

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
DEPARTMENT OF GAME, FISH AND PARKS**

A Public Hearing will be held at the Outdoor Campus – West, 4130 Adventure Trail, Rapid City, SD 57702 at 2:00 pm (Mountain Time) on Thursday, September 4, 2025, to consider adoption, amendment and repeal of Administrative Rules of South Dakota numbered

1. ARSD 41:06:61:02 – Black Hills Fire Protection District -- Harvest limit -- Season dates – Season closure.

Effect: Modify season dates and increase season unit size where the use of dogs is permitted.

Reason: The recommended change to expand the area and time in which hunting with dogs occur in the Black Hills is intended to promote additional mountain lion harvest.

2. ARSD 41:06:61:06 - Application requirements -- License and season restrictions -- Special conditions -- Carcass check-in procedures.

Effect: Modify the hunting area where harvesting is allowed.

Reason: While the population has remained relatively stable in the Black Hills, harvest has increased the past two hunting seasons, and this recommendation is expected to further increase harvest.

3. ARSD 41:10:04:01. List of aquatic invasive species.

Effect: Update list to add Prussian carp and modify European rudd and snakehead species

Reason: Prussian carp have established self-sustaining populations in North America; modifying the listing for European rudd and snakehead species will simplify the rule.

4. ARSD 41:10:04:02. Aquatic invasive species exemptions.

Effect: Create an exemption for red swamp crayfish

Reason: Red swamp crayfish are primarily imported for human consumption rather than use as bait.

Persons interested in presenting amendments, data, opinions, and arguments for or against the proposed rules may appear in-person at the hearing, or mail or e-mail them to the office of the Secretary of the Department of Game, Fish, and Parks, Foss Building, 523 East Capitol, Pierre, South Dakota 57501, or by going to the GFP website at <http://gfp.sd.gov/forms/positions>. The deadline to submit any such written comments for

consideration by this [part-time board is seventy-two hours before the public hearing / agency is ten days after the date of the public hearing].

After the written comment period, the department of Game, Fish & Parks will consider all written and oral comments it receives on the proposed rules. The department of Game, Fish & Parks may modify or amend a proposed rule at that time to include or exclude matters that are described in this notice.

For Persons with Disabilities: This hearing will be located at a physically accessible place. Please contact the Department of Game, Fish & Parks at least 48 hours before the public hearing if you have special needs for which arrangements can be made by calling 605-773-3718.

Copies of the proposed rules are available for review on the internet by going to <https://rules.sd.gov/> and copies of the proposed rules may be requested from the office of the Secretary of the Department of Game, Fish, and Parks, Foss Building, 523 East Capitol, Pierre, South Dakota 57501 by calling 605-773-3718..

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