

## CITIZEN PETITION FORM

Date: August 19 2020

<b>Issue:</b>	<b>Requiring a hunting or fishing license to enter a SWA</b>
<b>Which rule are you seeking to create or revise? Please include a copy of the rule you are proposing to create or change, preferably with the change made in redline format.</b>	
<p>I petition the commission to REPEAL Wildlife Regulation:</p> <p>Chapter W-9, Article 1, #900 C. Prohibited Activities 1. To enter, use or occupy any State Wildlife Area or portion thereof for all persons 18 years of age and older without a proper and valid hunting or fishing license...</p> <p>My petition is specific to the Dome Rock SWA which was posted with the above regulation effective July 1 2020, but I believe should be applied in general to all SWAs.</p> <p>Dome Rock SWA is posted OPEN to hiking and horseback riding which is its primary use.</p>	
<b>Why are you seeking to create or revise this rule? Please include a general statement of the reasons for the requested rule or revision and any relevant information related to the request.</b>	
<p>ARGUEMENTS FOR THIS ACTION:</p> <p>ARGUEMENT 1: MISUSE OF LICENSING LAW The intent of license law is to regulate specific activities. There is no "general purpose" license to be applied to any activity of convenience. Regulating hiking would require a hiking license.</p> <p>ARGUEMENT 2: ILLEGAL ENTRANCE FEE By requiring everyone to purchase a hunting/fishing license to enter a SWA, regardless of activity, this becomes an entrance fee. There is no statute or regulation permitting entrance fees to a SWA.</p> <p>ARGUEMENT 3: REDUCES/ELIMINATES ACCESS The effective outcome of this action is inconsistent with the CPW mission.</p> <p>ARGUEMENT 4: SERVES NO PURPOSE The purpose of this regulation is to raise funds. In reality it will never raise a dime. No hiker will ever buy a \$12 day hunting/fishing license to hike in one of the SWA areas. They will go elsewhere or ignore the posting.</p> <p>ARGUEMENT 5: UNENFORCEABLE I contend this regulation has no priority for officers who have no interest or time to enforce it and would only increase agency costs if pursued.</p> <p>ARGUEMENT 6: TOTAL NONSENSE Requiring a hiker to buy a hunting license, to enter state public lands, posted open to hiking.... no. This does not serve the people, it is not consistent with legislative intent, it is not the mission of the CPW.</p>	
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