

# Wisconsin Legislative Council

## RULES CLEARINGHOUSE

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#### **CLEARINGHOUSE RULE 24-061**

#### **Comments**

[NOTE: All citations to "Manual" in the comments below are to the Administrative Rules Procedures Manual, prepared by the Legislative Council Staff and the Legislative Reference Bureau, dated November 2020.]

### 2. Form, Style and Placement in Administrative Code

- a. In s. NR 10.104 (9m) (intro.), "Subchapter II" should be changed to "subch. II". Additionally, "s, NR 10.72 (2)" should be changed to "s. NR 10.72 (2)" and the underscored text "such members" should follow all strike-through text.
- b. In Section 4, the treatment of the beginning of s. NR 10.104 (9m) (d) should be written as "Permits-Bonus deer permits".
  - c. In the treatment clause of SECTION 5, "is" should be changed to "are".
  - d. In the treatment clause of SECTION 8, the second instance of "10.72" should be deleted.
- e. In s. NR 10.72 (2) (b) 2., "shall not" should be changed to "may not". Additionally, "three" should be changed to "3".

#### 5. Clarity, Grammar, Punctuation and Use of Plain Language

- a. In the plain language portion of the rule analysis prepared by the department, "a" should be added between "There will be" and "reduced fee".
- b. In s. NR 10.71 (1), a comma should be added between "deer management assistance program" and "including".
- c. In s. NR 10.72 (1) (intro.), "a" should be added between "may enroll as" and "DMAP member". Additionally, depending upon the department's intent, instead of specifying that "membership in the DMAP is for a period of 3 years...", the department could specify that membership "shall" be for three years. Additionally, the rule states that "[a] landowner whose term as a DMAP member is ending or has ended may reenroll as a DMAP member in the manner determined by the department". The rule should include information about the procedure or requirements to reenroll, or include a note stating where to find information about how to reenroll or whom to contact at the department in order to do so.

- d. In s. NR 10.72 (2) (intro.), the rule states that "[a] DMAP member who is eligible to receive on-site DMAP benefits for the enrolled property may apply to receive such benefits in the manner determined by the department". Similar to the comment above, the rule should specify how a person may apply for this program or include a note stating where to find information about how to apply or whom to contact at the department in order to do so.
- e. In s. NR 10.72 (2) (a), the rule states that an applicant "shall identify the acreage of the DMAP member's enrolled property and include any other information requested by the department". The rule should specify the types of additional information the department may request.
- f. In s. NR 10.72 (2) (b) 3., the rule states that "[i]f the DMAP member has received elective benefits in the past, the DMAP member shall have complied with all applicable requirements under par. (e)". To increase clarity, "in the past" should be changed to a more specific date, such as prior to the rule's effective date.
- g. In s. NR 10.72 (2) (d) 4., it is unclear what "the property assessment under par. (c)" means, since par. (c) explains the participation limit and does not mention a property assessment.
- h. In s. NR 10.73 (2) (intro.), it appears that "s. NR 10.72 (2) (c)" should be changed to "s. NR 10.72 (2) (d)". In sub. (5), "governmental organizations or owners of other lands" should be changed to the singular in both instances and "are open" should be changed to "is open".