



## AGENDA

### Game, Fish and Parks Commission

September 1-2, 2021

GFP Outdoor Campus West – 4130 Adventure Trail, Rapid City, SD

Zoom Video Conference (see below)

Livestream link <https://www.sd.net/>

This meeting will be held in person, via zoom/conference call, and livestream. To listen to the entire meeting beginning at 1:00 p.m. MT via livestream at <https://www.sd.net/>.

The public hearing followed by the open forum will begin at 2:00 p.m. MT on September 1. To provide comments join the meeting in person, via zoom or conference call per the info below. To conduct the open forum as efficiently as possible we ask those wishing to testify to **register by 1:00 pm MT by email to [Rachel.comes@state.sd.us](mailto:Rachel.comes@state.sd.us). Testifiers should provide their full names, whom they are representing, city of residence, and which proposed topic they will be addressing.**

Written comments can be submitted at <https://gfp.sd.gov/forms/positions/>. To be included in the public record comments must include full name and city of residence and meet the submission deadline of seventy-two hours before the meeting (not including the day of the meeting)

Click on the link below to the join Zoom Meeting. Depending on the application you use you may be required to enter the meeting ID and password. Remember to **enter your display name and mute your microphone**. To help keep background noise and distractions to a minimum, make sure you **mute your microphone and turn off your video** when you are not speaking.

#### WEDNESDAY

Zoom Meeting Link <https://state-sd.zoom.us/j/91932162760?pwd=cTBtS0QvZ28zOTFDUEE2NzYyVW50UT09>

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#### THURSDAY

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### Call to order 2:00 PM CT/ 1:00 PM MT

#### Division of Administration

##### Action Items:

1. Conflict of Interest Disclosure
2. Approve Minutes of the July 2021 Meeting  
<https://gfp.sd.gov/commission/archives/>
3. Additional Commissioner Salary Days

##### Information Items:

4. Rapid City Firearms Range – Project status
5. Returned license process
6. Leadership Development Program
7. Law Enforcement Section Update

### Public Hearing 2:00 PM MT

Portion of the meeting designated for public comment on items pertaining to finalizations listed on the agenda  
*(Typically limited to 3 minutes per person.)*

### Open Forum

Portion of the meeting designated for public comment on other items of interest. *(Typically limited to 3 minutes per person)*

## **Finalizations**

8. Fish Limits
9. Hoop Nets and Setlines
10. Bait Regulations
11. Spearfishing
12. Blow Guns
13. Private Hatchery
14. Tournaments
15. Aquatic Invasive Species
16. Spring Turkey
17. Mountain Lion Hunting Season

## **Proposals**

18. Park Entrance License Sale Date
19. Camping Fees
20. Park Check Out Time

## **Division of Parks and Recreation**

### Action Items:

21. Spring Creek Prospectus

### Information Items:

22. CSP Construction and Rally Update
23. Palisades Development Update
24. Recreational Trails Program Awards
25. Revenue, Camping and Visitation Report

## **Division of Wildlife**

### Action Items:

26. Elk Management Action Plan
27. Elk Contingency Licenses

### Information Items:

28. Canada Goose License and Kill Permits
29. Antler Auction Results
30. License Sales Update

## **Solicitation of Agenda Items from Commissioners**

### **Adjourn**

Next meeting information: October 7-8, 2021 – Deadwood

**Minutes of the Game, Fish, and Parks Commission  
July 8-9, 2021**

Vice Chairman Doug Sharp called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. CT. Commissioners Travis Bies, Jon Locken, Doug Sharp, Charles Spring, Robert Whitmyre were present. Public and staff were able to listen via SDPB livestream and participate via video conference or in person with approximately 70 total participants via zoom and 50 in person.

**DIVISION OF ADMINISTRATION**

**Conflict of Interest Disclosure**

Vice Chairman Sharp called for conflicts of interest to be disclosed. None were presented.

**Approval of Minutes**

Sharp called for any additions or corrections to the June 3-4, 2021 regular meeting minutes or a motion for approval.

Motion by Whitmyre with second by Bies TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE June 3-4, 2021 MEETING. Motion carried unanimously.

**Additional Commissioner Salary Days**

Sharp called for additional salary days. None were requested.

**Distinguished Service Award**

Kevin Robling, department secretary, and Tom Kirschenmann, wildlife division director, presented the distinguished service award to Emmett Lenihan and the Shikar Safaris award to Conservation Officer Eric Voigt.

**Strategic Plan Update**

Emily Kiel provided the Commission with an update on the department's statewide strategic plan with a recap of the vision while Secretary Kevin Robling updated the group on a revised mission statement. The new mission statement is a simplified version of what we do: We serve and connect people and families to the outdoors through effective management of our state's parks, fisheries and wildlife resources. Kiel went on to provide a review of each of the four goals and how each of the four priorities – habitat and access, asset management, customer service, operational excellence - aligns within each of those goals.

**Pheasant Hunting Marketing and Season Outlook**

Emily Kiel, Nick Harrington, and Tom Kirschenmann worked collaboratively to provide an update on the pheasant hunting marketing and the 2021 season outlook. Kiel provided details on what the department has done with marketing South Dakota as a world-class pheasant hunting destination and the key efforts underway for the 2021 campaign. Harrington shared details on 2020 harvest information with over 120,000 hunters who harvested over 1.1 million birds; averaging 9.14 birds per hunter. Additionally, Harrington identified that with a mild winter, enhanced efforts on habitat management and intense predator control through the nest predator bounty program

(ended July 1) that we should expect to see fantastic bird numbers for the upcoming season so long as weather patterns hold. Kirschenmann confirmed this by speaking to the current weather conditions and anecdotal notes from landowners about what we expect to see this fall. He went on to note that because of the favorable weather conditions over the winter months, we are seeing birds in record numbers. While early season reports are positive, and so long as Mother Nature continues to be kind throughout July, August and September, hunters can anticipate even more pheasants on the landscape by the start of the 2021 season.

### **Hunt for Habitat**

Nick Harrington, communications manager, provided the Commission an update on Hunt for Habitat noting number of tickets purchased and funds raised to-date.

### **Nest Predator Bounty Program**

Keith Fisk provided an update on the bounty program stating the program ran from April 1 – July 1, 2021 and had a total of 2,773 participants that removed 53,642 nest predators. Participants ranged in age from 2 to 95 years of age and approximately 30% of the program participants were youth (i.e. 17 or younger). Majority of predators (91%) were taken from eastern South Dakota with the top five counties including: Minnehaha, Beadle, Brookings, Yankton, and Grant counties. To encourage youth, GFP provide a give-away drawing every week and included three live traps, knife, and trapping booklet.

### **E-Commerce/Hard Card Update**

GFP staff in conjunction with the Terry Redlin Art Center and Brandt presented information on a partnership to offer licensing hard cards with Redlin prints.

### **PUBLIC HEARING**

The Public Hearing began at 2:00 p.m. and concluded at 2:22 p.m. The minutes follow these Commission meeting minutes.

### **OPEN FORUM**

Jon Kotilnek, senior staff attorney, opened the floor for discussion from those in attendance on matters of importance to them that may not be on the agenda.

James Joint – Custer, SD - was not present to speak on the record

Dan Loveland, President Pickerel Lake Conservancy – Sioux Falls, SD – as a 501c3 nonprofit his group works to preserve the natural beauty and water quality of Pickerel Lake and does several activities in conjunction with GFP and other agencies to ensure this.

Fears the sale of the property will negatively impact the water quality of the lake. Feels this land should remain a GPA to provide a buffer and protect the integrity of Pickerel Lake.

David Pearson – Edina, MN – lake has a severe water quality problem and is heavily used due to adjacent state parks. Feels the sale of this property would hinder

current conservation efforts. Should be preserved as a place to see nature like wildflowers.

Zack Hunke, SD Wildlife Federation President – Watertown, SD - Does not support the sale of any GPA's.

Carolyn Grover Schunaman – Aberdeen, SD –3rd generation landowner adjacent to GPA that is proposed for sale. Supports keeping Pickerel Lake pristine and natural by keeping this land a natural habitat including wildflowers and grasses. Could possibly add a nature trail to provide another use opportunity as identified in GFP strategic plan

Christopher Vondracek – Fargo, ND - was not present to speak on the record

Jonathan Gruba – Pickerel Lake, SD – says the area is becoming more developed causing the loss of natural habitat. Feels the 9 acres is large enough to be kept for animals. And thinks the encroachment issues would stop if those specific cabin owners were spoken to.

Nancy Hilding, Prairie Hills Audubon Society – Black Hawk, SD – Spoke regarding beaver rule to extend the season and offer an alternative rule to be open sunrise on November 1 through sunset on March 31 to catch, trap or hunt beaver in all of South Dakota except US Forest Service lands. Regarding wildlife action plan beaver, bison, prairie dogs there is no plan to restore or preserve the beaver and wants a separate management plan to identify goals. Don't think staff know where the beaver are and are not teaching people non-lethal methods to remove the beaver.

Julie Anderson – Rapid City, SD – spoke about amendment the petition regarding hound hunting on GFP land and is in opposition. Wants all people's recommendations presented. Fears the cougars will be hunted where there are no trees. Opposes mountain lion hunting specifically hound hunting

Kevin Gruenwald – Brookings, SD - direct neighbor to the property and supports the sale to see if properly maintained. Has not seen any use of the property in the past 6 years. Agrees with sale of parcels that are not being adequately used.

## **PETITIONS**

Kirschenmann explained the petition process and introduced the petition received and presented the departments position

## **Spearfishing**

Brian Pauly, petitioner presented his petition to open all inland waters, including the Missouri River system within SD, to game fish spearing, May 1 - March 31 annually. New rule would allow harvest via spearfishing of all legal game fish species open to angling on the same waters, except sturgeon statewide, paddlefish statewide, musky in current musky fisheries closed to spearing, walleye in managed walleye fisheries where harvest is limited to a single fish daily, and salmonids in the black hills. Except in lakes managed specifically for muskies, pike and catfish could still be open year-round as currently allowed. All border water rules regarding spearing would remain unchanged.

Motioned by Spring, second by Bies TO APPROVE THE PEITION. Motion carried unanimously.

### **Mountain Lion Season Restrictions**

Brad Tisdall, petitioner presented his petition to change rules to also the use of dogs to hunt mountain lion to include all property owned by the Department of Game, Fish and Parks and also the land commonly known as Grasslands managed by the Forest Service.

Motioned by Locken, second by Spring TO APPROVE THE PEITION. Motion carried unanimously.

### **Use of Horses and Tracking Dogs on GFP Lands**

Norvil Dykstra, petitioner presented his petition to be able to run tracking dogs on GFP land including GFP land adjacent to the Missouri river. Also, for horse traffic to follow tracking dogs.

Motioned by Bies, second by Locken TO DENY THE PEITION. Motion carried unanimously.

Motioned by Locken, Second by Bies TO APOPT RESOLUTION 21-18 (Appendix D) DENYING THE PETION. Motion carried unanimously.

## **FINALIZATIONS**

### **Furbearer/Trapping**

Keith Fisk presented the proposal to modify the season dates in counties east of the Missouri River to align with western South Dakota to create on year-round beaver season.

Motioned by Bies, second by Whitmyre TO APPROVE THE RECOMMENDED CHANGES TO THE BEAVER HUNTING SEASON. Motion carried unanimously.

Fisk presented the change to amend the season to modify the harvest limit to 20 river otters for the season November 1 – December 21, 2021. Motion carried unanimously.

Motioned by Whitmyre, second by Bies to approve the amended change. Motion carried unanimously.

Motioned by Whitmyre second by Locken to approve the changes as recommended. Motion carried unanimously.

Fisk presented the recommended changes to modify trapping prohibitions to allow body-grip or killer traps set in accordance with ARSD 41:08:02:06 to be used for beaver in all counties east of the Missouri River to align with west river and correct an error regarding the end date that traps can be placed in or on a muskrat house east of the river to be April 30.

Motioned by Bies, second by Whitmyre TO APPROVE THE CHANGES TO THE BEAVER HUNTING SEASON. Motion carried unanimously.

### **Antelope**

Chad Switzer, wildlife program administrator, presented the recommended change to simplify administrative rule by combining West River and East River antelope units into one rule.

Motioned by Bies, second by Locken to approve the amended change. Motion carried unanimously.

Motioned by Bies, second by Whitmyre to approve the changes as amended. Motion carried unanimously.

## **PROPOSALS**

### **Fish Limits and Hoop Nets and Setlines**

John Lott, wildlife fisheries chief, presented the recommended changes as follows:

1. Change catfish regulations on Iowa/SD border waters to allow 10 channel catfish daily, 5 flathead catfish daily with allowance for, at most, one flathead catfish 30 inches or longer in length as part of the daily limit and one blue catfish daily.
2. Standardize gear types in inland waters of the Missouri River, western tributaries, Angostura Reservoir, Belle Fourche Reservoir and Shadehill Reservoir allowing hoop nets, traps, setlines and floatlines (add definition to general provisions chapter) to be used to target catfish and rough fish according to regulations.
3. Change title of chapter 41:07:08 to Hoop nets, traps and setlines.

Motioned by Bies, second by Spring to APPROVED THE RECOMMENDED CHANGES TO THE FISH LIMITS, HOOP NETS AND SETLINES RULES. Motion carried unanimously.

### **Bait Regulations, Private Hatchery and Tournaments**

Lott presented the recommended changes as follows:

1. Remove requirement for monthly and annual reporting by licensed retail bait dealers.
2. Remove size restrictions on trap entrance size and mesh size restriction for noncommercial bait seines, nets, and traps.
3. Eliminate annual fish health and AIS inspection requirement for private hatcheries.
4. Change the definition of fishing tournaments so that youth events with participants under the age of 18 (currently 17) would not be considered a tournament.

Motioned by Whitmyre, second by Locken to APPROVED THE RECOMMENDED CHANGES TO THE BAIT, PRIVATE FISH HATCHERIES AND FISHING TOURNAMENT RULES. Motion carried unanimously.

### **Aquatic Invasive Species**

Lott presented the recommended changes to the aquatic invasive species rules as follows:

1. Create an exemption to the prohibition on possessing and transporting AIS for a shoreline property owner to transport aquatic invasive species for disposal, in a manner that minimizes possible introduction to new waters.
2. Create an exemption to prohibitions for launching a boat, dock, or boat lift into waters within the state that is not clean, drained, and dried or that is not cleaned, drained, and dried, following removal from waters for:
  - a. An owner or agent of the owner of a boat, dock, or boat lift with dreissenid mussels attached that is subsequently launched directly into the infested water from which it was removed, if the boat, dock, or boat lift was stored on the riparian property of the owner or at a marina business property, prior to launch.
  - b. An owner or agent of the owner of a boat with a shooting or observational blind constructed of aquatic macrophytes cut above the water line, attached to or in boat.
3. Repeal current administrative rules requiring decontamination of boats that have used infested waters and were in the water for three or more days or have one gallon or more of water remaining after draining.

Motioned by Bies, second by Whitmyre TO APPROVED THE RECOMMENDED CHANGES TO THE AQUATIC INVASIVE SPECIES RULES ARE PRESENTED. Motion carried unanimously.

### **Blow Guns**

John Lott, wildlife fisheries chief, presented the recommended changes to the fishing season rules to allow the use of blowguns as a legal method of take for fish as presented via petition in May.

Motioned by Locken, second by Whitmyre TO APPROVE THE RECOMMENDED CHANGE TO ALLOW FOR THE USE OF BLOW GUNS IN THE TAKE OF FISH. Motion carried unanimously.

### **Spring Turkey**

Switzer presented the recommended changes to the spring turkey hunting season to Eliminate Unit BST-BH2, which is the second license currently available for residents within the Black Hills Fire Protection District for the month of May.

Motioned by Bies, second by Whitmyre TO APPROVE THE RECOMMENDED CHANGE TO THE SPRING TURKEY HUNTING SEASON. Motion carried unanimously.

### **Mountain Lion Hunting Season & Information on Population Status**

Andy Lindbloom and Andrew Norton, senior wildlife biologists explained the Department conducts several surveys and assessments to better understand mountain lion population abundance and trends in the Black Hills. Data that are evaluated include but are not limited to harvest surveys, non-harvest mortalities, removals and total mortality densities, mark/recapture population estimates, and catch per unit effort. Although not all trend indices assessed by the SDGFP are in agreement, several surveys and population projections suggest mountain lions increased following several years of low harvest rates through 2018/19. The past 2 years (2019/20 and 2020/21) of increased harvest and other documented mortalities, however, are not sustainable and will result in a decreasing population.



Switzer presented the recommended changes to clean up the mountain lion hunting season to state: The mountain lion hunting season in the Black Hills Fire Protection District is open December 26 through April 30, provided that the department shall close the mountain lion hunting season in the Black Hills Fire Protection District if the harvest limit for that area is reached prior to ~~March 31~~ April 30.

Motioned by Whitmyre, second by Bies TO APPROVE THE RECOMMENDED CHANGE TO THE MOUNTAIN LION SEASON. Motion carried unanimously.

## **DIVISION OF PARKS AND RECREATION**

### **Bush's Landing Ramp Project**

Ryan Persoon, park manager, provided an update on the boat ramp at Bush's Landing.

### **Expiring Concession Contracts**

Al Nedved, parks and recreation deputy division director, provided an update on expiring concessions contracts.

### **June Parks Events (Fort Sisseton, Trail Trek)**

Nedved provided an update on two recent parks events held in June, the Fort Sisseton Historical festival and Mickelson Trail Trek.

**Recreational Trails Program Awards** will be presented at a future meeting

### **Lewis and Clark Recreation Area Fire**

Parks and Recreation staff presented information on the recent fire at Lewis and Clark Recreation Area.

### **Revenue, Camping and Visitation Report**

Al Nedved, Parks and Recreation Deputy Director, provided June's revenue, visitation and camping report.

## **DIVISION OF WILDLIFE**

### **Disposal GPA Resolution**

Paul Coughlin, wildlife program manager, presented the disposal of six GPA's (West Lake Poinsett, South Buffalo Lake East, Mondry Portion of Pickerel Lake, Mallard Slough, North Sanborn, Shartner Ditch) as they provide limited value as wildlife habitat for public hunting opportunity and the sale of these properties would allow the Department to use the proceeds for future GPA acquisitions.

Motioned by Bies, second by Whitmyre TO ADOPT RESOLUTION 21-17 (Appendix C) AUTHORIZING THE DISPOSAL OF SIX GPA'S AS IDENTIFIED BY THE DEPARTMENT. Motion carried unanimously.

### **Ducks Unlimited Addition to Renziehausen GPA**

Coughlin presented information regarding the proposed donation of 160 acres from Ducks Unlimited adjacent to the Renziehausen Slough GPA in Marshall County. He explained the Departments request to accept this property because parcels that improve public use on and access to existing Department lands; in-holding and round-

out parcels that consolidate or connect existing Department lands; and parcels that facilitate more efficient and effective wildlife habitat or recreation management and development activities on existing Department lands.

Motioned by Locken, second by Bies TO ADOPT RESOLUTION 21-16 (Appendix B) AUTHORIZING THE DEPARTMENT TO ACCEPT THE GENERIOUS DONATION OF LAND FROM DUCKS UNLIMITED. Motioned carried unanimously.

### **Ulmer Wilderness GPA addition**

Coughlin presented information regarding the proposed purchase of property (Smidt 12.58 acres and Diede property 2.5 acres) as additions to the Ulmer Wilderness GPA 20 miles northwest of Yankton to be used as a GPA.

Motioned by Whitmyre, second by Spring TO ADOPT RESOLUTION 21-15 (Appendix A) AUTHORIZING THE DEPARTMENT TO PURCHASE THE DIEDE AND SMIDT PROPERTIES. Motion carried unanimously.

### **Elk Raffle License**

Tom Kirschenmann, wildlife director, presented a request for elk raffle license from the Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation (RMEF) to be raffled off to raise funds for their program which protects and enhances habitat for the elk population and other species.

Motioned by Bies, second by Spring TO PPROVE THE REQUEST FROM ROCKY MOUNTAIN ELK FOUNDATION TO OBTAIN AN ELK LICENSE TO BE RAFFLED OFF IN MAY FOR THE 2022 SEASON. Motion carried unanimously.

### **Habitat and Access Plan**

Kirschenmann, Kanta, Jungwirth and Coughlin briefed the Commission on the recently completed Habitat and Access Program plan. The plan serves as a roadmap for directing GFP resources to meeting the agency's principal strategic plan objective of expanding and creating new partnerships with landowners and conservation groups, and remaining focused on improving existing aquatic and terrestrial habitat on private and public lands while seeking additional habitat acres. By doing so GFP will enhance South Dakota's strong outdoor heritage by providing additional public access to privately owned lands while continuously improving access to existing public lands.

### **Elk Management Plan**

The Department has completed a Draft Elk Action Plan that is available for public comment until mid-August. The Action plan was developed with input from a public Stakeholder group, consisting of hunter and landowner representation in the Black Hills and across the State. The Management priorities in the Action Plan are habitat management, population surveys, and depredation program. Population objectives and management strategies to meet those priorities are covered in detail in the Action Plan.

### **License Sales Update**

Tom Kirschenmann, wildlife division director, provided an update on resident and nonresident license sales.

### **Adjourn**

Meeting adjourned at 10:00 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Kevin Robling', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Kevin Robling, Department Secretary

**Public Hearing Minutes of the Game, Fish and Parks Commission  
July 8, 2021**

The Commission vice chair Doug Sharp began the public hearing at 2:00 p.m. CT. Commissioners Travis Bies, Jon Locken, Doug Sharp, Charles Spring, and Robert Whitmyre were present. Kotilnek indicated written comments were provided to the Commissioners prior to this time and will be reflected in the Public Hearing Minutes. Kotilnek then invited the public to come forward with oral testimony. Written comments attached.

**Furbearer/Trapping**

Nancy Hilding, Prairie Hills Audubon Society – Black Hawk, SD – complaint that 3 minutes is not enough time as administrative rule says a reasonable amount of time should be given. Objected to delisting and level of hunting. Says there was not enough data and the Flandreau Santee Sioux Tribe was not consulted.

Elizabeth Wakeman, Flandreau Santee Sioux Tribe – Flandreau, SD - Emmett Keyser, GFP Wildlife Regional Supervisor provided information on Wakeman's behalf. The tribe would like to see a more conservative harvest and provided written comment.

Sandra Stever, Rapid City, SD – thinks we should have respect for beavers as a keystone species.

**Antelope**

Zack Hunke, SD Wildlife Federation President – Watertown, SD - Concerned with making changes when the season is already set similar to what was noted for deer petitions recently presented. Recommend making changes when reviewing the

Doug Abraham, SD Landowner Alliance – Pierre, SD - Supports the finalization of the antelope hunting season specifically the special allocation of licenses, noting there is not a biological impact, but provides more opportunities for residents and nonresidents. Understands the sale of GPA's to utilize the sale of those funds on spaces that would provide more opportunity.

The public Hearing concluded at 2:22 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Kevin Robling, Department Secretary

Appendix A  
RESOLUTION 21 - 15

WHEREAS, the Department of Game, Fish, and Parks (DEPARTMENT) has expressed an interest in acquiring real property presently owned by Wayne R. Diede, Yankton, SD 57078, which property is described as:

That part of Lot 2 of Section 11, Township 96 North, Range 57 West of the 5th P.M., lying West of the public highway running North and South through said Lot 2, containing 2.50 acres, more or less, and located in Yankton County, South Dakota, and hereto referred to as the DIEDE PROPERTY; and

WHEREAS, the DEPARTMENT has expressed an interest in acquiring real property presently owned by Michael J. Smidt and Kay J. Smidt, Menno, SD 57045, which property is described as:

That part of Lot 2 of Section 11, Township 96 North, Range 57 West of the 5th P.M., lying East of the public highway running North and South through said Lot 2, containing 12.58 acres, more or less, and located in Yankton County, South Dakota, and hereto referred to as the SMIDT PROPERTY; and

WHEREAS, said properties are to be acquired by and utilized by DEPARTMENT as Game Production Areas; and

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

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

WHEREAS, the Game, Fish and Parks Commission has reviewed any and all comments received relative to the intended purchases, and after consideration of the same, the Game, Fish and Parks Commission approves the purchase of said properties for use as Game Production Area;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the DEPARTMENT is authorized to complete negotiations for the purchase of the DIEDE PROPERTY and execute and consummate an agreement with Wayne R. Diede, which is acceptable to DEPARTMENT to acquire by purchase at the price of \$7,600.00 the DIEDE PROPERTY for use as a Game Production Area.

BE FURTHER RESOLVED, the DEPARTMENT is authorized to complete negotiations for the purchase of the SMIDT PROPERTY and execute and consummate an agreement with Michael J. Smidt and Kay J. Smidt, which is acceptable to DEPARTMENT to acquire by purchase at the price of \$38,000.00, the SMIDT PROPERTY for use as a Game Production Area.

Appendix B  
RESOLUTION 21 - 16

WHEREAS, Ducks Unlimited owns real property (PROPERTY) described as:

The SE1/4 of Section 30 in Township 127 North, Range 59 West of the 5th P.M., Marshall County South Dakota; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to its wishes, Ducks Unlimited desires to gift and transfer title to the PROPERTY to the South Dakota Department of Game, Fish and Parks (DEPARTMENT) for use as a Game Production Area; and

WHEREAS, the DEPARTMENT has evaluated and determined the PROPERTY would serve very well as a Game Production Area, offering wildlife habitat, public hunting, and other wildlife related outdoor recreational opportunities; and

WHEREAS, the DEPARTMENT is authorized to accept gifts of property for Game Production Area as per SDCL 41-2-19 and desires to accept the gift of the PROPERTY upon confirmation of the gift by the Game, Fish and Parks Commission; and

WHEREAS, the Game, Fish and Parks Commission desires to acknowledge the Department's acceptance of this gift of property from Ducks Unlimited for use as a Game Production Area, and further acknowledge the extreme generosity of Ducks Unlimited.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Game, Fish and Parks Commission does hereby confirm the decision by the DEPARTMENT to accept the transfer and gift of the PROPERTY from Ducks Unlimited to be used as a Game Production Area.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Game, Fish and Parks Commission, on behalf of the citizens and sportspersons of South Dakota, does hereby acknowledge and express its deepest appreciation and gratitude to Ducks Unlimited for its generosity, and further acknowledge the outdoor recreation opportunities this gift will provide to South Dakotans for many years to come.

**Appendix C**  
**RESOLUTION 21 - 17**

WHEREAS, the State of South Dakota (for the use and benefit of the Department of Game, Fish and Parks) (DEPARTMENT) owns the following Game Production Areas (GPAs) described as:

West Lake Poinsett GPA: SW1/4NE1/4 and the North 2 rods of Government Lot 6 lying West of US Hwy 81 all in Section 36 of Township 113 North, Range 53 West of the 5th P.M., Hamlin County South Dakota; and

South Buffalo Lake East GPA: SE1/4NW1/4 and W1/2SW1/4NE1/4 in Section 14 of Township 125 North, Range 53 West of the 5th P.M., Marshall County South Dakota; and

Mondry Portion of Pickerel Lake GPA: The east 7.5 acres of Lot "B" in the Webster Pickerel Lake Parks Association Platted Subdivision of Government Lot 3 in Section 34 of Township 124 North, Range 53 West of the 5th P.M., Day County South Dakota, which tract is more fully described by metes and bounds in that certain deed recorded in Book YY of Deeds on page 613 in the office of the Register of Deeds in Day County; and

Mallard Slough GPA: NE1/4NW1/4 and NW1/4NE1/4 in Section 36 of Township 113 North, Range 61 West of the 5th P.M., Beadle County South Dakota; and

North Sanborn GPA: Lot C1 in the NE1/4 of Section 12; Lot C1 in the SE1/4 of Section 1; Lot C1 of Lot 1 in the NE1/4 of Section 1; and Lot A1 of Lot C1 of Lot 1 in the NE1/4 of Section 1; all in Township 108 North, Range 62 West of the 5th P.M., Sanborn County South Dakota; and

Shartner Ditch GPA: Tract No. 2 in Lot 3 and in the NE1/4SW1/4 of Section 30 of Township 100 North, Range 55 West of the 5th P.M., Turner County, South Dakota; and

WHEREAS, SDCL § 41-2-29.1 provides the DEPARTMENT shall sell real property owned by the state and held by the DEPARTMENT if such real property is no longer needed for game, fish, or parks purposes, with such sale to be conducted pursuant to the procedure more fully set out in SDCL § 41-2-29.1; and

WHEREAS, these GPAs were acquired by the DEPARTMENT to provide wildlife habitat and public hunting opportunity; and

WHEREAS, the DEPARTMENT has determined the GPAs provide limited value as wildlife habitat and for public hunting opportunity; and

WHEREAS, the Game, Fish and Parks Commission hereby determines these GPAs no longer serve the purposes for which they were originally acquired and are no longer needed for game, fish, or park purposes.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Game, Fish and Parks Commission hereby directs the DEPARTMENT to sell and transfer title to these GPAs according to the procedures provided for in SDCL § 41-2-29.1, and authorizes the DEPARTMENT to execute and consummate agreements relative to the sales deemed appropriate by the Department.

**Appendix D**  
**RESOLUTION 21-18**

WHEREAS, Norvil Dykstra of Stickney, South Dakota, submitted a Petition to the Game, Fish and Parks Commission (Commission) dated June 27, 2021, requesting that the Game, Fish and Parks Commission amend ARSD § 41:03:01:14 (Horses and riding prohibited – Exception) – to allow for the use of horses while hunting mountain lion on department property for the reasons more fully set out in the petition (hereinafter referred to as “the Petition”); and

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

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

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

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

WHEREAS, the Commission has reviewed and carefully considered the requirements and procedures set out in SDCL §1-26-13 and the contents of the Petition, including the reasons advanced by Petitioner in support of allowing for the use of horses while hunting mountain lion on department property; and

WHEREAS, the Commission believes it would be appropriate to consider the inclusion of horses in the proposed rule changes to mountain lion hunting season per the petition adopted which would expand lion hunting on Game Production Areas; and

WHEREAS, many areas along the Missouri River are very rough terrain that is not fenced, and hunters on horseback following tracking dogs can cover a lot of ground in a short time it would be difficult to ride horses through without trespassing on adjoining private land; and

WHEREAS, the mountain lion season is open year-round outside of the Black Hills and this creates potential for conflict with other users during other seasons.

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

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Petition, a record of the Commission’s discussions concerning same, and this Resolution be made a part of the Minutes of the Commission meeting at which this Resolution is adopted,



and further, that the Department be and it is hereby authorized and directed in compliance with SDCL §1-26-13 to serve a copy of an extract of that portion of the Commission minutes which pertain to the Commission's discussion of the Petition and its adoption of this Resolution, including a copy of the Resolution, on all members of the Interim Rules Review Committee and Director of the Legislative Research Council with copies also to be provided to the Petitioner, Norvil Dykstra of Stickney, South Dakota.

# GAME, FISH AND PARKS COMMISSION ACTION FINALIZATION

**BAIT 41:09:04**  
**PRIVATE FISH HATCHERIES 41:09:07**  
**FISHING TOURNAMENTS 41:09:15**

<b>Commission Meeting Dates:</b>	<b>Proposal</b>	<b>July 8 – 9, 2021</b>	<b>Virtual</b>
	<b>Public Hearing</b>	<b>September 1, 2021</b>	<b>Rapid City/Virtual</b>
	<b>Finalization</b>	<b>September 1 – 2, 2021</b>	<b>Rapid City/Virtual</b>

## COMMISSION PROPOSAL

1. Remove requirement for monthly and annual reporting by licensed retail bait dealers.
2. Remove size restrictions on trap entrance size and mesh size restriction for noncommercial bait seines, nets, and traps.
3. Eliminate annual fish health and AIS inspection requirement for private hatcheries.
4. Change the definition of fishing tournaments so that youth events with participants under the age of 18 (currently 17) would not be considered a tournament.

Department recommended changes to proposal:

None.

## SUPPORTIVE INFORMATION

1. Currently retail bait license holders must keep monthly reports on bait sold and submit an annual report. Most retail bait dealers report the same amount of bait sold as purchased from wholesale bait dealers. This information is reflected in wholesale bait dealer reporting, so it is not needed from retail bait dealers as well.
2. Staff have fielded a number of inquiries into trap dimensions for noncommercial take of crayfish. There are commercially made traps that have dimensions outside those that are legal for use in South Dakota. Currently, both commercial and noncommercial trap dimensions are the same and in place to limit catch of game fish. By switching noncommercial trap dimensions, it would allow anglers to utilize commercially made traps. The smaller number of traps ran and fish caught while trapping for noncommercial use allows for easy sorting and returning of game fish to the water.
3. The vast majority of sales from private hatcheries in South Dakota are delivered to other states. With little risk to South Dakota combined with importing states requiring their own inspections, there is no need to require private hatcheries to do annual fish health and AIS inspections. This would save the private hatcheries costs associated with inspections.
4. The current fishing tournament rules state that “Junior fishing clinics or achievement contests for youths under age 17 are not considered to be fishing tournaments but are subject to special event requirements”. Due to changes in youth hunting and fishing laws, this should be changed to “...youths under age 18”.

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## DRAFT ADMINISTRATIVE RULE CHANGES

The following are proposed draft changes that are intended to incorporate the recommended changes adopted by the Commission.

**41:09:04:04. Seines, nets, and traps limited.** A lawful angler taking bait for noncommercial use may use a seine up to 30 feet long and six feet deep; dipnets up to 30 inches in diameter; lift nets up to four feet square; cast nets up to 24 feet in diameter; and traps no larger than 12 inches in diameter and 36 inches long with rigid entrances no larger than one inch wide. No seine, net, or trap used for the noncommercial taking of bait may contain mesh larger than three-eighths inch square.

Licensed resident wholesale and retail bait dealers may possess and use regular or bag seines up to 50 feet long and six feet deep and traps larger than 12 inches by 36 inches. All traps shall have a rigid entrance no larger than one inch wide and trap throats exposed above the surface of the water shall be blocked by a solid shield or mesh to prevent the entrapment of waterfowl. No seine, net, or trap used for the commercial taking of bait may contain flexible mesh larger than three-eighths inch square.

There are no mesh-size or size restrictions for minnow traps, seines, dip nets, lift nets, or cast nets use to take bait for noncommercial use.

The department may issue a permit for the use of a seine, net, or trap larger than specified if the device is used with department approval to stock public waters with white suckers for rearing and harvest.

**41:09:04:16.03. Records required for bait sold at retail in South Dakota.** Licensed retail bait dealers shall maintain the following records for bait sold at retail: Repealed.

- (1) Gallons of baitfish sold monthly by species;
- (2) Number of amphibians sold monthly by species;
- (3) Number of crustaceans sold monthly by species; and
- (4) Pounds of leeches sold monthly.

~~**41:09:07:06.04. Fish health inspection required.** An annual fish health inspection for diseases of regulatory concern described in § 41:09:08:03.03 and aquatic nuisance species is required for any licensed aquaculture facility:~~

~~— A fish health inspection may only be conducted by:~~

~~— (1) A person who is currently certified by the American Fisheries Society as a fish pathologist or a fish health inspector;~~

~~— (2) A person who is currently authorized by the department to conduct official fish health inspections and who has completed a fish health inspection training program approved by the department; or~~

~~— (3) A licensed veterinarian who has completed a fish health inspection training program approved by the department.~~

~~— Any fish health sample collected during a fish health inspection must be screened for regulated pathogens at a laboratory approved by the department. All laboratory fees are the responsibility of the licensee. The licensee shall pay in full any fee within 30 days after receipt of an invoice. The department may refuse to issue any future license for failure to comply with payment requirements of this section and for failure to include a copy of the previous year's fish health inspection results with each license renewal application.~~

~~Each fish health inspection and laboratory screening must be conducted according to procedures in "Suggested Procedures for the Detection and Identification of Certain Finfish and Shellfish Pathogens," 2014 Edition or according to procedures of the "World Animal Health Organization (OIE) Aquatic Code," 19<sup>th</sup> Edition, 2016.~~

~~If an emergency or prohibited disease or causative pathogen is detected in wild-caught fish kept at an aquaculture facility, or in fish cultured at the facility, the aquaculture facility may not stock fish in South Dakota. The department's fish health official shall determine a course of action necessary to eliminate the emergency or prohibitive disease or causative pathogen at the aquaculture facility. Two consecutive fish health inspections at six-month intervals with negative results for the pathogens of concern must be completed before the aquaculture facility may resume stocking in South Dakota.~~

~~If a notifiable disease, causative pathogen, or aquatic nuisance species is detected in wild-caught fish kept at an aquaculture facility or in fish cultured at the facility, the department's fish health official may allow the fish or fish reproductive products to be stocked if the official determines the stocking will not cause the introduction or spread of any notifiable aquatic animal pathogens to areas in which they currently do not occur. Repealed.~~

**41:09:15:01. Definition.** The term "fishing tournament" means any organized competitive angling event involving 20 or more boats or, if boats are not involved, 50 or more people, conducted on public waters of this state for the purpose of awarding prizes or for personal gain or promotional consideration. Junior fishing clinics or achievement contests for youths under age 17~~8~~ are not considered to be fishing tournaments but are subject to special event requirements found in § 41:03:01:04.

# GAME, FISH AND PARKS COMMISSION ACTION FINALIZATION

## AQUATIC INVASIVE SPECIES Chapter 41:10:04

Commission Meeting Dates:	Proposal	July 8 – 9, 2021	Virtual
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### COMMISSION PROPOSAL

#### Proposed Changes

1. Create an exemption to the prohibition on possessing and transporting AIS for a shoreline property owner to transport aquatic invasive species for disposal, in a manner that minimizes possible introduction to new waters.
2. Create an exemption to prohibitions for launching a boat, dock, or boat lift into waters within the state that is not clean, drained, and dried or that is not cleaned, drained, and dried, following removal from waters for:
  - a. An owner or agent of the owner of a boat, dock, or boat lift with dreissenid mussels attached that is subsequently launched directly into the infested water from which it was removed, if the boat, dock, or boat lift was stored on the riparian property of the owner or at a marina business property, prior to launch.
  - b. An owner or agent of the owner of a boat with a shooting or observational blind constructed of aquatic macrophytes cut above the water line, attached to or in boat.
3. Repeal current administrative rules requiring decontamination of boats that have used infested waters and were in the water for three or more days or have one gallon or more of water remaining after draining.

Department recommended changes to proposal: None

### SUPPORTIVE INFORMATION

1. Codified law contains prohibitions on possessing and transporting AIS. Providing an exemption to this statute for lakeshore or riparian property owners removing AIS plants or mussels from the beach or stream bank in front of their residence allows them to continue this practice without being in violation of this statute. Requiring disposal in a location that minimizes likelihood of introduction to new waters limits the risk associated with the exemption.
2.
  - a. Zebra mussels are expected to spread to new waters throughout South Dakota. The incidence of adult mussels on day-use watercraft on infested lakes is low. Conveyances, including boat docks, lifts and watercraft stored in marinas or at private boat docks, on infested waters, are the most likely to have adult zebra mussels attached when they are pulled from the water. Conveyances owned by lakeshore property owners and watercraft stored at marinas are typically launched into the same water in the spring from which they were removed the previous fall, minimizing the risk of introducing mussels to new waters. The addition of an exemption to clean, drain, and dry requirements upon removal and for launching these conveyances directly back into the water from which removed the next spring, removes a regulatory burden without increasing the risk of new introductions of AIS.
  - b. Waterfowl hunters routinely use emergent aquatic vegetation to camouflage their watercraft or blinds used for waterfowl hunting. Having vegetation attached to these conveyances is in violation of launching, removal, and transportation restrictions for aquatic vegetation associated with cleaning, draining, and drying boats. Exempting owners of duck boats and blinds from current prohibitions allows this common

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practice of using vegetation as camouflage for hunting to continue. Requiring the cutting of vegetation above the water line means rhizomes or roots, which are often the source of spread, are not being transported.

3. Current administrative rules require boats using an infested water that retain a gallon or more of water after all plugs have been removed, drains opened, and pumps run or that have been stored for three or more days in an infested water to be decontaminated before a subsequent launch. These rules are aimed at reducing transport and introduction of veligers and newly attached, juvenile mussels, called settlers, to new waters. With the increase in the number of zebra-mussel-infested waters, the number of boats that would require a full decontamination before their next launch, and the available infrastructure to perform decontaminations, the public cannot realistically comply with these decontamination requirements.

While transport of any water by boats among waters has the potential to introduce AIS to new locations, a recent study (2018) demonstrated survival of veligers in water remaining in ballast tanks is lower than previously believed. During the study, over 95% of zebra mussel veligers remaining in watercraft ballast tanks died within 48 hours. Settlers are very susceptible to desiccation, meaning mortality of settlers on external watercraft surface is high during summer temperatures.

It is currently believed that new infestations of zebra mussels are largely due to adult mussel transport between waters. Therefore, focusing regulatory efforts on boats being clean, drained, and dried, with no adult mussels attached, is the best approach to reduce the spread of mussels and other AIS to new waters. With the volume of watercraft using infested waters increasing, cleaning, draining and drying, including draining ballast tanks of as much water as possible by running pumps, is the best approach to reducing the spread of zebra mussels and other AIS.

## **DRAFT ADMINISTRATIVE RULE CHANGES**

**41:10:04:02. Aquatic invasive species exemptions.** The following are exempt from SDCL [41-13A-2](#):

- (1) A person possessing a valid scientific collectors permit issued by the department;
- (2) A person authorized by the department to stock triploid grass carp for pond management purposes;
- (3) A person contracted by the department to conduct commercial fishing operations as authorized in SDCL [41-13-7](#);
- (4) A person in the process of removing an aquatic invasive species from a conveyance;
- (5) An owner or agent of the owner of a conveyance in the process of transporting the conveyance for decontamination using a department approved procedure;
- (6) An employee of a business approved by the department to transport and possess conveyances for the purpose of decontamination; ~~and~~
- (7) A commercial plant harvester operating within the requirements of a department approved work plan or a lakeshore property owner operating within the requirements of a department approved permit; and
- (8) A lakeshore property owner in the process of transporting aquatic invasive species for disposal in a manner that minimizes possible introduction to new waters.

**41:10:04:02:01. Aquatic invasive species conveyance launching and removal exemptions.** The following are exempt from 41-13A-3 through 41-13A-4:

- (1) An owner or agent of the owner of a conveyance with dressinid mussels attached that is subsequently launched directly into the infested water from which it was removed, if the conveyance was stored on the riparian property of the owner or at a marina business property on the infested water, prior to launch.
- (2) An owner or agent of the owner of a conveyance with a shooting or observational blind constructed of aquatic macrophytes cut above the water line, attached to or in the conveyance.

**~~41:10:04:08. Decontamination required -- residual water present.~~** ~~A boat that has been loaded on a trailer or otherwise removed from infested water, as identified in § 41:10:04:06, and which retains one gallon or more of water, after all drain plugs, bailers, valves, or other devices used to control the drainage of water have been opened or removed, must be decontaminated by a department approved decontamination procedure prior to a subsequent launch. Repealed.~~

**~~41:10:04:09. Decontamination required --- moored boats.~~** ~~A boat that is moored and has any part continuously in the water for three or more consecutive days on an infested water, as identified in § 41:10:04:06, must be decontaminated by a department approved decontamination procedure prior to a subsequent launch. Repealed.~~

# GAME, FISH AND PARKS COMMISSION ACTION FINALIZATION

## FISH LIMITS 41:07:03 HOOP NETS AND SETLINES 41:07:08

Commission Meeting Dates:	Proposal	July 8 – 9, 2021	Virtual
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### COMMISSION PROPOSAL

1. Change catfish regulations on Iowa/SD border waters to allow 10 channel catfish daily, 5 flathead catfish daily with allowance for, at most, one flathead catfish 30 inches or longer in length as part of the daily limit and one blue catfish daily.
2. Standardize gear types in inland waters of the Missouri River, western tributaries, Angostura Reservoir, Belle Fourche Reservoir and Shadehill Reservoir allowing hoop nets, traps, setlines and floatlines (add definition to general provisions chapter) to be used to target catfish and rough fish according to regulations.
3. Change title of chapter 41:07:08 to Hoop nets, traps and setlines.

Department recommended changes to proposal: None

### SUPPORTIVE INFORMATION

1. The Commission was petitioned in 2020 to change harvest restrictions for flathead catfish, such that, at most, one flathead catfish 28 inches or longer could be harvested daily, as part of the daily limit, statewide. To standardize South Dakota statewide regulations with Nebraska border water regulations, staff recommended changing the original petitioned change of one flathead catfish over 28 inches or longer as part of the daily limit to one flathead catfish over 30 inches or longer as part of the daily limit. This regulation change was finalized in 2020.

As part of the initial changes, it was desired to standardize regulations on the Nebraska and Iowa border waters with South Dakota to allow for the harvest of one flathead catfish 30 inches or longer as part of the daily limit. Since that time, Iowa has been attempting to change their border water regulation on the Big Sioux River. That is likely going to occur this year. To match the Iowa border water change, this change is also needed in South Dakota.

2. Currently, with proper permitting, setlines are allowed on inland waters of the Missouri River, western tributaries, Angostura Reservoir, Belle Fourche Reservoir and Shadehill Reservoir. Hoop nets and trap nets are allowed on inland waters of the Missouri River only. There is low use of all three gear types annually. Game, Fish and Parks has been contacted by anglers desiring to use hoop nets and traps on western tributaries of the Missouri River. With the low use of these license types, staff believe there will not be many user conflicts associated with the addition of hoop nets and traps to this area. To standardize, it is suggested to allow hoop nets, traps and setlines on inland waters of the Missouri River, western tributaries, Angostura Reservoir, Belle Fourche Reservoir and Shadehill Reservoir.

Floatlines are a commonly used gear for catfish in many states. Catfish anglers utilize commercially sold floatlines or make their own out of pool noodles or plastic two-liter soda bottles. Floats along with a length of line are thrown out into the water and monitored for fish that may bite the bait. Fish are then retrieved from the floatlines. Annually, staff receive multiple inquiries into the legalities of use of floatlines and desire to utilize floatlines in South Dakota. Currently there is not a specific floatline rule in place. Adding the use of floatlines would allow another option for anglers targeting channel catfish in central and western South Dakota, where they are abundant and underutilized. Crafting rules so that floatlines fall under the same

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rule set as setlines would ensure little by-catch of sportfish. Floatlines would have to be attended, as with rod and reel. Use of whole baitfish would not be allowed. Floatlines would only be allowed in inland waters of the Missouri River, western tributaries, Angostura Reservoir, Belle Fourche Reservoir and Shadehill Reservoir. Allowance for 10 floatlines per person would allow for the use of 10 hooks by one individual. For comparison, an angler can get 6 setline licenses that allow 20 hooks each for a maximum of 120 hooks per licensed angler.

3. Changes to chapter title would better reflect chapter contents.

## **DRAFT ADMINISTRATIVE RULE CHANGES**

The following are proposed draft changes that are intended to incorporate the recommended changes adopted by the Commission.

**41:07:03:02.02. South Dakota-Iowa boundary waters.** In the South Dakota-Iowa boundary waters, the daily and possession limits for all species are the same as those established for inland waters with the following exceptions:

- (1) The daily limit for ~~any combination of~~ channel catfish is ~~45-10~~ and the possession limit is ~~30~~ 20; and
- (2) The daily limit for flathead catfish is five, the possession limit is 10, and no more than one flathead catfish 30 inches or longer may be kept daily;
- (3) The daily and possession limit for blue catfish is one; and
- (4) The season is closed for all species of sturgeon and paddlefish.

**41:07:01:01. Definition of terms.** As used in this article:

(6) (7) "Floatline" means any line with no mechanical reel that is attached to a float and free-floating in the water while fishing.

### **CHAPTER 41:07:08 HOOP NETS, TRAPS, AND SETLINES, AND FLOATLINES**

**41:07:08:01. License requirements and fees.** Hoop net, trap, and setline, and floatline licenses may be sold only to residents of this state. The license fee for each hoop net or trap license is \$10 ten dollars. The license fee for each setline or floatline license is \$5 five dollars.

**41:07:08:02. Maximum number of hooks allowed on a setline setlines and floatlines -- Mechanical devices prohibited.** No more than 20 hooks may be attached to any one setline. No more than one hook may be attached to any one floatline. A person may not use a setline or floatline that operates by a reel or any mechanical device. One setline, or up to ten floatlines, may be used to fish at one time with a setline and floatline license.

**41:07:08:05. Use of another person's hoop nets, traps, setlines, or floatlines.** A person may not use or tend the hoop nets, traps, ~~or setlines,~~ or floatlines of another person without the licensee present.

**41:07:08:05.02. Tending hoop nets, traps, setlines, and floatlines.** All hoop nets, traps, and setlines must be checked and emptied of fish at least once in every 72-hour period while being fished. All floatlines used for fishing shall be attended to the extent that they are under the direct supervision of and within the unaided observation of the licensee at all times.

**41:07:08:06. Areas and restrictions on the use of hoop nets, traps, and setlines, and floatlines.** The following restrictions shall control the use of any hoop net, trap, and setline, or floatline in the areas listed:

(1) In the South Dakota-Nebraska boundary waters, licensed anglers may employ no more than two licensed and tagged setlines with up to ten hooks each in the catching, taking, or killing of rough fish and channel, flathead, and blue catfish from January 1 through December 31 for noncommercial purposes in limits listed in § 41:07:03:02.01. Up to six licensed and tagged hoop nets per person may be used in the taking of only rough fish. All catfish caught in hoop nets shall be immediately released to the water from which they were taken;

(2) A person may employ no more than six licensed and tagged hoop nets or traps and no more than six licensed and tagged setlines, and no more than ten floatlines in the catching, taking, or killing of unlimited numbers of rough fish and catfish, except blue catfish, from inland waters of the Missouri River;

(3) A person may employ no more than six licensed and tagged hoop nets or traps, nor more than six licensed and tagged setlines, and no more than ten floatlines in the catching, taking, or killing of unlimited numbers of rough fish and catfish, except blue catfish, from the western tributaries of the Missouri River. Hoop nets and traps may not be used in these waters; and

(4) A person may employ no more than six licensed and tagged hoop nets or traps, no more than six licensed and tagged setlines, and no more than ten floatlines in the catching, taking, and killing of rough fish and catfish from Angostura, Belle Fourche, and Shadehill reservoirs. An unlimited number of rough fish may be taken and statewide catfish limits apply on these waters. Hoop nets and traps may not be used in these waters.

No catfish taken from the western tributaries of the Missouri River or Angostura, Belle Fourche, or Shadehill reservoirs may be sold, bartered, or traded. Use of whole baitfish as setline or floatline bait is prohibited.

# GAME, FISH AND PARKS COMMISSION ACTION FINALIZATION

## SPEARING 41:07:06

Commission Meeting Dates:	Proposal	July 8 – 9, 2021	Virtual
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## COMMISSION PROPOSAL

1. Open all inland waters, including the Missouri River system within SD, to game fish spearing, May 1 - March 31 annually. Exceptions would include take of sturgeon paddlefish, and muskie statewide, northern pike in lakes currently managed for muskies, walleye in managed walleye fisheries where harvest is limited to a single fish daily, and salmonids in the Black Hills, and allowing pike and catfish to be taken year-round. (PETITION)
2. Allow use of blowguns as a legal method of take for fish. (PETITION)

### Department recommended changes to proposal:

2. Include blowguns as an additional method of take as part of seasons and locations open for use of legal spear, legal speargun, legal crossbow and legal bow and arrow in inland waters but not boundary waters with Nebraska, Iowa, and Minnesota.

## SUPPORTIVE INFORMATION

1. Game, Fish and Parks expanded spearfishing opportunity in 2017 by allowing harvest of game fish species on select inland waters May through March. While many anglers and even some staff believed the additional opportunity for spearfishing in Eastern South Dakota would create conflicts between anglers, there have been few, if any, issues that can be related to the change in spearfishing regulations. Water temperature and water clarity are limiting factors in most South Dakota lakes. Water temps are cold in the spring only allowing for those with specialized equipment the ability to dive, thus, limiting participation at that time. As waters warm, water clarity decreases, also keeping participation in check this time of year. During winter darkhouse spearing, the biology of many sportfish limits their access by spearers due to the water depths they reside in.

GFP data collected in 2011 and 2017 indicates fishermen targeting game fish via spearfishing account for only 1.1% of all fishermen statewide. Low participation in this sport means the biological impact is minimal.

With restrictions on take of salmonids in the Black Hills, sturgeon, paddlefish, and muskies statewide, northern pike in muskie lakes and walleye in lakes managed with trophy regulations, there will likely be minimal issues associated with the proposed additional spearfishing opportunity.

2. A petition was approved by the commission at the May meeting to allow for the taking of game fish and rough fish with a blowgun. Conditions on where blowguns could be used were not specifically stated in the petition or subsequent proposal. If the current proposal to allow spearing and archery as methods of take for game fish in inland waters is finalized by the commission, adding blowguns as an additional method of take would provide opportunity to use blowguns to take game fish and rough fish in inland waters, with the exceptions noted.

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## DRAFT ADMINISTRATIVE RULE CHANGES

The following are proposed draft changes that are intended to incorporate the recommended changes adopted by the Commission.

### 41:07:01:01. Definition of terms. As used in this article:

(3) "Blowgun" means a tube through which a projectile, with at least one barbed point attached to the blowgun by a line (such as a dart), may be propelled by the force of the breath.

**41:07:01:08. Maximum number of hooks and lines allowed.** Except as otherwise provided in this article, a person may not fish with more than two lines with more than three hooks per line. Artificial lures constitute one hook, regardless of the number of gang hooks attached. A bow and arrow, blowgun, crossbow, spear, or speargun is to be counted as one line when anglers are using multiple methods of take.

**41:07:06:01. Spearing of rough fish in inland waters and South Dakota-Minnesota boundary waters.** Spears, spearguns, crossbows, blowguns, and bows and arrows may be possessed on, in, or adjacent to any inland waters not posted as no-fishing zones and may be used in the taking of rough fish at any time. ~~Spears, spearguns, crossbows, and bows and arrows may be possessed on, in, or adjacent to any~~ and South Dakota-Minnesota boundary waters not posted as no-fishing zones and may be used in the taking of rough fish at any time.

**41:07:06:03. Areas open to spearing of game fish.** Game fish, except paddlefish ~~and, muskie, and sturgeon~~, may only be taken with a spear gun, spear, blowgun, crossbow, or bow and arrow from one-half hour before sunrise to one-half hour after sunset in the following areas during the dates listed:

(1) South Dakota-Nebraska border waters from South Dakota-Nebraska state line downstream, July 1 through December 31. Blowguns may not be used in these boundary waters;

(2) ~~Lake Francis Case and Lake Sharpe~~ All inland waters, May 1 through March 31, with the following exceptions;

(A) The taking of salmonids within the boundaries of the Black Hills Fisheries Management Area is prohibited.

(B) The taking of walleye from lakes with a daily limit of one walleye is prohibited.

~~———— (3) Lake Oahe from Oahe Dam upstream to the North Dakota state line, May 1 through March 31;~~

~~———— (4) On the Missouri River from the Nebraska-South Dakota border from the point where the Missouri River is completely in South Dakota upstream to Fort Randall Dam, May 1 through March 31;~~

~~———— (5) Shadehill Reservoir, Belle Fourche Reservoir, and Angostura Reservoir, Waubay and Bitter Lakes in Day County, Swan and Dry #2 Lakes in Clark County, Albert, Henry, Thompson, and Whitewood in Kingsbury County, May 1 through March 31;~~

~~———— (6) Pactola Reservoir, excluding salmonids, May 1 through March 31;~~

~~(7C) Northern pike and catfish may be taken for noncommercial purposes, year-round, from all inland waters, except from Lynn, Middle Lynn and Amsden Lakes in Day County, Lake Sinai and Twin Lake (east of U.S Highway 81) in Brookings County, Twin Lake (west of U.S. Highway 81) in Kingsbury County, and North Island and South Island Lakes in McCook and Minnehaha Counties, waters closed to fishing under §§ 41:07:01:05 and 41:07:02:01, and from areas of the Missouri River closed to the spearing of game fish, year-round; and~~

(83) Northern pike and catfish may be taken from all South Dakota-Minnesota boundary waters, except the Bois de Sioux River, November 15 through the last Sunday of February. Blowguns may not be used in these boundary waters.

Upon written request, the commission may, by resolution, temporarily open other areas to the public.

**41:07:06:06. Limits.** As provided in §§ 41:07:03:01 and 41:07:03:03, the daily, possession, and length limits in effect for each species are the same as and in combination with the hook and line limits set for the areas included in § 41:07:06:03. No person actively engaged in spearfishing, blowgun fishing, or bowfishing may possess speared game fish in an area not open to the spearing of game fish. If a fish is taken with a spear, speargun, blowgun, or bow and arrow, the person spearfishing shall retain the fish.

**41:07:06:07. Restricted areas.** Spearing of fish, blowgun fishing, and bow fishing is prohibited within the Angostura Marina "no wake zone", as described within § 41:04:02:23, and within the Lewis and Clark Marina "no wake zone", as described within § 41:04:02:66. Underwater spearfishing is prohibited within 100 yards of a designated swimming or water ski area, boat dock, boat ramp, power intake tube, or spillway.

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

**Spring Wild Turkey Hunting Season  
Chapter 41:06:13**

<b>Commission Meeting Dates:</b>	<b>Proposal</b>	<b>July 8-9, 2021</b>	<b>Watertown</b>
	<b>Public Hearing</b>	<b>September 1, 2021</b>	<b>Rapid City</b>
	<b>Finalization</b>	<b>September 1-2, 2021</b>	<b>Rapid City</b>

**COMMISSION PROPOSAL**

**Duration of Proposal:** 2022 season

<b><u>Season Dates:</u></b>	April 2 – May 31, 2022	Archery
	April 9 – May 31, 2022	Black Hills and single-season Prairie units
	April 9 – April 30, 2022	Split-season early Prairie units
	May 1 – May 31, 2022	Split-season late Prairie units

**Licenses:**

Black Hills:	Unlimited resident and nonresident one-tag “male turkey” licenses
Prairie:	5,797 resident and 246 nonresident one-tag “male turkey” licenses 600 resident and 48 nonresident two-tag “male turkey” licenses
Archery:	Unlimited resident and nonresident one-tag “male turkey” licenses

**Access Permits:**

Access permits valid April 3-30
Good Earth State Park: 5 archery turkey access permits
Adams Homestead and Nature Preserve: 30 archery turkey access permits
Adams Homestead and Nature Preserve: 20 mentored turkey access permits

**Requirements and Restrictions:**

1. Turkey hunters may apply for and receive one license in each of the Black Hills, Prairie and Archery Units in the first and second lottery drawings.
2. Turkey hunters may purchase only one Black Hills and one archery turkey license.
3. One-half of the licenses in each prairie unit are available for landowner/operator preference.
4. Prairie units adjoining the White River and Cheyenne River also include an adjacent area one mile wide on the opposite side of the river.
5. No person may shoot a turkey in a tree or roost.
6. A person may use only bow and arrow, a shotgun using shot shells or a muzzleloading shotgun to hunt turkeys during the spring turkey season.

**Proposed changes from last year:**

1. Eliminate Unit BST-BH2, which is the second license currently available for residents within the Black Hills Fire Protection District for the month of May.

**DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDATION**

Recommended changes from proposal: None.

**SUPPORTIVE INFORMATION**

Following the guidance of the wild turkey action plan, trend data would indicate below the threshold for the “Increase” objective and the reduced hunter success for the past two seasons indicates a management category which restricts users to a single beaded turkey license and one license per person.

In 2021, 367 resident hunters purchased two licenses for the Black Hills spring turkey season. Reported success for Unit BSST-BH2 for those hunters who purchased two licenses was 23%, or a harvest of 84 male turkeys.

<b>APPROVE</b> _____	<b>MODIFY</b> _____	<b>REJECT</b> _____	<b>NO ACTION</b> _____
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## DRAFT ADMINISTRATIVE RULE CHANGES

The following are proposed draft changes that are intended to incorporate the recommended changes adopted by the Commission.

**41:06:13:02. Open units -- Exceptions.** The following is a description of the open spring turkey hunting units:

(1) Unit BST-BH1: excluding Custer State Park, Wind Cave National Park, Mount Rushmore National Memorial, and Jewel Cave National Monument, that portion of Lawrence County south of Interstate 90; that portion of Meade County west and south of Interstate 90; those portions of Pennington and Custer Counties west of State Highway 79; that portion of Fall River County north and west of a line beginning at the junction of the South Dakota-Wyoming border and U.S. Highway 18, then east along U.S. Highway 18 to its junction with the Cheyenne River. then east along the Cheyenne River to its junction with State Highway 79; then north along State Highway 79 to its junction with the Custer County line;

(2) Unit BST-BH2: the same boundaries as Unit BST-BH1; Unit BST-BH2 is ~~open beginning on May 1 through May 31~~ closed;

**41:06:13:04. Application requirements and restrictions.** The following apply to all applications for license and licenses issued under this chapter:

(1) A resident may apply for no more than one prairie unit license, one Unit BST-BH1 license, ~~one Unit BST-BH2~~, and one Unit AST-ST1 license during the first license application period. A resident may not apply for or receive more than one Unit BST-BH1 license, ~~one Unit BST-BH2~~, or one Unit AST-ST1 license;

## RESIDENT/NONRESIDENT CRITERIA

1. The Issue – Surrogate abundance estimate and reduced hunter success are below threshold.
2. Historical Considerations – Not Applicable
3. Biological Considerations – Following the guidance of decision support table within the current wild turkey action plan.
4. Social Considerations – None.
5. Financial considerations – Minimal; see below.

## RECRUITMENT, RETENTION, REACTIVATION (R3) CRITERIA

1. Does the regulation or fee inhibit a user's ability to participate? No.
2. Does the regulation increase the opportunity for new and existing users? No.
3. How does the regulation impact the next generation of hunters, anglers, trappers and outdoor recreationists? Not applicable.
4. Does the regulation enhance the quality of life for current and future generations by getting families outdoors? Not applicable.

## FISCAL IMPACT

Minimal fiscal impact to the Department. Using 2021 spring license sales data, if this license was not available, 367 licenses with a license fee of \$19 would equate to a revenue loss of approximately \$7,000.

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

# GAME, FISH, AND PARKS COMMISSION ACTION FINALIZATION

## Mountain Lion Hunting Season Chapter 41:06:61

<b>Commission Meeting Dates:</b>	<b>Proposal</b>	<b>July 8-9, 2021</b>	<b>Watertown</b>
	<b>Public Hearing</b>	<b>September 1, 2021</b>	<b>Rapid City</b>
	<b>Finalization</b>	<b>September 1-2, 2021</b>	<b>Rapid City</b>

### COMMISSION PROPOSAL

**Duration of Proposal:** 2021/2022 and 2022/2023 seasons

**Open Area:** Statewide

**Season Dates:** Black Hills: December 26, 2021 – April 30, 2022  
December 26, 2022 – April 30, 2023

Prairie: Year-round

**Licenses:** Residents: Unlimited licenses

**Harvest Limit:** Black Hills Fire Protection District: 60 mountain lions or 40 female mountain lions (includes Custer State Park)

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

1. May harvest no more than one (1) mountain lion in a season.
2. No person may hunt mountain lions with the aid of traps or bait. The use of dogs is allowed in Custer State Park during specified hunting intervals.
3. Shooting hours are ½ hour before sunrise to ½ hour after sunset.
4. No mountain lion with a spotted coat (kitten) and no mountain lion accompanying another mountain lion may be harvested.
5. A person may use an electronic call to hunt mountain lions.
6. All firearms, muzzleloaders, and archery equipment must meet the same minimum requirements as established in rules for deer hunting.
7. The Game, Fish, and Parks Commission, by resolution, may authorize the mountain lion season to extend beyond April 30.
8. The use of dogs to hunt mountain lions is only allowed during those specified hunting intervals in Custer State Park that allow for the use of dogs and outside of the Black Hills Fire Protection District on private land with permission of the landowner or lessee. However, a pursuit of a mountain lion by dogs that originates on private land may cross over or culminate on property owned by the Office of School and Public Lands or the United States Bureau of Land Management other than the Fort Meade Recreation Area.
9. In Custer State Park, a person using dogs shall attempt to harvest the first legal mountain lion they have a reasonable opportunity to harvest, except under the condition where the lion pursued shows obvious signs of lactation.
10. Licensed hunters must accompany the dog handler when the dogs are released and must continuously participate in the hunt thereafter until the hunt is completed.
11. Custer State Park is closed to mountain lion hunting except for 75 mountain lion licensees who possess a valid mountain lion license and a temporary access permit structured to include:
  - (a) Four hunting intervals each having 15 access permits in which hunting with dogs is not allowed.
  - (b) Five hunting intervals each having three access permits in which hunting with dogs is allowed.

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



- (c) Hunting in Custer State Park shall begin with an interval that allows the use of dogs and rotate every 14 days with an interval that does not allow the use of dogs until the lion season closes in the Black Hills Fire Protection District. The temporary access permits are issued free-of-cost and may be issued by a random drawing.
12. All mountain lions harvested within the Black Hills must be presented to a department representative at the Rapid City Regional Office or Custer State Park Headquarters within 24 hours of harvest. Any person who harvests a mountain lion outside of the Black Hills region must present the mountain lion to a department representative within 24 hours of harvest.

**Proposed changes from last year:**

1. Rule cleanup: The mountain lion hunting season in the Black Hills Fire Protection District is open December 26 through April 30, provided that the department shall close the mountain lion hunting season in the Black Hills Fire Protection District if the harvest limit for that area is reached prior to ~~March 31~~ April 30.
2. To allow the pursuit of a mountain lion by dogs outside of the Black Hills Fire Protection District that originates on private land to cross over or culminate on private land with permission from the landowner or lessee or public land as long as it's not expressly prohibited by the managing entity.

**Department recommended changes to proposal:**

1. None.

**SUPPORTIVE INFORMATION**

- Proposed change #1: a cleanup to administrative rule to address the season end date for the Black Hills Fire Protection District. This was inadvertently not updated when the season end date was changed.
- Proposed change #2: the GFP Commission accepted a petition and formalized a proposal to modify the use of hounds by hunters outside of the Black Hills Fire Protection District. This proposal is supported by the Department.

Year	Licenses Sold *	Season Dates	BLACK HILLS HARVEST			PRAIRIE HARVEST	Harvest Limit	Limit Reached	Season Length(days)
			Males	Females	Total				
2005/06	2,588	Oct. 1 - Dec. 15	6	7	13	1	25 or 5 females	Female	24
2006/07	3,295	Nov. 1 - Dec. 31	7	8	15	1	25 or 8 females	Female	19
2007/08	4,070	Nov. 1 - Dec. 31	2	15	17	2	35 or 15 females	Female	23
2008/09	2,335	Jan. 1 - Mar. 31	11	15	26	2	35 or 15 females	Female	45
2009/10	2,274	Jan. 1 - Mar. 31	16	24	40	3	40 or 25 females	Total	41
2010/11	2,591	Jan. 1 - Mar. 31	20	27	47	5	45 or 30 females	Total	52
2011/12	3,720	Jan. 1 - Mar. 31	27	46	73	2	70 or 50 females	Total	61
2012/13	4,637	Dec. 26-Mar. 31	26	35	61	6	100 or 70 females	Date	96
2013/14	3,856	Dec. 26-Mar. 31	22	31	53	4	75 or 50 females	Date	96
2014/15	3,767	Dec. 26-Mar. 31	21	22	43	5	75 or 50 females	Date	96
2015/16	3,681	Dec. 26-Mar. 31	16	25	41	8	60 or 40 females	Date	97
2016/17	3,067	Dec. 26-Mar. 31	14	16	30	5	60 or 40 females	Date	96
2017/18	3,384	Dec. 26-Mar. 31	12	19	31	11	60 or 40 females	Date	96
2018/19	3,373	Dec. 26-Mar. 31	13	8	21	10	60 or 40 females	Date	96
2019/20	3,483	Dec. 26-Apr. 30	24	27	51	14	60 or 40 females	Date	127
2020/21	3,779	Dec. 26-Apr. 30	23	25	48	10	60 or 40 females	Date	126

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

**DRAFT ADMINISTRATIVE RULE CHANGES**

The following are proposed draft changes that are intended to incorporate the recommended changes adopted by the Commission.

**41:06:61:02. Black Hills Fire Protection District -- Harvest limit -- Season dates -- Season closure.** The season harvest limit for the area within the Black Hills Fire Protection District is 60 mountain lions or 40 female mountain lions. The mountain lion hunting season in the Black Hills Fire Protection District is open December 26 through April 30, provided that the department shall close the mountain lion hunting season in the Black Hills Fire Protection District if the harvest limit for that area is reached prior to ~~March 31~~ April 30. Custer State Park is closed to mountain lion hunting except for 75 mountain lion licensees who possess a valid mountain lion license and a temporary access permit structured to include:

- (1) Four hunting intervals each having 15 access permits in which hunting with dogs is not allowed; and
- (2) Five hunting intervals each having three access permits in which hunting with dogs is allowed.

Hunting in Custer State Park shall begin with an interval that allows the use of dogs and shall rotate every 14 days with an interval that does not allow the use of dogs until the mountain lion season closes in the Black Hills Fire Protection District. The temporary access permits are issued free of charge and may be issued by a random drawing.

**41:06:61:06. Application requirements -- License and season restrictions -- Special conditions -- Carcass check-in procedures.** The following requirements, restrictions, special conditions, and procedures apply to all applications for license and to all licenses issued under this chapter:

- (5) The use of dogs to hunt mountain lions is only allowed during those specified hunting intervals in Custer State Park that allow the use of dogs and year-round outside of the Black Hills Fire Protection District that originates on private land to cross over or culminate on private land with permission from the landowner or lessee or public land as long as it's not expressly prohibited by the managing entity on private land with permission of the landowner or lessee. However, a pursuit of a mountain lion by dogs that originates on private land may cross over or culminate on property owned by the Office of School and Public Lands or the United States Bureau of Land Management other than the Fort Meade Recreation Area;

APPROVE _____	MODIFY _____	REJECT _____	NO ACTION _____
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2021-22 Custer State Park Mountain Lion Hunting Season Interval Schedule

**DECEMBER**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
26	27	28	29 14 Days	30	31	

**JANUARY**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12 14 Days	13	14	15
16	17	18	19 14 Days	20	21	22
23	24	25	26 14 Days	27	28	29
30	31					

**FEBRUARY**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9 14 Days	10	11	12
13	14	15	16 14 Days	17	18	19
20	21	22	23 14 Days	24	25	26
27	28					

**MARCH**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9 14 Days	10	11	12
13	14	15	16 14 Days	17	18	19
20	21	22	23 14 Days	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		

**APRIL**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2
3	4	5	6 14 Days	7	8	9
10	11	12	13 14 Days	14	15	16
17	18	19	20 14 Days	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30


Five (5) hunting intervals with 3 access permits (dog hunting allowed).

Four (4) hunting intervals with 15 access permits (no dog hunting allowed).

APPROVE _____	MODIFY _____	REJECT _____	NO ACTION _____
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2022-23 Custer State Park Mountain Lion Hunting Season Interval Schedule

**DECEMBER**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	26	27	28	29	20	31

**JANUARY**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

**FEBRUARY**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28				

**MARCH**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	

**APRIL**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
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Five (5) hunting intervals with 3 access permits (dog hunting allowed).

Four (4) hunting intervals with 15 access permits (no dog hunting allowed).

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

**RESIDENT/NONRESIDENT CRITERIA**

1. The Issue – Not applicable.
2. Historical Considerations – Not applicable.
3. Biological Considerations – Not applicable.
4. Social Considerations – Not applicable.
5. Financial considerations – Not applicable.

**RECRUITMENT, RETENTION, REACTIVATION (R3) CRITERIA**

1. Does the regulation or fee inhibit a user's ability to participate? Not applicable.
2. Does the regulation increase the opportunity for new and existing users? Not applicable.
3. How does the regulation impact the next generation of hunters, anglers, trappers, and outdoor recreationists? Not applicable.
4. Does the regulation enhance the quality of life for current and future generations by getting families outdoors? Not applicable.

**FISCAL IMPACT**

No impact.

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

GAME, FISH AND PARKS COMMISSION ACTION  
PROPOSAL

Park license and trail use pass

Chapters 41:03:03

<b>Commission Meeting Dates:</b>	<b>Proposal</b>	September 1, 2021	Rapid City
	<b>Public Hearing</b>	October 7, 2021	Deadwood
	<b>Finalization</b>	October 7, 2020	Deadwood

DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDATION

Recommended changes:

**41:03:03:06.01. Annual park entrance license and annual trail use pass validity and expiration date.** The annual park entrance license and annual trail use pass are valid during the following periods of time:

- (1) ~~Three months immediately~~ The date it was sold through the remainder of the preceding calendar year for which it is issued designated;
- (2) The calendar year for which it is issued designated; and
- (3) Through the Sunday preceding Memorial Day weekend of the year following the year for which it is issued designated.

**Source:** 17 SDR 78, effective October 1, 1991; 20 SDR 150, effective March 23, 1994; 39 SDR 10, effective August 1, 2012.

**General Authority:** SDCL [41-17-1.1\(2\)](#).

**Law Implemented:** SDCL [41-17-1.1\(2\)](#), [41-17-13](#).

SUPPORTIVE INFORMATION

The current rule allows for the sale of an annual park entrance license exactly three months prior to January 1 of the year for which it is designated, which is October 1. Allowing for some flexibility with the issue date will help meet customer expectations in those years when it makes sense to issue licenses prior to October 1.

APPROVE       MODIFY       REJECT       NO ACTION

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

**Camping permits and rules**

Chapters 41:03:04

<b>Commission Meeting Dates:</b>	<b>Proposal</b>	September 1, 2021	Rapid City
	<b>Public Hearing</b>	October 7, 2021	Deadwood
	<b>Finalization</b>	October 7, 2020	Deadwood

**DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDATION**

Recommended changes:

**41:03:04:03. Camping permit fees.** The daily fee for the use of a campground site by one camper unit is as follows:

(1) Custer State Park modern campground fee, \$26, including State Game Lodge; Sylvan Lake; Grace Coolidge; Legion Lake; Stockade North; Stockade South; and Blue Bell;

(2) Modern campground fee, \$16, including Platte Creek; Swan Creek; West Whitlock; Indian Creek; Okobojo Point; Cow Creek; and West Pollock;

(3) Custer State Park semimodern campground fee, \$19 for Center Lake;

(4) Basic campground fee, \$11, including Burke Lake; Shadehill-Llewellyn Johns Memorial; Bear Butte Lake unit; Lake Hiddenwood; Sand Creek; East Whitlock; Tabor; North Wheeler; Spring Creek; Oakwood primitive area; Lake Carthage; South Shore; Whetstone Bay; South Scalp Creek; White Swan; Walth Bay; Dude Ranch; Elm Creek; Sheps Canyon Lakeside Use Area; and Amsden Dam;

(5) Custer State Park French Creek natural area, seven dollars for each person;

(6) Use of a campground site at Fort Sisseton during the annual Fort Sisseton Festival, \$25, provided that participants and festival campers are exempt from paying the camping fee;

(7) Equestrian campground fee, \$18, including Bear Butte Horse Camp and Sica Hollow Horse Camp. For Lewis and Clark Horse Camp, Newton Hills Horse Camp, Oakwood Lakes Horse Camp, Pease Creek Horse Camp, Pelican Lake Horse Camp, Union Grove Horse Camp, and Sheps Canyon Horse Camp the camping fee is \$22;

(8) Preferred campground fee, \$19, including Fisher Grove; Buryanek; Oahe Downstream; Springfield; and West Bend; ~~and Randall Creek~~;

(9) Prime campsite fee, \$22, including all campsites furnished with sewer, water, and electrical service; Lewis and Clark; Chief White Crane; Angostura including Sheps Canyon; Palisades; Big Sioux; Lake Vermillion; Rocky Point; Mina Lake; Lake Herman; North Point; Walker's Point; Lake Poinsett; Oakwood Lakes; South Pelican; Newton Hills; Shadehill Ketterlings Point; Pickerel Lake; Lake Cochrane; Sandy Shore; Pierson Ranch; Union Grove; Richmond Lake; Pease Creek; Lake Thompson; Roy Lake; Farm Island; Snake Creek; Lake Louise; Hartford Beach; Randall Creek; and Fort Sisseton, except during the Fort Sisseton Festival in accordance with subdivision (6) of this section;

## GAME, FISH AND PARKS COMMISSION ACTION PROPOSAL

(10) Custer State Park, French Creek Horse Camp fee, ~~\$34~~36;

(11) Campsites designated for tent camping only, regardless of campground designation, \$15.

An additional charge of four dollars per unit is made for campground sites with electricity.

A resident of this state who may purchase a camping permit and campsite electrical service for one-half price pursuant to SDCL [41-17-13.4](#) shall submit written verification of that status from the United States Veterans Administration to the licensing office of the department in Pierre. The licensing office shall send the resident a billfold-size card to use as proof of eligibility for half-price camping fees.

The nonprofit youth group camping fee is fifty cents for each person or six dollars, whichever is greater.

The Custer State Park group camping area fee, seven dollars a person for overnight use with a minimum fee of \$140.

**Source:** SL 1975, ch 16, § 1; 1 SDR 30, effective October 13, 1974; 2 SDR 90, effective July 11, 1976; 3 SDR 73, effective April 25, 1977; 6 SDR 96, effective April 1, 1980; 7 SDR 69, effective January 25, 1981; 8 SDR 170, effective June 20, 1982; 9 SDR 147, effective May 22, 1983; 10 SDR 73, effective January 17, 1984; 10 SDR 76, 10 SDR 102, effective July 1, 1984; 11 SDR 156, effective May 27, 1985; 13 SDR 128, effective March 22, 1987; 13 SDR 192, effective June 22, 1987; 14 SDR 14, effective August 6, 1987; 14 SDR 81, effective December 10, 1987; 14 SDR 114, effective March 9, 1988; 14 SDR 164, effective June 16, 1988; 15 SDR 139, effective March 20, 1989; 16 SDR 114, effective January 18, 1990; 16 SDR 135, effective February 18, 1990; 17 SDR 12, effective July 31, 1990; 17 SDR 139, effective March 21, 1991; 17 SDR 170, effective May 14, 1991; 17 SDR 188, effective June 13, 1991, and July 1, 1991; 18 SDR 98, effective December 12, 1991; 18 SDR 144, effective March 15, 1992; 19 SDR 82, effective December 7, 1992; 19 SDR 190, effective June 15, 1993; 20 SDR 150, effective March 23, 1994; 21 SDR 86, effective November 10, 1994; 21 SDR 148, effective March 6, 1995; 22 SDR 82, effective December 10, 1995; 22 SDR 89, effective December 26, 1995; 23 SDR 87, effective December 3, 1996; 23 SDR 197, effective May 27, 1997; 24 SDR 99, effective February 2, 1998; 24 SDR 107, effective February 26, 1998; 24 SDR 156, effective May 17, 1998; 25 SDR 108, effective February 28, 1999; 25 SDR 141, effective May 27, 1999; 26 SDR 41, effective September 28, 1999; 26 SDR 85, effective December 26, 1999; 26 SDR 117, effective March 16, 2000; 26 SDR 162, effective June 14, 2000; 27 SDR 49, effective November 16, 2000; 27 SDR 85, effective February 26, 2001; 28 SDR 103, effective January 30, 2002; 29 SDR 80, effective December 10, 2002; 30 SDR 99, effective December 22, 2003; 30 SDR 171, effective May 11, 2004; 31 SDR 62, effective November 4, 2004; 32 SDR 109, effective December 27, 2005; 32 SDR 128, effective January 31, 2006; 33 SDR 107, effective December 27, 2006; 33 SDR 180, effective May 7, 2007; 33 SDR 225, effective June 25, 2007; 34 SDR 179, effective December 24, 2007; 36 SDR 112, effective January 11, 2010; 37 SDR 112, effective December 8, 2010; 38 SDR 101, effective December 5, 2011; 39 SDR 32, effective September 5, 2012; 39 SDR 100, effective December 3, 2012; 39 SDR 204, effective June 11, 2013; 40 SDR 113, effective December 16, 2013; 41 SDR 93, effective December 3, 2014; 44 SDR 93, effective December 4, 2017; 45 SDR 89, effective December 31, 2018; 46 SDR 74, effective December 2, 2019; 47 SDR 68, effective December 9, 2020.

**General Authority:** SDCL [41-17-1.1\(7\)](#), [41-17-13.4](#).

**Law Implemented:** SDCL [41-2-24](#), [41-17-1.1\(7\)](#), [41-17-13.4](#).



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

**SUPPORTIVE INFORMATION**

Dude Ranch, Elm Creek, and Sheps Canyon Lakeside Use Areas are seeing increasing camping use. These areas currently allow free camping. With the increased use comes increased need for basic services such as designated camp pads, fire grates, and picnic tables.

Under definition in 41:03:04:01, a prime campground means a modern campground with weekend occupancy of and greater than 90 percent from the Friday before Memorial Day through Labor Day on non-equestrian and electrical campsites. The campground at Randall Creek has exceeded the 90% occupancy rate which would necessitate reclassifying it from a preferred to a prime campground.

The camping fee for the Custer State Park French Creek Horse Camp was approved for an increase from \$31 to \$36 by the Commission in October of 2019. The increase was inadvertently omitted from the package that went to the Interim Legislative Rules Committee in November 2019.

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

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

**Camping permits and rules**

Chapters 41:03:04

<b>Commission Meeting Dates:</b>	<b>Proposal</b>	September 1, 2021	Rapid City
	<b>Public Hearing</b>	October 7, 2021	Deadwood
	<b>Finalization</b>	October 7, 2020	Deadwood

**DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDATION**

Recommended changes:

**41:03:04:12. Checkout times enforced.** On the day that valid permit expires, a person may not occupy a designated campsite after 4:00 p.m. in the state park system, except Custer State Park. At Custer State Park, a person may not occupy a designated campsite after 12:00 p.m. on the day that a valid camping permit expires unless permission is obtained from an authorized representative of the department. A person may not occupy a camping cabin, ~~after 12:00 p.m. on the day a valid cabin permit expires in the state park system and a person may not occupy a suite, lodge, or modern cabin~~ after 11:00 a.m. on the day that a valid lodging permit expires unless permission is obtained from an authorized representative of the department.

**Source:** 22 SDR 111, effective March 7, 1996; 38 SDR 101, effective December 5, 2011; 46 SDR 74, effective December 2, 2019.

**General Authority:** SDCL [41-17-1.1\(1\)](#).

**Law Implemented:** SDCL [41-17-1.1\(1\)](#).

**SUPPORTIVE INFORMATION**

This proposed change will make check out times for all lodging (camping cabins, lodges, suites and modern cabins) consistent with each other at 11:00 a.m. This will hopefully reduce confusion with customers and provide adequate time for cleaning services between stays.

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

Division of Parks and Recreation					
August Revenue by Item					
	2020		2021		%
	Number	Dollar	Number	Dollar	Change
Annual	5,368	\$ 193,264	4,432	\$ 159,554	-17%
2nd Annual	1,439	\$ 25,908	922	\$ 16,598	-36%
Combo	982	\$ 53,010	1,085	\$ 58,590	11%
Transferable	41	\$ 3,304	50	\$ 4,000	21%
Daily License	26,697	\$ 213,579	18,828	\$ 150,624	-29%
Unattended Vehicle Daily	498	\$ 7,470	305	\$ 4,580	-39%
GSM Annual Trail Pass	388	\$ 5,820	495	\$ 7,425	28%
GSM Daily Trail Pass	2,657	\$ 10,628	2,132	\$ 8,528	-20%
Motorcoach Permit	1,936	\$ 5,808	6,745	\$ 20,235	248%
CSP 7 Day Pass	40,099	\$ 801,982	37,875	\$ 757,502	-6%
CSP 7 Day Bike Pass	8,676	\$ 173,520	8,546	\$ 170,920	-1%
Rally Bike Band	29,638	\$ 592,752	31,760	\$ 635,200	7%
One-Day Special Event		\$ 1,050	63	\$ 1,250	19%
<b>PERMITS</b>	<b>118,420</b>	<b>\$ 2,088,095</b>	<b>113,238</b>	<b>\$ 1,995,006</b>	<b>-4%</b>
Camping Services		\$ 1,181,632		\$ 899,674	-24%
Picnic Reservations		\$ 1,660		\$ 1,448	-13%
Firewood	10,117	\$ 60,700	6,422	\$ 38,535	-37%
Gift Card		\$ 468		\$ 555	19%
Boat Slips		\$ (3,160)		\$ 519	-116%
<b>LODGING</b>	<b>10,117</b>	<b>\$ 1,241,300</b>	<b>6,422</b>	<b>\$ 940,731</b>	<b>-24%</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>128,536</b>	<b>\$ 3,329,395</b>	<b>119,661</b>	<b>\$ 2,935,737</b>	<b>-12%</b>

Division of Parks and Recreation					
August YTD 2021 Revenue by Item					
	2020		2021		%
	Number	Dollar	Number	Dollar	Change
Annual	56,436	\$ 2,031,711	54,763	\$ 1,971,452	-3%
2nd Annual	11,306	\$ 203,500	10,873	\$ 195,722	-4%
Combo	28,618	\$ 1,545,346	31,267	\$ 1,688,436	9%
Transferable	2,275	\$ 147,899	2,308	\$ 184,614	25%
Daily License	108,574	\$ 868,588	93,414	\$ 747,314	-14%
Unattended Vehicle Daily	1,928	\$ 28,919	1,531	\$ 22,963	-21%
GSM Annual Trail Pass	4,744	\$ 71,160	4,820	\$ 72,300	2%
GSM Daily Trail Pass	9,439	\$ 37,756	12,068	\$ 48,272	28%
Motorcoach Permit	3,899	\$ 11,697	15,295	\$ 45,886	292%
CSP 7 Day Pass	128,565	\$ 2,571,297	177,874	\$ 3,557,485	38%
CSP 7 Day Bike Band	16,379	\$ 327,585	19,208	\$ 384,150	17%
Rally Bike Band	29,638	\$ 592,752	31,760	\$ 635,200	7%
One-Day Special Event		\$ 2,400		\$ 4,800	100%
<b>PERMITS</b>	<b>401,800</b>	<b>\$ 8,440,610</b>	<b>455,181</b>	<b>\$ 9,558,593</b>	<b>13%</b>
Camping Services		\$ 11,167,861		\$ 12,025,813	8%
Picnic Reservations		\$ 9,030		\$ 14,431	60%
Firewood	42,881	\$ 257,283	33,739	\$ 202,432	-21%
Gift Card		\$ 6,818		\$ 7,330	8%
Boat Slips		\$ 144,735		\$ 215,889	49%
<b>LODGING</b>	<b>42,881</b>	<b>\$ 11,585,727</b>	<b>33,739</b>	<b>\$ 12,465,896</b>	<b>8%</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>444,680</b>	<b>\$ 20,026,337</b>	<b>488,920</b>	<b>\$ 22,024,488</b>	<b>10%</b>

**Division of Parks and Recreation**  
**August YTD 2021 Camping by District**

<i>LOCATION</i>	<i>2020</i>	<i>2021</i>	<i>%</i>	<i>LOCATION</i>	<i>2020</i>	<i>2021</i>	<i>%</i>
Pickereel Lake	5,057	4,935	-2%	Lewis & Clark	39,508	39,515	0%
Fort Sisseton	1,038	1,225	18%	Chief White Crane	11,114	11,549	4%
Roy Lake	6,608	7,358	11%	Pierson Ranch	4,541	4,529	0%
Sica Hollow	313	185	-41%	Springfield	1,203	1,262	5%
<b>DISTRICT 1</b>	<b>13,016</b>	<b>13,703</b>	<b>5%</b>	Sand Creek	84	64	-24%
Richmond Lake	1,469	1,552	6%	Tabor	29	32	10%
Mina Lake	2,524	2,810	11%	<b>DISTRICT 9</b>	<b>56,479</b>	<b>56,951</b>	<b>1%</b>
Fisher Grove	1,056	1,076	2%	North Point	9,334	9,286	-1%
Amsden	208	227	9%	North Wheeler	782	970	24%
Lake Louise	1,985	1,833	-8%	Pease Creek	1,477	1,766	20%
<b>DISTRICT 2</b>	<b>7,242</b>	<b>7,498</b>	<b>4%</b>	Randall Creek	4,101	6,857	67%
Pelican Lake	5,202	5,632	8%	South Shore	586	332	-43%
Sandy Shore	1,506	1,581	5%	South Scalp	50	86	72%
Lake Cochrane	2,084	2,006	-4%	Whetstone	580	485	-16%
Hartford Beach	6,062	5,512	-9%	White Swan	262	172	-34%
<b>DISTRICT 3</b>	<b>14,854</b>	<b>14,731</b>	<b>-1%</b>	<b>DISTRICT 10</b>	<b>17,172</b>	<b>19,954</b>	<b>16%</b>
Oakwood Lakes	8,445	8,210	-3%	Farm Island	6,450	7,088	10%
Lake Poinsett	7,308	7,651	5%	West Bend	7,842	8,339	6%
Lake Thompson	6,109	6,636	9%	<b>DISTRICT 11</b>	<b>14,292</b>	<b>15,427</b>	<b>8%</b>
<b>DISTRICT 4</b>	<b>21,862</b>	<b>22,497</b>	<b>3%</b>	Oahe Downstream	12,062	12,768	6%
Lake Herman	4,612	5,333	16%	Cow Creek	3,094	3,371	9%
Walker's Point	2,632	2,784	6%	Okobojo	2,185	1,858	-15%
Lake Carthage	999	716	-28%	Spring Creek	695	920	32%
<b>DISTRICT 5</b>	<b>8,243</b>	<b>8,833</b>	<b>7%</b>	<b>DISTRICT 12</b>	<b>18,036</b>	<b>18,917</b>	<b>5%</b>
Snake Creek	8,041	7,905	-2%	West Whitlock	4,530	4,895	8%
Platte Creek	1,801	1,624	-10%	East Whitlock	92	66	-28%
Buryanek	2,462	2,587	5%	Swan Creek	896	859	-4%
Burke Lake	55	68	24%	Indian Creek	6,759	7,164	6%
<b>DISTRICT 6</b>	<b>12,359</b>	<b>12,184</b>	<b>-1%</b>	Lake Hiddenwood	-	-	
Palisades	4,794	4,410	-8%	Walth Bay	39	12	-69%
Big Sioux	5,095	5,950	17%	West Pollock	1,347	1,170	-13%
Lake Vermillion	8,374	10,101	21%	<b>DISTRICT 13</b>	<b>13,663</b>	<b>14,166</b>	<b>4%</b>
<b>DISTRICT 7</b>	<b>18,263</b>	<b>20,461</b>	<b>12%</b>	Bear Butte	1,044	1,228	18%
Newton Hills	9,016	9,570	6%	<b>DISTRICT 14</b>	<b>1,044</b>	<b>1,228</b>	<b>18%</b>
Good Earth	-	-		Shadehill	5,427	5,822	7%
Union Grove	1,319	1,378	4%	Llewellyn Johns	388	457	18%
<b>DISTRICT 8</b>	<b>10,335</b>	<b>10,948</b>	<b>6%</b>	Rocky Point	5,974	6,203	4%
				<b>DISTRICT 15</b>	<b>11,789</b>	<b>12,482</b>	<b>6%</b>
				Custer	42,463	43,808	3%
				<b>DISTRICT 16</b>	<b>42,463</b>	<b>43,808</b>	<b>3%</b>
				Angostura	17,549	18,084	3%
				Sheps Canyon	1,987	2,096	5%
				<b>DISTRICT 17</b>	<b>19,536</b>	<b>20,180</b>	<b>3%</b>
				<b>TOTAL YTD</b>	<b>300,648</b>	<b>313,968</b>	<b>4%</b>
				<b>TOTAL for Month</b>	<b>70,276</b>	<b>66,244</b>	<b>-6%</b>

# License Sales Totals

(as of Aug 29)

date updated: 30 August 2021

Resident	2018	2019	2020	3-yr Avg	2021	2021		+/- Licenses		+/- Revenue		% Change from 3-yr Avg
						Revenue		2020 vs 2021	3-yr Avg vs 2021	2020 vs 2021	3-yr Avg vs 2021	
Combination	41,401	39,580	43,766	41,582	45,049	\$ 2,477,695		1,283	3,467	\$ 70,565	\$ 190,667	8%
Junior Combination	5,738	5,487	7,567	6,264	5,650	\$ 152,550		-1,917	-614	\$ (51,759)	\$ (16,578)	-10%
Senior Combination	8,808	8,970	9,917	9,232	10,702	\$ 428,080		785	1,470	\$ 31,400	\$ 58,813	16%
Small Game	2,084	1,855	1,996	1,978	2,251	\$ 74,283		255	273	\$ 8,415	\$ 8,998	14%
Youth Small Game	1,219	1,021	1,126	1,122	1,416	\$ 7,080		290	294	\$ 1,450	\$ 1,470	26%
1-Day Small Game	174	255	226	218	373	\$ 4,476		147	155	\$ 1,764	\$ 1,856	71%
Migratory Bird Certificate	14,868	13,761	14,501	14,377	15,475	\$ 77,375		974	1,098	\$ 4,870	\$ 5,492	8%
Predator/Varmint	1,227	1,198	1,285	1,237	1,092	\$ 5,460		-193	-145	\$ (965)	\$ (723)	-12%
Furbearer	2,671	2,955	2,962	2,863	3,522	\$ 105,660		560	659	\$ 16,800	\$ 19,780	23%
Annual Fishing	55,323	50,558	65,894	57,258	53,764	\$ 1,505,392		-12,130	-3,494	\$ (339,640)	\$ (97,841)	-6%
Senior Fishing	12,574	12,272	14,213	13,020	13,450	\$ 161,400		-763	430	\$ (9,156)	\$ 5,164	3%
1-Day Fishing	4,516	4,552	5,835	4,968	5,133	\$ 41,064		-702	165	\$ (5,616)	\$ 1,323	3%
<b>RESIDENT TOTALS =</b>	<b>150,603</b>	<b>142,464</b>	<b>169,288</b>	<b>154,118</b>	<b>157,877</b>	<b>\$ 5,040,515</b>		<b>-11,411</b>	<b>3,759</b>	<b>\$ (271,872)</b>	<b>\$ 178,420</b>	<b>2.4%</b>

Nonresident	2018	2019	2020	3-yr Avg	2021	2021		+/- Licenses		+/- Revenue		% Change from 3-yr Avg
						Revenue		2020 vs 2021	3-yr Avg vs 2021	2020 vs 2021	3-yr Avg vs 2021	
Small Game	2,973	3,338	3,537	3,283	6,455	\$ 781,055		2,918	3,172	\$ 353,078	\$ 383,852	97%
Youth Small Game	202	161	170	178	289	\$ 2,890		119	111	\$ 1,190	\$ 1,113	63%
Annual Shooting Preserve	82	58	52	64	82	\$ 9,922		30	18	\$ 3,630	\$ 2,178	28%
5-day Shooting Preserve	722	732	829	761	1,146	\$ 87,096		317	385	\$ 24,092	\$ 29,260	51%
1-day Shooting Preserve	223	179	177	193	184	\$ 8,464		7	-9	\$ 322	\$ (414)	-5%
Spring Light Goose	4,714	2,810	2,961	3,495	4,487	\$ 224,350		1,526	992	\$ 76,300	\$ 49,600	28%
Youth Spring Light Goose	179	94	122	132	161	\$ 4,186		39	29	\$ 1,014	\$ 763	22%
Migratory Bird Certificate	457	492	780	576	1,915	\$ 9,575		1,135	1,339	\$ 5,675	\$ 6,693	232%
Predator/Varmint	4,317	3,960	3,473	3,917	3,647	\$ 145,880		174	-270	\$ 6,960	\$ (10,787)	-7%
Furbearer	4	6	6	5	4	\$ 1,100		-2	-1	\$ (550)	\$ (367)	-25%
Annual Fishing	24,904	21,566	25,939	24,136	30,416	\$ 2,037,872		4,477	6,280	\$ 299,959	\$ 420,738	26%
Family Fishing	8,401	7,676	9,426	8,501	7,560	\$ 506,520		-1,866	-941	\$ (125,022)	\$ (63,047)	-11%
Youth Annual Fishing	1,205	1,078	1,415	1,233	1,142	\$ 28,550		-273	-91	\$ (6,825)	\$ (2,267)	-7%
3-Day Fishing	20,585	18,715	18,221	19,174	16,303	\$ 603,211		-1,918	-2,871	\$ (70,966)	\$ (106,215)	-15%
1-Day Fishing	16,611	16,155	23,785	18,850	30,025	\$ 480,400		6,240	11,175	\$ 99,840	\$ 178,795	59%
<b>NONRESIDENT TOTALS =</b>	<b>85,579</b>	<b>77,020</b>	<b>90,893</b>	<b>84,497</b>	<b>103,816</b>	<b>\$ 4,931,071</b>		<b>12,923</b>	<b>19,319</b>	<b>\$ 668,697</b>	<b>\$ 889,896</b>	<b>22.9%</b>
<b>GRAND TOTALS =</b>	<b>236,182</b>	<b>219,484</b>	<b>260,181</b>	<b>238,616</b>	<b>261,693</b>	<b>\$ 9,971,586</b>		<b>1,512</b>	<b>23,077</b>	<b>\$ 396,825</b>	<b>\$ 1,068,316</b>	<b>9.7%</b>

	2020	2021	+/- Licenses	+/- Revenue	2021 Revenue
Resident Habitat Stamp	29,488	142,579	113,091	\$ 1,130,910	\$ 1,425,790
Nonresident Habitat Stamp	17,847	83,909	66,062	\$ 1,651,550	\$ 2,097,725
Totals =	47,335	226,488	179,153	\$ 2,782,460	\$ 3,523,515