STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED REGULATORY COSTS AND LEGISLATIVE RATIFICATION:

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RULEMAKING AUTHORITY: Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const. LAW IMPLEMENTED: Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const.

A HEARING WILL BE HELD AT THE DATE. TIME AND

PLACE SHOWN BELOW:

DATE AND TIME: During the Commission's regular meeting February 21-22, 2023, 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., each day.

PLACE: Marriott Jacksonville, 4670 Salisbury Road, Jacksonville, Florida, 32256.

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THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE IS: Paul Scharine, Public Hunting Areas Program Coordinator, Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, 620 South Meridian Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1600, (850)617-9487 or paul.scharine@myfwc.com.

THE FULL TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE IS:

68A-15.006 Regulations Relating to Miscellaneous Areas.

(1) No change.

(2) Kissimmee River Public Use Area.

(a) No change.

(b) Legal to take: All legal game, furbearers, fish, and frogs. Taking of antlered deer not having at least one antler with three or more points or one antler with a main beam of ten inches or more in length is prohibited, except by persons less than 16 years of age. Antlerless deer may be taken only during the archery season in that portion of the area north of State Road 70 and during the last nine days of archery season in that portion of the areas south of State Road 70. Notwithstanding the gray squirrel and quail seasons established by Rule 68A-13.004, gray squirrel and quail may be taken during the general gun season established for this area. Bag and possession limits and shooting hours shall be those established under Rules 68A-13.003, 68A-13.004 and 68A-13.008, F.A.C., except that the daily bag limit for wild turkey shall be one per day.

- (c) No change.
- (3) Babcock Ranch Preserve.
- (a) No change.

(b) The following are the only species of wildlife legal to take within the Tier I hunt area: All legal game (except quail) and furbearers. Taking of antlered deer not having at least one antler with three or more points or one antler with a main beam of ten inches or more in length is prohibited, except by persons less than 16 years of age. During the archery season, family and general gun for mobility-impaired hunts the bag limit for deer shall be two deer per quota permit. Only mobility-impaired hunters may take antlerless deer during the general gun for mobility-impaired hunt. One antlered deer may be taken per person, but no more than two per quota permit during the gray squirrel season established by Rule 68A-13.004, gray squirrel may be taken during the family and general gun seasons established for this area. One gobbler (or bearded turkey) per person, but no more than two per quota permit may be taken during the family and general gun seasons established for this area. One gobbler (or bearded turkey) per person, but no more than two per quota permit may be taken during spring turkey season. Turkey may only be taken during the spring turkey season.

(c) Regulations controlling activities within the Tier I hunt area:

1. through 2. No change.

3. The use of tracked vehicles, airboats, all-terrain vehicles, unlicensed and unregistered motorcycles and swamp buggies is prohibited, except that all-terrain vehicles (ATVs), recreational off-highway vehicles (ROVs) and golf carts may be used during the general gun for mobility-impaired season by certified mobility-impaired hunters.

4. No change.

5. Vehicles must be operated on named or numbered roads, except ATVs, <u>ROVs and golf carts</u> during the mobility-impaired hunt.

6. through 15. No change.

(d) Regulations controlling activities in the Tier II hunt areas:

1. through 7. No change.

8. The take of wildlife with dogs is prohibited, except bird dogs and retrievers may be used to take small game <u>and non-protected birds</u>.

9. through 13. No change.

14. Notwithstanding the gray squirrel and quail seasons established by Rule 68A-13.004, gray squirrel and quail may be taken during the antlered deer season established for this area. Taking wildlife with centerfire rifles is prohibited during small game season.

(e) through (f) No change.

(4) through (6) No change.

PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2023

Rulemaking Authority Art. IV, Sec 9, Fla. Const. Law Implemented Art IV, Sec 9, Fla. Const. History–New 12-9-99, Amended 5-13-02, 5-1-03, 5-23-04, 7-1-06, 7-1-08, 7-1-09, 7-1-10, 11-9-10, 7-1-11, 7-1-12, 8-1-13, 7-1-14, 7-1-15, 7-1-16, 7-1-17, 7-1-18, 7-1-19, 7-1-20, 9-13-20, 7-1-21, 7-1-22, 7-1-23.

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NOT CHANGED. IF CHANGED, THE RULES MAY BE FILED AS SOON AS POSSIBLE AFTER PUBLICATION OF A NOTICE OF CHANGE IN THE F.A.R.

NAME OF PERSON ORIGINATING PROPOSED RULE: George Warthen, Director, Division of Hunting and Game Management, Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, 620 South Meridian Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1600.

NAME OF AGENCY HEAD WHO APPROVED THE PROPOSED RULE: Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission.

DATE PROPOSED RULE APPROVED BY AGENCY HEAD: November 30, 2022

DATE NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT PUBLISHED IN FAR: November 08, 2022

FISH AND WILDLIFE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Freshwater Fish and Wildlife

 RULE NO.:
 RU

 68A-15.061
 Specific

RULE TITLE: Specific Regulations for Wildlife Management Areas - Southwest Region

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The purpose of the proposed rule amendment is to revise regulations on Wildlife Management Areas (WMAs) in the Southwest Region. The effect of the proposed rule amendment will be to enable the agency to better manage fish and wildlife resources and public use on WMAs.

SUMMARY: The proposed rule amendment revises specific regulations for WMAs in the Southwest Region. Specifically, the amended rule modifies or clarifies vehicle access, hunting seasons and locations, and use of dogs. The rule also adds deer to the list of animals that must be checked at Croom WMA and establishes two family/youth small game hunts. This amendment also clarifies existing rules; removes unnecessary, redundant, or conflicting language; corrects prior mistakes; and makes non-substantive, technical corrections.

SUMMARY OF STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED REGULATORY COSTS AND LEGISLATIVE RATIFICATION:

The Agency has determined that this will not have an adverse impact on small business or likely increase directly or indirectly regulatory costs in excess of \$200,000 in the aggregate within one year after the implementation of the rule. A SERC has not been prepared by the Agency.

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THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE IS: Mark Schulz, Southwest Region Public Hunting Areas Biologist, Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, Southwest Regional Office, 3900 Drane Field Road, Lakeland, Florida 33811, (863) 648-3865 or mark.schulz@myfwc.com.

THE FULL TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE IS:

68A-15.061 Specific Regulations for Wildlife Management Areas – Southwest Region.

(1) No change.

 $(2)\ Green\ Swamp\ Wildlife\ Management\ Area-West\ Unit.$

(a) Open season:

1. through 7. No change.

8. Trapping Prohibited.

(b) through (d) No change.

(3) Fred C. Babcock/Cecil M. Webb Wildlife Management Area.

(a) Open season:

1. through 3. No change.

4. Small game – Opening the day after the last day of general gun season and continuing 13 days thereafter (Wednesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays and Sundays only), reopening 3 days later and closing 46 days thereafter (Wednesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays and Sundays only) (open 7 days a week).

5. through 7. No change.

(b) through (c) No change.

(d) General regulations:

1. through 5. No change.

6. During periods closed to hunting and the raccoon and <u>opossum season</u>, vehicles may be operated only on named or numbered roads in the bird dog training area lying south of the northern boundaries of Sections 19, 20 and 21, Township 41S, Range 24E and west of the first north-south fence line east of the Seaboard Grade and on Tram Grade, Tucker Grade and Road 6 in the remainder of the area. The operation of vehicles is prohibited in Sections 13, 14, 23 and 24, Township 42S, Range 24E and the west 1/2 of Section 19, Township 42S, Range 25E.

7. through 19. No change.

(4) Fred C. Babcock/Cecil M. Webb Wildlife Management Area – Yucca Pens Unit.

(a) Open season:

1. through 2. No change.

3. Small game – Opening 3 days after the last day of general gun season established by Rule 68A 13.004, F.A.C., and closing 60 days thereafter (Wednesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays and Sundays only and the Friday after Thanksgiving Day).

4. through 5. No change.

(b) through (d) No change.

(5) Upper Hillsborough Wildlife Management Area.

(a) Open season:

1. through 3. No change.

4. Small game – Opening 6 days after the last day of muzzleloading gun season established by Rule 68A-13.004, F.A.C., and closing the last day of gray squirrel season as established by Rule 68A-13.004, F.A.C. 15 days thereafter (Saturdays and Sundays only).

5. through 6. No change.

(b) through (d) No change.

(6) No change.

(7) KICCO Wildlife Management Area.

(a) through (c) No change.

(d) General regulations:

1. through 4. No change.

5. The portion of the area north and east of River Ranch Boulevard shall be open to hunting only during the wild hogstill season.

6. renumbered 5. No change.

(8) through (9) No change.

(10) Hilochee Wildlife Management Area.

(a) Open season:

1. through 6. No change.

7. General Gun – Opening $\underline{83}$ 84 days after the first day of Zone B antlered deer season established by Rule 68A-13.004,

F.A.C., and closing 2 days thereafter.

8. through 9. No change.

(b) through (d) No change.

(11) No change.

(12) Avon Park Air Force Range Wildlife Management Area.

(a) Open season:

1. through 7. No change.

8. Trapping Prohibited.

9. through 10. renumbered 8. through 9. No change.

(b) through (d) No change.

(13) Croom Wildlife Management Area.

(a) through (c) No change.

(d) General regulations:

1. through 5. No change.

6. During the first nine days of general gun season and the entire spring turkey and muzzleloading gun seasons, all game taken shall be checked at the check station, and no turkey <u>or</u> <u>deer</u> shall be dismembered until checked at the check station.

7. through 8. No change.

(14) Chassahowitzka Wildlife Management Area.

(a) Open season:

1. through 3. No change.

4. Wild hog-dog – Opening 12 days after the last day of general gun season established by Rule 68A 13.004, F.A.C., and closing 9 days thereafter (Fridays, Saturdays, and Sundays only).

5. through 9. No change.

(b) through (e) No change.

(15) Hilochee Wildlife Management Area – Osprey Unit.

(a) Open season:

1. through 8. No change.

9. General gun – Opening $\underline{83}$ 84 days after the first day of the Zone B antlered deer season established by Rule 68A-13.004, F.A.C., and closing 2 days thereafter.

10. No change.

(b) through (d) No change.

(16) No change.

(17) Lower Hillsborough Wildlife Management Area.

(a) Open season:

1. No change.

2. Youth small game - Opening 5 days after the last day of the family hunt season and closing 2 days thereafter, reopening 12 days later and closing 2 days thereafter (Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays only).

2. through 3. renumbered 3. through 4. No change.

(b) through (d) No change.

(18) No change.

(19) Everglades Headwaters <u>National Wildlife Refuge</u> Wildlife Management Area – Hatchineha Unit.

(a) Open season:

1. through 7. No change.

8. Trapping Prohibited.

9. renumbered 8. No change.

(b) through (c) No change.

(d) General regulations:

1. through 5. No change.

6. <u>Hunting with d</u>Dogs is are prohibited, except bird dogs and retrievers may be used for hunting small game and any dog may be used to take small game during the small game season.

7. No change.

(20) Orange Hammock Wildlife Management Area.

(a) Open season:

1. through 8. No change.

9. Trapping Prohibited.

(b) through (c) No change.

(d) General regulations:

1. The use of tracked vehicles, airboats, all-terrain vehicles (ATVs), swamp buggies, recreational off-highway vehicles (ROVs) or unlicensed and unregistered motorcycles is prohibited, except ATVs and ROVs may be used by certified mobility-impaired hunters during the mobility-impaired hunt. Additional vehicle access, provided at the required mobility-impaired pre-hunt orientation meeting, may be allowed based on environmental factors during the mobility-impaired hunt.

2. Public access is allowed only from 1.5 hours before sunrise to 1.5 hours after sunset. Public access other than by foot, horseback, or bicycle is prohibited, except vehicle access is allowed only on that portion of the Main Grade between the designated entrance and <u>WMA Gate 1</u> Parking Area 3, and as specified in #3 below.

3. Only persons participating in a quota hunt (and one additional non-hunting guest per quota permit during the mobility-impaired hunt and the youth turkey hunt) may operate vehicles on Main Grade south of <u>WMA Gate 1</u> Parking Area 3 from 1.5 hours before sunrise to 1.5 hours after sunset one day prior to and during each archery, muzzleloading gun, mobitity-impaired hunt, general gun hunt; and from 4:30 a.m. until <u>1.5 hours one hour</u> after sunset during spring turkey hunts.

4. through 10. No change.

PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2023

Rulemaking Authority Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const., 379.2223, 375.313 FS. Law Implemented Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const., 379.2223, 375.313 FS. History–New 6-21-82, Amended 7-1-83, 11-17-83, 7-5-84, 10-1-84, 7-1-85, 9-19-85, 5-7-86, 5-10-87, 6-8-87, 10-8-87, 5-1-88, 7-1-89, 7-1-90, 7-1-91, 7-2-91, 7-1-92, 8-23-92, 7-1-93, 7-1-94, 7-1-95, 7-1-96, 9-15-96, 6-1-97, 8-7-97, 7-1-98, 10-20-98, 12-28-98, 7-1-99, Formerly 39-15.061, Amended 12-9-99, 3-30-00, 7-1-00, 7-1-01, 5-13-02, 5-25-03, 7-1-04, 7-1-05, 7-1-06, 7-1-07, 7-1-08, 7-1-09, 7-1-10, 7-1-11, 7-1-12, 7-1-13, 7-1-14, 7-1-15, 7-1-16, 7-1-17, 9-14-17, 7-1-18, 8-9-18, 7-1-19, 7-1-20, 7-1-21, 7-1-22, <u>7-1-23</u>.

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NAME OF PERSON ORIGINATING PROPOSED RULE: George Warthen, Director, Division of Hunting and Game Management, Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, 620 South Meridian Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1600.

NAME OF AGENCY HEAD WHO APPROVED THE PROPOSED RULE: Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission

DATE PROPOSED RULE APPROVED BY AGENCY HEAD: November 30, 2022

DATE NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT PUBLISHED IN FAR: November 08, 2022

FISH AND WILDLIFE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Freshwater Fish and Wildlife

RULE NO.:RULE TITLE:68A-15.063Specific Regulations for Wildlife
Management Areas - Northwest Region

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The purpose of the proposed rule amendment is to revise regulations for Wildlife Management Areas (WMAs) in the Northwest Region. The effect of the proposed rule amendment will be to enable the agency to better manage fish and wildlife resources and public use on WMAs.

SUMMARY: The proposed amendment revises regulations for WMAs in the Northwest Region by modifying quota numbers for deer and turkey and establishing new hunting opportunities or expanding existing opportunities for deer, turkey, wild hog, small game, and furbearers; modifying, clarifying, or establishing rules regarding camping or the use of dogs and vehicles; and specifically modifying the check station requirements at BOX-R WMA; increasing the antler point restriction for deer at Apalachicola and Tate's Hell WMAs; moving acreage between dog and still hunt areas at Econfina Creek WMA; and establishing the Garcon Point WMA, including the specific regulations pertaining to the take of wildlife and public access. This amendment also clarifies existing rules; removes unnecessary, redundant, or conflicting language; corrects prior mistakes; and makes non-substantive, technical corrections.

SUMMARY OF STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED REGULATORY COSTS AND LEGISLATIVE RATIFICATION:

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LAW IMPLEMENTED: Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const. 375.313 FS.

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THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE IS: Justin Bingham, Northwest Region Public Hunting Areas Biologist, Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, 620 South Meridian Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1600, (850)617-9651 or justin.bingham@myfwc.com.

THE FULL TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE IS:

68A-15.063 Specific Regulations for Wildlife Management Areas – Northwest Region.

(1) Apalachee Wildlife Management Area.

- (a) through (c) No change.
- (d) General regulations:

1. Taking wildlife with dogs is prohibited, except bird dogs and retrievers are allowed during the general $gun_{;_{7}}$ muzzleloading $gun_{;_{7}}$ September duck; duck, geese and $coot_{;_{7}}$ <u>mourning and white-winged</u> dove; and quail seasons. Additionally, any dog may be used to take small game in Zones B and C₇ and to take <u>gray</u> squirrels during quail season in Zone A. The take of deer and wild hog with dogs is prohibited.

(2) Apalachicola Wildlife Management Area.

^{2.} through 7. No change.

(a) Open seasons:

1. through 8. No change.

9. Migratory game birds – During seasons established by Rules 68A-13.003 and 68A-13.008, F.A.C.

10. through 13. No change.

(b) Legal to take: All legal game, bear (only during the bear season), fish, frogs and furbearers. Taking of antlered deer not having at least one antler with <u>three two</u> or more points <u>or one</u> <u>antler with a main beam of 10 inches or more in length</u> is prohibited, except by persons less than 16 years of age. Bearded turkeys or gobblers may be taken during the muzzleloading gun season, and during the first 16 days of general gun season. Taking quail is prohibited on the quail enhancement area (that portion of the area lying north of Oak Ridge Road, east of State Road 363) except during quail season as established annually by order of the Executive Director, based on annual fall quail surveys. The daily bag limit for quail on the quail enhancement area is six (6) per person.

(c) No change.

(d) General regulations:

1. through 3. No change.

4. Taking wildlife with dogs, other than bird dogs and retrievers, is prohibited in that portion of the area lying west and south of County Road 375 and east of the Ochlockonee River; also those lands lying north and east of the Florida River and Larkins Slough. The take of deer with dogs is prohibited, except during the general gun season in the dog hunt area. The take of wild hog with dogs is prohibited, except during the general gun and small game seasons in the dog hunt area.

5. through 7. No change.

(3) Apalachicola Wildlife Management Area – Bradwell Unit.

(a) through (c) No change.

(d) General regulations:

1. No change.

2. Taking wildlife with dogs, other than bird dogs and retrievers, is prohibited, except during the wild hog-dog season and any dog may be used to take small game during the small game season. The take of wild hog with dogs is prohibited, except during the wild hog-dog small game season. The take of deer with dogs is prohibited.

3. through 5. No change.

(4) Blackwater Wildlife Management Area.

(a) Open seasons in the still hunt area (which includes that portion of the area south of State Road 4, except for the field trial area, and that portion of the area north of State Road 4, except for the dog hunt area).

1. No change.

2. Family still hunt – Opening the second Saturday in December and closing 1 day thereafter.

3. through 7. No change

8. <u>Archery/</u>Muzzleloading gun and archery – Opening 8 days after the last day of general gun season and closing 10 days thereafter.

9. through 14. No change.

(b) Open seasons in the dog hunt area (which includes that portion of the area north of State Road 4 and west of Three Notch Road, east of Mason West Road, and north of Camp Henderson Road; and that portion of the area north of State Road 4, west of Beaver Creek Highway and Hurricane Lake Road, and east of Belandville Road; and that portion of the area north of Forest Road R47, north of Eadie Cotton Road and Peaden Bridge Road, west of Sherman Kennedy Road, south of Mattie Kennedy Road and Kennedy Bridge Road, west of Bullard Church Road, and east of Beaver Creek Highway and Hurricane Lake Road):

1. through 2. No change.

3. Family still hunt – Opening the second Saturday in December and closing 1 day thereafter.

4. Small game – Opening the second Saturday of November and closing the last day of quail season established by Rule 68A-13.004, F.A.C. (except during the general gun dog and still seasons).

5. through 8. No change.

9. <u>Archery/</u>Muzzleloading gun and archery – Opening 8 days after the last day of general gun dog season and closing 10 days thereafter.

10. through 15. No change.

(c) Open seasons in the field trial area (which includes that portion of the area bounded by Coldwater Creek on the northwest, the western boundary of Blackwater State Forest and Paul Barnes Road to the west, Springhill Road to the and south, County Road 191 to on the east southeast, and on a line running west 3/4 mile from the intersection of County Road 191 and Coldwater Horse Trail, then north one mile and then three miles west to Coldwater Creek at a point 1/2 mile northeast of the Coldwater Recreation Area):

1. Archery – Opening 33 days prior to the first day of Zone D antlered deer season established by Rule 68A-13.004, F.A.C., and closing 29 days thereafter, reopening the first day of Zone D antlered deer season established by Rule 68A-13.004, F.A.C., and closing 3 days thereafter, and reopening the third Saturday in December and closing 53 days thereafter (except during the archery/muzzleloading gun season).

2. No change.

3. <u>Archery/</u>Muzzleloading gun and archery – Opening the third Friday in January and closing 2 days thereafter.

4. through 9. No change.

(d) Legal to take: All legal game, fish, frogs and furbearers. Taking of antlered deer not having at least one antler with three or more points or one antler with a main beam of ten inches or

more in length is prohibited, except_by persons less than 16 years of age. The bag limit for deer during the archery/ muzzleloading gun and archery season on the field trial portion of the area shall be one antlered and one antlerless deer per day. During the family still hunt, antlered or antlerless deer (bag limit of three per quota permit) may be taken. The take of antlerless deer and turkey during the archery season in the Field Trial Area is prohibited, except during the first 30 days. Taking quail is prohibited on the field trial area except by quail permit during the quail season. The bag limit for quail on the field trial area is 12 per hunting group each day. A group for the purpose of quail hunting on the field trial area shall include up to 2 persons. Taking quail after 3:00 p.m. Central Time is prohibited during the quail season on the field trial area. Taking quail is prohibited on the quail enhancement area (that portion of the area lying north of Bryant Bridge Road, east of Sandy Forest Road, east of County Road 191 between Sandy Forest Road and State Road 4, south of State Road 4 and west of Old Martin Road and Norman Riley Road) except during the quail season as established annually by order of the Executive Director, based on annual fall quail surveys. The daily bag limit for quail on the quail enhancement area is six(6) per person. During the fox, raccoon, opossum and bobcat season, rabbit may be chased by the use of free-running dogs but may not be harvested except as allowed during other open seasons. During the wild hog-dog season, only wild hog may be taken.

(e) No change.

(f) General regulations:

1. through 2. No change.

3. Taking wildlife with dogs, other than bird dogs or retrievers, is prohibited in the still hunt area, field trial area, and during the general gun still hunt in the dog hunt area; however, any dog may be used to take small game during the small game and seasons in the still hunt and dog hunt areas and any dog may be used throughout the area during the wild hog-dog seasons season. The take of deer with dogs is prohibited, except during the general gun dog and family hunts in the dog hunt area. The take of wild hog with dogs during the small game season is prohibited, except in the dog hunt area. Dogs are prohibited in the field trial area, except as specifically authorized by permit, or during the bird dog training, dove or quail hunting seasons, or during wild hog-dog season for the purpose of taking hunting wild hogs.

4. through 12. No change.

(5) Blackwater Wildlife Management Area – Hutton Unit.

(a) through (c) No change.

(d) General regulations:

1. through 2. No change.

3. Taking wildlife with dogs other than bird dogs or retrievers is prohibited, except during the wild hog-dog season or as specifically authorized by permit. The take of deer with

dogs is prohibited. The take of wild hog with dogs is prohibited, except during the wild hog-dog season.

4. through 10. No change.

(6) No change.

(7) Joe Budd Wildlife Management Area.

(a) Open season:

1. No change.

2. Archery/<u>Muzzleloading</u> and <u>muzzleloading</u> gun – Opening 5 days after the last day of archery season and closing 16 days thereafter (Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays only).

3. through 7. No change.

(b) through (c) No change.

(d) General regulations:

1. No change.

2. Taking wildlife with dogs is prohibited, except any dog may be used to take small game during small game season. <u>The</u> take of deer and wild hog with dogs is prohibited.

3. through 5. No change.

6. Shotguns are prohibited for taking wildlife during the archery season, and centerfire shotguns are prohibited for taking wildlife during the archery<u>/</u>-and_muzzleloading gun season.

7. through 13. No change.

(8) Point Washington Wildlife Management Area.

(a) Open season:

1. through 5. No change.

6. Archery/<u>Muzzleloading</u> and muzzleloading gun – Opening 1 day after the last day of general gun season and closing 10 days thereafter.

7. Migratory game birds – During September duck, dove, and rail, and common gallinule seasons established by Rules 68A-13.003 and 68A-13.008, F.A.C.

8. through 9. No change.

<u>10. Youth turkey – During the youth turkey hunt</u> established by Rule 68A-13.004, F.A.C.

(b) through (c) No change.

(d) General regulations:

1. through 2. No change.

3. Taking wildlife with dogs other than bird dogs or retrievers is prohibited, except any dog may be used to take small game during the small game season. <u>The take of deer and wild hog with dogs is prohibited.</u>

4. through 8. No change.

(9) Talquin Wildlife Management Area.

(a) through (c) No change.

(d) General regulations:

1. No change.

2. Taking wildlife with dogs other than bird dogs or retrievers is prohibited, except any dog may be used to take small game during the small game season. The take of deer and wild hog with dogs is prohibited.

3. through 6. No change.

(10) Ochlockonee River Wildlife Management Area.

(a) Open season:

1. Archery/Muzzleloading and muzzleloading gun – Open the first 27 days of Zone D antlered deer season established by Rule 68A-13.004, F.A.C. (Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays only).

2. Small game – Opening 5 days after the last day of archery<u>/ and muzzleloading gun season and closing the last day of gray squirrel season established by Rule 68A-13.004, F.A.C. (Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays only).</u>

3. through 7. No change.

(b) through (c) No change.

(d) General regulations:

1. No change.

2. Taking wildlife with dogs other than bird dogs or retrievers is prohibited, except any dog may be used to take small game during the small game season. The take of <u>deer and</u> wild hog with dogs is prohibited.

3. through 6. No change.

(11) Tate's Hell Wildlife Management Area.

(a) Open season:

1. through 4. No change.

5. <u>Archery/</u>Muzzleloading gun and archery – Opening the day after the last day of general gun season and closing 10 days thereafter.

6. No change.

7. Dove<u>, snipe, and woodcock</u> – As established by Rule 68A-13.008, F.A.C.

8. through 12. No change.

<u>13. Youth turkey – During the youth turkey hunt</u> established by Rule 68A-13.004, F.A.C.

(b) Legal to take: All legal game, bear (only during the bear season), fish, frogs and furbearers. Taking of antlered deer not having at least one antler with <u>three two</u> or more points <u>or one</u> <u>antler with a main beam of 10 inches or more in length</u> is prohibited, except by persons less than 16 years of age.

(c) through (c) No change.

(d) General regulations:

1. through 3. No change.

4. Hunting with dogs other than bird dogs and retrievers is prohibited in the still hunt area, which includes that portion of the area east of Whiskey George Creek and south of Dry Bridge Road, east of Car Body Road, south of River Road, east of Burnt Bridge Road from its intersection with River Road to the New River, south of New River and west of Carrabelle River, and those lands lying south and east of the Crooked River. <u>The take of deer with dogs is prohibited, except during general gun season in the dog hunt area. The take of wild hog with dogs is prohibited, except during general gun and small game seasons in the dog hunt area.</u> 5. through 6. No change.

(12) Tate's Hell Wildlife Management Area – Womack Creek Unit.

(a) Open season:

1. through 5. No change.

6. Duck, geese, and coot – During the migratory game bird seasons as established by Rule 68A-13.003, F.A.C.

7. through 11. No change.

<u>12. Dove, snipe, and woodcock – During the seasons</u> established by Rule 68A-13.008, F.A.C.

(b) through (c) No change.

(d) General regulations:

1. Taking wildlife with dogs, other than bird dogs, retrievers or dogs with a shoulder height of 15 inches or less, is prohibited except during the general gun dog and wild hog-dog seasons. The take of deer with dogs is prohibited, except during the general gun dog season. The take of wild hog with dogs is prohibited, except during the general gun dog and wild hog-dog seasons.

2. through 5. No change.

(13) Aucilla Wildlife Management Area.

(a) Open season:

1. through 14. No change.

<u>15. Raccoon (dog hunt area only) – Opening the first</u> <u>Thursday in July and closing the last Sunday in August</u> (Thursday: Erideur Saturday, and Sunday, and)

(Thursdays, Fridays, Saturdays, and Sundays only).

(b) through (c) No change.

(d) General regulations:

1. No change

2. Taking wildlife with dogs other than bird dogs or waterfowl retrievers is prohibited in the still hunt area (which includes that portion of the area south of US 98 and that portion of the area north of Goose Pasture Road and east of Oneal Tram). The take of deer with dogs is prohibited, except during the general gun season in the dog hunt area. The take of wild hog with dogs is prohibited, except during the general gun and small game seasons in the dog hunt area.

3. No change.

4. During the general gun<u>, raccoon</u>, and small game seasons, hunting as specified by paragraph 68A-24.002(2)(b), F.A.C., is allowed.

5. through 13. No change.

(14) Flint Rock Wildlife Management Area.

(a) through (c) No change.

(d) General regulations:

1. through 3. No change.

4. Taking wildlife by use of a gun on or from the right-ofway of <u>U.S. Highway 98</u> State Road 59 is prohibited as provided by subsection 68A-4.008(4), F.A.C.

5. through 6. No change.

(15) Pine Log Wildlife Management Area.

(a) Open season:

1. Archery – Opening 33 days prior to the first day of Zone D antlered deer season established by Rule 68A-13.004, F.A.C., and closing 22 days thereafter (throughout the area); and reopening 20 days later and closing 2 days thereafter (in the archery-only area).

2. through 11. No change.

(b) through (c) No change.

(d) General regulations:

1. No change.

2. Taking wildlife with dogs other than bird dogs or retrievers is prohibited, except as specifically authorized by permit, when taking raccoon during the raccoon season, or when using any dog to take small game during small game season. The take of <u>deer and</u> wild hog with dogs is prohibited.

3. through 9. No change.

(16) Eglin AFB Wildlife Management Area.

(a) Open season:

1. through 3. No change.

4. Archery/<u>Muzzleloading</u> and <u>muzzleloading</u> gun – During the last 7 days of Zone D muzzleloading gun season as established in Rule 68A-13.004, F.A.C., in areas and during days specified by the Installation Commander.

5. through 12. No change.

(b) Legal to take: All legal game, fish (except as provided below), frogs and furbearers. Taking of antlered deer not having at least one antler with three two or more points or one antler with a main beam of 10 inches or more in length is prohibited, except in the Jackson and Brier Creek units where take of antlered deer not having at least one antler with 4 or more points or one antler with a main beam of 14-inches or more in length is prohibited, and except by persons less than 16 years of age in areas specified by the Installation Commander. The Installation Commander may specify areas in which and days during which where taking of antlered deer not having at least one antler with three or more points or one antler with a main beam of ten inches or more in length is prohibited and where persons less than 16 years of age may harvest antlered deer not meeting antler point criteria. Antlerless deer may be taken during established seasons only by permit from the Installation Commander. The take of wild hog is prohibited during small game season. Only wild hog may be taken during the wild hogdog season. During spring turkey season gobbler or bearded turkey may only be taken from 1/2 hour before sunrise until 1 p.m. The take of turkey is prohibited during the archery season.

1. through 2. No change.

(c) No change.

(d) General regulations:

1. through 5. No change.

6. During small game season, hunting as specified by paragraph 68A-24.002(2)(b), F.A.C., is allowed <u>only in areas</u> and during days specified by the Installation Commander.

7. through 14. No change.

<u>15. Bicycles and electric bicycles are allowed only in areas</u> and during days specified by the Installation Commander.

(17) Escambia River Wildlife Management Area.

(a) Open season:

1. General gun – Open the first 58 days of Zone D antlered deer season established by Rule 68A-13.004, F.A.C. (except during the family hunt).

2. through 3. No change.

4. Archery/<u>Muzzleloading</u> and <u>muzzleloading</u> gun – Opening the day after the last day of general gun season and closing 10 days thereafter.

5. through 8. No change.

9. Migratory game birds – During seasons established by Rules 68A-13.003 and 68A-13.008, F.A.C.

10. Wild hog-dog – Opening the second <u>and fourth</u> Friday of the month and closing 2 days thereafter in May, June, July, August, and <u>September July</u>.

11. through 13. No change.

14. Trapping – December 1 through March 1.

(b) through (c) No change.

(d) General regulations:

1. No change.

2. Taking wildlife with dogs, other than bird dogs or retrievers, is prohibited in that portion of the area north of State Road 184 in Santa Rosa County, and north of Cedartown Road and Daffin Road in Escambia County, except that dogs may be used at night to take raccoon at night during the raccoon season and any dog may be used to take wild hog during the wild hog-dog season. The take of deer with dogs is prohibited, except during the general gun and family hunt seasons in the dog hunt area. The take of wild hog with dogs is prohibited, except during the general gun, family hunt, and small game seasons in the dog hunt area and during the wild hog-dog season throughout the area.

3. through 8. No change.

(18) No change.

(19) Choctawhatchee River Wildlife Management Area.

(a) Open season:

1. through 4. No change.

5. Archery/<u>Muzzleloading</u> and muzzleloading gun – Opening the day after the last day of general gun season and closing 10 days thereafter. Open the first 69 days of Zone D antlered deer season established by Rule 68A-13.004, F.A.C., in Holmes Creek Unit and East River Island only.

6. through 7. No change.

8. Migratory game birds – During seasons established by Rules 68A-13.003 and 68A-13.008, F.A.C.

9. through 11. No change.

(b) through (c) No change.

(d) General regulations:

1. No change.

2. Taking wildlife with dogs, other than bird dogs or retrievers, is prohibited in still hunt areas; however, any dog may be used to hunt raccoon during the general gun season and small game season pursuant to paragraph 68A-24.002(2)(b), F.A.C., except in the East River Island area and Holmes Creek Unit. Wild hog may also be hunted with dogs during the general gun and small game seasons in the dog hunt area and throughout the area (dog and still hunt areas) with dogs during the wild hog-dog season, except in the Holmes Homes Creek Unit. Designated still hunt areas are north of US Highway 90, Holmes Creek Unit (those lands in Washington County lying east of County Road 284) and East River Island (those lands in Township 1 North, Ranges 17 and 18 West which are bounded on the south and east by East River and on the west and north by Choctawhatchee River); also those lands south of US Highway 90 lying north of the pipeline right-of-way and east of the Choctawhatchee River. The take of deer with dogs is prohibited, except during the general gun season in the dog hunt area.

3. through 7. No change.

(20) Chipola River Wildlife Management Area.

(a) Open seasons, except in the Altha Tract:

1. through 4. No change.

5. Archery/<u>Muzzleloading</u> and <u>muzzleloading</u> gun – Opening 4 days after the last day of general gun season and closing 1 day thereafter and reopening 6 days later and closing 1 day thereafter.

6. through 7. No change.

8. Migratory game birds – During seasons established by Rules 68A-13.003 and 68A-13.008, F.A.C.

9. through 12. No change.

(b) through (e) No change.

(21) Yellow River Wildlife Management Area.

(a) Open season:

1. through 4. No change.

5. Archery/<u>Muzzleloading</u> and muzzleloading gun – Opening the day after the last day of general gun season and closing 10 days thereafter.

6. No change.

7. Migratory game birds – During seasons established by Rules 68A-13.003 and 68A-13.008, F.A.C.

8. through 11. No change.

(b) No change.

(c) Camping: Allowed throughout the <u>portion of the</u> area <u>managed by Northwest Florida Water Management District</u> (except where posted as no camping), but not to exceed 14 days within any consecutive 30-day period. <u>Within that portion of</u>

the area managed by the Florida Forest Service, camping is prohibited, except by special use permit or at designated primitive sites and for a maximum of 14 days. Throughout the entire area, camping Camping is limited to tents, trailers, or self-propelled camping vehicles only. Kitchen stoves, refrigerators, and freezers are prohibited, unless contained in mobile campers. Lumber, sheet metal, or other building materials are prohibited.

(d) General regulations:

1. No change.

2. Taking wildlife with dogs, other than bird dogs or retrievers, is prohibited, except that dogs may be used to hunt raccoon and opossum during the general gun and small game seasons and any dog may be used to take small game during the small game season. The take of <u>deer and</u> wild hog with dogs is prohibited. Only wild hog may be taken during the wild hog-still season.

3. through 6. No change.

(22) Econfina Creek Wildlife Management Area.

(a) except in the mobility-impaired, Cat Creek and Fitzhugh Carter areas.

1. through 4. No change

5. Archery/<u>Muzzleloading</u> and muzzleloading gun – Opening the day after the last day of general gun season and closing 10 days thereafter.

6. through 8. No change.

9. Migratory game birds – During seasons established by Rule 68A-13.003, F.A.C.

10. through 11. No change.

(b) through (e) No change.

(f) General regulations:

1. No change.

2. Taking wildlife with dogs, other than bird dogs or retrievers, is prohibited in those portions of the area that are west of State Road 77; south of State Road 20; east of Econfina Creek; south and east of Hampshire Blvd. except that portion of the area lying south of Greenhead Road and east of Strickland Road Ten mile Creek; west of Econfina Road and south of Greenhead Road, except that portion of the area lying east of Fox Pond and Mabel Porter roads; and north of Deadening Road except that dogs may be used in that portion of the area in Jackson County and to take raccoons (except in the mobility-impaired Cat Creek and Fitzhugh Carter areas). The take of deer and wild hog with dogs is prohibited, except deer may be taken with dogs during general gun season in the dog hunt area and wild hog may be taken with dogs during general gun and small game seasons in the dog hunt area.

3. through 14. No change.

(23) Box-R Wildlife Management Area.

(a) Open season:

1. No change.

2. Small game – Opening the second Saturday in November and closing the Sunday prior to the fourth Thursday in November <u>and reopening the second Saturday in February</u> and closing the first Sunday in March.

3. through 5. No change.

6. Wild hog-dog – Opening the second <u>Wednesday</u> Friday and closing 52 days thereafter in May, June, July, August, and September.

7. No change.

8. Dove – Saturdays and Sundays during the first phase and during the remainder of the mourning dove and white-winged dove season established by Rule 68A-13.008, F.A.C., that coincides with the archery, small game, muzzleloading gun, general gun, and wild hog still seasons.

9. No change.

<u>10. Youth turkey – During the youth turkey hunt</u> established by Rule 68A-13.004, F.A.C.

(b) through (c) No change.

(d) General regulations:

1. Motor vVehicles may be operated only on named or numbered roads.

2. Vehicles shall enter and exit only at designated entrances as indicated on the hunt map, except during the small game season.

3. through 4. renumbered 2. through 3. No change.

<u>4.5.</u> Taking wildlife with dogs, other than bird dogs or retrievers, is prohibited, except any dog may be used during the wild hog-dog season and when taking small game during the small game season. The take of wild hogs with dogs is prohibited, except during the wild hog-dog during the small game season. During the wild hog-dog season, no more than 3 free-running dogs per quota permit may be used. The take of deer with dogs is prohibited.

<u>5.6</u>. Hunters shall check in and out at a check station when entering and exiting the area and shall check all game taken, except during the small game, wild hog-dog, spring turkey, and dove seasons. <u>Hunters accessing the Gulf County portion of the</u> <u>area are not required to check in or out at a check station or check harvested wildlife and are exempt from quota permit</u> <u>requirments.</u>

7. through 9. renumbered 6. through 8. No change.

<u>9.10</u>. During the wild hog-dog season, hunts will begin at <u>noon</u> 12:01 a.m. on the first day of the hunt and end at <u>noon</u> 11:59 p.m. on the last day of the hunt.

<u>10.</u>11. During the wild hog-dog season, taking wild hog without the aid of a dog is prohibited from 10:00 a.m. to sunset.

<u>11.</u>42. During the wild hog-dog season, wild hog may be taken <u>at night</u> by the aid of a light with dogs and a firearm, provided that no wild hog may be shot until bayed by a dog. The hunting of wild hog under this provision by display or use of a light from a moving vehicle, boat, or animal is prohibited.

(24) Lafayette Creek Wildlife Management Area.

(a) Open season:

1. through 6. No change.

7. Migratory game birds – During seasons established by Rules 68A-13.003 and 68A-13.008, F.A.C.

8. through 9. No change.

10. Trapping Prohibited.

<u>10.11.</u> Youth turkey – During the youth turkey hunt established by Rule 68A-13.004, F.A.C.

(b) through (c) No change.

(d) General regulations:

1. through 3. No change.

4. Taking wildlife with dogs, other than bird dogs or retrievers, is prohibited, except any dog may be used to take small game during the small game season. The take of <u>deer and</u> wild hog with dogs is prohibited.

5. through 7. No change.

(25) Wakulla Wildlife Management Area.

(a) Open season:

1. No change.

2. Archery/<u>Muzzleloading</u> and muzzleloading gun – Opening 1 day after the first day of Zone D antlered deer season established by Rule 68A-13.004, F.A.C., and closing 2 days thereafter, reopening 12 days later and closing 2 days thereafter, reopening 12 days later and closing 2 days thereafter, reopening 12 days later and closing 2 days thereafter, and reopening 12 days later and closing 2 days thereafter.

3. Small game – Opening the day after the last day of archery<u>/ and muzzleloading gun season and closing 27 days thereafter.</u>

4. through 6. No change.

(b) through (c) No change.

(d) General regulations:

1. through 2. No change.

3. Taking wildlife with dogs, other than bird dogs or retrievers, is prohibited, except any dog may be used to take small game during the small game season. The take of <u>deer and</u> wild hog with dogs is prohibited.

4. through 7. No change.

(26) Perdido River Wildlife Management Area.

(a) Open season:

1. through 4. No change.

5. Archery/<u>Muzzleloading</u> and muzzleloading gun – Opening 4 days after the last day of general gun season and closing 10 days thereafter.

6. Small game – Opening 3 days prior to the first day of Zone D antlered deer season established by Rule 68A-13.004, F.A.C., and closing the last day of gray squirrel season established by Rule 68A-13.004, F.A.C. (except during general gun, family hunt, muzzleloading gun, and archery/<u>and</u> muzzleloading gun seasons).

7. through 8. No change.

9. Migratory game birds – During seasons established by Rules 68A-13.003 and 68A-13.008, F.A.C.

10. No change.

11. Trapping Prohibited.

(b) through (c) No change.

(d) General regulations:

1. through 2. No change.

3. Hunting with dogs, other than bird dogs or retrievers, is prohibited, except any dog may be used to take small game during the small game season. The take of <u>deer and</u> wild hog with dogs is prohibited.

4. through 7. No change.

(27) No change.

(28) Beaverdam Creek Wildlife Management Area.

(a) Open season:

1. through 5. No change.

6. Archery/<u>Muzzleloading</u> and muzzleloading gun – Opening the day after the last day of general gun season and closing 10 days thereafter.

7. through 11. No change.

<u>12. Youth turkey hunt – During the youth turkey hunt</u> established by Rule 68A-13.004, F.A.C.

(b) through (d) No change.

(29) Escribano Point Wildlife Management Area.

(a) Open season:

1. through 3. No change.

4. Archery/<u>Muzzleloading</u> and muzzleloading gun – Opening 5 days after the last day of general gun season and closing 2 days thereafter.

5. No change.

6. Small game – During the quail season established by Rule 68A-13.004, F.A.C. (except during general gun season, muzzleloading gun, and archery/<u>and</u>muzzleloading gun seasons).

7. No change.

(b) through (c) No change.

(d) General regulations:

1. No change.

2. Taking wildlife with dogs, other than bird dogs or retrievers, is prohibited, except any dog may be used to take small game during the small game season. The take of deer and wild hog with dogs is prohibited.

3. through 4. No change.

(30) Plank Road Wildlife Management Area.

(a) No change.

(b) Legal to take: All legal game (except hen or beardless turkey), fish, frogs and furbearers. Taking antlered deer not having at least one antler with three or more points or one antler with a main beam of 10-inches or more in length is prohibited, except by persons less than 16 years of age. The take of antlerless deer is prohibited except during the <u>archery</u>, family hunt, and mobility-impaired general gun <u>seasons</u> season. During the family hunt, the bag limit shall be two deer per quota permit, only one of which may be antlerless. During the mobility-impaired general gun season, the bag limit for antlerless deer shall be one per quota permit and only mobilityimpaired hunters may take antlerless deer.

(c) No change.

(d) General regulations:

1. No change.

2. Taking wildlife with dogs, other than bird dogs or retrievers, is prohibited, except any dog may be used to take small game during the small game season. <u>The take of deer and wild hog with dogs is prohibited.</u>

3. through 6. No change.

(31) Tate's Hell Wildlife Management Area – St. James Island Unit.

(a) Open season:

1. through 7. No change.

8. Migratory game birds – Doves, ducks, geese, coot, snipe, and woodcock may be taken during their respective statewide seasons as established by Rules 68A-13.003 and 68A-13.008, F.A.C.

9. No change.

(b) through (c) No change.

(d) General regulations:

1. through 3. No change.

4. Hunting with dogs is prohibited, except bird dogs and retrievers may be used for taking doves, ducks, geese, and coots, snipe, and woodcock during their respective statewide seasons and any dog may be used to take small game during small game season. The take of deer and wild hog with dogs is prohibited.

5. through 6. No change.

(32) Garcon Point Wildlife Management Area.

(a) Open season:

<u>1. Archery – Opening 33 days prior to the first day of Zone</u> <u>D antlered deer season established by Rule 68A-13.004, F.A.C.,</u> and closing 3 days thereafter, reopening 3 days later and closing <u>3 days thereafter, reopening 3 days later and closing 3 days</u> thereafter, and reopening <u>5 days later and closing 3 days</u> thereafter.

2. Muzzleloading gun – Opening 9 days after the first day of Zone D antlered deer season established by Rule 68A-13.004, F.A.C., and closing 2 days thereafter.

<u>3. General gun – Opening the first day of Zone D antlered</u> <u>deer season established by Rule 68A-13.004, F.A.C., and</u> <u>closing 3 days thereafter, reopening 19 days later and closing 3</u> <u>days thereafter, and reopening 25 days later and closing 3 days</u> <u>thereafter.</u> <u>4. Small game – Opening the last Saturday in January and closing the last day of gray squirrel season established by Rule 68A-13.004, F.A.C. (except during the archery and muzzleloading gun season).</u>

5. Archery/muzzleloading gun – Opening 72 days after the first day of Zone D antlered deer season established by Rule 68A-13.004, F.A.C., and closing 2 days thereafter.

<u>6. Spring turkey – Opening the first day of spring turkey</u> season established by Rule 68A-13.004, F.A.C., and closing 3 days thereafter, reopening 10 days later and closing 3 days thereafter, and reopening 11 days later and closing 3 days thereafter.

7. Migratory birds – During their respective statewide seasons established by Rules 68A-13.003 and 68A-13.008, F.A.C.

8. Fishing and frogging – Allowed year-round.

(b) Legal to take: All legal game (except hen or beardless turkey), fish, frogs, and furbearers. Taking of antlered deer not having at least one antler with two or more points is prohibited, except by persons less than 16 years of age. During the archery season, the bag limit for deer shall be one deer (except spotted fawn) per quota permit. During the muzzleloading gun, general gun, and archery and muzzleloading seasons, the bag limit for deer shall be one antlered deer per quota permit. During the archery and spring turkey seasons, one gobbler or bearded turkey may be taken per quota permit.

(c) Camping: Prohibited, except in designated camping areas by permit from the Northwest Florida Water Management District.

(d) General regulations:

1. Public access is allowed year-round.

2. Individuals shall enter and exit the area only at designated entrances as indicated on the hunt map.

2. Motor vehicles may be operated only on designated roads and parking areas as indicated on the hunt map.

3. Airboats, off-highway vehicles (which includes allterrain vehicles, side-by-sides, and unlicensed and unregistered motorcycles), swamp buggies, and tracked vehicles are prohibited, except by permit from the Northwest Florida Water Management District.

4. Hunting with dogs is prohibited, except bird dogs and retrievers may be used for taking migratory birds during their respective statewide seasons and any dog may be used to take small game during small game season. The take of deer and wild hog with dogs is prohibited.

5. Taking wildlife with centerfire rifles is prohibited.

6. Fires are prohibited.

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NAME OF PERSON ORIGINATING PROPOSED RULE: George Warthen, Director, Division of Hunting and Game Management, Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, 620 South Meridian Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1600.

NAME OF AGENCY HEAD WHO APPROVED THE PROPOSED RULE: Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission.

DATE PROPOSED RULE APPROVED BY AGENCY HEAD: November 30, 2022

DATE NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT PUBLISHED IN FAR: November 08, 2022.

FISH AND WILDLIFE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Freshwater Fish and Wildlife

RULE NO.:RULE TITLE:68A-15.064Specific Regulations for Wildlife
Management Areas - South Region

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The purpose of the proposed rule amendment is to revise regulations on Wildlife Management Areas (WMAs) in the South Region. The effect of the proposed rule amendment will be to enable the agency to better manage fish and wildlife resources and public use on WMAs.

SUMMARY: The proposed rule amendment revises regulations for specific WMAs in the South Region. Specifically, the rule as amended establishes hunts or expands existing hunting opportunities; modifies hunting seasons and shooting hours; clarifies or modifies rules regarding the use of hunting equipment, dogs, and vehicles, including off-road use of motor vehicles, swamp buggies, and tracked vehicles at Everglades and Francis S. Taylor, Holey Land, and Rotenberger WMAs; prohibits the discharge of bows, crossbows, and airguns in certain areas that are closed to hunting at Fisheating Creek and J.W. Corbett WMAs; modifies the antler point regulation for deer and establishes two archery quota hunts at Picayune Strand WMA; and establishes the Everglades Headwaters National Wildlife Refuge WMA – Okeechobee Unit, including regulations pertaining to the take of wildlife and public access. The amended rule also clarifies existing rules; removes unnecessary, redundant, or conflicting language; corrects prior errors; and makes non-substantive technical corrections.

SUMMARY OF STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED REGULATORY COSTS AND LEGISLATIVE RATIFICATION:

The Agency has determined that this will not have an adverse impact on small business or likely increase directly or indirectly regulatory costs in excess of \$200,000 in the aggregate within one year after the implementation of the rule. A SERC has not been prepared by the Agency.

The Agency has determined that the proposed rule is not expected to require legislative ratification based on the statement of estimated regulatory costs or if no SERC is required, the information expressly relied upon and described herein: The nature of the rule and the preliminary analysis conducted to determine whether a SERC was required.

Any person who wishes to provide information regarding a statement of estimated regulatory costs, or provide a proposal for a lower cost regulatory alternative must do so in writing within 21 days of this notice.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY: Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const. 375.313 FS.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const. 375.313 FS.

A HEARING WILL BE HELD AT THE DATE, TIME AND PLACE SHOWN BELOW:

DATE AND TIME: During the Commission's regular meeting February 21-22, 2023, 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., each day.

PLACE: Marriott Jacksonville, 4670 Salisbury Road, Jacksonville, Florida, 32256.

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THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE IS: Cheyenne Walker, South Region Public Hunting Areas Biologist, Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, 8535 Northlake Blvd., West Palm Beach, Florida 33412, (561) 882-5730 or cheyenne.walker@myfwc.com.

THE FULL TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE IS:

68A-15.064 Specific Regulations for Wildlife Management Areas – South Region.

(1) J. W. Corbett Wildlife Management Area.

(a) Open season:

1. through 7. No change.

8. Migratory game birds – During seasons established by Rules 68A-13.003 and 68A-13.008, F.A.C.

9. No change.

(b) through (c) No change.

(d) General regulations:

1. through 3. No change.

4. During open periods other than those designated for motor vehicle use around the archery, muzzleloading gun, general gun, small game, and spring turkey seasons, only licensed and registered (street legal) motor vehicles may be possessed or operated and only on named or numbered roads, except persons participating in dove and waterfowl hunts also may operate street legal vehicles on numbered trails from one day after the close of archery season to one day prior to the opening of muzzleloading gun season, persons participating in snipe hunts also may operate street legal vehicles on numbered trails from November 1 to one day prior to the opening of general gun season, and persons planning to participate in muzzleloading gun or general gun hunts also may possess, but not operate, recreational off-highway vehicles (side-by-sides) and swamp buggies from 6:00 p.m. one day following the close of archery and muzzleloading gun seasons until 8:00 a.m. one day prior to the opening of muzzleloading gun and general gun seasons, respectively. From 8:00 a.m. one day before the opening of archery and spring turkey seasons through 6:00 p.m. the day after the close of these seasons, only street legal motor vehicles may be possessed or operated and only on named or numbered roads, except persons participating in archery and spring turkey hunts also may possess and operate, street legal motor vehicles, side-by-sides, and swamp buggies on named roads and or-numbered-roads and trails (other than Indian Trails and L-8 Canal roads, which are open to street legal vehicles only); and except as provided above for participants in dove and waterfowl hunts between archery and muzzleloading gun seasons. Only street legal motor vehicles may be possessed or operated and only on named or numbered roads at any time after 8:00 a.m. one day prior to the opening of muzzleloading gun, general gun, and small game seasons through 6:00 p.m. the day after the close of each of these seasons, except persons participating in muzzleloading gun, general gun, and small game hunts also may possess and operate, street legal vehicles, side-by-sides, and swamp buggies on named roads and or numbered roads and trails (other than Indian Trails and L-8 Canal roads, which are open to street legal vehicles only) and throughout the area except where closed to vehicular traffic; and except as provided above for participants in snipe hunts

between muzzleloading gun and general gun seasons. Only street legal motor vehicles are allowed on the Indian Trails and L-8 Canal roads. Motor vehicle access between the L-8 Canal Road and trails 5 and 6 is prohibited, except during designated <u>motor vehicle-use</u> periods around hunting seasons and only for <u>those</u> persons <u>using street legal vehicles to participate</u> <u>participating</u> in hunts.

5. No change.

6. Take of wildlife with dogs is prohibited, except during area-specific general gun, small game, raccoon, and dog training seasons and bird dogs and retrievers may be used for taking coots, doves, ducks, geese, and snipe during their respective statewide seasons. During small game season, <u>the take of wild hog with dogs is prohibited</u> may only be used to take small game.

7. through 14. No change.

15. Dogs, vehicles, and taking wildlife with guns and other than bows are all prohibited in the Bruce Bowman archery still hunt area, delineated as that portion of the area lying north of the Stumpers Grade, east of the powerline, south and west of Game Canal to the buggy bridge and west of the youth camp road to the intersection of the Stumpers Grade except that vehicles may be used on established roads to access parking lots at the youth camp, shooting range and nature interpretive center.

16. <u>Discharge of a bow, crossbow, or airgun or t</u>Taking wildlife on or from the nature trail, boardwalk, entrance road or parking lot in the Bruce Bowman archery still hunt area is prohibited.

17. Archery equipment may be used for hunting during the established muzzleloading gun season in the Bruce Bowman archery still hunt area. All <u>other legal to take</u> regulations for muzzleloading gun season shall apply when using archery equipment during this time period.

18. through 19. No change.

20. Tree stands, deer stands and elevated shooting platforms are and prohibited except from 6 a.m. the day prior to the opening of archery season until 6 p.m. the day following the end of small game general gun season.

(2) Holey Land Wildlife Management Area.

(a) No change.

(b) Legal to take: All legal game (except turkey, crow, and mourning and white-winged doves), fish, frogs and furbearers. Take of antlerless deer is prohibited during the archery season. Taking of antlered deer not having at least one antler with two or more points and having one or more antlers at least 5 inches in length visible above the hairline is prohibited. The take of wild hog is prohibited during small game season. The bag limit for antlered deer shall be one during archery season, one during muzzleloading gun season, one during general gun-walk season and one per tag during the general gun-vehicle season. Notwithstanding the gray squirrel and quail seasons established by Rule 68A-13.004, gray squirrel and quail may be taken throughout the general gun-walk season established for this area.

(c) No change.

(d) General regulations:

1. The use of all-terrain vehicles and recreational offhighway vehicles (ROVs) is prohibited, except for the purposes of hunting and scouting from 6:00 a.m. two weeks prior to archery season until 6:00 p.m. one day prior to the opening day of general gun-vehicle season. During the archery, muzzleloading gun, and general gun-walk seasons, motor vehicles, swamp buggies, and tracked vehicles may only be operated on designated levees, except all-terrain vehicles and ROVs (side-by-sides) may be operated off-road. Airboats are prohibited during the archery, muzzleloading gun, general gunwalk, and general gun-vehicle seasons except airboats used for the purpose of waterfowl hunting on days when waterfowl hunting is allowed under Rule 68A-13.003, F.A.C. While an all-terrain vehicle or ROV is in motion, no person shall occupy any platform or structure attached thereto. No all-terrain vehicle or ROV may be equipped with a steering mechanism that would enable the all terrain vehicle to be operated from a platform or structure attached thereto.

2. <u>Motor vehicles, swamp buggies, and tracked v</u> \forall ehicles are prohibited on tree islands, strands, and wildlife islands.

3. A general gun-vehicle permit is required of any person to operate a <u>tracked</u> vehicle during the general gun-vehicle season. A general gun-vehicle permit and tag shall only be transferred in the field by Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission law enforcement supervisors or their designees when a tracked vehicle becomes inoperable and unable to be repaired while within the wildlife management area to which the tracked vehicle is assigned as determined by the general gun-vehicle permit.

4. When check stations are staffed on Saturdays and Sundays during the archery, muzzleloading gun, general gunwalk and general gun-vehicle seasons, deer may not be quartered, or dismembered, or removed from the area until checked at a check station.

5. No change.

6. Hunting with dogs is allowed only during the general gun-vehicle season, except that bird dogs and retrievers may be used to take snipe and waterfowl during their respective statewide seasons and dogs may be used to take small game during small game season. The take of wild hog with dogs is prohibited during small game season.

7. through 9. No change.

10. <u>Motor vehicles, swamp buggies, and tracked v</u> \forall ehicles are prohibited on all levees except the L-5 and Miami Canal <u>l</u>Levees.

11. through 13. No change.

14. No person shall operate any <u>motor</u> all terrain vehicle, <u>swamp buggy, or tracked</u> motorized two-wheeled vehicle, or motorized three wheeled vehicle <u>off-road</u>, unless it is equipped with an orange flag at least 10 inches wide and 12 inches long and displayed at a minimum height of 6 feet above the top of the seat.

15. Non native reptiles may be taken year around.

<u>15.16.</u> Beginning the day Guns are a prohibited method of take for non-native reptiles, except when the use of guns to take game or alligators is authorized and after the last day of small game season through the second Sunday in April, when all legal methods of take for game animals or alligators are allowed, except the use of centerfire rifles for taking wildlife is prohibited.

17. Conditional non native snakes and lizards, as listed in subsection 68 5.002(4), F.A.C., shall not be removed from the area alive.

<u>16.18. Beginning t</u>The day after small game season ends through the second Sunday in April, shooting hours for nonnative reptiles shall be 1/2 hour before sunrise and until 1/2 hour after sunset.

19. renumbered 17. No change.

18. Motor vehicles are prohibited outside hunting seasons and associated scouting periods, except street legal vehicles are allowed on the L-5 and Miami Canal levees. Swamp buggies and tracked vehicles are allowed year-round, except on designated levees only during the archery, muzzleloading gun, and general gun-walk seasons, by permit only during the general gun-vehicle season, and from April 15 through 5:59 a.m. two weeks prior to archery season.

<u>19. During the general gun-vehicle season, the area is</u> closed to all motor vehicles, swamp buggies, tracked vehicles, and airboats, except street-legal vehicles on designated levees, tracked vehicles authorized by permit, and airboats used for the purpose of waterfowl hunting on days when waterfowl hunting is allowed under Rule 68A-13.003, F.A.C.

(e) No change.

(3) Everglades and Francis S. Taylor Wildlife Management Area.

(a) Open season:

1. through 5. No change.

6. Migratory game birds – During seasons established by Rules 68A-13.003 and 68A-13.008, F.A.C.

7. No change.

(b) Legal to take: All legal game (except turkey and mourning and white-winged doves), fish, frogs and furbearers. Taking of antlered deer not having at least one forked antler and having one or more antlers at least 5 inches in length visible above the hairline is prohibited. The forked antler shall have at least two points one inch or greater in length. Take of antlerless deer is prohibited during archery season. The take of wild hog is prohibited during small game season. The bag limit for antlered deer shall be one per season during archery, muzzleloading gun and general gun-walk seasons and one per tag during the general gun-vehicle season. <u>Notwithstanding the gray squirrel and quail seasons established by Rule 68A-13.004, gray squirrel and quail may be taken throughout the general gun-walk season established for this area.</u>

(c) No change.

(d) General regulations:

1. No change.

2. <u>Motor vehicles, swamp buggies, tracked v</u> \forall ehicles, and airboats are prohibited on tree islands, wildlife islands, and tree strands.

3. The use of all-terrain vehicles and recreational offhighway vehicles (ROVs) is prohibited, except for the purposes of hunting and scouting from 6:00 a.m. two weeks prior to archery season until 6:00 p.m. one day prior to the opening day of general gun-vehicle season. During the archery, muzzleloading gun, and general gun-walk seasons, motor vehicles, swamp buggies, and tracked vehicles may only be operated on designated levees, except all-terrain vehicles and ROVs (side-by-sides) may be operated off-road. While an allterrain vehicle or ROV is in motion, no person shall occupy any platform or structure attached thereto. No all-terrain vehicle or ROV may be equipped with a steering mechanism that would enable the all terrain vehicle to be operated from a platform or structure attached thereto.

4. through 5. No change.

6. A general gun-vehicle permit is required of any person to operate a <u>tracked</u> vehicle during the general gun-vehicle season. General gun-vehicle permits will be given to both tracked vehicle and airboat hunters. A general gun-vehicle permit and tag shall only be transferred in the field by Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission law enforcement supervisors or their designees when a <u>tracked</u> vehicle or airboat becomes inoperable and unable to be repaired while within the wildlife management area to which the <u>tracked</u> vehicle or airboat is assigned as determined by the general gun-vehicle permit.

7. No change.

8. When check stations are staffed on Saturdays and Sundays during the archery, muzzleloading gun, general gunwalk and general gun-vehicle seasons, deer may not be quartered, or removed from the area until checked at a check station.

9. During the general gun-vehicle season, Conservation Area 3A North is closed during legal shooting hours to <u>swamp</u> <u>buggies, tracked</u> vehicles, and airboats except those authorized by permit. Frogging (by airboat only) in Conservation Area 3A North is allowed from one hour after sunset to one hour before sunrise.

10. <u>Motor vehicles, swamp buggies, and tracked</u> Unauthorized motorized vehicles are prohibited on all the levees except the L-4, L-5, and L-6 levees.

11. No change.

12. Hunting with dogs is allowed only during the general gun-vehicle season, except that bird dogs and retrievers may be used to take waterfowl and snipe during their respective statewide seasons and dogs may be used to take small game during small game season. The take of wild hog with dogs is prohibited during small game season.

13. through 18. No change.

19. No person shall operate any <u>motor</u> all terrain vehicle, <u>swamp buggy, or tracked</u> motorized two wheeled vehicle, or motorized three wheeled vehicle <u>off-road</u>, unless it is equipped with an orange flag at least 10 inches wide and 12 inches long and displayed at a minimum height of 6 feet above the top of the seat.

20. through 21. No change.

22. Non native reptiles may be taken year round.

22.23. Beginning the day Guns are a prohibited method of take for non native reptiles, except when the use of guns to take game or alligators is authorized and after the last day of small game season through the second Sunday in April, when all legal methods of take for game animals or alligators are allowed, except the use of centerfire rifles for taking wildlife is prohibited.

24. Conditional non-native snakes and lizards, as listed in subsection 68 5.002(4), F.A.C., shall not be removed from the area alive.

<u>23.25.</u> Beginning tThe day after small game season ends through the second Sunday in April, shooting hours for non-native reptiles shall be 1/2 hour before sunrise until 1/2 hour after sunset.

26. renumbered 24. No change.

25. Motor vehicles are prohibited outside hunting seasons and associated scouting periods, except street legal vehicles are allowed on the L-4, L-5, and L-6 levees. Swamp buggies and tracked vehicles are allowed year-round, except on designated levees only during the archery, muzzleloading gun, and general gun-walk seasons and by permit only during legal shooting hours in Conservation Area 3A North during the general gunvehicle season.

(e) No change.

(4) Rotenberger Wildlife Management Area.

(a) Open season:

1. through 5. No change.

6. Migratory game birds – During seasons established for these species in Rules 68A-13.003 and 68A-13.008, F.A.C.

7. No change.

(b) Legal to take: All legal game (except turkey and mourning and white-winged doves), furbearers, fish and frogs. Take of antlerless deer is prohibited during archery season. Taking of antlered deer not having at least one antler with two or more points and having one or more antlers at least 5 inches in length visible above the hairline is prohibited. The take of wild hog is prohibited during small game season. The bag limit for antlered deer shall be one per season during archery, muzzleloading gun and general gun-walk seasons and one per tag during the general gun-vehicle season. <u>Notwithstanding the gray squirrel and quail seasons established by Rule 68A-13.004</u>, gray squirrel and quail may be taken throughout the general gun-walk season established for this area.

(c) No change.

(d) General regulations:

1. A general gun-vehicle permit is required of any person to operate a <u>tracked</u> vehicle during the general gun-vehicle season. A general gun-vehicle permit and tag shall only be transferred in the field by Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission law enforcement supervisors or their designees when a tracked vehicle becomes inoperable and unable to be repaired while within the wildlife management area to which the tracked vehicle is assigned as determined by the general gun-vehicle permit.

<u>Motor vehicles, swamp buggies, and tracked v</u> Vehicles are prohibited on wildlife islands, tree islands, and tree strands.
 No change.

4. When check stations are staffed on Saturdays and Sundays during the archery, muzzleloading gun, general gun-walk and general gun-vehicle seasons, deer may not be quartered, Θ dismembered, or removed from the area until checked at a check station.

5. No change.

6. The use of all-terrain vehicles and recreational offhighway vehicles (ROVs) is prohibited, except for the purposes of hunting and scouting from 6:00 a.m. two weeks prior to archery season until 6:00 p.m. one day prior to the opening day general gun-vehicle season. During the archery, of muzzleloading gun, and general gun-walk seasons, motor vehicles, swamp buggies, and tracked vehicles may only be operated on designated levees, except all-terrain vehicles and ROVs (side-by-sides) may be operated off-road. Airboats are prohibited during the archery, muzzleloading gun, general gunwalk, and general gun-vehicle seasons except airboats used for the purpose of waterfowl hunting on days when waterfowl hunting is allowed under Rule 68A-13.003, F.A.C. While an all-terrain vehicle or ROV is in motion, no person shall occupy any platform or structure attached thereto. No all-terrain vehicle or ROV may be equipped with a steering mechanism that would enable the all terrain vehicle to be operated from a platform or structure attached thereto.

7. The area is closed to all <u>motor</u> vehicles, <u>swamp buggies</u>, <u>tracked vehicles</u>, and airboats during the general gun-vehicle season, except <u>street-legal vehicles on designated levees</u>, <u>tracked</u> vehicles authorized by permit, and airboats used for the purpose of waterfowl hunting on days when waterfowl hunting is allowed under Rule 68A-13.003, F.A.C.

8. Hunting with dogs is allowed only during the general gun-vehicle season, except that bird dogs and retrievers may be used to take snipe and waterfowl during their respective statewide seasons and dogs may be used to take small game during small game season. The take of wild hog with dogs is prohibited during small game season.

9. through 13. No change.

14. No person shall operate any <u>motor</u> all terrain vehicle, <u>swamp buggy, or tracked</u> motorized two wheeled vehicle, or motorized three wheeled vehicle <u>off-road</u>, unless it is equipped with an orange flag at least 10 inches wide and 12 inches long and displayed at a minimum height of 6 feet above the top of the seat.

15. Non native reptiles may be taken year round.

<u>15.16.</u> Beginning the day Guns are a prohibited method of take for non-native reptiles, except when the use of guns to take game or alligators is authorized and after the last day of small game season through the second Sunday in April, when all legal methods of take for game animals or alligators are allowed, except the use of centerfire rifles for taking wildlife is prohibited.

17. Conditional non native snakes and lizards, as listed in subsection 68-5.002(4), F.A.C., shall not be removed from the area alive.

<u>16.18.</u> Beginning tThe day after small game season ends through the second Sunday in April, shooting hours for nonnative reptiles shall be 1/2 hour before sunrise until 1/2 hours after sunset.

19. renumbered 17. No change.

18. Motor vehicles are prohibited outside hunting seasons and associated scouting periods, except street legal vehicles are allowed on the L-4, Manley Ditch, Miami Canal, and Powerline levees. Swamp buggies and tracked vehicles are allowed yearround, except on designated levees only during the archery, muzzleloading gun, and general gun-walk seasons, by permit only during the general gun-vehicle season, and from April 15 through 5:59 a.m. two weeks prior to archery season.

<u>19. Motor vehicles, swamp buggies, and tracked vehicles</u> are prohibited on all levees except the L-4, Manley Ditch, Miami Canal, and Powerline levees.

(e) No change.

(5) Big Cypress Wildlife Management Area.

(a) Open season:

1. through 6. No change.

7. Migratory game birds – During the seasons established by Rules 68A-13.003 and 68A-13.008, F.A.C.

8. No change.

(b) through (c) No change.

(d) General regulations:

1. Hunting with dogs is prohibited, except that bird dogs and retrievers may be used for hunting migratory birds during their respective statewide seasons and during small game season dogs may be used for hunting small game. Hunting deer or wild hog with dogs is prohibited. All dogs are prohibited in the Loop Unit. The possession of dogs (other than for hunting purposes) is prohibited except as authorized by National Park Service regulations. Leashed dogs may not be used for trailing wounded game.

2. through 15. No change.

16. Conditional non native snakes and lizards as listed in subsection 68A 5.002(4), F.A.C., may be taken during established seasons for the taking of game animals or alligators and only by persons properly licensed and permitted to take game animals or alligators.

17. Guns are a prohibited method of take for Conditional non native snakes and lizards, except when the use of guns to take game or alligators is authorized.

18. Conditional non native snakes and lizards shall not be removed from the area alive.

19. Persons that take any Conditional non native snakes and lizards shall report the take within 36 hours, and shall provide all data requested.

20. through 22. renumbered 16. through 18. No change.

(6) Okaloacoochee Slough Wildlife Management Area.

(a) Open season:

1. through 4. No change.

5. Small game – Opening the first day of the gray squirrel season established by Rule 68A-13.004, F.A.C., and closing the first Sunday in February (except during the family hunt).

6. through 7. No change.

8. Migratory game birds – During the seasons established by Rules 68A-13.003 and 68A-13.008, F.A.C.

9. through 10. No change.

(b) Legal to take: All legal game, bear (only during the bear season), fish, frogs and furbearers. During the archery, muzzleloading gun, family and general gun seasons, the bag limit for deer shall be one per quota permit. The taking of antlerless deer is prohibited during archery season. One gobbler or bearded turkey may be taken per spring turkey or youth turkey quota permit. Taking of antlered deer not having at least one antler with three or more points or one antler with a main beam of ten inches or more in length is prohibited, except by persons less than 16 years of age. <u>Notwithstanding the gray squirrel and quail seasons established by Rule 68A-13.004</u>,

gray squirrel and quail may be taken throughout the general gun season established for this area.

(c) No change.

(d) General regulations:

1. Hunting with dogs is prohibited, except dogs may be used for taking small game during small game season for taking small game and for taking doves, snipe, and waterfowl during their respective statewide seasons established by Rules 68A-13.003 and 68A-13.008. The take of wild hog with dogs is prohibited.

2. through 5. No change.

6. During periods when the check station is staffed, no deer, wild hog or turkey shall be dismembered until checked at the check station.

7. through 8. No change.

(7) Fisheating Creek Wildlife Management Area.

(a) Open season:

1. through 8. No change.

9. Migratory game birds – During seasons established by Rules 68A-13.003 and 68A-13.008, F.A.C., west of US Highway 27 only.

10. No change.

(b) Legal to take: All legal game, fish, frogs and furbearers except that turkeys may not be taken during the archery season. Taking of antlered deer not having at least one antler with three or more points or one antler with a main beam of ten inches or more in length is prohibited, except by persons less than 16 years of age. The bag limit for deer shall be one per person, two per quota permit, but no more than one per person. During the spring turkey season, one gobbler (or bearded turkey) may be taken per person, but not more than two per quota permit. One gobbler (or bearded turkey) may be taken per youth turkey quota or special-opportunity spring turkey permit. East of US Highway 27, gobblers or bearded turkeys may only be taken during the special-opportunity spring turkey season from onehalf hour before sunrise until 1:00 p.m. During the wild hogstill season, only wild hog may be taken. Notwithstanding the gray squirrel and quail seasons established by Rule 68A-13.004, gray squirrel and quail may be taken throughout the general gun season established for this area.

(c) No change.

(d) General regulations:

1. through 8. No change.

9. Discharge of a bow, crossbow, or airgun or taking wildlife on or from the Palmdale Campground, Knobby Knee Boardwalk, or the associated entrance road or parking lot is prohibited.

(8) Picayune Strand Wildlife Management Area.

(a) Open season:

1. Archery – Opening 42 days prior to the first day of Zone A antlered deer season established by Rule 68A-13.004, F.A.C.,

and closing <u>6</u> 15 days thereafter, and reopening the following day and closing 8 days thereafter.

2. through 6. No change.

7. Migratory game birds – During the seasons as established by Rules 68A-13.003 and 68A-13.008, F.A.C.

8. No change.

(b) Legal to take: All legal game, bear (only during those portions of the general gun season that coincide with the open season established for the South BMU in Rule 68A-13.004, F.A.C.), fish, frogs and furbearers. Taking of antlered deer not having at least one antler with three two or more points or one antler with a main beam of 10 or more inches in length is prohibited, except by persons less than 16 years of age. During the archery season, Tthe bag limit for deer shall be one each. During the muzzleloading gun and general gun seasons, Tthe bag limit for deer shall be one per person, two per quota permit, but no more than one per person. The taking of antlerless deer and turkey is prohibited during archery season. One gobbler (or bearded turkey) may be taken per spring turkey or youth turkey quota permit. Notwithstanding the quail season established by Rule 68A-13.004, quail may be taken throughout the general gun season established for this area.

(c) No change.

(d) General regulations:

1. Hunting with dogs is prohibited except dogs may be used to take small game during small game season <u>and for taking</u> <u>doves</u>, <u>snipe</u>, <u>and waterfowl during their respective statewide</u> <u>seasons established by Rules 68A-13.003 and 68A-13.008. The</u> <u>take of wild hog with dogs is prohibited</u>.

2. The use of airboats is prohibited. Off-Highway Vehicles (all-terrain vehicles, tracked vehicles, and off-highway motorcycles) are prohibited except by permit from the Florida Forest Service only.

3. Only licensed and registered vehicles may be operated on the area, and only on designated roads, parking areas, and other areas as designated by the Florida Forest Service, except swamp buggies and ROVs (<u>side-by-sides</u>) may be used on designated roads only in that portion of the area east of and including Miller Blvd. and south of and including Berson Blvd. during the small game season by individuals who possess a released quail permit and during and 1 week prior to the opening of the muzzleloading gun, general gun, and spring turkey seasons by individuals who passess a valid quota permit and their guests.

4. No change.

5. Non native reptiles may be taken year round.

6. Guns are a prohibited method of take for non native reptiles, except when the use of guns to take game or alligators is authorized.

7. Conditional non native snakes and lizards, as listed in subsection 68 5.002(4), F.A.C., shall not be removed from the area alive.

8. through 10. renumbered 5. through 7. No change.

(9) Dinner Island Ranch Wildlife Management Area.

(a) Open season:

1. through 7. No change.

8. Migratory game birds – During seasons established by Rules 68A-13.003 and 68A-13.008, F.A.C.

9. through 10. No change.

(b) Legal to take: All legal game, fish, frogs and furbearers. The bag limit for deer shall be one per quota permit. One gobbler (or bearded turkey) may be taken per spring turkey or youth turkey quota permit. The taking of antlerless deer and turkey is prohibited during archery season. Taking of antlered deer not having at least one antler with three or more points or one antler with a main beam of ten inches or more in length is prohibited, except by persons less than 16 years of age. Notwithstanding the gray squirrel and quail seasons established by Rule 68A-13.004, gray squirrel and quail may be taken throughout the general gun season established for this area.

(c) No change.

(d) General regulations:

1. Hunting with dogs is prohibited except bird dogs or retrievers may be used during migratory bird seasons for taking migratory game birds and dogs may be used to take small game during small game season. <u>The take of wild hog with dogs is prohibited.</u>

2. through 7. No change.

8. Shooting hours for dove hunts shall be from <u>one-half</u> <u>hour before sunrise</u> noon until sunset. Hunters may enter the posted field no earlier than one hour before shooting time and shall exit the field within one hour after sunset.

9. through 11. No change.

(10) Spirit-of-the-Wild Wildlife Management Area.

(a) Open season:

1. through 6. No change.

7. Migratory game birds – During seasons established by Rules 68A-13.003 and 68A-13.008, F.A.C.

8. through 9. No change.

(b) Legal to take: All legal game, bear (only during the bear season), fish, frogs and furbearers. The bag limit for deer shall be one per person, two per quota permit, but no more than one per person. During the spring turkey season, one gobbler (or bearded turkey) may be taken per person, but not more than two per quota permit. During the youth turkey season, one gobbler (or bearded turkey) may be taken per quota permit. The taking of antlerless deer and turkey is prohibited during archery season. Taking of antlered deer not having at least one antler with three or more points or one antler with a main beam of ten inches or more in length is prohibited, except by persons less

than 16 years of age. <u>Notwithstanding the gray squirrel and</u> <u>quail seasons established by Rule 68A-13.004</u>, gray squirrel <u>and quail may be taken throughout the general gun season</u> established for this area.

(c) No change.

(d) General regulations:

1. Hunting with dogs is prohibited except bird dogs or retrievers may be used during migratory bird seasons for taking migratory game birds and dogs may be used to take small game during small game season. The take of wild hog with dogs is prohibited.

2. through 7. No change.

(11) Allapattah Flats Wildlife Management Area.

(a) Open season:

1. through 7. No change.

8. Migratory game birds – During the seasons as established by Rules 68A-13.003 and 68A-13.008, F.A.C.

9. No change.

<u>10. Wild hog-still – Opening the fourth Saturday of the</u> month and closing 8 days thereafter in March and April.

(b) Legal to take: All legal game, fish, and furbearers (except bobcat and otter). Taking of antlered deer not having at least one antler with three or more points or one antler with a main beam of ten inches or more in length is prohibited, except by persons less than 16 years of age. Turkey may only be taken during the spring turkey season. The bag limit for deer shall be one per quota permit, except during the family hunt when the bag limit for deer shall be <u>two per quota permit</u> one per person, but no more than <u>one per person</u> two per quota permit. One gobbler (or bearded turkey) may be taken per spring turkey or youth turkey quota permit. <u>Notwithstanding the quail season established by Rule 68A-13.004, quail may be taken throughout the family hunt and general gun seasons established for this area.</u>

(c) No change.

(d) General regulations:

1. No change.

2. <u>Motor vehicles</u> Vehicles are prohibited except beginning <u>3 days</u> one week prior to the opening of archery, <u>muzzleloading</u> <u>gun, family hunt, general gun, small game, youth turkey, and</u> spring turkey, <u>and wild hog-still</u> seasons through 6 p.m. one day after the close of <u>each of these</u> archery and spring turkey seasons and during <u>the dove</u>, <u>waterfowl</u>, <u>and snipe</u> <u>muzzleloading gun</u>, family hunt, and general gun seasons <u>established by Rules 68A-13.003 and 68A-13.008</u>, when motor vehicles may only be operated on numbered trails by individuals participating in the hunt.-During the small game, dove, waterfowl, and snipe seasons, vehicles also may only be operated on numbered trails.

3. No change.

4. Taking wildlife with dogs is prohibited, except bird dogs or retrievers may be used during migratory bird seasons for taking migratory game birds and dogs may be used to take small game during small game season. <u>Take of wild hog with dogs is prohibited.</u>

5. through 7. No change.

(12) Everglades Headwaters Wildlife Management Area – Kissimmee Bend Unit.

(a) Open season:

1. through 4. No change.

5. Small game – <u>During the quail</u> Opening the day after the last day of general gun season and closing the last day of gray squirrel season established by Rule 68A-13.004, F.A.C., except during the family hunt and general gun seasons.

6. through 7. No change.

8. Migratory game birds – During seasons as established by Rules 68A-13.003 and 68A-13.008, F.A.C.

9. No change.

(b) Legal to take: All legal game (except hen or beardless turkey), fish, frogs, and furbearers (except bobcat and otter). Taking of antlered deer not having at least 1 antler with 3 or more points or 1 antler with a main beam of 10 inches or more in length is prohibited, except by persons less than 16 years of age. During the archery, muzzleloading gun, and general gun seasons, the bag limit for deer shall be 1 antlered deer per quota permit. During the family hunt, the bag limit for deer shall be 2 antlered deer per quota permit but no more than 1 per person. The taking of antlerless deer is prohibited during archery seasons, 1 gobbler or bearded turkey may be taken per quota permit. <u>Notwithstanding the quail season established by Rule 68A-13.004, quail may be taken throughout the general gun season established for this area.</u>

(c) Camping: Prohibited except by permit from the Florida Forest Service or United States Fish and Wildlife Service <u>in</u> <u>designated campsites only. Recreational Vehicles (RVs) and</u> <u>camp trailers are prohibited</u> Only tents, trailers, or selfpropelled camping vehicles may be used for camping.

(d) General regulations

1. through 2. No change.

3. Motor vehicle access is prohibited, except individuals participating in hunts may operate <u>street legal</u> motor vehicles on designated roads and trails <u>as indicated on the brochure map</u> <u>during only beginning 15 days prior to the first day of archery, muzzleloading gun, general gun, family hunt, small game, youth turkey, and spring turkey seasons and for hunting-related activities 3 days before and after each of these seasons season through the day after the last day of spring turkey season and individuals who possess a <u>valid</u> camping permit may operate <u>street legal</u> motor vehicles on designated roads and trails <u>as indicated on the brochure map</u> only during the dates listed on</u>

their permit. At all other times, public access other than by foot, horseback, or bicycle is prohibited.

4. Airboats, off-highway vehicles, swamp buggies, and tracked vehicles are prohibited, except: by permit from the Florida Forest Service or United States Fish and Wildlife Service; or during and 1 day before and after quota hunts when only individuals possessing a valid quota permit and their guests may operate all-terrain vehicles, recreational off-highway vehicles (ROVs), and swamp buggies on designated roads and trails as indicated on the brochure map only.

5. Horses are prohibited, except on designated horse trails and roads and trails <u>as indicated on the brochure map</u> open to vehicle access.

6. Hunting with dogs is prohibited, except bird dogs and retrievers may be used to hunt migratory game birds in season and any dog may be used to hunt small game during small game season. The take of wild hog with dogs is prohibited.

7. Fires, other than campfires by permitted campers in designated campsites, are prohibited.

8. No change.

9. Bicycles may be operated only <u>on designated roads and</u> <u>trails as indicated on the brochure map</u> as authorized by U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and Florida Forest Service regulations.

(13) Everglades Headwaters National Wildlife Refuge Wildlife Management Area – Okeechobee Unit.

(a) Open season:

<u>1. Archery – Opening 49 days prior to the first day of Zone</u> <u>C antlered deer season established by Rule 68A-13.004, F.A.C.,</u> and closing 3 days thereafter, reopening 7 days later and closing <u>3 days thereafter, reopening 4 days later and closing 3 days</u> thereafter, and reopening <u>5 days later and closing 3 days</u> thereafter.

<u>2. Muzzleloading Gun – Opening 8 days prior to the first</u> day of Zone C antlered deer season established by Rule 68A-13.004, F.A.C., and closing 2 days thereafter.

<u>3. Family hunt – Opening the Friday before Christmas Day</u> and closing 2 days thereafter.

<u>4. General Gun – Opening the day after Thanksgiving Day</u> and closing 2 days thereafter, reopening 40 days later and closing 2 days thereafter, and reopening 12 days later and closing 2 days thereafter.

5. Small game – During the quail season established by Rule 68A-13.004, F.A.C, except during the family hunt and general gun seasons.

<u>6. Youth turkey – During the youth turkey hunt established</u> by Rule 68A-13.004, F.A.C.

<u>7. Spring turkey – Opening the first day of spring turkey</u> season established by Rule 68A-13.004, F.A.C., and closing 3 days thereafter, reopening 10 days later and closing 3 days thereafter, and reopening 11 days later and closing 3 days thereafter.

<u>8. Migratory birds – During seasons as established by</u> <u>Rules 68A-13.003 and 68A-13.008, F.A.C.</u>

9. Fishing and frogging – Allowed year-round.

(b) Legal to take: All legal game (except hen or beardless turkey), fish, frogs, and furbearers (except bobcat and otter). Taking of antlered deer not having at least 1 antler with 3 or more points or 1 antler with a main beam of 10 inches or more in length is prohibited, except by persons less than 16 years of age. During the archery, muzzleloading gun, and general gun seasons, the bag limit for deer shall be 1 antlered deer per quota permit. During the family hunt, the bag limit for deer shall be 2 antlered deer per quota permit but no more than 1 per person. The taking of antlerless deer is prohibited during archery seasons, 1 gobbler or bearded turkey may be taken per quota permit.

(c) Camping: Prohibited except by permit from the United States Fish and Wildlife Service and in designated campsites only. Recreational Vehicles (RVs) and camp trailers are prohibited.

(d) General regulations:

<u>1. All persons must enter and exit the area at a designated entrance.</u>

2. Public access is allowed year-round, except during: nighttime hours (0.5 hours after sunset until 0.5 hours before sunrise) when only individuals who possess a camping permit and persons legally participating in hunts may access the area; quota hunts when only quota permit holders and their guests may access the area; the family hunt when only the quota permit holder, up to 2 youth hunters, and 1 non-hunting guest may access the area; and the youth turkey hunt when only the quota permit holder, 1 adult supervisor, and 1 non-hunting guest may access the area.

3. Motor vehicle access is prohibited, except individuals participating in hunts may operate street legal motor vehicles on designated roads and trails as indicated on the brochure map during archery, muzzleloading gun, general gun, family hunt, small game, youth turkey, and spring turkey seasons and for hunting-related activities 3 days before and after each of these seasons; and individuals who possess a valid camping permit may operate street legal motor vehicles on designated roads and trails as indicated on the brochure map during the dates listed on their permit. At all other times, public access other than by foot, horseback, or bicycle is prohibited.

4. Airboats, off-highway vehicles, swamp buggies, and tracked vehicles are prohibited, except by permit from the United States Fish and Wildlife Service or during and 1 day before and after quota hunts when individuals possessing a valid quota permit and their guests may operate all-terrain vehicles, recreational off-highway vehicles (ROVs), and swamp buggies on designated roads and trails as indicated on the brochure map.

5. Horses are prohibited, except on designated roads and trails as indicated on the brochure map.

6. Hunting with dogs is prohibited, except bird dogs and retrievers may be used to hunt migratory birds in season and any dog may be used to hunt small game during small game season. The take of wild hog with dogs is prohibited.

7. Only non-toxic ammunition approved by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service shall be used for taking wildlife.

<u>8. Bicycles may be operated only on designated roads and trails as indicated on the brochure map.</u>

9. Fires are prohibited.

PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2023

Rulemaking Authority Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const., 379.2223, 375.313 FS. Law Implemented Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const., 379.2223, 375.313 FS. History–New 6-21-82, Amended 7-1-83, 7-27-83, 9-27-83, 7-5-84, 7-1-85, 5-7-86, 8-5-86, 5-10-87, 8-24-87, 5-1-88, 6-7-88, 7-1-89, 7-1-90, 9-1-90, 7-1-91, 7-1-92, 7-1-93, 7-1-94, 7-1-95, 8-15-95, 7-1-96, 9-15-96, 10-20-96, 6-1-97, 8-7-97, 7-1-98, 7-2-98, 7-1-99, Formerly 39-15.064, Amended 11-17-99, 7-1-00, 7-1-01, 6-2-02, 2-27-03, 5-1-03, 7-1-04, 7-1-05, 7-1-06, 7-1-07, 7-1-08, 7-1-09, 7-20-09, 1-19-10, 7-1-10, 8-26-10, 7-1-11, 7-1-12, 7-1-13, 7-1-14, 9-18-14, 7-1-15, 7-29-15, 7-1-16, 7-1-17, 9-14-17, 7-1-18, 7-1-19, 7-1-20, 7-1-21, 7-1-22, <u>7-1-23</u>.

BE ADVISED THAT THESE PROPOSED RULES MAY BE FILED FOR ADOPTION AS SOON AS POSSIBLE FOLLOWING THE COMMISSION MEETING AT WHICH THEY ARE CONSIDERED IF THE RULES ARE NOT CHANGED. IF CHANGED, THE RULES MAY BE FILED AS SOON AS POSSIBLE AFTER PUBLICATION OF A NOTICE OF CHANGE IN THE F.A.R.

NAME OF PERSON ORIGINATING PROPOSED RULE: George Warthen, Director, Division of Hunting and Game Management, Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, 620 South Meridian Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1600.

NAME OF AGENCY HEAD WHO APPROVED THE PROPOSED RULE: Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission.

DATE PROPOSED RULE APPROVED BY AGENCY HEAD: November 30, 2022

DATE NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT PUBLISHED IN FAR: November 08, 2022.

FISH AND WILDLIFE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Freshwater Fish and Wildlife

RULE NO.:RULE TITLE:68A-15.065Specific Regulations for Wildlife
Management Areas - Northeast Region

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The purpose of the proposed rule amendment is to revise specific regulations on Wildlife Management Areas (WMAs) in the Northeast Region. The effect of the proposed rule amendment will be to enable the agency to better manage fish and wildlife resources and public use on WMAs.

SUMMARY: The proposed rule amendment revises regulations on WMAs in the Northeast Region. Specifically, the rule amendment establishes hunts or modifies existing hunting opportunities at Bull Creek/Herky Huffman, Caravelle Ranch, and Triple N Ranch WMAs; increases public access at Dunns Creek WMA; and expands camping opportunities for special opportunity hunters at Triple N Ranch WMA. This amendment also clarifies existing rules; removes unnecessary, redundant, or conflicting language; corrects prior mistakes; and makes nonsubstantive technical corrections.

SUMMARY OF STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED REGULATORY COSTS AND LEGISLATIVE RATIFICATION:

The Agency has determined that this will not have an adverse impact on small business or likely increase directly or indirectly regulatory costs in excess of \$200,000 in the aggregate within one year after the implementation of the rule. A SERC has not been prepared by the Agency.

The Agency has determined that the proposed rule is not expected to require legislative ratification based on the statement of estimated regulatory costs or if no SERC is required, the information expressly relied upon and described herein: The nature of the rule and the preliminary analysis conducted to determine whether a SERC was required.

Any person who wishes to provide information regarding a statement of estimated regulatory costs, or provide a proposal for a lower cost regulatory alternative must do so in writing within 21 days of this notice.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY: Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const. 375.313, FS.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const. 375.313, FS.

A HEARING WILL BE HELD AT THE DATE, TIME AND PLACE SHOWN BELOW:

DATE AND TIME: During the Commission's regular meeting February 21-22, 2023, 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., each day.

PLACE: Marriott Jacksonville, 4670 Salisbury Road, Jacksonville, Florida, 32256.

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least 5 days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: the ADA Coordinator, at (850)488-6411.. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE IS: Andrea Boliek Walker, Northeast Region Public Hunting Areas Biologist, Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, Northeast Regional Office, 1239 SW 10th Street, Ocala, Florida 34471, (352)732-1225 or andrea.boliek@myfwc.com.

THE FULL TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE IS:

68A-15.065 Specific Regulations for Wildlife Management Areas – Northeast Region.

(1) Herky Huffman/Bull Creek Wildlife Management Area.

(a) Open season:

1. through 6. No change.

7. Raccoon – Opening the Friday 76 days after the first day of Zone C antlered deer season established by Rule 68A-13.004, F.A.C., and closing 30 days thereafter (every other Friday, Saturday, and Sunday only) (from 1.5 hours before sunset on Friday until 1.5 hours after sunrise on Sunday).

7. renumbered 8. No change.

(b) through (c) No change.

(d) General regulations:

1. Hunters shall enter and exit at a designated entrance, check in and out at a check station and check all game taken. Persons hunting and entering via the designated non-motorized entrances on Crabgrass Road shall have a daily permit issued from the check station in their possession (except during the small game <u>and raccoon seasons season</u>). Persons engaging in recreational activities other than hunting shall enter and exit at a designated entrance and register at the check station upon entering and exiting the area, except persons hiking through on the Florida National Scenic Trail.

2. through 4. No change.

5. Hunting with dogs is prohibited, except that any dog may be used to take small game during the small game season<u>: and any dog may be used to hunt raccoon during the raccoon season</u>. During other seasons, only bird dogs are allowed for taking small game. The take of wild hog with dogs is prohibited.

<u>6. During the raccoon season, hunting as specified by</u> paragraph 68A-24.002(2)(b), F.A.C., is allowed.

6. renumbered 7. No change.

(2) through (4) No change.

(5) Three Lakes Wildlife Management Area.

(a) Open season:

1. through 10. No change.

11. Raccoon – Opening <u>the Friday</u> 69 days after the first day of Zone C antlered deer season established by Rule 68A-13.004, F.A.C., and closing <u>30</u> 16 days thereafter (<u>every other Friday, Saturday and Sunday Fridays, Saturdays, and Sundays</u> only) (from 1.5 hours before sunset on Friday until 1.5 hours after sunrise on Sunday) in that area between the Florida Turnpike and US 441 only.

12. No change.

(b) through (e) No change.

(6) through (7) No change.

(8) Tiger Bay Wildlife Management Area – Rima Ridge Unit.

(a) Open season:

1. through 7. No change.

8. Trapping – Trapping is prohibited.

(b) through (d) No change.

(9) <u>William Beardall</u> Tosohatchee Wildlife Management Area.

(a) through (d) No change.

(10) through (14) No change.

(15) Caravelle Ranch Wildlife Management Area.

(a) Open season:

1. No change.

2. Family hunt – Opening 29 days prior to the first day of the Zone C antlered deer season established by Rule 68A-13.004, F.A.C., and closing 2 days thereafter (Friday - Sunday) in the South Unit only.

<u>3.2.</u> Supervised small game – Opening <u>25</u> 28 days prior to the first day of Zone C antlered deer season established by Rule 68A-13.004, F.A.C., and closing <u>5</u> 8 days thereafter.

3. through 8. renumbered 4. through 9. No change.

(b) Legal to take: All legal game, fish, frogs and furbearers (except bobcat and otter). During the archery, <u>family</u>, muzzleloading gun and general gun seasons the bag limit for deer shall be one per quota permit. Taking of antlered deer not having at least one antler with three or more points or one antler with a main beam of ten inches or more in length is prohibited, except by persons less than 16 years of age. During the spring turkey season, one gobbler (or bearded turkey) may be taken per quota permit. The take of dove is prohibited south of Rodeheaver Road and east of State Road 19, except on posted dove fields.

(c) No change.

(d) General regulations:

1. through 4. No change.

5. Vehicular access is prohibited except from 1.5 hours before sunrise to 1.5 hours after sunset one day prior to archery, <u>family</u>, muzzleloading gun, general gun and spring turkey hunts. Vehicular access is also allowed during the archery, <u>family</u>, muzzleloading gun, general gun, supervised small game and small game seasons from 5:00 a.m. until 9:00 p.m. during Daylight Savings Time and from 5:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m. during Eastern Standard Time; and during the spring turkey season from 4:30 a.m. until one hour after sunset. Public access other than on foot (pedestrian), horseback (equestrian), or by bicycle is prohibited at all other times.

<u>6. All legal methods of take for game may be used for</u> hunting deer during the established family hunt.

6. through 7. renumbered 7. though 8. No change.

(16) through (18) No change.

(19) Triple N Ranch Wildlife Management Area.

(a) Open season:

1. No change.

2. Special-opportunity deer – Opening 35 21 days prior to the first day of Zone C antlered deer season established by Rule 68A-13.004, F.A.C., and closing 6 days thereafter and reopening 8 days later and closing 6 days thereafter.

3. Special-opportunity muzzleloading gun – Opening $\underline{2}$ days prior to $\underline{12}$ days after the first day of Zone C antlered deer season established by Rule 68A-13.004, F.A.C., and closing 3 days thereafter.

4. through 6. No change.

7. Trapping Prohibited.

(b) No change.

(c) Camping: Allowed only at designated campsites and only <u>from 8:00 am the day before scout days</u>, during periods open to hunting and scouting and throughout the year at designated campsites on the Florida National Scenic Trail for persons hiking through on the Florida National Scenic Trail. Camping equipment may be taken onto the area beginning at <u>8:00 a.m.</u> 2:00 p.m. on the day before the first scout day for the season and shall be removed from the area before 6:00 p.m. one day following the close of the season. Only tents, trailers or selfpropelled camping vehicles may be used for camping.

(d) General regulations:

1. through 5. No change.

6. Only individuals in possession of a special-opportunity hunting fall permit and that are camping in the designated area may have vehicle access to the area starting at 8:00 a.m. the day before a scout day but only to and from the designated campground area. Individuals in posession of a valid special-opportunity deer quota permit may have vehicle access on the Friday (only if camping), Saturday and, Sunday scout days the weekend prior to the hunt, the Friday immediately preceding the hunt and one day after the hunt and only from sunrise to sunset on those days. Only individuals in possession of a special-opportunity spring turkey quota permit may have vehicle access to the area on the Wednesday (only if camping), Thursday and Friday preceding the hunt and only from 5:00
a.m. to 7:30 p.m. Authorized hunting equipment may be taken onto the area during these times. During special-opportunity deer, small game and wild hog-still seasons, vehicle access is only allowed from 5:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m., except vehicle access after 8:00 p.m. is also allowed by hunters camping, but only to directly access campsites. One day prior to each small game and wild hog-still hunt, motor vehicle access is allowed only from sunrise to sunset. During special-opportunity spring turkey season, vehicle access is only allowed from 4:30 a.m. until 9:00 p.m., except vehicle access is also allowed by hunters camping, but only to directly access campsites.

7. through 8. No change.

(20) through (21) No change.

(22) Lake Panasoffkee Wildlife Management Area.

(a) Open season:

1. through 5. No change.

6. Trapping Prohibited.

(b) through (d) No change.

(23) through (25) No change.

(26) Gores Landing Wildlife Management Area.

(a) through (c) No change.

(d) General regulations:

1. through 4. No change.

5. Taking wildlife with centerfire rifles is prohibited during small game season.

(27) No change.

(28) Upper St. Johns River Marsh Wildlife Management Area.

(a) Open season:

1. through 6. No change.

7. Trapping Prohibited.

8. through 9. renumbered 7. through 8. No change.

(29) Dunns Creek Wildlife Management Area.

(a) Open season:

1. through 5. No change.

6. Trapping Prohibited.

7. renumbered 6. No change.

(b) through (c) No change.

(d) General regulations:

1. through 4. No change.

5. During hunting periods, public access is restricted to those individuals authorized to hunt.

6. through 7. renumbered 5. through 6. No change.

<u>7.8.</u> Vehicular access is allowed only to those individuals authorized to hunt and only on hunt days and the weekend and day before all hunts, except spring turkey season, when vehicle access shall be allowed only on hunt days and the day before each hunt.

9. renumbered 8. No change.

(30) through (35) No change.

PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2023

Rulemaking Authority Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const. Law Implemented Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const., 379.2223, 375.313 FS. History–New 6-21-82, Amended 6-29-82, 7-1-83, 7-5-84, 10-1-84, 7-1-85, 5-7-86, 5-10-87, 5-1-88, 7-1-98, 12-19-89, 7-1-90, 7-1-91, 7-2-91, 7-2-92, 7-1-93, 7-1-94, 7-1-95, 7-1-96, 9-15-96, 6-1-97, 7-1-98, 7-2-98, 8-11-98, 12-28-98, 7-1-99, Formerly 39-15.065, Amended 12-20-99, 7-1-00, 12-26-00, 7-1-01, 6-2-02, 7-28-02, 5-1-03, 7-1-03, 10-12-03, 7-1-04, 7-1-05, 1-4-06, 7-1-06, 8-22-06, 7-1-07, 7-1-08, 7-1-09, 7-1-10, 7-1-11, 8-11-11, 7-1-12, 7-26-12, 7-1-13, 9-9-13, 7-1-14, 7-1-15, 7-29-15, 7-1-16, 7-1-17, 9-14-17, 7-1-18, 7-1-19, 8-19-19, 7-1-20, 7-1-21, 7-1-22, 7-1-23.

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NAME OF PERSON ORIGINATING PROPOSED RULE: George Warthen, Director, Division of Hunting and Game Management, Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, 620 South Meridian Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1600. NAME OF AGENCY HEAD WHO APPROVED THE PROPOSED RULE: Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission.

DATE PROPOSED RULE APPROVED BY AGENCY HEAD: November 30, 2022

DATE NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT PUBLISHED IN FAR: November 08, 2022.

FISH AND WILDLIFE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Freshwater Fish and Wildlife

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

68A-17.004 General Regulations Relating to Wildlife and Environmental Areas

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The purpose of the proposed rule amendment is to revise hunting regulations regarding shooting hours and methods of take on Wildlife and Environmental Areas (WEAs). The effect of the proposed rule amendment will be to allow non-protected birds to be hunted with dogs and expand shooting hours during mourning and white-winged dove season.

SUMMARY: The proposed rule amendment would adjust current regulations on WMAs by allowing dogs to be used for hunting non-protected birds during any period when at least one species of small game is legal to take with dogs and extending the shooting hours for mourning and white-winged doves from one-half hour before sunrise until sunset during Phase I of the statewide mourning and white-winged dove season, unless otherwise provided by area-specific regulations.

SUMMARY OF STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED REGULATORY COSTS AND LEGISLATIVE RATIFICATION:

The Agency has determined that this will not have an adverse impact on small business or likely increase directly or indirectly regulatory costs in excess of \$200,000 in the aggregate within one year after the implementation of the rule. A SERC has not been prepared by the Agency.

The Agency has determined that the proposed rule is not expected to require legislative ratification based on the statement of estimated regulatory costs or if no SERC is required, the information expressly relied upon and described herein: The nature of the rule and the preliminary analysis conducted to determine whether a SERC was required.

Any person who wishes to provide information regarding a statement of estimated regulatory costs, or provide a proposal for a lower cost regulatory alternative must do so in writing within 21 days of this notice.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY: Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const.

A HEARING WILL BE HELD AT THE DATE, TIME AND PLACE SHOWN BELOW:

DATE AND TIME: During the Commission's regular meeting February 21-22, 2023, 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., each day.

PLACE: Marriott Jacksonville, 4670 Salisbury Road, Jacksonville, Florida, 32256.

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THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE IS: Paul Scharine, Public Hunting Areas Program Coordinator, Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, 620 South Meridian Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1600, (850)617-9487 or paul.scharine@myfwc.com.

THE FULL TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE IS:

68A-17.004 General Regulations Relating to Wildlife and Environmental Areas.

(1) through (3) No change.

(4) Legal to Hunt: Legal game shall be only those wildlife species identified as legal to take in specific area regulations.(a) through (d) No change.

(e) <u>Shooting Notwithstanding the provisions in Rule 68A-13.008, F.A.C.</u>, shooting hours for mourning doves and whitewinged doves shall be <u>from one-half hour before sunrise</u> noon until sunset during the first phase of mourning dove and whitewinged dove season unless otherwise provided by specific area regulation.

(5) through (6) No change.

(7) Dogs:

(a) Dogs may be used for hunting during open seasons, except bear season or if prohibited by regulations for the particular wildlife and environmental area. The take of nonprotected birds with dogs is allowed during any season when at least one species of small game is legal to take with dogs. The Executive Director or designee may issue permits to raccoon or fox hunting organizations that are sanctioned by the United Kennel Club, American Kennel Club, Professional Kennel Club, or similar sanctioning entity to allow raccoon or fox hunting during otherwise closed seasons and at times and places designated in the permit. Permits may be issued only in areas where this activity will not negatively impact wildlife, where adjoining landowner conflicts will be minimal, where cooperating landowners are in agreement with the permit conditions, and when not in conflict with other user groups.

(b) through (d) No change.

(8) through (17) No change.

PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2023

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FISH AND WILDLIFE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Freshwater Fish and Wildlife

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE: 68A-17.005: Specific Regulations for Wildlife and Environmental Areas

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The purpose of the proposed rule amendment is to revise specific area regulations on Wildlife and Environmental Areas (WEAs). The effect of the proposed rule amendment will be to enable the agency to better manage fish and wildlife resources and public use on WEAs.

SUMMARY: The proposed rule amendment revises regulations on WEAs by allowing possession of dogs under physical restraint for purposes other than hunting on certain areas; allowing the use of shotguns to take turkey in Santa Fe Swamp WEA; establishing a youth turkey hunt in the Apalachicola River WEA; expanding deer hunting and exempting waterfowl hunters from quota requirements in a portion of L. Kirk Edwards WEA; renaming the existing archery, muzzleloading gun, and general gun hunts as wild hog quota hunts in the Corkscrew Marsh Unit of CREW WEA; and expanding hunting opportunities for gray squirrel and/or quail in DuPuis, Hungryland, and Southern Glades WEAs. This amendment also clarifies existing rules; removes unnecessary, redundant, or conflicting language; corrects prior mistakes; and makes non-substantive technical corrections.

SUMMARY OF STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED REGULATORY COSTS AND LEGISLATIVE RATIFICATION:

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THE FULL TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE IS:

68A-17.005 Specific Regulations for Wildlife and Environmental Areas.

(1) Southwest Region.

(a) Little Gator Creek – Pasco County.

1. through 2. No change.

3. Possession of any animal is prohibited<u>. except dogs as</u> provided by paragraph 68A-17.004(7)(c), F.A.C.

4. through 6. No change.

(b) Hickey Creek Mitigation Park – Lee County.

1. Possession of any animal is prohibited, except dogs as

provided by paragraph 68A-17.004(7)(c), F.A.C.

2. through 4. No change.

(c) Platt Branch Mitigation Park – Highlands County.

1. Possession of any animal is prohibited, except dogs as

provided by paragraph 68A-17.004(7)(c), F.A.C.

2. through 4. No change.

(d) No change.

(e) Bullfrog Creek Mitigation Park – Hillsborough County.

1. Possession of any animal is prohibited, except dogs as

provided by paragraph 68A-17.004(7)(c), F.A.C.

2. through 4. No change.

(f) No change.

(g) Perry Oldenburg Mitigation Park – Hernando County.

1. Possession of any animal is prohibited, except dogs as provided by paragraph 68A-17.004(7)(c), F.A.C.

2. through 4. No change.

(h) Chinsegut – Hernando County.

1. through 2. No change.

3. Possession of any animal is prohibited<u>, except dogs as</u> provided by paragraph 68A-17.004(7)(c), F.A.C.

4. through 6. No change.

(i) Moody Branch Mitigation Park – Manatee County.

1. Possession of any animal is prohibited, except horses are allowed <u>and dogs as provided by paragraph 68A-17.004(7)(c)</u>, F.A.C.

2. through 4. No change.

(j) Crooked Lake Mitigation Park – Polk County.

1. Possession of any animal is prohibited, except horses are allowed and dogs as provided by paragraph 68A-17.004(7)(c),

<u>F.A.C</u>.

2. through 4. No change.

(k) No change.

(2) North Central Region.

(a) Santa Fe Swamp – Bradford County.

1. through 2. No change.

3. General regulations:

a. through b. No change

c. Centerfire or rimfire rifles, shotguns, pistols, and crossbows are prohibited for taking wildlife <u>except shotguns</u> may be used to take wild turkey during spring turkey season.

d. through e. No change.

(b) Fort White Mitigation Park – Gilchrist County.

1. Open season:

a. through e. No change.

f. Trapping Prohibited.

g. renumbered f. No change.

2. through 3. No change.

4. General regulations:

a. through b. No change.

c. Possession of any animal is prohibited, except that dogs as provided by paragraph 68A-17.004(7)(c), F.A.C., a dogs on a leash may be used to trail wounded game, any dog may be used to take small game during the small game season and raptors may be used during the falconry season.

d. through g. No change.

(c) Suwannee Ridge – Hamilton County.

1. through 2. No change.

3. General regulations:

a. through f. No change.

g. The possession of dogs or horses is prohibited, except <u>dogs</u> as provided by paragraph <u>68A-17.004(7)(c)</u> 68A-15.004(7)(d), F.A.C., and dogs on a leash may be used for trailing wounded game.

h. through i. No change.

(d) Branan Field Mitigation Park – Duval and Clay counties.

1. No change.

2. Possession of dogs or trapping devices is prohibited.

<u>3. Possession of dogs is allowed as provided by paragraph</u> 68A-17.004(7)(c), F.A.C.

3. renumbered to 4. No change.

(e) Bell Ridge Mitigation Park.

1. Possession of any animal is prohibited, except dogs as provided by paragraph 68A-17.004(7)(c), F.A.C.

2. through 3. No change.

(f) Lafayette Forest Wildlife and Environmental Area.

1. Open seasons:

a. through g. No change.

h. Trapping Prohibited.

i. renumbered h. No change.

2. No change.

3. General regulations:

a. through b. No change.

c. Possession of any animal is prohibited, except horses are allowed, dogs as provided by paragraph 68A-17.004(7)(c), <u>F.A.C., dogs a dog</u> on a leash may be used for trailing wounded game, dogs may be transported year_round on McCalls Chapel Grade, dogs may be used to hunt during small game season, and raptors may be used during the falconry season. Horses are allowed on firebreaks, designated trails, and named or numbered roads only.

d. through h. No change.

(g) Watermelon Pond Wildlife and Environmental Area.

1. Open seasons:

a. through e. No change.

f. Trapping Prohibited.

g. renumbered f. No change.

2. through 4. No change

(3) Northwest Region.

(a) No change.

(b) Apalachicola River – Gulf and Franklin counties.

1. Open seasons:

a. through d. No change.

e. Archery/<u>Muzzleloading</u> and muzzleloading gun – Opening the day immediately following the last day of the general gun season and closing 10 days thereafter.

f. through g. No change.

h. Migratory game birds – During seasons established by Rules 68A-13.003 and 68A-13.008, F.A.C.

i. through l. No change.

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by Rule 68A-13.004, F.A.C.

2. through 3. No change.

4. General regulations:

a. Furbearers may be taken in accordance with the provisions of Rule 68A-24.002, F.A.C., except the use or possession of dogs is prohibited during the spring turkey season and traps may only be used during the established trapping season.

b. through d. No change.

e. Hunting with dogs, other than bird dogs or retrievers, is prohibited in that portion of the area posted as Northwest Florida Water Management District lands (except those lands lying south of the Chipola River and east of the St. Joe Canal) and on those lands lying east of East Bay and Cash Bayou, except during the wild hog-dog season. <u>The take of deer with</u> dogs is prohibited, except during the general gun season in the dog hunt area. The take of wild hog with dogs is prohibited, except during the general gun and small game seasons in the dog hunt area and throughout the area during the wild hog-dog season.

f. through i. No change.

(c) L. Kirk Edwards – Leon County.

1. Open seasons for that portion of the area west of Chaires Cross Road:

a. through c. No change.

d. Migratory game birds – Migratory game birds <u>D</u>during seasons established in Rules 68A-13.003 and 68A-13.008, F.A.C.

e. No change.

f. Archery – Opening 37 days prior to the first Saturday in November and closing 3 days thereafter, reopening 11 days later and closing 3 days thereafter, and reopening 11 days later and closing 3 days thereafter.

<u>g. Family hunt – Opening the Thursday following the close</u> of archery season and closing 3 days later.

h. Archery/Muzzleloading gun – Opening the fourth Thursday in November and closing 3 days thereafter, reopening 4 days later and closing 3 days thereafter, and reopening 11 days later and closing 3 days thereafter.

2. Open seasons for that portion of the area east of Chaires Cross Road:

a. through b. No change.

c. Archery/<u>Muzzleloading</u> and muzzleloading gun – Opening the fourth Thursday in November and closing 3 days thereafter, reopening 4 days later and closing 3 days thereafter, and reopening 11 days later and closing 3 days thereafter.

d. Small game – Opening the second Saturday in November and closing the first Sunday in March (except during the archery/<u>-and-</u>muzzleloading gun season).

e. through h. No change.

3. No change.

4. General regulations:

a. No change.

b. Taking wildlife with dogs, other than bird dogs or retrievers, is prohibited, except any dog may be used to take small game during small game season. Taking <u>deer and</u> wild hog with dogs is prohibited.

c. through f. No change.

g. Individuals participating in waterfowl hunts in that portion of the area lying west of Chaires Cross Road are exempt from quota permit requirements.

(4) South Region.

(a) Southern Glades – Dade County.

1. No change.

2. Legal to take: All legal game (except turkey), fish, frogs and furbearers (except bobcat and otter). Take of antlerless deer is prohibited during archery season. Taking of antlered deer not having at least one antler with two or more points is prohibited, except by persons less than 16 years of age. <u>Notwithstanding the gray squirrel and quail seasons established by Rule 68A-13.004, gray squirrel and quail may be taken throughout the general gun season established for this area.</u>

3. General regulations:

a. Hunting with dogs is prohibited, except dogs may be used for taking small game during small game season and waterfowl retrievers and bird dogs may be used to take ducks, geese, coots, and snipe during their respective statewide seasons. The take of wild hog with dogs is prohibited.

b. through e. No change.

f. Non native reptiles may be taken year round.

<u>f. g. Beginning the day</u> Guns are a prohibited method of take for non-native reptiles, except when the use of guns to take game or alligators is authorized and after the last day of small game season through the second Sunday in April when all legal methods of take for game animals or alligators are allowed, except the use of centerfire rifles for taking wildlife is prohibited.

h. Conditional non native snakes and lizards, as listed in subsection 68 5.002(4), F.A.C., shall not be removed from the area alive.

<u>g. i.</u> <u>Beginning t</u>The day after small game season ends through the second Sunday in April, shooting hours for nonnative reptiles shall be 1/2 hour before sunrise until 1/2 hour after sunset.

j. renumbered h. No change.

(b) John G. and Susan H. Dupuis Jr. – Palm Beach and Martin counties.

1. Open season:

a. through h. No change.

i. Migratory game birds – During the seasons established by Rules 68A-13.003 and 68A-13.008, F.A.C.

j. Trapping is prohibited.

k. renumbered j. No change.

2. Legal to take: All legal game (except turkeys may be taken during spring season only), wild hog, fish and furbearers (except otter). Taking of antlered deer not having at least one antler with three or more points or one antler with a main beam of ten inches or more in length is prohibited, except by persons less than 16 years of age. Antlerless deer (except spotted fawns) may be taken during the archery and general gun for the mobility-impaired seasons. The bag limit for deer shall be one per quota permit, except during the general gun for mobility-impaired season when one (1) antlered and one (1) antlerless deer may be taken per quota permit. Only mobility-impaired

hunters may take antlerless deer during the general gun for mobility-impaired season. One gobbler (or bearded turkey) may be taken per spring turkey or youth turkey quota permit. The take of deer is prohibited during the wild hog season. <u>Notwithstanding the quail season established by Rule 68A-13.004, quail may be taken throughout the general gun season</u> established for this area.

3. No change.

4. General regulations:

a. through b. No change.

c. Taking wildlife with dogs is prohibited, except bird dogs and retrievers are allowed for taking migratory birds during their respective statewide seasons and dogs are allowed for taking small game during the small game season. <u>The take of</u> wild hog with dogs is prohibited.

d. through j. No change.

(c) CREW – Collier and Lee Counties.

1. Open season:

a. Archery – Opening 42 days prior to the first day of Zone A antlered deer season established by Rule 68A-13.004, F.A.C., and closing 8 days thereafter (except in Corkscrew Marsh Unit).

b. Wild hog-still (archery only) – Opening 42 days prior to the first day of Zone A antlered deer season established by Rule 68A-13.004, F.A.C., and closing 8 days thereafter (Corkscrew Marsh Unit only).

<u>c.</u> b. Muzzleloading gun – Opening 14 days prior to the first day of Zone A antlered deer season established by Rule 68A-13.004, F.A.C., and closing 2 days thereafter (except in Corkscrew Marsh Unit).

<u>d. Wild hog-still (muzzleloading gun only) – Opening 14</u> <u>days prior to the first day of Zone A antlered deer season</u> <u>established by Rule 68A-13.004, F.A.C., and closing 2 days</u> <u>thereafter (Corkscrew Marsh Unit only)</u>.

<u>e.</u> e. General gun – Opening 63 days after the first day of Zone A antlered deer season established by Rule 68A-13.004, F.A.C., and closing 8 days thereafter <u>(except in Corkscrew</u> <u>Marsh Unit)</u>.

<u>f. Wild hog-still – Opening 63 days after the first day of</u> Zone A antlered deer season established by Rule 68A-13.004, <u>F.A.C., and closing 8 days thereafter (Corkscrew Marsh Unit</u> only).

d. through e. renumbered g. through h. No change.

f. Trapping is prohibited.

g. through h. renumbered i. through j. No change.

- 2. through 3. No change.
- 4. General regulations:
- a. No change.

b. Take of wildlife with dogs is prohibited, except bird dogs or retrievers may be used to take small game during general gun season and any dog may be used to take small game during small game season. The take of wild hog with dogs is prohibited.

c. through k. No change.

(d) No change.

(e) John C. and Mariana Jones/Hungryland – Palm Beach and Martin Counties.

1. Open season:

a. through e. No change.

f. Migratory game birds – During the seasons as established by Rules 68A-13.003 and 68A-13.008, F.A.C.

g. through h. No change.

2. Legal to take: All legal game (except hen or beardless turkey), fish, frogs and furbearers (except bobcat and otter). The bag limit for deer shall be one per person, two per quota permit, but no more than one per person. The taking of antlerless deer and turkey is prohibited during the archery season. Taking of antlered deer not having at least one antler with three or more points or one antler with a main beam of ten inches or more in length is prohibited, except by persons less than 16 years of age. Notwithstanding the gray squirrel and quail seasons established by Rule 68A-13.004, gray squirrel and quail may be taken throughout the general gun season established for this area.

3. No change.

4. General regulations:

a. through e. No change.

f. Taking wildlife with dogs is prohibited except bird dogs and retrievers may be used for taking migratory birds<u>during</u> <u>their respective statewide seasons</u> and during small game season dogs may be used to take small game. <u>The take of wild</u> <u>hog with dogs is prohibited</u>.

g. through i. No change.

(5) Northeast Region. Split Oak Forest Mitigation Park – Orange and Osceola counties.

(a) Possession of any animal is prohibited. except horses are allowed and dogs as provided by paragraph 68A-17.004(7)(c), F.A.C.

(b) through (d) No change.

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> Section III Notice of Changes, Corrections and Withdrawals

NONE

Section IV Emergency Rules

NONE

Section V Petitions and Dispositions Regarding Rule Variance or Waiver

WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICTS

Southwest Florida Water Management District RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

40D-22.201 Year-Round Water Conservation Measures

The Southwest Florida Water Management District hereby

gives notice:

that on January 27th, 2023, the Southwest Florida Water Management District has issued an order granting a variance.

Petitioner's Name: Woodview Villas Property Owners Association, Inc.

Date Petition Filed: December 13th, 2022

Rule No.: 40D-22.201, F.A.C.

Nature of the rule for which variance or waiver was sought: Lawn and landscape irrigation

Date Petition Published in the Florida Administrative Register December 19th, 2022.

General Basis for Agency Decision: Petitioner demonstrated substantial hardship and proposed an alternative means of achieving the purpose of the statute implemented by the rule. A copy of the Order or additional information may be obtained by contacting: Talia Paolillo, 7601 US Highway 301, Tampa, Florida 33637, 1(813)985-7481, water.variances@watermatters.org. (M2022038).

WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICTS

Southwest Florida Water Management District

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on January 26, 2023, the Southwest Florida Water Management District, received a petition for a variance or waiver.

Petitioner's Name: EIP Credit Co., LLC

Rule No.: 62-342.700

Nature of the rule for which variance or waiver is sought: Financial Responsibility for Mitigation Banks

The Petition has been assigned tracking No. 2023001. (Horse Creek Mitigation Bank)

A copy of the Petition for Variance or Waiver may be obtained by contacting: A copy of the Petition for Variance or Waiver may be obtained by contacting: Adrienne E. Vining, 7601 US Highway 301, Tampa, Florida 33637, 1(813)355-0308, Adrienne.Vining@swfwmd.state.fl.us. Any interested person or other agency may submit written comments within 14 days after the publication of this notice. (M2023001-1).

DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION

Board of Veterinary Medicine

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on January 10, 2023, the the Board of Veterinary Medicine, received a petition for for variance or waiver filed by Edwin A. Bayó, Esq., on behalf of Frank Reyes. The Petitioner seeks a permanent variance or waiver from subsection 61G18-11.002(4), F.A.C., regarding the requirement that in order to obtain licensure, the candidate must receive a passing score on each portion of the examination. The candidate must receive a score of 425 on the NAVLE. A candidate who fails to achieve a passing score on any part of the examination will only be required to retake the parts failed so long as those scores remain valid. Comments on this petition should be filed with the Board of Veterinary Medicine, 2601 Blair Stone Road, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0751, within 14 days of publication of this notice.

A copy of the Petition for Variance or Waiver may be obtained by contacting: Ruthanne Christie, Executive Director, Board of Veterinary Medicine, 2601 Blair Stone Road, Tallahassee, FL 32399-0751, N13, or by electronic mail -Ruthanne.Christie@myfloridalicense.com

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Board of Clinical Laboratory Personnel RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

64B3-5.003 Technologist

The Board of Clinical Laboratory Personnel hereby gives notice:

of the issuance of an Order Denying the Petition for Variance or Waiver, filed on October 31, 2022, by Zakalah Wyatt. The Notice of Petition for Waiver or Variance was published in Vol. 48, No. 215, of the November 3, 2022, Florida Administrative Register. Petitioner was seeking a waiver or variance of Rule 64B3-5.003, F.A.C. The Board considered the instant Petition at a duly-noticed public meeting held on November 15, 2022. The Board's Order, filed on December 1, 2022, denied the petition stating that Petitioner did not meet the purpose of the underlying statute by other means and that the application of the rule to Petitioner did not create a substantial hardship or violate the principles of fairness.

A copy of the Order or additional information may be obtained by contacting: Dayle Mooney, Executive Director, Board of Clinical Laboratory Personnel, 4052 Bald Cypress Way, Bin #C-07, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3258, (850) 488-0595, or by electronic mail – Dayle.Mooney@flhealth.gov.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Board of Clinical Laboratory Personnel

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

64B3-5.003 Technologist

The Board of Clinical Laboratory Personnel hereby gives notice:

of the issuance of an Order Denying the Petition for Variance or Waiver, filed on October 11, 2022, by Crystal Loska. The Notice of Petition for Waiver or Variance was published in Vol. 48, No. 215, of the November 3, 2022, Florida Administrative Register. Petitioner was seeking a waiver or variance of Rule 64B3-5.003, F.A.C. The Board considered the instant Petition at a duly-noticed public meeting held on November 15, 2022. The Board's Order, filed on December 1, 2022, denied the petition stating that Petitioner did not meet the purpose of the underlying statute by other means and that the application of the rule to Petitioner did not create a substantial hardship or violate the principles of fairness.

A copy of the Order or additional information may be obtained by contacting: Dayle Mooney, Executive Director, Board of Clinical Laboratory Personnel, 4052 Bald Cypress Way, Bin #C-07, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3258, (850) 488-0595, or by electronic mail – Dayle.Mooney@flhealth.gov.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Board of Clinical Laboratory Personnel RULE NO.: RULE TITLE: 64B3-5.007 Director; Limitations and Qualifications The Board of Clinical Laboratory Personnel hereby gives notice:

of the issuance of an Order regarding the Petition for Waiver or Variance, which was filed on October 20, 2022, by Andreas Mbah. Petitioner was seeking a waiver or variance from paragraph 64B3-5.007(2)(d), (g), (l), F.A.C., which sets forth the education, training/experience, and examination requirements for licensure as Director in the specialty of Microbiology, Serology/Immunology, and Molecular Pathology. The Notice was published in Volume 48, No. 213, of the Florida Administrative Register, on November 1, 2022. The Board considered the instant Petition at a duly-noticed public telephonic meeting held November 15, 2022. The Board's Order, filed on December 1, 2022, granted the petition finding that Petitioner established that the purpose of the underlying statute is being achieved by other means and that application of the above rule to Petitioner creates a substantial hardship or violates the principles of fairness.

A copy of the Order or additional information may be obtained by contacting: Dayle Mooney, Executive Director, Board of Clinical Laboratory Personnel, 4052 Bald Cypress Way, Bin #C-07, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3258, (850) 488-0595, or by electronic mail – Dayle.Mooney@flhealth.gov.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Division of Emergency Preparedness and Community Support RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

64J-2.011 Trauma Center Requirements

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on January 25, 2023, the Department of Health, Division of Emergency Preparedness and Community Support, received a petition for an emergency variance from or a waiver of the requirement of Standard III.C.2. of "Trauma Center Standards," Department of Health Pamphlet 150-9, January 2010, as incorporated by reference into Rule 64J-2.011, Florida Administrative Code, to permit Holmes Regional Medical Center, Inc., to temporarily transfer ophthalmic patients to Level I trauma centers.

A copy of the Petition for Variance or Waiver may be obtained by contacting: Lori L. Jobe, Esq. at (850) 245-4685 or by email at Lori.Jobe@flhealth.gov.

Interested persons may submit comments on the petition within 5 days of publication of this notice to Lori.Jobe@flhealth.gov.

DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILIES Family Safety and Preservation Program RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

65C-45.010 Standards for all Licensed Out-of-Home Caregivers

The Department of Children and Families hereby gives notice: An order was issued disposing of the petition for waiver of subparagraph 65C-45.010(2)(f)5., Florida Administrative Code, from FamiliesFirst Network of Lakeview on behalf of Melissa Swango. Subparagraph 65C-45.010(2)(f)5., Fla. Admin. Code, states that the entry to a child's bedroom shall not be located so as to require the child to pass through another room (to include all bedrooms, offices, or rooms that are not common areas) or a bathroom in order to enter their bedroom. The notice of variances and waivers was published on October 5, 2022 in volume 48/194 of the Florida Administrative Register.

The petition was denied because FamiliesFirst Network is no longer the contracted provider for licensing foster homes in Circuit 1.

A copy of the Order or additional information may be obtained by contacting: Agency Clerk, Department of Children and Families, 2415 North Monroe Street, Suite 400, Tallahassee, FL 32303 or agency.clerk@myflfamilies.com.

DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

Mental Health Program

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

65E-9.005 Operating Standards

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on January 18, 2023, the Department of Children and Families, received a petition for waiver of sub-subparagraph 65E-9.005(5)(b)11.g., Florida Administrative Code, from the Agency for Community Treatment Services. Sub-subparagraph 65E-9.005(5)(b)11.g., Fla. Admin. Code, states that residential treatment centers must meet facility standards, including requiring children's bedrooms to be ventilated, well-lighted and located convenient to a bathroom and having at least one operable exterior window. A copy of the Petition for Variance or Waiver may be obtained by contacting: Agency Clerk, Department of Children and Families, 2415 North Monroe Street, Suite 400, Tallahassee, FL 32303 or Agency.Clerk@myflfamilies.com.

Section VI Notice of Meetings, Workshops and Public Hearings

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

The Florida Transportation Commission announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: February 2, 2023, 1:00 p.m.

PLACE: Members of the public are invited to participate via Microsoft TEAMS. Use the following link to join: https://tinyurl.com/FTCFebruary02

or call-in (audio only): (850) 739-5589, Conference ID: 673 556 7#

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: General FTC Business/Discussion.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: The Florida Transportation Commission at (850) 414-4105 or by emailing ftc@dot.state.fl.us.

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least 48 hours before the workshop/meeting by contacting: Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least 48 hours before the workshop/meeting by contacting: the Florida Transportation Commission, 605 Suwannee Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399. 850-414-4105. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice). If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

If any person decides to appeal any decision made by the Board with respect to any matter considered at this meeting or hearing, he/she will need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceeding is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence from which the appeal is to be issued.

For more information, you may contact: The Florida Transportation Commission at (850) 414-4105 or by emailing ftc@dot.state.fl.us.

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

The Florida Department of Transportation announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: February 10, 2023, 9:00 a.m.

PLACE: Virtual Meeting via Go-To-Webinar. To participate via your computer, tablet, or smart phone, please register at this web link: https://teams.microsoft.com/l/meetup-join/19%3ameeting_YzQ2YmFmZTAtMzMyYS00Nzk1LTgz ZTktMDE4NzIzYzNlNjAw%40thread.v2/0?context=%7b%2 2Tid%22%3a%22db21de5d-bc9c-420c-8f3f-

8f08f85b5ada%22%2c%22Oid%22%3a%221a7cda9f-8587-4abe-8ef0-86148892ac9f%22%7d

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: This is a meeting of the Advisory Committee of the Florida Manual of Uniform Minimum Standards For Design, Construction, and Maintenance (Florida Greenbook) to develop guidance for future editions of the Florida Greenbook.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Jacqui Morris, Criteria Publications Coordinator, Florida Department of Transportation, at jacqueline.morris@dot.state.fl.us or (850) 414-4352.

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least 7 days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: Jacqui Morris, jacqueline.morris@dot.state.fl.us or (850) 414-4352. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

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For more information, you may contact: Jacqui Morris, jacqueline.morris@dot.state.fl.us or (850) 414-4352.

REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCILS

East Central Florida Regional Planning Council The East Central Florida Regional Planning Council announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: March 15, 2023, 9:30 a.m.

PLACE: 455 N. Garland Avenue, 4th Floor John Land Conference Room, Orlando, FL 32801

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: Regular bi-monthly meeting of the East Central Florida Regional Planning Executive Committee.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Ken Storey at (407)245-0300, ext. 300, or KStorey@ecfrpc.org.

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least two (2) days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: Ken Storey at (407)245-0300, ext. 300, or KStorey@ecfrpc.org. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

For more information, you may contact: Ken Storey at (407)245-0300, ext. 300, or KStorey@ecfrpc.org.

REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCILS

East Central Florida Regional Planning Council

The East Central Florida Regional Planning Council announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: March 15, 2023, 10:30 a.m.

PLACE: 455 N. Garland Avenue, 2nd Floor, Orlando, FL 32801

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: Regular bi-monthly meeting of the East Central Florida Regional Planning Council.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Ken Storey at (407) 245-0300, ext. 300, or KStorey@ecfrpc.org.

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least two (2) days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: Ken Storey at (407) 245-0300, ext. 300, or KStorey@ecfrpc.org. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

For more information, you may contact: Ken Storey at (407) 245-0300, ext. 300, or KStorey@ecfrpc.org.

REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCILS

East Central Florida Regional Planning Council

The East Central Florida Regional Planning Council announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: March 15, 2023, 12:30 p.m.

PLACE: 455 N. Garland Avenue, 4th Floor John Land Conference Room, Orlando, FL 32801

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: Meeting of the R2C Volunteer Council Subcommittee.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Jenifer Rupert at JRupert@ECFRPC.org or 407-245-04300, ext. 302.

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least two (2) days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: Jenifer Rupert at JRupert@ECFRPC.org or 407-245-04300, ext. 302. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

For more information, you may contact: Jenifer Rupert at JRupert@ECFRPC.org or 407-245-04300, ext. 302.

WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICTS

South Florida Water Management District

The South Florida Water Management District announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: Wednesday, February 8, 2023, 6:30 p.m., Governing Board Reception

PLACE: 21111 SW 16 Street, Weston, FL 33332

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: Members of the Governing Board will attend a reception open to the public. There is no cost to attend, and free parking is available.

No Governing Board action will be taken.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: The agenda will be posted to the District's website www.SFWMD.gov/meetings, seven days prior to the meeting. Or, you can email Rosie Byrd at rbyrd@sfwmd.gov.

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least seven days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: Rosie Byrd, District Clerk, at rbyrd@sfwmd.gov. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

For more information, you may contact: Rosie Byrd at rbyrd@sfwmd.gov.

WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICTS

South Florida Water Management District

The South Florida Water Management District announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: Thursday, February 9, 2023, 9:00 a.m., Governing Board Monthly Meeting

PLACE: Fort Lauderdale Marriott Coral Springs Hotel & Convention Center, Royal Poinciana and Orchid Rooms, 11775 Heron Bay Blvd., Coral Springs, FL 33076

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: The Governing Board of the South Florida Water Management District will discuss and consider District business, including regulatory and non-regulatory matters.

The public and stakeholders may comment on the meeting by attending in person or using an online public comment form ahead of the meeting. The online public comment form will open at 12:00 PM on February 3rd and remain open until 12:00 PM on February 7th to ensure the Board has time to review the written public comments. Note: This location does not have the capacity for virtual public comment.

The Governing Board may take official action at the meeting on any item appearing on the agenda and on any item that is added to the agenda as a result of a change to the agenda approved by the presiding officer of the meeting pursuant to Section 120.525, Florida Statutes.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: The agenda will be posted to the District's website www.SFWMD.gov/meetings, seven days prior to the meeting. Or, you can email Rosie Byrd at rbyrd@sfwmd.gov.

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For more information, you may contact: Rosie Byrd at rbyrd@sfwmd.gov.

DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

The Florida Department of Children and Families announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: February 7, 2023, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. PLACE: Microsoft Teams -

https://teams.microsoft.com/l/meetup-

join/19%3ameeting_ZjlhZDFjNzQtN2EyMi00MjE3LTllOGY tZWViMTJlNDU1ZjIy%40thread.v2/0?context=%7b%22Tid %22%3a%22f70dba48-b283-4c57-8831-

cb411445a94c%22%2c%22Oid%22%3a%22ea757531-2da2-4ccb-a2f7-3c3c60f5bf05%22%7d

Or Call in (Audio only): 1 412-912-1530,,892128794# United States, Pittsburgh

Phone Conference ID: 892 128 794#

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: The Violence Against Women Act, Services*Training* Officers* Prosecutors (STOP) grant program requires the completion of a STOP Implementation Plan (IP) every four years. The Steering Committee members are representative of the agencies required by Federal Statute 28 C.F.R. § 90.12(b)(7) to participate in the planning process.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Florida Department of Domestic Violence, Office of Domestic Violence, 2415 N. Monroe Street, E-100, Tallahassee, FL, 32303.

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least 3 days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: Florida Department of Children and Families, Office of Domestic Violence, 2415 N. Monroe Street, E-100, Tallahassee, FL, 32303. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

For more information, you may contact: Florida Department of Children and Families, Office of Domestic Violence, 2415 N. Monroe Street, E-100, Tallahassee, FL, 32303.

GULF CONSORTIUM

The Gulf Consortium announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: February 2, 2023, 4:30 p.m. (ET)

PLACE: This meeting will be conducted exclusively via teleconference. Interested persons may participate by telephone via the following:

https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/176854197

United States: +1 (872) 240-3212

Access Code: 176-854-197

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: The Board Members of the Gulf Consortium will meet to hold elections, review the status of grant applications and grants, review financials, and conduct other business at the discretion of the Board.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: www.gulfconsortium.org or by contacting: General Manager at 407-629-2185 or Gulf.Consortium@balmoralgroup.us.

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least 3 days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: www.gulfconsortium.org or by contacting: General Manager at 407-629-2185 or Gulf.Consortium@balmoralgroup.us. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

If any person decides to appeal any decision made by the Board with respect to any matter considered at this meeting or hearing, he/she will need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceeding is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence from which the appeal is to be issued.

For more information, you may contact: www.gulfconsortium.org or by contacting: General Manager at 407-629-2185 or Gulf.Consortium@balmoralgroup.us.

FLORIDA PRESCRIPTION DRUG MONITORING PROGRAM FOUNDATION

The Florida Prescription Drug Monitoring Program Foundation announces a telephone conference call to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: February 13, 2023, 6:00 p.m.

PLACE: Conference Call: Toll-Free Telephone Number: 888-537-7715, Passcode: 66812234#

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: Board of Directors Business Meeting.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: flpdmpfoundation.com/information/agendas

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least 3 days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: Florida PDMP Foundation, 850-284-4490. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

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For more information, you may contact: flpdmpfoundation.com

CORE ENGINEERING GROUP, LLC

The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: Tuesday, February 7, 2023, 5:30 p.m.; Open House: In-Person and Virtual Public Meeting

PLACE: Town of Palm Beach Town Hall, 360 South County Road, Palm Beach, FL 33480

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: Financial Project ID Number: 446175-1-52-01

Study Description: Resurfacing, Restoration and Rehabilitation (RRR) Project.

State Road (SR) A1A from North of Emerald Beach Way to South of SR 704/Royal Palm Way, Palm Beach County, Florida The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT), District Four, will conduct a public meeting for the proposed improvements of State Road (SR) A1A from North of Emerald Beach Way to South of SR 704/Royal Palm Way, in Palm Beach County. The Public Meeting will begin with a brief presentation at 5:30 p.m. with representatives available to answer your questions. Project information will be available onsite during the meeting and online for online attendees.

The purpose of this project is to extend the SR A1A pavement service life through milling and resurfacing and addressing safety features. The purpose of this public meeting is to get your input on how the SR A1A Resurfacing, Restoration and Rehabilitation project improvements support community visions and needs in Palm Beach County. The meeting will be offered in-person and virtually. Comments and questions will be taken during the meeting, in-person and by email through the preregistration link:

https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/1765933749692365

911; and by mail through February 21, 2023. All meeting materials (including a recording of the webinar) and correspondence will be available to public by visiting the project website at:

https://www.d4fdot.com/pbfdot/state_road_a1a_from_north_o f_emerald_beach_way_to_south_of_sr_704_royal_palm_way. asp. This meeting is also accessible by telephone by dialing +1 (415) 655-0060; Access Code: 183-945-970. If you cannot attend in-person or do not have internet access, or if you require further information, please contact Mr. Kenzot Jasmin, P.E. at the contact information below.

Public participation is solicited without regard to race, color, national origin, age, sex, religion, disability or family status. Persons wishing to express their concerns relative to FDOT compliance with Title VI may do so by contacting Sharon Singh Hagyan, FDOT District Four Title VI Coordinator, at Sharon.SinghHagyan@dot.state.fl.us. Persons who require translation services (free of charge) should contact Kenzot Jasmin, P.E. at least 7 days before the public meeting.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: N/A

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least seven (7) days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: Kenzot Jasmin, P.E. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

For more information, you may contact: Kenzot Jasmin, P.E. the FDOT Project Manager at (954) 777-4462, by mail at 3400 West Commercial Boulevard, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33309, or by e-mail at Kenzot.Jasmin@dot.state.fl.us.

HIGHER EDUCATIONAL FACILITIES FINANCING AUTHORITY

The Higher Educational Facilities Financing Authority announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: February 17, 2023, 10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. PLACE: The Offices of: The Independent Colleges and Universities of Florida, 542 East Park Avenue, Tallahassee, Florida 32301, and by teleconference at (800) 719-7514, Conference Code 596984

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: A public meeting of the Higher Educational Facilities Financing Authority will be held to consider a resolution authorizing the execution of amendments to existing bond and loan documentation to address the phase out of the LIBOR interest rate index, including, in particular, amendments to bond and loan documentation relating to financings by the Authority for Ringling College of Art and Design.

Any other matters that may come before the Authority.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Danie Griffin-Turner, Independent Colleges and Universities of Florida, 542 East Park Avenue, Tallahassee, Florida 32301, (850) 681-3188, Ext 201.

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least 5 days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: Danie Griffin-Turner, Independent Colleges and Universities of Florida, 542 East Park Avenue, Tallahassee, Florida 32301, (850) 681-3188. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

FLORIDA VIRTUAL SCHOOL

The Florida Virtual School announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: February 7, 2023, 9:00 a.m.

PLACE: The Florida Virtual School Board of Trustees Workshop Meeting, including the public portion of the litigation shade meeting/private attorney-client session noted below, will be livestreamed, and members of the public may observe/access the meeting online via the Florida Virtual School Board of Trustees YouTube page. The virtual meeting will be streamed directly to this YouTube channel. You can also watch the meeting by clicking on the following link:

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCSp-oyR-9hroo-

cmIumUXCg

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: Development and discussion of proposed agenda items/matters which may be presented to the Board at its March 7, 2023, Regular Meeting. Please note that public comment will not be taken, as the Board of Trustees will not take formal and final agency action on any matters at this Workshop Meeting.

Attorney-Client

Session:

As requested by FLVS's General Counsel at the December 6, 2022, public meeting of the Board of Trustees, the litigation shade meeting/private attorney-client session conducted pursuant to section 286.011(8), Fla. Stat., is to obtain advice and discuss litigation strategy and expenditures regarding Florida Virtual School v. K12, Inc. and K12 Florida, LLC, currently pending before the United States District Court, Middle District of Florida (Orlando Division) and assigned Case No. 6:20-cv-02354-GAP-EJK.

It is anticipated that the approximate duration of this litigation shade meeting/private attorney-client session will be 30 minutes.

Those persons speaking at or otherwise in attendance at the litigation shade meeting/private attorney-client session shall be limited to those persons permitted under section 286.011(8). Fla. Stat. Accordingly, it is anticipated that the following persons will be in attendance:

Board of Trustees Member John Watret, Ph.D., Chair

Board of Trustees Member Linda Reiter, Co-Chair

Board of Trustees Member Rafael "Tony" Arza, Ph.D.

Board of Trustees Member Kelly Garcia

Board of Trustees Member Robert Kornahrens

Board of Trustees Member Edward Pozzuoli

President and Chief Executive Officer Dr. Louis J. Algaze General Counsel Dr. David J. D'Agata

General Couliser DI. David J. D Agata

Senior Assistant General Counsel Luis R. Guzman

 $\ensuremath{\mathsf{FLVS}}$ outside counsel Stephen Luther, Luther Law $\ensuremath{\mathsf{PLLC}}$

FLVS outside counsel Sally Culley, Rumberger, Kirk & Caldwell, PA

Court Reporter

Pursuant to Florida law, the entire attorney-client session shall be recorded by a certified court reporter. No portion of the attorney-client session shall be off the record. A copy of the transcript will be made part of Florida Virtual School's public record after the litigation has concluded.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Mr. Bruce Moore, Board Clerk, at 5422 Carrier Drive, Suite 201, Orlando, FL 32819; or at (407) 735-1191; or by email to bmoore@flvs.net. It may also be obtained via https://go.boarddocs.com/fla/flvs/Board.nsf/vpublic?open

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least 48 hours before the workshop/meeting by contacting: . If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

If any person decides to appeal any decision made by the Board with respect to any matter considered at this meeting or hearing, he/she will need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceeding is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence from which the appeal is to be issued.

For more information, you may contact: Mr. Bruce Moore, Board Clerk, at 5422 Carrier Drive, Suite 201, Orlando, FL 32819; or at (407) 735-1191; or by email to bmoore@flvs.net.

ENTERPRISE FLORIDA, INC.

The Enterprise Florida Executive Committee announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: February 6, 2021, 10:45 a.m.

PLACE:

https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_Qw7okzqYS5 ag6eaKZ1NbBQ

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: Vote on Consent Agenda.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Natalie McElwee, 850.298.6654

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least 1 days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: . If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

For more information, you may contact: Natalie McElwee, 850.298.6654

ENTERPRISE FLORIDA, INC.

The Enterprise Florida, Inc. announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: February 6, 2023, 11:00 a.m.

PLACE:

https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_txzpkqs0Rfes4 2P4hNsWFw

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: The Enterprise Florida Board of Directors will meet to unanimously approve an item on the Consent Agenda.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Natalie McElwee - nmcalwee@enterpriseflorida.com Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least 1 days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: . If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

For more information, you may contact: Natalie McElwee - nmcalwee@enterpriseflorida.com

ENTERPRISE FLORIDA, INC.

The Florida Opportunity Fund announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: March 22, 2023, 10:00 a.m.

PLACE: Virtual meeting via Teams - https://teams.microsoft.com/l/meetup-

join/19%3ameeting_Nzc2YWU4NDYtMjMwYi00YzY5LT1

mZmQtMDY0NWFiM2NiNDE3%40thread.v2/0?context=%7 b%22Tid%22%3a%228310dbd9-35bb-4e22-8978-

e59703aec4bb%22%2c%22Oid%22%3a%22b056fa17-d297-4757-beee-78fec688ff94%22%7d

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: Administrative matters.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Lorna Dusti at 407-956-5651.

For more information, you may contact: Lorna Dusti at 407-956-5651.

FLORIDA CORRECTIONS ACCREDITATION COMMISSION, INC.

The The Florida Corrections Accreditation Commission announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: February 21, 2023, 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

PLACE: Legends 1 at Renaissance World Golf Village, 500 S Legacy Trail, St. Augustine, FL 32092

FCAC Executive Workshop

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: Review agencies for accreditation or reaccreditation, and general business of the Commission.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: 850-410-7200

For more information, you may contact: flaccreditation@fdle.state.fl.us

FLORIDA CORRECTIONS ACCREDITATION COMMISSION, INC.

The The Florida Corrections Accreditation Commission announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited. DATE AND TIME: February 22, 2022, 8:30 a.m. – 9:30 a.m. PLACE: Legends 1 at Renaissance World Golf Village, 500 S

Legacy Trail, St. Augustine, FL 32092

Panel Review

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: Review of agencies for accreditation or reaccreditation.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: 850-410-7200

For more information, you may contact: flaccreditation@fdle.state.fl.us

FLORIDA CORRECTIONS ACCREDITATION COMMISSION, INC.

The The Florida Corrections Accreditation Commission announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: February 21, 2023, 1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m. PLACE: St. Augustine D at Renaissance World Golf Village-500 S Legacy Trail, St. Augustine, FL 32092

FCAC SRIC

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: Discussion of proposed standards changes.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: 850-410-7200

For more information, you may contact: flaccreditation@fdle.state.fl.us

FLORIDA CORRECTIONS ACCREDITATION COMMISSION, INC.

The The Florida Corrections Accreditation Commission announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: February 22, 2023, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. PLACE: St. Augustine D at Renaissance World Golf Village-500 S Legacy Trail, St. Augustine, FL 32092

FCAC Business Meeting

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: Review agencies for accreditation or reaccreditation, and general business of the Commission.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: 850-410-7200

For more information, you may contact: flaccreditation@fdle.state.fl.us

QUEST CORPORATION OF AMERICA, INC.

The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: Tuesday, February 7, 2023, 5:30 p.m.

PLACE: Virtually on GoTo Webinar; By phone at 1-877-568-4108 with passcode 925-028-847; In-Person at Elks Lodge #2113

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: A public meeting will be held regarding project plans on South Street (State Road (S.R.) 405) from south of Bobbi Lane to north of Swan Lake Drive in Titusville. (FPID no. 443169-1) The purpose of this project is to resurface the corridor and enhance pedestrian features. The public meeting is being held to present information and receive community feedback.

The Department is offering multiple ways for the community to participate in the meeting. All participants, regardless of platform they choose, will receive the same information on the proposed project.

Virtual Option: Interested persons may join from a computer, tablet, or mobile device at 5:30 p.m. For this option, advance registration is required by visiting http://bit.ly/3FvpyyY. Once registered, participants will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting online. Please use Chrome or Microsoft Edge as your internet browser to register or attend this webinar. If joining online, please allow adequate log-in time to view the presentation in its entirety.

Phone Option (Listen Only): Participants may join the meeting in listen-only mode by dialing 1-877-568-4108 and entering the passcode 925-028-847 when prompted.

In-Person Open House Option: Participants may attend in person by going to Elks Lodge #2113, 3450 Kilmarnoch Lane, Titusville, FL 32780 anytime between 5:30 p.m. and 7 p.m. to view a looping presentation and project displays, speak with project team members, and submit comments or questions. If attending in person, please remember to follow all safety and sanitation guidelines. If you are feeling unwell, please consider attending the meeting virtually or by phone.

All meeting materials, including the presentation, will be available on the project website at www.CFLroads.com/project/443169-1 prior to the meeting.

FDOT is sending notices to all property owners, business owners, interested persons and organizations to provide the opportunity to offer comments and express their views regarding this project and the proposed improvements.

Public participation is solicited without regard to race, color, national origin, age, sex, religion, disability, or family status. Persons wishing to express their concerns relative to FDOT compliance with Title VI may do so by contacting Melissa McKinney, FDOT District Five Title VI Coordinator, at Melissa.McKinney@dot.state.fl.us.

Information about this project is also available online at www.cflroads.com. Simply type 443169-1 in the search box, click "go" and then select the project. We encourage you to participate in the South Street Improvements public meeting. A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: n/a

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least 7 days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: FDOT Project Manager Kevin Powell at 386-943-5425, or by email at Kevin.Powell@dot.state.fl.us. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice). For more information, you may contact: FDOT Project Manager Kevin Powell by phone at 386-943-5425, by email at Kevin.Powell@dot.state.fl.us, or U.S. mail at Florida Department of Transportation, 719 South Woodland Blvd., M.S. 542, DeLand, FL 32720.

Section VII Notice of Petitions and Dispositions Regarding Declaratory Statements

NONE

Section VIII Notice of Petitions and Dispositions Regarding the Validity of Rules

Notice of Petition for Administrative Determination has been filed with the Division of Administrative Hearings on the following rules:

NONE

Notice of Disposition of Petition for Administrative Determination has been filed with the Division of Administrative Hearings on the following rules:

NONE

Section IX Notice of Petitions and Dispositions Regarding Non-rule Policy Challenges

NONE

Section X Announcements and Objection Reports of the Joint Administrative Procedures Committee

NONE

Section XI Notices Regarding Bids, Proposals and Purchasing

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION Florida Atlantic University BT-690 FAU Wallach Institute for Holocaust & Jewish Studies - Construction Management Services

NOTICE TO CONSTRUCTION MANAGERS BT-690

THE WALLACH INSTITUTE FOR HOLOCAUST AND JEWISH STUDIES

Boca Raton Campus

Florida Atlantic University, on behalf of its Board of Trustees, announces that Construction Management (CM) services will be required for the project listed below:

Project No.: BT-690

Project Name: The Wallach Institute for Holocaust & Jewish Studies

Located on Florida Atlantic University's Boca Raton Campus. The Wallach Institute for Holocaust & Jewish Studies design will consist of approximately 17,000 gross square feet of recital/lecture hall, classroom, office, and exhibit space that will help centralize FAU's Peace, Justice and Human Rights Center, Jewish studies and Holocaust education scholars and programs and provide a recital/film projection/lecture hall for the departments of Music, Film Studies, and other academic units in the college. The new facility is to be constructed to meet a minimum LEED silver or equivalent sustainable rating construction budget (including standard. Total site development) is approximately \$9.4 million; with a total project cost of \$11.8 million. The University currently has funding for a \$10 million-dollar project, with an anticipation to continue fund raising efforts.

The contract for Construction Management services will consist of two phases. Phase one is pre-construction services, for which the Construction Manager will be paid a fixed fee. Phase one services include value engineering, constructability analyses, development of a cost model, estimating, and the development of a Guaranteed Maximum Price (GMP) at 100% Construction Document phase. If the GMP is accepted, Phase two, the construction phase, will be implemented. In phase two of the contract, the Construction Manager becomes the single point of responsibility for performance of the construction of the project and shall publicly bid trade contracts. Failure to negotiate an acceptable fixed fee for phase one of the contract, or to arrive at an acceptable GMP within the time provided in the agreement, may result in the termination of the Construction Manager's contract.

Selection of finalists for interviews will be made on the basis of Construction Manager qualifications, including experience and ability; past experience; bonding capacity; record-keeping, administrative ability, critical path scheduling expertise; cost estimating; cost control ability; quality control capability; qualification of the firm's personnel, and staff and consultants. Finalist may request a copy of the standard Florida Atlantic University Agreement between Owner and Construction

Management by contacting the University's Sole Point of Contact for this project, Mrs. Allison Hayes, Facilities Management Administrative Services Manager. at ahayes4@fau.edu. A copy of the facilities program is available Facilities Management website on the at: http://www.fau.edu/facilities/avp/AE-CM-advertisehome.php.

From the date of issuance of this Notice until a final selection of a Construction Manager is made or a notice of cancellation is posted, the Construction Manager must not make available or discuss its proposal, or any part thereof, with any member of the Selection Committee, unless permitted by the Sole Point of Contact, in writing, for purposes of clarification only, as set forth herein. Any individual associated with a Construction Manager who contacts members of the Selection Committee, regarding any aspect of this project, whether such contact be in person, telephone, or through electronic or written correspondence, may be determined to have violated the terms and conditions of this solicitation. If that determination is made, any proposal received from such an individual OR their company may be rejected as non-responsive and not subject to evaluation. If there are any changes or additions to the Sole Point of Contact information at any time in the process, participating Construction Manager's will be notified via an addendum to the Notice.

Questions regarding the Notice and/or process should be submitted via fax or email to the Sole Point of Contact. No oral communications shall be considered as a change to the Notice. FAU may respond to questions deemed by the University to be material in nature via a written addendum to the Notice. Interpretation of the wording of this document shall be the responsibility of FAU and that interpretation shall be final.

Any material submitted in response to this Notice will become a public document pursuant to Section 119.07, F.S. this includes materials that the responding proposer might consider to be confidential or a trade secret. Any claim of confidentiality is waived upon submission, effective after opening pursuant to Section 119.07, F.S.

All postings referred to in this Notice will be posted electronically on the FAU Facilities website: http://www.fau.edu/facilities/avp/AE-CM-advertise-

home.php. At all times it shall remain the responsibility of the Construction Manager participating in this solicitation to check the website for postings of addenda, short lists, and award decisions. No further notice will be given.

The Selection Committee may reject all proposals and stop the selection process at anytime. The Construction Manager shall have no ownership, entrepreneurial or financial affiliation with the selected architect/engineer involved with this project.

Firms desiring to provide Construction Management services for the project shall submit a letter of application and a completed "Florida Atlantic University Construction Manager Qualification Supplement" (FAUCMPQS Revised January 2004). Proposals must not exceed 40 pages, including the Construction Manager Qualifications Supplement and letter of application. Pages must be numbered consecutively. Submittals that do not comply with these requirements or do not include the requested data will not be considered. No submittal material will be returned.

All applicants must be licensed to practice as general contractors in the State of Florida at the time of application. Corporations must be registered to operate in the State of Florida by the Department of State, Division of Corporations, at the time of application. As required by Section 287.133, Florida Statutes, a Construction Management firm may not submit a proposal for this project if it is on the convicted vendor list for a public entity crime committed within the past 36 months. The selected Construction Management firm must warrant that it will neither utilize the services of, nor contract with, any supplier, subcontractor, or consultant in excess of \$35,000.00 in connection with this project for a period of 36 months from the date of their being placed on the convicted vendor list.

As part of the submittal, each applicant attests that there are no known actions, governmental investigations, suits, arbitrations or other administrative, criminal or civil actions pending, threatened or settled against the Company or any of its Principals. In addition, to the best of the applicant's knowledge, Company does not know of any basis that exists for any such action, suit, investigation, arbitration or proceeding. Alternatively, if such disputes currently or potentially exist, Company warrants and represents that all relevant information related to such dispute was included in its response to FAU. Failure to disclose this information during this solicitation process may deem this proposal response as nonresponsive.

Six (6) bound sets and one (1) electronic copy of the required data shall be submitted to: Design & Construction Services, Florida Atlantic University, 777 Glades Road, Campus Building Operations Bldg. #69-Room 111, Boca Raton, Florida 33431 by 4:00 P.M. local time on Tuesday, March 14, 2023. Facsimile (FAX) submittals are not acceptable and will NOT be considered.

Section XII Miscellaneous

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Index of Administrative Rules Filed with the Secretary of State Pursuant to subparagraph 120.55(1)(b)6. - 7., F.S., the below list of rules were filed in the Office of the Secretary of State

between 3:00 p.m., Monday, January 23, 2023 and 3:00 p.m., Friday, January 27, 2023.

Rule No.	File Date	Effective
		Date
25-30.110	1/26/2023	2/15/2023
25-30.420	1/26/2023	2/15/2023
33-601.314	1/25/2023	2/14/2023
40B-4.1010	1/26/2023	2/15/2023
40B-4.1040	1/26/2023	2/15/2023
40B-1.070	1/26/2023	2/15/2023
59B-9.031	1/27/2023	2/16/2023
59B-9.032	1/27/2023	2/16/2023
59B-9.033	1/27/2023	2/16/2023
59B-9.034	1/27/2023	2/16/2023
59B-9.035	1/27/2023	2/16/2023
59B-9.037	1/27/2023	2/16/2023
59B-9.038	1/27/2023	2/16/2023
59E-7.012	1/27/2023	2/16/2023
59E-7.021	1/27/2023	2/16/2023
59E-7.023	1/27/2023	2/16/2023
59E-7.025	1/27/2023	2/16/2023
59E-7.027	1/27/2023	2/16/2023
59E-7.028	1/27/2023	2/16/2023
60L-33.0033	1/26/2023	2/15/2023
69J-123.003	1/24/2023	2/13/2023
69T-8.001	1/26/2023	2/15/2023
69T-8.004	1/26/2023	2/15/2023
69T-8.006	1/26/2023	2/15/2023
69T-8.007	1/26/2023	2/15/2023
69T-8.008	1/26/2023	2/15/2023
69T-8.009	1/26/2023	2/15/2023
69V-50.085	1/26/2023	2/15/2023
69V-559.1012	1/26/2023	2/15/2023

69V-559.300	1/26/2023	2/15/2023
69W-200.001	1/25/2023	2/14/2023
69W-200.002	1/25/2023	2/14/2023
69W-600.001	1/25/2023	2/14/2023
69W-600.0011	1/25/2023	2/14/2023
69W-600.0012	1/25/2023	2/14/2023
69W-600.0013	1/25/2023	2/14/2023
69W-600.0016	1/25/2023	2/14/2023
69W-600.002	1/25/2023	2/14/2023
69W-600.0022	1/25/2023	2/14/2023
69W-600.0023	1/25/2023	2/14/2023
69W-600.0024	1/25/2023	2/14/2023
69W-600.0031	1/25/2023	2/14/2023
69W-600.0131	1/25/2023	2/14/2023
69W-600.014	1/25/2023	2/14/2023
69W-600.0151	1/25/2023	2/14/2023
69W-600.0161	1/25/2023	2/14/2023
73B-20.003	1/26/2023	2/15/2023
73B-20.004	1/26/2023	2/15/2023
73B-20.005	1/26/2023	2/15/2023
73B-20.022	1/26/2023	2/15/2023
73B-20.0221	1/26/2023	2/15/2023
73B-20.025	1/26/2023	2/15/2023

LIST OF RULES AWAITING LEGISLATIVE APPROVAL SECTIONS 120.541(3), 373.139(7) AND/OR 373.1391(6), FLORIDA STATUTES

Rule No.	File Date	Effective Date
5K-4.020	12/10/2021	**/**/***
5K-4.035	12/10/2021	**/**/***
5K-4.045	12/10/2021	**/**/***
60FF1-5.009	7/21/2016	**/**/****
62-6.001	5/10/2022	**/**/***

62-600.405	11/16/2021	**/**/***
62-600.705	11/16/2021	**/**/***
62-600.720	11/16/2021	**/**/***
64B8-10.003	12/9/2015	**/**/***
65C-9.004	3/31/2022	**/**/****
69L-7.020	10/22/2021	**/**/***
64B8-10.003	12/9/2015	**/**/***

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION FAR NOTICE OF SECURITIES APPLICATION

The Florida Public Service Commission will consider at its February 8, 2023 Agenda Conference, Docket No. 20220218-GU, Application for authorization to issue common stock, preferred stock and secured and/or unsecured debt, and to enter into agreements for interest rate swap products, equity products and other financial derivatives in 2023, by Chesapeake Utilities Corporation. The Company seeks PSC approval pursuant to Section 366.04, Florida Statutes, to issue securities.

DATE AND TIME: Wednesday, February 8, 2023. The Agenda Conference begins at 9:30 a.m., although the time at which this item will be heard cannot be determined at this time. PLACE: Commission Hearing Room 148, Betty Easley Conference Center, 4075 Esplanade Way, Tallahassee, Florida 32301.

PURPOSE: To take final action in Docket No. 20220218-GU, Application for authorization to issue common stock, preferred stock and secured and/or unsecured debt, and to enter into agreements for interest rate swap products, equity products and other financial derivatives in 2023, by Chesapeake Utilities Corporation.

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, persons needing a special accommodation to participate at this proceeding should contact the Office of Commission Clerk no later than five days prior to the conference at 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850 or 850-413-6770 (Florida Relay Service, 1-800-955-8770 Voice or 1-800-955-8771 TDD). Assistive Listening Devices are available upon request from the Office of Commission Clerk, Gerald L. Gunter Building, Room 152.

EMERGENCY CANCELLATION OF CONFERENCE

If settlement of the case or a named storm or other disaster requires cancellation of the proceedings, Commission staff will attempt to give timely direct notice to the parties. Notice of cancellation will also be provided on the Commission's website (http://www.floridapsc.com) under the Hot Topics link found on the home page. Cancellation can also be confirmed by calling the Office of the General Counsel at 850-413-6199.

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION Office of the Secretary

Florida State Clearinghouse

The state is coordinating reviews of federal activities and federally funded projects as required by Section 403.061(42), F.S. This includes Outer Continental Shelf activities and other actions subject to federal consistency review under the Florida Coastal Management Program. A list of projects, comments and deadlines, and the address for providing comments, are available at: https://fldep.dep.state.fl.us/clearinghouse/. For information, call (850) 717-9076. This public notice fulfills the requirements of 15 CFR 930.

DEPARTMENT OF JUVENILE JUSTICE

Policy and Procedures Update

The Department has posted the draft policy and procedures for review and comment for FDJJ 2060 Hiring Practices for Contract Providers and FDJJ 2010 Letters of Support. The draft policy and procedures will be posted until February 13, 2023 on the Department's webpage at

http://www.djj.state.fl.us/partners/policies-

resources/department-policies/policies-under-review.

Directions for submitting comments can be found at the Policies Under Review webpage.

DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY Division of Community Development DEO Final Order No. DEO-23-005

FINAL ORDER

FINAL OKDER

APPROVING MONROE COUNTY ORDINANCE NO. 022-2022

The Department of Economic Opportunity ("Department") hereby issues its Final Order, pursuant to sections 380.05(6) and 380.0552(9), Florida Statutes, approving land development regulations adopted by Monroe County, Florida (the "County"), Ordinance No. 022-2022 (the "Ordinance").

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. The Florida Keys Area is designated by Section 380.0552, Florida Statutes, as an area of critical state concern. The County is a local government within the Florida Keys Area.

2. The Ordinance was adopted by the County on October 19, 2022.

3. The Ordinance amends Sections 102-57, 131-1, and 131-3 of the County's Land Development Code to allow for the elevation of certain dwelling units above base flood level to reduce the risk of future flood damage.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

4. The Department is required to approve or reject land development regulations that are adopted by any

local government in an area of critical state concern. *See* §§ 380.05(6) and 380.0552(9), Fla Stat.

5. "Land development regulations" include local zoning, subdivision, building, and other regulations controlling the development of land. § 380.031(8), Fla. Stat. The regulations adopted by the Ordinance are land development regulations.

6. The Ordinance is consistent with the Monroe County Comprehensive Plan generally, as required by Section 163.3177(1), Florida Statutes, and specifically, with Goal 101, Objectives 101.5 and 101.9, and Policies 101.5.34 and 101.9.4.

7. All land development regulations enacted, amended, or rescinded within an area of critical state concern must be consistent with the principles for guiding development for that area. §§ 380.05(6) and 380.0552(9), Fla Stat. The Principles for Guiding Development for the Florida Keys Area of Critical State Concern are set forth in Section 380.0552(7), Florida Statutes.

8. The Ordinance is consistent with the Principles for Guiding Development as a whole, and specifically complies with the following:

(a) Strengthening local government capabilities for managing land use and development so that local government is able to achieve these objectives without continuing the area of critical state concern designation.

(k) Limiting the adverse impacts of public investments on the environmental resources of the Florida Keys.

(n) Protecting the public health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of the Florida Keys and maintaining the Florida Keys as a unique Florida resource.

WHEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that the Department finds that Monroe County Ordinance No. 022-2022 is consistent with the Monroe County Comprehensive Plan and Principles for Guiding Development for the Florida Keys Area of Critical State Concern and is hereby <u>APPROVED</u>.

This Order becomes effective 21 days after publication in the Florida Administrative Register, unless a petition is timely filed as described in the Notice of Administrative Rights below.

DONE AND ORDERED in Tallahassee, Florida.

/s/ James D.

Stansbury

James D. Stansbury, Chief Bureau of Community Planning and Growth Department of Economic Opportunity

NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE RIGHTS

ANY PERSON WHOSE SUBSTANTIAL INTERESTS ARE AFFECTED BY THIS ORDER HAS THE OPPORTUNITY FOR AN ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEEDING PURSUANT TO SECTION 120.569, FLORIDA STATUTES, BY FILING A PETITION.

A PETITION MUST BE FILED WITH THE AGENCY CLERK OF THE DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY WITHIN 21 CALENDAR DAYS OF BEING PUBLISHED IN THE FLORIDA ADMINISTRATIVE REGISTER. A PETITION IS FILED WHEN IT IS RECEIVED BY:

AGENCY CLERK

DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY OFFICE OF THE GENERAL COUNSEL 107 EAST MADISON ST., MSC 110 TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA 32399-4128 FAX 850-921-3230

AGENCY.CLERK@DEO.MYFLORIDA.COM

YOU WAIVE THE RIGHT TO ANY ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEEDING IF YOU DO NOT FILE A PETITION WITH THE AGENCY CLERK WITHIN 21 CALENDAR DAYS OF BEING PUBLISHED IN THE FLORIDA ADMINISTRATIVE REGISTER.

FOR THE REQUIRED CONTENTS OF A PETITION CHALLENGING AGENCY ACTION, REFER TO RULES 28-106.104(2), 28-106.201(2), AND 28-106.301, FLORIDA ADMINISTRATIVE CODE.

DEPENDING ON WHETHER OR NOT MATERIAL FACTS ARE DISPUTED IN THE PETITION, A HEARING WILL BE CONDUCTED PURSUANT TO EITHER SECTIONS 120.569 AND 120.57(1), FLORIDA STATUTES, OR SECTIONS 120.569 AND 120.57(2), FLORIDA STATUTES.

PURSUANT TO SECTION 120.573, FLORIDA STATUTES, AND CHAPTER 28, PART IV, FLORIDA ADMINISTRATIVE CODE, YOU ARE NOTIFIED THAT MEDIATION IS NOT AVAILABLE.

CERTIFICATE OF FILING AND SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the original of the foregoing Final Order has been filed with the undersigned designated Agency Clerk, and that true and correct copies have been furnished to the following persons by the methods indicated this <u>26th</u> day of January, 2023.

> <u>/s/ Karis De</u> Gannes

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THE BRAND ADVOCATES, INC.

Venetian Causeway Project Development and Environment (PD&E) Study Achieves Location and Design Concept Acceptance

On December 15, 2022, the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT), pursuant to 23 U.S.C. § 327 and a Memorandum of Understanding dated May 26, 2022, and executed by Federal Highway Administration and FDOT, granted Location and Design Concept Acceptance for the Venetian Causeway Project Development and Environment (PD&E) Study from North Bayshore Drive to Purdy Avenue.

The proposed improvements consist of replacing Bridges 2 through 12 along the Venetian Causeway. For ease of identification, the bridges are numbered 1 through 12 with Bridge 1 being the westernmost bridge and Bridge 12 the easternmost bridge. Bridge 1 was previously replaced and will remain as is. The replacement bridges, similar to the existing bridges, are short span reinforced concrete arch beam bridges with railings that replicate the existing. A double leaf bascule bridge at a slightly higher profile will be provided at Bridge 10. This project will now proceed to the next phase of development. For more information, please contact FDOT's Public Information Office at 305-470-5349 or FDOT District Six Planning and Environmental Administrator Dat Huynh, P.E., at 305-470-5201 or Dat.Huynh@dot.state.fl.us.

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