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TO: Agency Staff, Parks and Wildlife Commissioners, and Members of the Public

FROM: Hilary Hernandez, Regulations Manager

RE: November 17-18, 2022 Parks and Wildlife Commission Meeting Regulations Summary

DATE: November 21, 2022

At the November 17-18, 2022 meeting, the Parks and Wildlife Commission heard proposed changes to regulations as follows. All final regulations approved at the November 17-18, 2022 meeting will go into effect on January 1, 2023 unless otherwise noted.

#### FINAL REGULATIONS

Agenda Item 9: Chapter P-3 - "River Outfitters" - 2 CCR 405-3 (Step 2 of 2)

The Commission finalized the following regulations:

• Revising personal floatation device types to match U.S. Coast Guard changes.

Agenda Item 10: Chapter P-7 - "Passes, Permits and Registrations" - 2 CCR 405-7 (Step 2 of 2)

The Commission finalized the following regulations:

- Removing the high-use fee at certain parks, and changing the daily vehicle pass fee to \$10.00 at all parks.
- Modifications to the Centennial Pass.
- Removing Panorama Point, at Golden Gate Canyon, from the designated event facility list.
- Revising regulations to provide discounted camping rates for seniors who purchase the nonmotor vehicle individual annual pass and adopting regulation for the replacement of a lost or stolen non-motor vehicle individual annual pass. (Step 1 of 1)

Agenda Item 11: Chapter W-1 - "Fishing" 2 CCR 406-1 (Step 2 of 2)

The Commission finalized the following regulations:

- Revising the walleye bag and possession limits at Rifle Gap.
- Revising a fishing restriction in Vallecito Creek from the CR 501 Bridge to the standing water line of Vallecito Reservoir.

These changes to Chapter W-1 will go into effect on April 1, 2023.

Agenda Item 12: <u>Chapter W-3 - "Furbearers and Small Game, except Migratory Birds" 2 CCR 406-3</u> (Step 2 of 2)

The Commission finalized the following regulations:

• Expanding the southwest youth extended season for fall turkey to all available Game Management Units (GMU) in the state.



- Adopting regulation to allow air gun hunting of turkey in the fall and late seasons.
- Annual changes to turkey seasons and quotas.

Agenda Item 13: Chapter W-0 - "General Provisions" 2 CCR 406-0, and those related provisions of Chapter W-2 ("Big Game" 2 CCR 406-2), Chapter W-3 ("Furbearers and Small Game, Except Migratory Birds" 2 CCR 406-3), Chapter W-11 ("Wildlife Parks and Unregulated Wildlife" 2 CCR 406-11), Chapter W-15 ("Division Agents" 2 CCR 406-15), and Chapter P-7 ("Passes, Permits and Registrations" - 2 CCR 405-7) necessary to accommodate changes to or ensure consistency with Chapter W-0 (Step 2 of 2)

The Commission finalized the following regulations:

- Revising a Bighorn Sheep Unit boundary name that was changed by the U.S. Board on Geographic Names. (Step 1 of 1)
- Revising license fees and license agent commission rates according to adjustments to the Denver-Aurora-Lakewood Consumer Price Index.
- Modifications to the low-income annual Colorado State Wildlife Area pass.

Agenda Item 14: Chapter W-2- "Big Game" 2 CCR 406-2 (Step 2 of 2)

The Commission finalized the following regulations:

- Revising Game Management Unit boundary name that was changed by the U.S. Board on Geographic Names. (Step 1 of 1)
- Modifying the limited license application and drawing allocation processes for deer, elk, pronghorn and bear to include a rolling three-year average for licenses requiring six or more preference points.

# **ISSUES IDENTIFICATION**

Agenda Item 15: Chapter W-2 - "Big Game" 2 CCR 406-2 and those related provisions of Chapter W-0 ("General Provisions" 2 CCR 406-0) necessary to accommodate changes to or ensure consistency with Chapter W-2 (Step 1 of 2)

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

## Multiple Species

- Amending the definition of an adult novice hunter and revising the license list classification for the adult novice hunting license and adult novice ranching for wildlife license.
- Modifying the Game Management Unit boundaries for 123, 124, 125, 128 and 129.
- Modifying the Game Management Unit boundaries for 008 and 191.
- Modifying the hunting closure on Mount Evans.

#### Deer

- Creating a new 4th rifle antlered deer hunting season in Game Management Units 31 and
- Creating a new 4th rifle antlered deer hunting season in Game Management Unit 30.
- Creating a list B, private land only, antlerless whitetail season in Game Management Units 6, 16, 17, 161, and 171 from December 1 through December 31.
- Adding early season doe hunt codes in Game Management Units 54, 55, and 551.
- Expanding D-E-411-P6-R to include portions of Game Management Units 52 and 521 and changing the hunt code to D-E-052-P6-R.
- Adding hunt codes for either-sex deer, doe, and cow elk valid only on Centennial Cone
  Open Space in Game Management Unit 38.

# Elk

- Splitting Data Analysis Unit E-10 cow elk hunt codes in Game Management Units 21, 22, 30, 31, and 32.
- Restoring Game Management Unit-specific cow rifle licenses for 2nd, 3rd, and 4th seasons in Data Analysis Unit E-16 and the extended private land only cow season in Game Management Unit 444.
- Limiting archery elk licenses in Data Analysis Unit E-14 and/or Game Management Unit 521.

# Pronghorn

• Creating private land only hunt codes in Data Analysis Unit PH-5.

#### Moose

- Adding bull and cow moose hunting codes in Game Management Units 33 and 34.
- Adding cow moose hunt codes in Game Management Units 44 and 45.
- Replacing the hunt codes for cow (MF04701X) and bull (MM04701X) moose in Game Management Unit 47 to create four separate hunt codes in Game Management Units 47, 444, and 471.

# Bighorn Sheep

Adding a bighorn sheep ewe hunt code to Data Analysis Unit S-36.

#### Mountain Goat

Re-opening either-sex mountain goat hunt code GEG1801R in Game Management Unit G18.

# CONSENT AGENDA (Agenda Item 29)

## Issue Identification

Agenda Item 29.1: Chapter W-2 - "Big Game" 2 CCR 406-2 and those related provisions of Chapter W-0 ("General Provisions" 2 CCR 406-0) necessary to accommodate changes to or ensure consistency with Chapter W-2

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

- Modifying the hunt code DM951P7R to be a general private land only antlered license.
- Removing the private land only designation from all mule deer and pronghorn licenses in Game Management Unit 83.
- Revising the Bighorn Sheep Access Program Option C.