Notice of Hearing

The Department of Natural Resources announces that it will hold a public hearing on an permanent rule to revise chs. NR 10 and 45, relating to the 2023 wildlife management spring hearing rule at the time and place shown below.

Hearing Information

Date: May 17, 2023

Time: 10:00 a.m.

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Rule Information:

These rule changes are proposed for inclusion on the 2023 Wildlife Management Spring Hearing rules package and questionnaire. This rule package will modify regulations for hunting, trapping, and target shooting found in Ch's. NR 10 Game and Hunting and 45 Miscellaneous Fur, Fish, Game and Outdoor Recreation.

Specifically, these rules may;

- 1. Allow the use of F-shot while hunting small game and game birds.
- 2. Expand the October youth deer hunt to 4 days.
- 3. Simplify the rules for quartering deer, bear and elk.
- 4. Make youth antlerless permits valid on either public or private lands.
- 5. Increase the student registration fee for trapper education.

6. Allow individuals to aid disabled trappers in the field without holding specific harvest permits or authorizations for that animal.

7. Allow the issuance of an either sex diseased deer replacement permit.

8. Allow landowners to shoot a bear in the act of killing, wounding, or biting a domestic animal without the need for written authorization from DNR.

9. Regulate target shooting on department lands in Brown County.

Accessibility

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Appearances at the Hearing and Submittal of Written Comments

The public has the opportunity to testify at the hearing. Registration will take place at the hearing by completing a Hearing Appearance form, which is available <u>here</u>. Pre-registration is strongly encouraged if you plan to provide spoken comments during the hearing. To pre-register, please download and complete the fillable <u>Hearing Appearance form</u> and send it to scottr.karel@wisconsin.gov.

Comments on the proposed rule must be received on or before May 17, 2023. Written comments may be submitted by U.S. mail, E-mail, or through the internet and will have the same weight and effect as oral statements presented at the public hearing.

Written comments and any questions on the proposed rules should be submitted to:

Department of Natural Resources Attn: Scott Karel P.O. Box 7921 101 S. Webster Street, Madison, WI 53707-7921

The rule may be viewed at: https://dnr.wi.gov/news/input/ProposedPermanent.html

Comments can be made at: DNRAdministrativeRulesComments@wisconsin.gov

The rule may be reviewed, and comments made at: http://docs.legis.wisconsin.gov/code/chr/hearings.

Initial Regulatory Flexibility Analysis: No economic impacts are anticipated. The hunting season frameworks proposed in this rule will be comparable to those in place during the previous season. These rules are applicable to individual hunters and impose no compliance or reporting requirements for small business, nor are any design or operational standards contained in the rule.

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