Wildlife, Parks, and Tourism Commission

Notice of Public Hearing by Conference Call

A public hearing will be conducted by the Wildlife, Parks, and Tourism Commission at 10:00 a.m., Thursday, August 29, 2013, by conference call, to consider the approval and adoption of proposed regulations of the Kansas Department of Wildlife, Parks, and Tourism. Members of the public may participate at either the Office of the Secretary, 1020 S. Kansas Ave, Suite 200, Topeka, or at the Operations Office, 512 SE 25th Ave, Pratt. Additional locations may be available, and interested parties may contact the Commission Secretary for additional information.

Any individual with a disability may request accommodation in order to participate in the public meeting and may request the meeting materials in an accessible format. Requests for accommodation to participate in the meeting should be made at least five working days in advance of the meeting by contacting Sheila Kemmis, Commission Secretary, at (620) 672-5911. Persons with a hearing impairment may call the Kansas Commission for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing at 1-800-432-0698 to request special accommodations.

This 30-day notice period prior to the hearing constitutes a public comment period for the purpose of receiving written public comments on proposed administrative regulations.

All interested parties may submit written comments prior to the hearing to the Chairman of the Commission, Kansas Department of Wildlife, Parks, and Tourism, 1020 S. Kansas Ave, Suite 200, Topeka, KS 66612 or to sheila.kemmis@ksoutdoors.com if electronically. All interested parties will be given a reasonable opportunity at the hearing to express their views orally in regard to the adoption of the proposed regulations. During the hearing, all written and oral comments submitted by interested parties will be considered by the commission as a basis for approving, amending and approving, or rejecting the proposed regulations.

The regulations that will be heard during the regulatory hearing portion of the meeting are as follows:

K.A.R. 115-25-19. This exempt regulation sets the dove hunting management unit, hunting season, shooting hours, and bag and possession limits. The proposed version increases the possession limit pursuant to changes in federal frameworks.

Economic Impact Summary: The proposed amendment is not anticipated to have any appreciable negative economic impact on the department, other agencies, small businesses or the public.

K.A.R. 115-25-20. This exempt regulation sets the sandhill crane hunting management unit, hunting season, shooting hours, and bag and possession limits. The proposed version increases the possession limit pursuant to changes in federal frameworks.

Economic Impact Summary: The proposed amendment is not anticipated to have any appreciable negative economic impact on the department, other agencies, small businesses or the

public.

K.A.R. 115-25-21. This exempt regulation sets the snipe, rail, and woodcock hunting management unit, hunting season, shooting hours, and bag and possession limits. The proposed version increases the possession limits for snipe and woodcock pursuant to changes in federal frameworks.

Economic Impact Summary: The proposed amendment is not anticipated to have any appreciable negative economic impact on the department, other agencies, small businesses or the public.

Copies of the complete text of the regulations and their respective economic impact statements may be obtained by writing the chairman of the Commission at the address above, electronically on the department's website at www.kdwpt.state.ks.us, or by calling (785) 296-2281.

Gerald Lauber, Chairman