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TO: Agency Staff, Parks and Wildlife Commissioners, and Members of the Public
FROM: Hilary Hernandez, Regulations Manager
RE: October 9, 2025 Parks and Wildlife Commission Meeting Regulations Summary
DATE: October 10, 2025

At the October 9, 2025 meeting, the Parks and Wildlife Commission heard proposed changes to regulations as follows. All final regulations approved at the meeting will go into effect on December 1.

Updated chapters include W-03, W-09, and W-17.

Final Regulations

Agenda Item 10: Chapter W-17 - "Damage Caused by Wildlife" 2 CCR 406-17 (Step 2 of 2)

The Commission finalized regulations allowing producers acting under the direction of a licensed veterinarian to receive reimbursement for labor expenses for the treatment of livestock and livestock guard and herding animals injured by gray wolves.

Issues Identification

Agenda Item 11: Chapter W-11 - "Wildlife Parks and Unregulated Wildlife" 2 CCR 406-11, and those related provisions of Chapter W-0 ("General Provisions" 2 CCR 406-0), Chapter W-2 ("Big Game" 2 CCR 406-2), and Chapter W-17 ("Damage Caused by Wildlife" 2 CCR 406-17) necessary to accommodate changes to or ensure consistency with Chapter W-11 (Step 1 of 2)

Open for review of regulatory changes to implement SB 25-053 (Concerning the classification of bison as wildlife unless classified as livestock), including rules differentiating between wild bison as big game and domestic bison, the future regulated hunting of wild bison, and the payment of compensation for damage caused by wild bison.

Consent Agenda

Final Regulations

Agenda Item 3.1: Chapter W-3 – "Furbearers and Small Game, except Migratory Birds" 2 CCR 406-3 (Step 1 of 1)

The Commission finalized regulations to correct a clerical error to regulation #304 with the regulatory filings between the January and March 2025 commission meetings to remove the ability to hunt coyotes on an unfilled big game license.

Agenda Item 3.2: Chapter W-9 – "Wildlife Properties" 2 CCR 406-9 (Step 1 of 1)

The Commission finalized changes to remove Aldrich Gulch State Trust Lands from the State Trust Land Hunting and Fishing Access Program, and three minor administrative cleanups to correct errors on other properties.

Jeff Davis, Director, Colorado Parks and Wildlife
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