

FINAL REGULATIONS - CHAPTER W-0 - GENERAL PROVISIONS

ARTICLE II - LICENSE TYPES AND REQUIREMENTS

#001 - Hunt Codes

A. Hunt Codes are a series of eight sequential letters and numbers which denote the species, sex of animal, unit number, season, and hunt type for each choice shown on the application:

1. Species - The first character of the hunt code is a letter denoting species:

- A for pronghorn
- B for black bear
- C for desert bighorn sheep
- D for deer
- E for elk
- G for mountain goat
- H for small game or furbearer
- L for mountain lion
- M for moose
- P for greater prairie-chicken
- S for rocky mountain bighorn sheep
- T for wild turkey

2. Sex of Animal - The second character of the hunt code is a letter denoting the sex of the animal for which the license is valid:

- E for either-sex (antlerless or antlered) of animal, as defined in #200
- F for antlerless or doe animals, as defined in #200
- M for antlered or buck animals, as defined in #200

3. Unit Number - The third through fifth characters are numbers denoting the unit or group of units in which the license is valid. Units are numbered sequentially beginning with the number 1. Zeros appear before the unit number when it is less than three characters in length, i.e. 001, 023, etc. Where the license is valid in more than one unit, the lowest numbered complete unit in the group is used, and the season table shows the complete list of valid units or portions thereof. When the limited license is valid statewide, the unit number is 000. In the case of sheep and goat, the three characters are a letter denoting the species (C, S, or G) followed by the two digit unit number.

4. Season Dates or Type - The sixth and seventh characters are a letter and number (0 and up) or two numbers (1 and up) denoting the season and hunt number within the season type (chronologically):

A	for auction season/licenses + number
C	for private (match for public) combined ranches Ranching for Wildlife licenses + number
D	for game damage or distribution management hunts + number
E	for early seasons + number
F	for East of I-25 Family Only Landowner Pilot seasons + number
H	for seasons for hunters with mobility impairments /licenses + number
J	for public combined ranches Ranching for Wildlife licenses + number
K	for youth only season/licenses + number
L	for late seasons + number
M	for private (match for public) Ranching for Wildlife licenses + number or for private

	Bighorn Sheep Access Program licenses
N	for private (match for public) special population Ranching for Wildlife licenses + number
O	for combined or regular seasons + number
P	for private land only (PLO) seasons + number (when simultaneous with a regular season, uses the same number as the regular season)
R	for replacement license for CWD positive animals + number, for Raffle season/licenses + number, or TIPs license + number
S	for split seasons (either by time, location, or other listed criteria) + number
T	for trapping season/licenses + number
U	for over the counter licenses
W	for public Ranching for Wildlife licenses or for public Bighorn Sheep Access Program licenses
X	for public special population Ranching for Wildlife licenses + number
Y	for experimental seasons + number
Z	for disease management hunts + number

5. Manner of Take - The eighth character is a letter denoting the manner of take:
A for archery only
F for hawking only
M for muzzle-loading only
R for rifle and associated methods (all legal methods)

6. Preference Point Only Hunt Codes - When applicants wish to apply for a preference point only, the hunt codes are: Deer (DP99999P), Elk (EP99999P), Pronghorn (AP99999P), Mountain Goat (GP99999P), Rocky Mountain Bighorn Sheep (SP99999P), Moose (MP99999P), Wild Turkey (TP99999P) or Bear (BP99999P)

#002 - License Requirements

- A. Except as otherwise provided by these regulations any person who takes or possesses any wildlife shall have in possession the appropriate and valid Colorado resident or non-resident license as provided in §33-4-102, C.R.S. and shall only take wildlife of the species and type as indicated on the license. In addition to the required license, the taking of some species may also require a permit.

- B. Except as otherwise provided, any person who hunts or fishes in Colorado shall have in possession the appropriate and valid Colorado resident or nonresident hunting, fishing or furbearer license including a customer identification number.

A customer identification number is not required for the following license categories:

1. Senior Lifetime licenses issued prior to 1990.
 2. Senior Lifetime Low-Income licenses issued prior to 1994.
- C. Except for state or federal waterfowl stamps or licenses that require a carcass tag, all other telephone or internet license sales will be issued a Temporary Authorization Number (TAN). This number allows the license holder to exercise the benefits of that license prior to receiving a physical license in the mail. Any person who purchases a 1 or 5 day license by phone or internet will not receive a physical license in the mail unless the valid dates for the license are more than fourteen days out from the date of purchase.

 - D. All annual resident and nonresident licenses authorized in 33-4-102 (1.4), C.R.S., including fishing, senior fishing, small game hunting, furbearer, combination fishing and small game hunting, and the Colorado wildlife habitat stamp, shall be valid and otherwise in effect from April 1 to March 31st of the following year.

- E. Except as otherwise provided in these regulations, any person who hunts or fishes in Colorado shall be physically present in the immediate vicinity of the activity. Internet or other computer-assisted remote hunting or fishing is prohibited.
- F. Any person who hunts big game or turkey in a game management unit, or portions thereof, for which the Wildlife Commission has established limited license quotas must have a limited license valid for that unit. General season, over-the-counter licenses may not be used in a limited license unit unless validated by the Division.
- G. Any person possessing a license or permit restricted to a specific game management unit or portions thereof, may only hunt that unit or area for which his license or permit is issued.
- H. Duplicate small game, fishing, furbearers, senior citizen lifetime licenses and combination small game licenses may be obtained from the Division by submitting an affidavit on forms provided by the Division and payment of a \$5.00 fee. All other license duplicates may be obtained from the Division by submitting an affidavit on forms provided by the Division and payment of a fee of fifty percent of the cost of the original license, not to exceed \$25.00.
- I. All license exchanges will be charged a fee of fifty percent of the cost of the original license, not to exceed \$25.00.
- J. Any person who is authorized to hunt, fish or trap wildlife in Colorado pursuant to a permit issued by the Division shall comply with all of the terms and conditions of that permit.
- K. The Director is hereby authorized to issue the following licenses.
 - 1. Licenses for law enforcement investigative purposes to District Wildlife Managers, U.S. Fish & Wildlife (USFWS) Service Special Agents, or other persons cooperating with them or otherwise participating in a wildlife-related law enforcement activity authorizing them to hunt or fish as an appropriate element of an investigation of violation of Articles 1 through 6 of Title 33 of the Colorado Revised Statutes, regulations issued pursuant thereto, or federal wildlife laws; provided however, that no wildlife shall be taken with such a license if the taking would jeopardize the maintenance of populations at viable self-sustaining levels.

A written report shall be provided by the Director to the Wildlife Commission annually specifying the total number of licenses issued under this authority during the previous calendar year.

L. Turning In Poachers (TIPS) Reward Program

- 1. The Director is authorized to award licenses and preference points in accordance with this regulation to otherwise eligible persons that report the illegal take or possession or willful destruction of big game or turkey in Colorado to the Division.
- 2. Any person who voluntarily provides information that results in a person being charged with the illegal take or possession of big game or turkey may be awarded a preference point for the wildlife species of their choice or an over-the-counter license for the same species reported. As an alternative to the above reward options, and except as provided below, any person who voluntarily provides information that results in a person being charged with willful destruction of big game or turkey or assessment of a § 33-6-109(3.4), C.R.S., penalty may be awarded a limited license for the same species and unit reported.
 - a. In limited license units where less than 10 licenses (total) are allocated annually for all manners of take, only one reward license can be issued in any three year period.

- b. In limited license units where less than 20 licenses (total) are allocated annually for all methods of take, only one reward license may be issued per year.
 - c. In limited license units where the reward license has already been issued the person may:
 1. wait until the next reward license in that unit is available, or
 2. select another limited license unit for which a reward license is available.
 - d. If the violation(s) reported occurred within a game management unit, which is closed to hunting the species reported, the person may select another limited license unit for which a reward license is available.
3. Limited licenses awarded as part of the TIPs Reward Program shall be in addition to the number of licenses generally available through or allocated as part of the Division's limited license draw.
4. Licenses for use on properties participating in the Division's Ranching for Wildlife program are not available as part of the TIPs Reward Program.
5. Licenses awarded as part of the TIPs Reward Program do not confer or otherwise guarantee access to any property for the purpose of exercising the benefits of the license. Securing such access is the responsibility of the license holder.
6. Except as provided in 2(c)(1), all licenses awarded as part of the TIPs Reward Program must be for a season occurring within 18 months of the final judicial disposition of the charges.
7. Licenses and preference points issued as part of the TIPs Reward Program are nontransferable.
8. For the purposes of the TIPs Reward Program, "charging" means the issuance of a penalty assessment or summons and complaint and such charging decision is at the sole discretion of the investigating officer or District Attorney.
9. While conviction is not necessary to support the awarding of a preference point or license, no applications for TIPs rewards will be accepted and no such rewards will be issued until final judicial disposition of the charges.
10. Only one TIPs reward will be issued per poaching incident, no matter how many animals are illegally taken. Further, if more than one person reports the violation(s) and files an application, the TIPS reward will be awarded to the person the Director finds to have provided the most pertinent information regarding the violation.
11. Applications for TIPs rewards must be made on forms provided by the Division, must be filed within 90 days of the judicial disposition of the charges and all applicants are subject to the following eligibility requirements:
 - a. To be eligible for a TIPs reward, a person must voluntarily come forward and report the violation, and must be willing to testify, and testify if requested, in any subsequent criminal prosecution. Information obtained through criminal investigation or court process is not considered "voluntary" for the purposes of the TIPs Reward Program.
 - b. A person is eligible for only one TIPs reward per year.

- c. A person is ineligible to receive a TIPs reward if they have received any other reward for reporting the violation(s), including but not limited to a monetary payment under the Operation Game Thief program.
- d. A person must be eligible to apply for, possess or exercise the benefits of any license or preference point conferred through the TIPs Reward Program and must otherwise comply with all other generally applicable hunting requirements and restrictions.
- e. All Division employees, and peace officers that report violation(s) to the Division as part of their law enforcement duties, are ineligible for the TIPs Reward Program.

M. Terrestrial Invasive Species

- 1. The following terrestrial invasive species are hereby declared to be detrimental to Colorado's wildlife and habitat. They may be seized, captured or destroyed by the Division or its authorized agents whenever and wherever found.
 - a. Feral hog
 - b. Eurasian collared-dove
 - c. European starling
 - d. House (English) sparrow
- 2. No license is required for a person to hunt or take terrestrial invasive species. However, commercial hunting or taking of terrestrial invasive species is prohibited. No person shall receive compensation or attempt to receive compensation from the hunting of terrestrial invasive species in Colorado. Terrestrial invasive species may be taken year-round in any number by any method allowed for the take of big or small game. In addition, terrestrial invasive species may be taken at night with the use of artificial light and night vision equipment.
 - a. Except when counted as part of the bag and possession limit for doves in #508 of these regulations, while in the field and during transport all Eurasian collared-doves shall be fully feathered.
- 3. Except as authorized in writing by the Director when such release is determined to be biologically non-detrimental to Colorado's wildlife and habitats, no person shall release terrestrial invasive species or hybrids of terrestrial invasive species in Colorado for the purpose of allowing them to run at large or otherwise facilitate the distribution or abundance of these species in Colorado.

N. Hunter Education

- 1. For the purpose of this regulatory provision, the following terms have the following definitions:
 - a. **“Active Duty”** means a person who is a full time employee of a U.S. military service branch under the Department of Defense and can be deployed at any time.
 - b. **“National Guard”** means the Army National Guard or Air National Guard that is part of an organized militia of any state within the United States of America. National Guard members are not considered active duty military personnel.
 - c. **“Reserve Duty”** means a person who is trained and qualified by a U.S. military Reserve Component to be available for active duty in the armed forces when needed. Reserve members are not considered active duty military personnel.

- d. **“Veteran”** means a person who served in the Active Duty or Reserve Duty military or the National Guard and who was discharged or released from such service under conditions other than dishonorable.
2. As authorized and in accordance with §33-6-107(8) and §33-6-107(10) C.R.S, these regulations establish requirements for Colorado's hunter education certification program. Hunter education classes within this state must include a minimum of 10 hours of instruction, including, but not limited to, the topics of wildlife management, wildlife identification, firearms safety, ethics, and laws and regulations. A portion of the course curriculum must also include hands-on activities where students demonstrate, at a minimum, safe firearms handling and a live fire exercise. Students must also pass a written test to successfully complete the course. Except as provided in regulation #002(L)(3) below, any person born on or after January 1, 1949, must have a valid hunter education certificate prior to hunting, trapping, or purchasing any hunting license in accordance with §33-6-107(8) and §33-6-107(10) C.R.S.
 3. Allowable hunter education course delivery options and methods are as follows:
 - a. Traditional class- 10 hours, minimum, in a standard classroom setting that includes hands-on learning activities. Additional time beyond the 10 hour requirement is also necessary to complete the written test and live fire exercise.
 - b. Internet course with conclusion class- The internet portion of the class is credited with 6 hours of study. A 4-6 hour, in-person, conclusion class is required and will cover laws and regulations, wildlife identification, and hands-on firearms activities. Additional time beyond the 4-6 hour requirement is also necessary to complete the written test and live fire exercise.
 - c. A person age 50 and older may complete a one-time test-out of the hunter education certification requirements by passing a timed hunter education test online with a score of 90% or above. This online test can only be taken once.
 - d. U.S. military veterans, active duty, reserve duty and National Guard members may complete a one-time test-out of the hunter education certification requirements by passing a timed hunter education test online with a score of 90% or above. This online test can only be taken once. Military personnel must bring test certificate and military identification to a CPW office to verify military status and obtain a hunter education certificate. To qualify, a veteran must be discharged under conditions other than dishonorable. Acceptable forms of military identification include:
 - i. DD 214;
 - ii. DD Form 2;
 - iii. DD Form 2765;
 - iv. Active, retired, veteran military identification card;
 - v. A current Colorado Drivers License or state issued identification card with the word “veteran” printed on it as specified in 42-2-303(5)(a) C.R.S.;
 - vi. VA medical card.
 4. Exceptions to the hunter education certification requirements are as follows:
 - a. A person 10 years of age or older who obtains an apprentice certificate. An apprentice certificate can only be obtained once and is valid for a one year period, identified as April 1-March 31 annually. Apprentice certificate holders must be personally accompanied by, and in voice and visual contact with a mentor while hunting. A mentor may oversee no more than 2 apprentices at a time and must carry proof of hunter education and age while in the field.

O. Antler and Horn Collection

These regulations govern the collection of shed antlers, shed horns, or antlers or horns naturally attached to skull plates.

1. On any lands east of I-25, any person may, with lawful access, collect shed antlers or horns at any time. On private lands west of I-25, any person may, with lawful access, collect shed antlers or horns at any time. Public lands west of I-25 are closed to collection from January 1 through April 30, annually. On public lands west of I-25, any person may collect shed antlers or horns from May 1 through December 31, annually, except in GMUs 54, 55, 66, 67, and 551 where the collection of shed antlers or horns shall further be prohibited between legal sunset and 10:00 AM from May 1 through May 15 annually.
2. Possession of antlers or horns on public lands west of I-25 from January 1 through April 30 is prohibited. Possession of antlers or horns on public lands in GMUs 54, 55, 66, 67, and 551 between legal sunset and 10:00 AM from May 1 through May 15 annually is prohibited. Possession of antlers or horns on private property without lawful access is prohibited. Each antler or horn will be treated singularly for the purpose of this regulation, unless naturally attached together on a skull plate.
3. For the purpose of this regulatory provision, the following terms have the following definitions:
 - a. “**Antlers**” means the bony, deciduous appendages protruding from the heads of members of the deer family (Cervidae), including deer, elk, and moose.
 - b. “**Collect**” means to search for, locate, stockpile, or possess shed antlers, shed horns, or antlers or horns naturally attached to skull plates of big game animals on public land or attempt to search for, locate, stockpile, or possess shed antlers, shed horns, or antlers or horns naturally attached to skull plates of big game animals on public land.
 - c. “**Horns**” means the hard, permanent or deciduous appendages protruding from the heads of bighorn sheep, mountain goats, or pronghorn.
 - d. “**Public land(s)**” means federal lands and lands owned or administered by the Division.
 - e. “**Shed antler**” or “**shed horn**” means one or more antlers and/or horns having become naturally separated from the skull.

P. Wildlife License Prices

Upon the effectiveness of SB 18-143, wildlife license prices will remain at the price provided in Appendix F, until further amended by regulation.

Appendix F - Wildlife License Prices

(1) Resident and nonresident licenses

<u>License</u>	<u>Residency</u>	<u>Fees</u>
<u>3-year possession/hunting raptor license</u>	<u>Resident</u>	<u>\$ 100.00***</u>
<u>Annual possession/hunting raptor license</u>	<u>Nonresident</u>	<u>\$ 55.00***</u>
<u>Peregrine falcon capture license</u>	<u>Resident</u>	<u>\$ 200.00***</u>
<u>Extra rod stamp</u>	<u>Resident</u>	<u>\$ 5.00**</u>
<u>Extra rod stamp</u>	<u>Nonresident</u>	<u>\$ 5.00**</u>
<u>Fishing - 1 day</u>	<u>Resident</u>	<u>\$ 8.00**</u>
<u>Fishing - 1 day</u>	<u>Nonresident</u>	<u>\$ 8.00**</u>
<u>Fishing - additional day</u>	<u>Resident</u>	<u>\$ 5.00**</u>
<u>Fishing - additional day</u>	<u>Nonresident</u>	<u>\$ 5.00**</u>
<u>Fishing - 5 day</u>	<u>Nonresident</u>	<u>\$ 20.00**</u>
<u>Fishing- annual</u>	<u>Resident</u>	<u>\$ 25.00**</u>
<u>Fishing - annual</u>	<u>Nonresident</u>	<u>\$ 55.00**</u>
<u>Senior annual fishing</u>	<u>Resident</u>	<u>Free**</u>
<u>Small game hunting</u>	<u>Resident</u>	<u>\$ 20.00**</u>
<u>Small game</u>	<u>Nonresident</u>	<u>\$ 55.00**</u>
<u>Small game - 1 day</u>	<u>Resident</u>	<u>\$ 10.00**</u>
<u>Small game - 1 day</u>	<u>Nonresident</u>	<u>\$ 10.00**</u>
<u>Small game - additional day</u>	<u>Resident</u>	<u>\$ 5.00**</u>
<u>Small game - additional day</u>	<u>Nonresident</u>	<u>\$ 5.00**</u>
<u>Furbearer license</u>	<u>Resident</u>	<u>\$ 20.00**</u>
<u>Furbearer license</u>	<u>Nonresident</u>	<u>\$ 55.00**</u>
<u>Turkey, fall</u>	<u>Resident</u>	<u>\$ 15.00**</u>
<u>Turkey, fall</u>	<u>Nonresident</u>	<u>\$ 100.00**</u>
<u>Turkey, spring</u>	<u>Resident</u>	<u>\$ 20.00**</u>
<u>Turkey, spring</u>	<u>Nonresident</u>	<u>\$ 100.00**</u>
<u>Turkey (youth)</u>	<u>Resident</u>	<u>\$ 10.00**</u>
<u>Turkey (youth)</u>	<u>Nonresident</u>	<u>\$ 75.00**</u>
<u>Combination fishing and small game hunting</u>	<u>Resident</u>	<u>\$ 40.00**</u>
<u>Pronghorn</u>	<u>Resident</u>	<u>\$ 30.00**</u>
<u>Pronghorn</u>	<u>Nonresident</u>	<u>\$ 395.00**</u>
<u>Bear, fall</u>	<u>Resident</u>	<u>\$ 40.00**</u>
<u>Bear, fall</u>	<u>Nonresident</u>	<u>\$ 350.00**</u>
<u>Deer</u>	<u>Resident</u>	<u>\$ 30.00**</u>
<u>Deer</u>	<u>Nonresident</u>	<u>\$ 395.00**</u>
<u>Elk</u>	<u>Resident</u>	<u>\$ 45.00**</u>
<u>Elk (either sex)</u>	<u>Nonresident</u>	<u>\$ 660.00**</u>
<u>Elk (antlerless)</u>	<u>Nonresident</u>	<u>\$ 495.00**</u>
<u>Mountain goat</u>	<u>Resident</u>	<u>\$ 250.00**</u>
<u>Mountain goat</u>	<u>Nonresident</u>	<u>\$ 2,210.00**</u>
<u>Moose</u>	<u>Resident</u>	<u>\$ 250.00**</u>
<u>Moose</u>	<u>Nonresident</u>	<u>\$ 2,210.00**</u>
<u>Mountain lion</u>	<u>Resident</u>	<u>\$ 40.00**</u>
<u>Mountain lion</u>	<u>Nonresident</u>	<u>\$ 350.00**</u>
<u>Rocky mountain bighorn sheep</u>	<u>Resident</u>	<u>\$ 250.00**</u>
<u>Rocky mountain bighorn sheep</u>	<u>Nonresident</u>	<u>\$2,210.00**</u>
<u>Desert bighorn sheep</u>	<u>Resident</u>	<u>\$ 250.00**</u>
<u>Desert bighorn sheep</u>	<u>Nonresident</u>	<u>\$1,470.00**</u>

<u>Resident low-income senior lifetime fishing</u>	<u>Resident</u>	<u>Free**</u>
<u>Youth big game (deer, elk, pronghorn)</u>	<u>Resident</u>	<u>\$ 10.00 each*</u>
<u>Youth big game (deer, elk, pronghorn)</u>	<u>Nonresident</u>	<u>\$ 100.00 each*</u>
<u>Youth small game hunting</u>	<u>Resident</u>	<u>\$1.00*</u>
<u>Youth small game hunting</u>	<u>Nonresident</u>	<u>\$ 1.00*</u>
<u>Colorado wildlife habitat stamp, purchased in conjunction with the purchase of a hunting or fishing license</u>	<u>Resident</u>	<u>\$ 10.00</u>
<u>Colorado wildlife habitat stamp, purchased in conjunction with the purchase of a hunting or fishing license</u>	<u>Nonresident</u>	<u>\$ 10.00</u>
<u>"Lifetime" Colorado wildlife habitat stamp</u>	<u>Resident</u>	<u>\$ 300.00***</u>
<u>"Lifetime" Colorado wildlife habitat stamp</u>	<u>Nonresident</u>	<u>\$ 300.00***</u>

*Plus additional surcharge of \$0.75 for the Wildlife Management Public Education Fund.

**Plus additional surcharge of \$0.75 for the Wildlife Management Public Education Fund and \$0.25 for the Search and Rescue Fund.

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(2) Special licenses

<u>License</u>	<u>Fees</u>
<u>Scientific collecting license</u>	<u>\$ 20.00</u>
<u>Importation license</u>	<u>\$ 50.00</u>
<u>Field trial license</u>	<u>\$ 15.00</u>
<u>Commercial lake license</u>	<u>\$ 150.00</u>
<u>Private lake license</u>	<u>\$ 10.00</u>
<u>Commercial wildlife park license</u>	<u>\$ 100.00</u>
<u>Noncommercial park license</u>	<u>\$ 20.00</u>
<u>Wildlife sanctuary license</u>	<u>\$ 100.00</u>
<u>Zoological park license</u>	<u>\$100.00</u>

(3) The fee for each migratory waterfowl stamp is \$5.00.

(4) The nonrefundable application-processing fee for each limited license is \$3.00.

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Basis and Purpose
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Basis and Purpose:

This modification to regulations is necessary to keep wildlife license prices static through the 2018 license year, including the current wildlife management public education fund surcharge. This is in response and contingent upon approval of Senate Bill 18-143, which would otherwise increase wildlife license fees as of August 2018, in the middle of the 2018 license year. Keeping wildlife license prices static through the end of the 2018 license year will help to avoid confusion, ensure consistent and equitable fees for the remainder of the license year, and will allow for proper management of the agency.

The statements of basis and purpose for these regulations can be viewed and copies obtained from the Colorado Division of Parks and Wildlife, Office of the Regulations Manager, Policy and Planning Unit, 1313 Sherman, Room 111, Denver, CO 80203.

The primary statutory authority for these regulations can be found in § 24-4-103, C.R.S., and the state Wildlife Act, §§ 33-1-101 to 33-6-209, C.R.S., specifically including, but not limited to: §§ 33-1-106, C.R.S.

EFFECTIVE DATE - THESE REGULATIONS SHALL BECOME EFFECTIVE AUGUST 1, 2018 AND SHALL REMAIN IN FULL FORCE AND EFFECT UNTIL REPEALED, AMENDED OR SUPERSEDED.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED BY THE PARKS AND WILDLIFE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF COLORADO THIS 7TH DAY OF JUNE, 2018.

**APPROVED:
John V. Howard
Chairman**

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James Vigil
Secretary**