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TO: Agency Staff, Parks and Wildlife Commissioners, and Members of the Public
FROM: Jonathan Boydston, Acting Regulations Manager
RE: July 15-16, 2021 Parks and Wildlife Commission Meeting Regulations Summary
DATE: July 21, 2021

At the July 15-16, 2021 meeting, the Parks and Wildlife Commission heard proposed changes to regulations as follows. All final regulations approved at the July 15-16, 2021 meeting will go into effect on September 1, 2021 unless otherwise noted.

FINAL REGULATIONS

Agenda Item 11 - [Chapter W-9 - "Wildlife Properties" - 2 CCR 406-9](#)

The Commission adopted regulations including, but not limited to, the following:

- Creating property-specific regulations pertaining to methods of take on Copper Gulch State Trust Land (STL).
- Creating property-specific regulations pertaining to safety zones and methods of take on Lost Creek STL.
- Clarifying regulations pertaining to the discharge of firearms on Rosita STL.
- Including Dry Creek STL within Whiterock STL in Appendix B.2.

DRAFT REGULATIONS

[Agenda Item 12](#) - Chapter W-16 - "Park and Wildlife Procedural Rules" - 2 CCR 406-16

The Commission heard and forwarded on draft regulations including, but not limited to, modifying general refund procedures, the restoration of preference points, and the Director's disaster relief authority.

DRAFT PWC POLICY - NON-REGULATORY

[Agenda Item 13](#) - Citizen Petitions to Initiate Rulemaking - Colorado Parks and Wildlife Commission Policy

The Commission discussed proposed modifications related to withdrawing a petition once a petitioner submits it to the Division and provided staff with suggested updates to consider.

ISSUES IDENTIFICATION

[Agenda Item 14](#) - Chapter P-1 - "Parks and Outdoor Recreation Lands" 2 CCR 405-1

The Commission initiated its annual review of the entire chapter including, but not limited to, generally-applicable and property-specific requirements for, or restrictions on use of, parks properties controlled by Colorado Parks and Wildlife. Specific regulatory changes include, but are not limited to, the following:



- Updating swimming regulations to allow swimming in state-park-managed areas with some exceptions and changing the age restrictions for swimming unaccompanied by an adult from 12 to 13 years old.
- Creating a wakeless day (Wednesday) for boaters at Highline Lake State Park.

Agenda Item 15 - Chapter P-7 - "Passes, Permits and Registrations" - 2 CCR 405-7

The Commission initiated its annual review of the entire chapter including, but not limited to, regulations pertaining to eligibility requirements and fees for individual and vehicle park passes, use permits, vessel, snowmobile and off-highway vehicle registrations and license agent requirements. Specific regulatory changes include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Changing the replacement fee for an annual affixed parks pass and Aspen Leaf annual pass to half the cost of the original pass, if proof of eligible replacement need is not provided.
- Eliminating the replacement fee for the Columbine, Centennial, Blue Spruce and Independence parks passes.
- Updating the camping and day-use cancellation and change regulations.

Agenda Item 17 - Chapter P-8 - "Aquatic Nuisance Species" 2 CCR 405-8

The Commission initiated its annual review of the entire chapter including, but not limited to, regulations pertaining to inspections, decontaminations and impounding of vessels or other floatation devices, as well as establishing monitoring, identification and reporting procedures for suspected aquatic nuisance species. Specific regulatory changes include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Adding regulations to clarify that defacing or tampering with a watercraft inspection and decontamination seal or seal receipt is unlawful.

Agenda Item 18 - Chapter W-0 - "General Provisions" - 2 CCR 406-0

The Commission heard and forwarded-on regulations including, but not limited to, the following:

- Raising the fee for the Federal Duck Stamp and adding the fee for the Federal Duck Stamp to Appendix F of Chapter W-0.

The Commission instructed staff to include an alternative option of \$32 for the Federal Duck Stamp fee when final regulations are considered at the September meeting.

Agenda Item 19 - Chapter W-3 - "Furbearers and Small Game, Except Migratory Birds" 2 CCR 406-3

The Commission heard and forwarded-on regulations including, but not limited to, the following:

- Closing the 2021 hunting season for greater sage-grouse in Game Management Unit 10 pursuant to thresholds set forth in the Northwest Colorado Greater Sage-grouse Conservation Plan.

CONSENT AGENDA (Agenda Item 28)

ISSUES IDENTIFICATION

Agenda Item 28.1 - Chapter P-1 - "Parks and Outdoor Recreation Lands" 2 CCR 405-1

The Commission initiated its annual review of the entire chapter, including, but not limited to:

- Modifying seasonal restrictions for peregrine falcons at Fishers Peak State Park to correspond with Colorado Parks and Wildlife's Recommended Buffer Zones and Seasonal Restrictions for Colorado Raptors.

CITIZEN PETITIONS

[Agenda Item 28.2](#) - Chapter W-2 - "Big Game" - 2 CCR 406-2

The Commission adopted the Director's written recommendation to DENY a petition for rulemaking requesting that the Commission revise big game regulations, as follows:

- A Citizen Petition for Rulemaking requesting the method of calculating weighed preference for moose, sheep and goat licenses be revised.