

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

A Public Hearing will be held at the Ramkota Hotel and Convention Center at 920 West Sioux Avenue, Pierre, SD 57501 at 2:00PM on March 5, 2020, to consider adoption, amendment and repeal of Rules pertaining to:

Form, Style, and Administrative Rule Cleanup

**1. ARSD Chapter 41:06:00.01      General provisions.**

Effect: The proposed changes would amend form and style and update authorities.

Reason: The Department is conducting a systematic review of the administrative rules. The Department is identifying and changing rules that are irrelevant, inconsistent, illogically arranged, or unclear in their intent and direction.

**2. ARSD Chapter 41:06:01      Application for license.**

Effect: The proposed changes would eliminate unnecessary language, amend form and style, and update authorities.

Reason: The Department is conducting a systematic review of the administrative rules. The Department is identifying and changing rules that are irrelevant, inconsistent, illogically arranged, or unclear in their intent and direction.

**3. ARSD Chapter 41:06:02      License forms and fees.**

Effect: The proposed changes would eliminate unnecessary language and update authorities.

Reason: The Department is conducting a systematic review of the administrative rules. The Department is identifying and changing rules that are irrelevant, inconsistent, illogically arranged, or unclear in their intent and direction.

**4. ARSD Chapter 41:06:03      Possession, processing and transportation of game.**

Effect: The proposed changes would amend the language in the chapter for consistency purposes, eliminate unnecessary language, and update authorities.

Reason: The Department is conducting a systematic review of the administrative rules. The Department is identifying and changing rules that are irrelevant, inconsistent, illogically arranged, or unclear in their intent and direction.

**5. ARSD Chapter 41:06:04      Hunting requirements and prohibited methods.**

Effect: The proposed changes would amend the language in the chapter for consistency purposes, eliminate unnecessary language, update authorities, and repeal 41:06:04:16.

Reason: The Department is conducting a systematic review of the administrative rules. The Department is identifying and changing rules that are irrelevant, inconsistent, illogically arranged, or unclear in their intent and direction. The repeal of 41:06:04:16 is feasible due to necessary elements already being found in state law.

**6. ARSD Chapter 41:06:05      Archery restrictions.**

Effect: The proposed changes would amend the language in the chapter for consistency purposes and eliminate unnecessary language.

Reason: The Department is conducting a systematic review of the administrative rules. The Department is identifying and changing rules that are irrelevant, inconsistent, illogically arranged, or unclear in their intent and direction.

**7. ARSD Chapter 41:06:07      Custer State Park restrictions.**

Effect: The proposed changes would eliminate unnecessary language and update authorities.

Reason: The Department is conducting a systematic review of the administrative rules. The Department is identifying and changing rules that are irrelevant, inconsistent, illogically arranged, or unclear in their intent and direction.

**8. ARSD Chapter 41:06:08 Pheasant hunting season.**

Effect: The proposed changes would eliminate unnecessary language.

Reason: The Department is conducting a systematic review of the administrative rules. The Department is identifying and changing rules that are irrelevant, inconsistent, illogically arranged, or unclear in their intent and direction.

**9. ARSD Chapter 41:06:09 Grouse hunting season.**

Effect: The proposed changes would eliminate unnecessary language and update authorities.

Reason: The Department is conducting a systematic review of the administrative rules. The Department is identifying and changing rules that are irrelevant, inconsistent, illogically arranged, or unclear in their intent and direction.

**10. ARSD Chapter 41:06:10 Sage grouse hunting season.**

Effect: The proposed changes would amend the language in the chapter for consistency purposes, eliminate unnecessary language, and amend form and style.

Reason: The Department is conducting a systematic review of the administrative rules. The Department is identifying and changing rules that are irrelevant, inconsistent, illogically arranged, or unclear in their intent and direction.

**11. ARSD Chapter 41:06:11 Quail hunting season.**

Effect: The proposed changes would eliminate unnecessary language, consolidate rules, and repeal 41:06:11:02



Reason: The Department is conducting a systematic review of the administrative rules. The Department is identifying and changing rules that are irrelevant, inconsistent, illogically arranged, or unclear in their intent and direction.

**12. ARSD Chapter 41:06:12 Partridge hunting season.**

Effect: The proposed changes would eliminate unnecessary language and update authorities.

Reason: The Department is conducting a systematic review of the administrative rules. The Department is identifying and changing rules that are irrelevant, inconsistent, illogically arranged, or unclear in their intent and direction.

**13. ARSD Chapter 41:06:13 Spring wild turkey hunting season.**

Effect: The proposed changes would eliminate unnecessary language and update authorities.

Reason: The Department is conducting a systematic review of the administrative rules. The Department is identifying and changing rules that are irrelevant, inconsistent, illogically arranged, or unclear in their intent and direction.

**14. ARSD Chapter 41:06:14 Fall wild turkey hunting season.**

Effect: The proposed changes would amend the language in the chapter for consistency purposes, eliminate unnecessary language, amend form and style, and repeal 41:06:14:05.

Reason: The Department is conducting a systematic review of the administrative rules. The Department is identifying and changing rules that are irrelevant, inconsistent, illogically arranged, or unclear in their intent and direction.

**15. ARSD Chapter 41:06:15 Custer State Park spring wild turkey season.**

Effect: The proposed changes would eliminate unnecessary language, amend form and style, and repeal 41:06:15:04.

Reason: The Department is conducting a systematic review of the administrative rules. The Department is identifying and changing rules that are irrelevant, inconsistent, illogically arranged, or unclear in their intent and direction.

**16. ARSD Chapter 41:06:16 Waterfowl hunting seasons.**

Effect: The proposed changes would eliminate unnecessary language and amend form and style.

Reason: The Department is conducting a systematic review of the administrative rules. The Department is identifying and changing rules that are irrelevant, inconsistent, illogically arranged, or unclear in their intent and direction.

**17. ARSD Chapter 41:06:17 Common snipe hunting season.**

Effect: The proposed changes would amend the language in the chapter for consistency purposes, eliminate unnecessary language, amend form and style, update authorities, consolidate rules, and repeal 41:06:17:02.

The proposed changes would amend the language in the chapter for consistency purposes, eliminate unnecessary language, amend form and style, and repeal 41:06:14:05.

Reason: The Department is conducting a systematic review of the administrative rules. The Department is identifying and changing rules that are irrelevant, inconsistent, illogically arranged, or unclear in their intent and direction.

**18. ARSD Chapter 41:06:18 Sandhill crane hunting season.**

Effect: The proposed changes would eliminate unnecessary language, amend form and style and update authorities.

Reason: The Department is conducting a systematic review of the administrative rules. The Department is identifying and changing rules that are irrelevant, inconsistent, illogically arranged, or unclear in their intent and direction.

**19. ARSD Chapter 41:06:19      Black Hills deer hunting season.**

Effect: The proposed changes would eliminate unnecessary language and amend form and style.

Reason: The Department is conducting a systematic review of the administrative rules. The Department is identifying and changing rules that are irrelevant, inconsistent, illogically arranged, or unclear in their intent and direction.

**20. ARSD Chapter 41:06:20      West River prairie deer season.**

Effect: The proposed changes would amend the language in the chapter for consistency purposes, eliminate unnecessary language, and amend form and style.

Reason: The Department is conducting a systematic review of the administrative rules. The Department is identifying and changing rules that are irrelevant, inconsistent, illogically arranged, or unclear in their intent and direction.

**21. ARSD Chapter 41:06:21      East River deer hunting season.**

Effect: The proposed changes would amend the language in the chapter for consistency purposes, eliminate unnecessary language and amend form and style.

Reason: The Department is conducting a systematic review of the administrative rules. The Department is identifying and changing rules that are irrelevant, inconsistent, illogically arranged, or unclear in their intent and direction.

**22. ARSD Chapter 41:06:22      Archery deer hunting season.**

Effect: The proposed changes would amend the language in the chapter for consistency purposes, eliminate unnecessary language and amend form and style.

Reason: The Department is conducting a systematic review of the administrative rules. The Department is identifying and changing rules that are irrelevant, inconsistent, illogically arranged, or unclear in their intent and direction.

**23. ARSD Chapter 41:06:23      Antelope hunting season.**



Effect: The proposed changes would amend the language in the chapter for consistency purposes and eliminate unnecessary language.

Reason: The Department is conducting a systematic review of the administrative rules. The Department is identifying and changing rules that are irrelevant, inconsistent, illogically arranged, or unclear in their intent and direction.

**24. ARSD Chapter 41:06:24 Archery antelope hunting season.**

Effect: The proposed changes would amend the language in the chapter for consistency purposes, eliminate unnecessary language and amend form and style.

Reason: The Department is conducting a systematic review of the administrative rules. The Department is identifying and changing rules that are irrelevant, inconsistent, illogically arranged, or unclear in their intent and direction.

**25. ARSD Chapter 41:06:25 Custer State Park antelope hunting season.**

Effect: The proposed changes would eliminate unnecessary language and update authorities.

Reason: The Department is conducting a systematic review of the administrative rules. The Department is identifying and changing rules that are irrelevant, inconsistent, illogically arranged, or unclear in their intent and direction.

**26. ARSD Chapter 41:06:26 Black Hills elk hunting season.**

Effect: The proposed changes would eliminate unnecessary language, amend form and style and update authorities.

Reason: The Department is conducting a systematic review of the administrative rules. The Department is identifying and changing rules that are irrelevant, inconsistent, illogically arranged, or unclear in their intent and direction.

**27. ARSD Chapter 41:06:27 Custer State Park elk hunting season.**

Effect: The proposed changes would amend the language in the chapter for

consistency purposes, eliminate unnecessary language, amend form and style, and update authorities.

Reason: The Department is conducting a systematic review of the administrative rules. The Department is identifying and changing rules that are irrelevant, inconsistent, illogically arranged, or unclear in their intent and direction.

**28. ARSD Chapter 41:06:28 Custer State Park early archery elk hunting season.**

Effect: The proposed changes would eliminate unnecessary language and amend form and style.

Reason: The Department is conducting a systematic review of the administrative rules. The Department is identifying and changing rules that are irrelevant, inconsistent, illogically arranged, or unclear in their intent and direction.

**29. ARSD Chapter 41:06:29 Mountain goat hunting season.**

Effect: The proposed changes would eliminate unnecessary language and amend form and style.

Reason: The Department is conducting a systematic review of the administrative rules. The Department is identifying and changing rules that are irrelevant, inconsistent, illogically arranged, or unclear in their intent and direction.

**30. ARSD Chapter 41:06:34 Cottontail rabbit hunting season.**

Effect: The proposed changes would amend the language in the chapter for consistency purposes, eliminate unnecessary language, amend form and style, consolidate rules, and repeal 41:06:34:02.

Reason: The Department is conducting a systematic review of the administrative rules. The Department is identifying and changing rules that are irrelevant, inconsistent, illogically arranged, or unclear in their intent and direction.



**31. ARSD Chapter 41:06:35      Tree squirrel hunting season.**

Effect: The proposed changes would clarify the species of squirrel that may be taken, amend the language in the chapter for consistency purposes, eliminate unnecessary language, amend form and style, update authorities, consolidate rules, and repeal 41:06:35:02.

Reason: The Department is conducting a systematic review of the administrative rules. The Department is identifying and changing rules that are irrelevant, inconsistent, illogically arranged, or unclear in their intent and direction.

**32. ARSD Chapter 41:06:36      National wildlife refuge deer hunting seasons.**

Effect: The proposed changes would eliminate unnecessary language and amend form and style.

Reason: The Department is conducting a systematic review of the administrative rules. The Department is identifying and changing rules that are irrelevant, inconsistent, illogically arranged, or unclear in their intent and direction.

**33. ARSD Chapter 41:06:37      Custer State Park coyote hunting season.**

Effect: The proposed changes would eliminate unnecessary language and update authorities.

Reason: The Department is conducting a systematic review of the administrative rules. The Department is identifying and changing rules that are irrelevant, inconsistent, illogically arranged, or unclear in their intent and direction.

**34. ARSD Chapter 41:06:39      Crow hunting season.**

Effect: The proposed changes would amend the language in the chapter for consistency purposes, eliminate unnecessary language, amend form and style, update authorities, consolidate rules, and repeal 41:06:39:02.

Reason: The Department is conducting a systematic review of the administrative rules. The Department is identifying and changing rules that are irrelevant, inconsistent, illogically arranged, or unclear in their intent and direction.

**35. ARSD Chapter 41:06:40 Mourning dove hunting season.**

Effect: The proposed changes would amend the language in the chapter for consistency purposes, eliminate unnecessary language, amend form and style, update authorities, consolidate rules, and repeal 41:06:40:02.

Reason: The Department is conducting a systematic review of the administrative rules. The Department is identifying and changing rules that are irrelevant, inconsistent, illogically arranged, or unclear in their intent and direction.

**36. ARSD Chapter 41:06:41 Custer State Park deer hunting season.**

Effect: The proposed changes would amend the language in the chapter for consistency purposes, eliminate unnecessary language and repeal 41:06:41:05.

Reason: The Department is conducting a systematic review of the administrative rules. The Department is identifying and changing rules that are irrelevant, inconsistent, illogically arranged, or unclear in their intent and direction.

**37. ARSD Chapter 41:06:42 Custer State Park trophy bison bull harvest.**

Effect: The proposed changes would amend the language in the chapter for consistency purposes, eliminate unnecessary language, amend form and style, update authorities, and repeal 41:06:42:03.

Reason: The Department is conducting a systematic review of the administrative rules. The Department is identifying and changing rules that are irrelevant, inconsistent, illogically arranged, or unclear in their intent and direction.

**38. ARSD Chapter 41:06:43 Archery elk hunting season.**

Effect: The proposed changes would eliminate unnecessary language, amend

form and style and update authorities.

Reason: The Department is conducting a systematic review of the administrative rules. The Department is identifying and changing rules that are irrelevant, inconsistent, illogically arranged, or unclear in their intent and direction.

**39. ARSD Chapter 41:06:44      Apprentice hunter deer season.**

Effect: The proposed changes would amend the language in the chapter for consistency purposes, eliminate unnecessary language, amend form and style, update authorities and consolidate rules.

Reason: The Department is conducting a systematic review of the administrative rules. The Department is identifying and changing rules that are irrelevant, inconsistent, illogically arranged, or unclear in their intent and direction.

**40. ARSD Chapter 41:06:45      General muzzleloading deer hunting season.**

Effect: The proposed changes would amend the language in the chapter for consistency purposes, eliminate unnecessary language and amend form and style.

Reason: The Department is conducting a systematic review of the administrative rules. The Department is identifying and changing rules that are irrelevant, inconsistent, illogically arranged, or unclear in their intent and direction.

**41. ARSD Chapter 41:06:46      Depredation permits.**

Effect: The proposed changes would amend the language in the chapter for consistency purposes, eliminate unnecessary language and amend form and style.

Reason: The Department is conducting a systematic review of the administrative rules. The Department is identifying and changing rules that are irrelevant, inconsistent, illogically arranged, or unclear in their intent and direction.

**42. ARSD Chapter 41:06:47      Special Custer State Park antlerless elk hunting season.**



Effect: The proposed changes would amend the language in the chapter for consistency purposes, eliminate unnecessary language, update authorities, and repeal 41:06:47:05.

Reason: The Department is conducting a systematic review of the administrative rules. The Department is identifying and changing rules that are irrelevant, inconsistent, illogically arranged, or unclear in their intent and direction.

**43. ARSD Chapter 41:06:48 Custer State Park late archery elk hunting season.**

Effect: The proposed changes would eliminate unnecessary language and update authorities.

Reason: The Department is conducting a systematic review of the administrative rules. The Department is identifying and changing rules that are irrelevant, inconsistent, illogically arranged, or unclear in their intent and direction.

**44. ARSD Chapter 41:06:49 Youth waterfowl hunting season.**

Effect: The proposed changes would amend the language in the chapter for consistency purposes, eliminate unnecessary language, amend form and style, update authorities, consolidate rules, and repeal 41:06:49:02.

Reason: The Department is conducting a systematic review of the administrative rules. The Department is identifying and changing rules that are irrelevant, inconsistent, illogically arranged, or unclear in their intent and direction.

**45. ARSD Chapter 41:06:50 Early fall Canada goose hunting season.**

Effect: The proposed changes would eliminate unnecessary language, amend form and style, and update authorities.

Reason: The Department is conducting a systematic review of the administrative rules. The Department is identifying and changing rules that are irrelevant, inconsistent,

illogically arranged, or unclear in their intent and direction.

**46. ARSD Chapter 41:06:54 Pheasant hunting season for disabled veterans.**

Effect: The proposed changes would clarify eligible participants, amend the language in the chapter for consistency purposes, eliminate unnecessary language, amend form and style, and update authorities.

Reason: The Department is conducting a systematic review of the administrative rules. The Department is identifying and changing rules that are irrelevant, inconsistent, illogically arranged, or unclear in their intent and direction.

**47. ARSD Chapter 41:06:55 Youth pheasant hunting season.**

Effect: The proposed changes would amend the language in the chapter for consistency purposes and eliminate unnecessary language.

Reason: The Department is conducting a systematic review of the administrative rules. The Department is identifying and changing rules that are irrelevant, inconsistent, illogically arranged, or unclear in their intent and direction.

**48. ARSD Chapter 41:06:56 Black Hills bighorn sheep hunting season.**

Effect: The proposed changes would amend the language in the chapter for consistency purposes, eliminate unnecessary language, and amend form and style.

Reason: The Department is conducting a systematic review of the administrative rules. The Department is identifying and changing rules that are irrelevant, inconsistent, illogically arranged, or unclear in their intent and direction.

**49. ARSD Chapter 41:06:58 Resident pheasant hunting season.**

Effect: The proposed changes would amend the language in the chapter for consistency purposes and eliminate unnecessary language.

Reason: The Department is conducting a systematic review of the administrative

rules. The Department is identifying and changing rules that are irrelevant, inconsistent, illogically arranged, or unclear in their intent and direction.

**50. ARSD Chapter 41:06:59      Prairie elk hunting season.**

Effect: The proposed changes would amend the language in the chapter for consistency purposes, eliminate unnecessary language, amend form and style, and update authorities.

Reason: The Department is conducting a systematic review of the administrative rules. The Department is identifying and changing rules that are irrelevant, inconsistent, illogically arranged, or unclear in their intent and direction.

**51. ARSD Chapter 41:06:60      Custer State Park non-trophy bison harvest.**

Effect: The proposed changes would eliminate unnecessary language and repeal 41:06:60:03.

Reason: The Department is conducting a systematic review of the administrative rules. The Department is identifying and changing rules that are irrelevant, inconsistent, illogically arranged, or unclear in their intent and direction.

**52. ARSD Chapter 41:06:61      Mountain lion hunting season.**

Effect: The proposed changes would amend the language in the chapter for consistency purposes and eliminate unnecessary language.

Reason: The Department is conducting a systematic review of the administrative rules. The Department is identifying and changing rules that are irrelevant, inconsistent, illogically arranged, or unclear in their intent and direction.

**53. ARSD Chapter 41:07:01      General provisions.**

Effect: The proposed changes would create definitions of "setline" and "walleye", give the department secretary the authority to extend the ice fishing shelter removal deadline, amend the language in the chapter for consistency purposes, eliminate



unnecessary language, amend form and style, update authorities, and repeal 41:07:01:05.

Reason: The Department is conducting a systematic review of the administrative rules. The Department is identifying and changing rules that are irrelevant, inconsistent, illogically arranged, or unclear in their intent and direction.

**54. ARSD Chapter 41:07:02 Fishing seasons.**

Effect: The proposed changes would amend the language in the chapter for consistency purposes, eliminate unnecessary language, amend form and style, update authorities, and repeal 41:07:02:05.

Reason: The Department is conducting a systematic review of the administrative rules. The Department is identifying and changing rules that are irrelevant, inconsistent, illogically arranged, or unclear in their intent and direction.

**55. ARSD Chapter 41:07:03 Fish limits.**

Effect: The proposed changes would amend the language in the chapter for consistency purposes, eliminate unnecessary language, and amend form and style.

Reason: The Department is conducting a systematic review of the administrative rules. The Department is identifying and changing rules that are irrelevant, inconsistent, illogically arranged, or unclear in their intent and direction.

**56. ARSD Chapter 41:07:04 Snagging of salmon.**

Effect: The proposed changes would amend the language in the chapter for consistency purposes, eliminate unnecessary language, and amend form and style.

Reason: The Department is conducting a systematic review of the administrative rules. The Department is identifying and changing rules that are irrelevant, inconsistent, illogically arranged, or unclear in their intent and direction.

**57. ARSD Chapter 41:07:05 Paddlefish season.**

Effect: The proposed changes would amend the language in the chapter for

consistency purposes, eliminate unnecessary language, amend form and style, and update authorities.

Reason: The Department is conducting a systematic review of the administrative rules. The Department is identifying and changing rules that are irrelevant, inconsistent, illogically arranged, or unclear in their intent and direction.

**58. ARSD Chapter 41:07:06      Spearing.**

Effect: The proposed changes would revise the areas where spearing is prohibited, amend the language in the chapter for consistency purposes, eliminate unnecessary language, amend form and style, and update authorities.

Reason: The Department is conducting a systematic review of the administrative rules. The Department is identifying and changing rules that are irrelevant, inconsistent, illogically arranged, or unclear in their intent and direction.

**59. ARSD Chapter 41:07:08      Hoop nets and setlines.**

Effect: The proposed changes would amend the language in the chapter for consistency purposes, eliminate unnecessary language, amend form and style, and update authorities.

Reason: The Department is conducting a systematic review of the administrative rules. The Department is identifying and changing rules that are irrelevant, inconsistent, illogically arranged, or unclear in their intent and direction.

**60. ARSD Chapter 41:07:09      Bullfrogs.**

Effect: The proposed changes would amend the language in the chapter for consistency purposes, amend form and style, and update authorities.

Reason: The Department is conducting a systematic review of the administrative rules. The Department is identifying and changing rules that are irrelevant, inconsistent, illogically arranged, or unclear in their intent and direction.

**61. ARSD Chapter 41:07:10 Turtles.**

Effect: The proposed changes would amend the language in the chapter for consistency purposes, eliminate unnecessary language, and update authorities.

Reason: The Department is conducting a systematic review of the administrative rules. The Department is identifying and changing rules that are irrelevant, inconsistent, illogically arranged, or unclear in their intent and direction.

Substantive Rule Changes

**1. 41:04:02:22. Edmunds County public water safety zones.**

Effect: The proposed change would eliminate a public swimming area located on Mina Lake.

Reason: There is no active swimming beach located at this area and there is public desire to remove the buoyed safety area.

**2. 41:04:02:28. Hamlin County public water safety zones.**

Effect: The proposed change would eliminate the no wake zone located on Lake Norden.

Reason: Recreational swimming is very limited in this area. Furthermore, the residents living around the lake have expressed a desire to have this zone removed.

**3. 41:06:03:15. Chronic Wasting Disease endemic area defined.**

Effect: The proposed change would modify the endemic area by adding additional deer hunting units and elk hunting units.

Reason: By adding additional units to this administrative rule will trigger intrastate transportation and carcass disposal requirements.

**4. 41:06:04:12. Use of rifles and handguns to hunt birds prohibited --**

**Exception for wild turkeys.**



Effect: The proposed change would allow for the use of rifles to hunt turkeys in west river on private land.

Reason: The change would allow for additional opportunity to use a different method of take for turkeys.

**5. 41:06:04:21. Mandatory submission of samples for chronic wasting disease testing.**

Effect: The proposed change would repeal the administrative rule.

Reason: There are additional scientific methodologies that can more effectively track the spread and movement of CWD.

**6. 41:06:13:04. Application requirements and restrictions.**

Effect: The proposed change would move the rifle restriction to ARSD 41:06:04:12.

Reason: For consistency and better understanding, the rule will be moved under the rifle and handgun prohibitions while hunting birds.

**7. 41:06:16:02.01. Low Plains duck hunting season established -- Exceptions.**

Effect: The proposed change would alter the start date for the low plains middle and north zones hunting season.

Reason: The change would increase the opportunity to hunt by extending the season.

**8. 41:06:16:03. Daily bag limit. (Ducks)**

Effect: The proposed change would decrease the daily bag limit of scaup ducks from three to one.

Reason: The change would align daily bag limits with federal framework.

**9. 41:06:16:09.01. Tundra swan season established -- Open units -- Shooting hours.**

Effect: The proposed change would reduce the total number of licenses.

Furthermore, of the total licenses available, the proposed change would reduce the number of licenses available to nonresidents.

Reason: The recommended changes would align the total take limits with that recommended by the federal framework.

**10.41:06:21:02.01. Special any deer licenses -- Restrictions.**

Effect: The proposed change would create a nonresident east river special "any whitetail deer" license. It would be limited to 500 nonresident licenses.

Reason: The proposed change was brought as a petition and would increase the number of possible licenses available to nonresidents east river.

**11.41:06:26:01. Black Hills elk hunting season established -- Number and type of licenses -- Season dates.**

Effect: The proposed change would increase the total 'any elk' and 'antlerless elk' in the Black Hills hunting season.

Reason: The increase would provide additional opportunity to harvest an elk from the Black Hills hunting season.

**12.41:06:27:01. Custer State Park elk hunting season established -- Number and type of licenses -- Season dates.**

Effect: The proposed change would modify the total number of 'any elk' licenses for Custer State Park elk hunting season.

Reason: Modifications to the number of licenses are conducted every two years to adjust for elk population management.

**13.41:06:28:01. Custer State Park early archery elk hunting season established -- Number and type of licenses -- Season dates.**

Effect: The proposed change would modify the total number of 'any elk' licenses for Custer State Park early archery elk hunting season.

Reason: Modifications to the number of licenses are conducted every two years to adjust for elk population management.

**14. 41:06:43:01. Archery elk hunting season established -- Number and type of licenses available -- Season dates.**

Effect: The proposed change would modify the total number of 'any elk' and 'antlerless elk' licenses available for the archery elk hunting season.

Reason: Modifications to the number of licenses are conducted every two years to adjust for elk population management.

**15. 41:06:49:01. Youth waterfowl hunting season established.**

Effect: The proposed change would modify the start date for the youth waterfowl hunting season.

Reason: The proposed change would allow for additional opportunity.

**16. 41:06:56:02. Open units. (Bighorn Sheep)**

Effect: The proposed change would create two additional units. The first, consisting of portions of Custer and Pennington counties. The second, would consist of Custer State park.

Reason: The creation of the first new unit is supported as a result of a successful transplant and availability of quality rams. The creation of the Custer State Park unit is a result of successful management implementation and will have no effect on the viewability of bighorn sheep for park visitors.

**17. 41:06:56:03. Number and type of licenses. (Bighorn Sheep)**

Effect: The proposed change would increase the number of bighorn sheep licenses to no more than eight licenses.



Reason: Successful transplant and management techniques of the bighorn sheep as allowed for additional harvest and more opportunity for hunters.

**18.41:06:59:01. Prairie elk hunting season established -- Number and type of licenses available -- Season dates.**

Effect: The proposed change would modify the number of 'any elk' and 'antlerless elk' licenses issued during the prairie elk hunting season.

Reason: Modifications to the number of licenses are conducted every two years to adjust for elk population management.

**19.41:06:59:02. Open units. (Prairie Elk)**

Effect: The proposed change would add a new unit and establish hunting dates for those portions of South Dakota west of the Missouri River not associated with another prairie elk unit. The proposed change would also modify unit 9 in Butte and Lawrence county. Unite 15A would also be modified. Unit 27A would also be modified. Unit 30A would be eliminated and instead be included in the west river prairie unit.

Reason: The adjustment of units is a tool that is used in management activity and to maximize hunter participation. Furthermore, modifications of units helps to meet the objectives as identified in the elk management plan.

**20.41:07:03:01. Inland waters.**

Effect: The proposed change would restrict the taking of one flathead catfish over 28 inches to one per day per person

Reason: Maximum length restrictions allow for more people to have the opportunity to take a larger specie.

Interested persons will be given reasonable opportunity to submit data, opinions, arguments, and their views, either orally or in writing (or both) at the hearing. On March 5 at 2:00pm there will be provided a place where the public may comment on during the public

forum portion of the meeting. The locations are: in person at the Ramkota in Pierre, SD; via teleconference at the GFP Sioux Falls Regional Office (Outdoor Campus East), 4500 S Oxbow Ave, Sioux Falls, SD; via teleconference at the GFP Rapid City Regional Office (Outdoor Campus West) at 4130 Adventure Trail, Rapid City, SD; and via teleconference at the GFP Watertown Regional Office, 400 West Kemp, Watertown, SD.

Persons unable to attend the hearing or one of the telephonic remote locations may mail data, opinions, arguments, and their views to the office of the Secretary of the Department of Game, Fish, and Parks, Foss Building, 523 East Capitol, Pierre, South Dakota 57501, or by going to the GFP website at <http://gfp.sd.gov/forms/positions>. All persons who desire to submit written data, opinions, arguments, and their views by mail or email are encouraged to mail or transmit the same in sufficient time so that it is received by and in the office of the Secretary of the Department of Game, Fish, and Parks 72 hours prior to the date of the hearing. Interested persons will be given reasonable opportunity to submit data, opinions, arguments and their views, either orally or in writing (or both) to the Commission for their consideration. All written and email comments must include the name, home town/city, and state of the person submitting the comments.

The above rule proposals are available for review on the internet by going to <https://rules.sd.gov/> and copies of the proposed rules may be requested from the office of the Secretary of the Department of Game, Fish, and Parks, Foss Building, 523 East Capitol, Pierre, South Dakota 57501. Notice is further given to individuals with disabilities that this hearing is being held in a physically accessible place. Any individuals with disabilities who will require a reasonable accommodation in order to participate in the hearing should submit a request to the undersigned at 605.773.3718 or 605.223.7684 (Telecommunication Device for the Deaf).

Dated this 10<sup>th</sup> day of Feb, 2020.



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