

**AGENDA**  
**Game, Fish, and Parks Commission**  
May 2-3, 2013  
Custer State Park Creekside Lodge  
US Hwy 16A, Custer, SD 57730

**8:00 AM MDT Tour Sheps Canyon Outdoor Recreation Complex**

**Call to order 1 PM MDT**

**Division of Administration**

Action items:

1. Approve minutes of the April 2013 meeting  
<http://gfp.sd.gov/agency/commission/archive/2013/april/draftMinutes.pdf>
2. Additional Commissioner Salary Days
3. License List Requests
4. Wildlife and Snowmobile Fiscal Year 2014 Budget

Information item:

5. License Sales Report

**Open Forum**

**Public Hearing at 2 PM**

**Finalizations**

6. Off-season camping rates

**Hunting Season Proposals**

7. Custer State Park Deer Hunting Seasons
8. East River Deer Hunting Season
9. West River Deer Hunting Season
10. Black Hills Deer Hunting Season
11. Refuge Deer Hunting Season
12. Archery Deer Hunting Season
13. Muzzleloader Deer Hunting Season
14. Youth Deer Hunting Season
15. Archery Antelope Hunting Season
16. Fall Turkey Hunting Season
17. Furbearers and Trapping Seasons
18. August Management Take
19. Archery Accompaniment

### **Division of Parks and Recreation**

Action item:

20. Proposal - Golf cart use on park roads

Information items:

21. Custer State Park Resort Master Plan
  - 21a. Custer State Park Visitor's Center
22. Cedar Shore Resort Sale
23. Good Earth State Park land acquisition
24. Mountain Pine Beetle Update
25. Park Revenue and Visitation Reports

### **Division of Wildlife**

Action item:

26. Sturgis remnant highway lot property disposal

Information items:

27. Status of deer populations
28. Elk research and status of Custer State Park elk herd
29. Game Production Area property taxes
30. Rapid Creek stream habitat improvement project
31. Spring spawning update
32. Fish hatchery operation update
33. National Archery in the Schools Program (NASP)

### **Adjourn**

Next meeting information:

June 6-7 at the Capitol Lake Visitor's Center in Pierre, SD

Minutes of the Game, Fish, and Parks Commission  
April 4-5, 2013

Chair Susie Knippling called the meeting to order at 1:04 PM at the Holiday Inn Express Conference room in Winner, South Dakota. Commissioners Susie Knippling, Jim Spies, Barry Jensen, Cathy Peterson, and Gary Jensen were present. Commissioner Duane Sather was present by conference phone. Commissioner John Cooper was absent. Secretary Jeff Vonk was present with approximately thirty-five public, staff, and media.

Division of Administration

Chair Knippling called for any additions or corrections to the March 7-8, 2013, minutes or a motion for approval.

Motion by Gary Jensen with second by Spies TO APPROVE THE MARCH MINUTES AS PRESENTED IN THE COMMISSION BOOK. Motion carried unanimously.

Knippling called for additional salary days and Spies requested one for the Region 4 meeting.

Motion by Barry Jensen with second by Peterson TO APPROVE THE ADDITIONAL SALARY DAY FOR COMMISSIONER SPIES. Motion carried unanimously.

Director of Administration Chris Petersen presented a license list request from Johnson Fur Company, Inc. asking for a list of east river trappers. Johnson Fur Company wants to provide their buying locations to this group of trappers. This would be a full fee request.

Motion by Spies with second by Gary Jensen TO APPROVE THE LICENSE LIST REQUEST FROM JOHNSON FUR COMPANY, INC. AS REQUESTED. Motion carried unanimously.

Petersen presented the License Sales Totals report for April 2, 2013, indicating sales slowed since last month, probably due to cold weather and the deteriorating conditions of the ice thus hampering open water fishing. May and early June will complete 75% of the fishing license sales for this year.

Open Forum

Russ Roberts of St. Onge, SD, shared his concern for the date change of West River Deer Season made in 2009. This created a problem as the last 13 years the opener was the second Saturday in November. People did not realize or understand that the change made and how this would create problems for hunters who plan two years ahead for preference points and vacation or travel plans. Roberts believes it is not biologically good to hunt deer during the rut as many more bucks, especially the older bucks, are harvested and this affects the breeding cycle.

Roberts indicated he wanted a change in the landowner and special buck tag application to include the section, township, and range of land the hunter has permission to hunt. This would require the hunter to visit with the landowner to acquire the description and permission prior to the completing the application.

Russ Williams shared his concerns for the special buck application process and wants the draw to be in January or December for the next season to assist with travel plans. He had 22 hunters in 2012 from across the country and world and if they are unsuccessful in the special buck draw, they have to wait until the regular draw, making it hard to plan that late in the year. He would like to see licenses issued to a landowner for a specific section of land that can be used for sale of hunts. Often times these hunters also hunt pheasants and turkey when in South Dakota.

#### Public Hearing

The Public Hearing began at 2:02 PM and concluded at 2:19 PM. Minutes of the Public Hearing follow the minutes of the regular meeting.

#### Finalizations

##### Camping Permits and Rules 41:03:04:03

Parks Operations Assistant Director Bob Schneider presented the proposed changes to camping permit fees indicating there were no recommended changes to the proposal. The proposal will add Sheps Canyon Recreation Area lodge to the list of group lodging fees with a rate of \$240 per night for the first eight persons age 12 and older, plus \$17 for each additional person age 12 and older, consistent with other similar sized lodges. The Sheps Canyon lodge will be ready for Memorial Day weekend and no public comment was received regarding this proposed change.

Add Sheps Canyon to the list of areas that require a group lodging fee and establish the fee.

Motion by Peterson with second by Gary Jensen TO FINALIZE CHANGES TO CAMPING PERMIT AND RULES 41:03:04:03 AS PROPOSED. Motion carried unanimously.

##### Custer State Park Non-Trophy Bison Harvest 41:06:60

##### License Forms and Fees 41:06:02

##### Custer State Park Restrictions 41:06:07

Schneider presented the proposed changes to Custer State Park Non-Trophy Bison Hunting Season. The changes will adjust the fees, specify the number of licenses available, allocate licenses in a first draw for SD residents only, establish and provide for the preference point system similar to other big game hunting seasons, and provide rules for licenses to be administered within the big game license sales system. Schneider presented a recommended change to add a unit where an applicant can purchase a preference point similar to other big game seasons.

Add a unit where no non-trophy bull bison or cow bison may be issued, but an applicant shall accrue a preference point as provided in 41:-6:01:09.

**Motion by Gary Jensen with second by Spies TO AMEND THE PROPOSAL AS RECOMMENDED. Motion carried unanimously.**

1. Add a unit where no non-trophy bull bison or cow bison may be issued, but an applicant shall accrue a preference point as provided in 41:-6:01:09. (41:06:60:02)
2. Issue 15 non-trophy bull bison and 10 cow bison licenses. (41:06:60:02).
3. Allocate 7 non-trophy bull bison licenses and 5 cow bison licenses to residents in a first draw. Leftover licenses after the first draw would be available in a second draw for all applicants.(41:06:60:02)
4. Modify preference so applicants accrue an additional point for each successive year they are unsuccessful in the draw. (41:06:60).
5. Increase license fee from \$1,500 to \$2,250 for a non-trophy bison bull and from \$1,000 to \$1,750 for a cow bison (41:06:02).
6. Add reference to non-trophy bison harvest as seasons in CSP available to nonresidents. (41:06:07).

**Motion by Gary Jensen with second by Peterson TO FINALIZE CHANGES AS AMENDED TO CUSTER STATE PARK NON-TROPHY BISON HARVEST 41:06:60; LICENSE FORMS AND FEES 41:-6:02; AND CUSTER STATE PARK RESTRICTIONS 41:06:07. Motion carried unanimously.**

**Custer State Park Trophy Bison Bull Harvest 41:06:42**

Bob Schneider presented the proposed changes with a recommended change to provide for a preference point unit similar to other big game seasons.

Add a unit where no trophy bison bull license may be issued, but an applicant shall accrue a preference point as provided in 41:06:01:09. (41:06:42:02)

**Motion by Barry Jensen with second by Gary Jensen TO AMEND CSP TROPHY BISON BULL HARVEST AS RECOMMENDED. Motion carried unanimously.**

1. Add a unit where no trophy bison bull license may be issued, but an applicant shall accrue preference point as provided in 41:06:01:09. (41:06:42:02)
2. Issue 8 trophy bull bison licenses. (41:06:42:02).
3. Modify preference so applicants accrue an additional point for each successive year they are unsuccessful in the draw. Change reference from "permit" and "permit holder" to "license" and "licensee."
4. Allocate 2 trophy bison licenses to residents in a first draw. Leftover licenses would be available in a second draw for all applicants.

**Motion by Peterson with second by Spies TO FINALIZE CUSTER STAE PARK TROPHY BISON BULL HARVEST 41:06:42 AS AMENDED. Motion carried unanimously.**

**Custer State Park Any Elk Hunting Season 41:06:27**

The Elk Population Survey and Movement Project PowerPoint presentation was given by John Kanta and Andy Lindbloom prior to the finalization of the elk hunting seasons.

Terrestrial Resource Chief Tom Kirschenmann indicated there were no recommended changes to the season and discussion included migration between the Black Hills and Wyoming, the gates between Wind Cave and Custer State Park, the 26-collared elk from Wind Cave, and the Wind Cave elk remaining in Custer State Park.

Motion by Gary Jensen with second by Spies TO FINALIZE THE CSP ANY ELK HUNTING SEASON 41:06:27 WITH NO CHANGES TO RULE. Motion carried unanimously.

Custer State Park Early Archery Elk Hunting Season 41:06:28

Kirschenmann indicated there were no recommended changes to proposal and to rule should remain in current form.

Motion by Peterson with second by Spies TO FINALIZE CSP EARLY ARCHERY ELK HUNTING SEASON 41:06:28 WITH NO CHANGES TO RULE. Motion carried unanimously.

Archery Elk Hunting Season 41:06:43

Chief Kirschenmann presented the proposed changes to rule recommending an adjustment to the number of licenses in Unit 1 and Unit 2 increasing the number to the of licenses available in 2012.

Amend proposed licenses by increasing the number of "any elk" licenses in Unit 1 from 15 to 20 and increase the number of "any elk" licenses in Unit 2 from 40 to 50.

Motion by Barry Jensen with second by Peterson TO AMEND ARCHERY ELK HUNTING SEASON AS RECOMMENDED. Motion carried unanimously.

Adjust the number of licenses available from 82 "any elk" and 15 "antlerless elk" licenses (total of 97 licenses) to 92 "any elk" and 15 "antlerless elk" licenses (total of 107 licenses for 2013).

Motion by Barry Jensen with second by Spies TO FINALIZE ARCHERY ELK HUNTING SEASON 41:06:43 AS AMENDED. Motion carried unanimously.

Black Hills Elk Hunting Season 41:06:26

Kirschenmann presented the proposed changes indicating the recommended change is to adjust the number of licenses in Unit 1 and Unit 2 to the number of licenses available in 2012. This recommendation comes from the information obtained in the aerial survey. It will also continue to allow an increase in the elk population. Discussion included depredation complaints of private landowners in Unit 2.

Increase the number of "any elk" licenses and "antlerless elk" licenses in Unit 1 from 60 and 30 to 75 and 40, respectively; and increase the number of "any elk" licenses in Unit 2 from 200 to 250.

Motion by Gary Jensen with second by Barry Jensen TO AMEND BLACK HILLS ELK HUNTING SEASON AS RECOMMENDED. Motion carried unanimously.

Adjust the number of licenses available from 395 "any elk" and 175 "antlerless elk" licenses (total of 570 licenses) to 445 "any elk" and 175 "antlerless elk" licenses (total of 620 licenses).

Motion by Peterson with second by Barry Jensen TO FINALIZE CHANGES TO BLACK HILLS ELK HUNTING SEASON 41:06:26 AS AMENDED. Motion carried unanimously.

#### Prairie Elk Hunting Season 41:06:59

Chad Switzer presented the proposed changes to the Prairie Elk Hunting Season indicating there were no recommended changes to the proposal. Switzer indicated the prairie season is managed differently as these units are almost entirely on private land. The proposed changes have been shared with the Nebraska Game and Fish.

1. Adjust the number of licenses available from 47 "any elk" and 53 "antlerless elk" licenses (total of 100 licenses) to 45 "any elk" and 51 "antlerless elk" licenses (total of 96 licenses).
2. Modify Unit 30 (Gregory County) by removing that portion of Boyd County, Nebraska (see attached map).
3. Adjust the season dates for Unit 30 (Gregory County) from September 29 – October 28 and December 1-31 to September 1 – December 31.
4. Adjust the season dates for Unit 11B (Bennett County and portions of Mellette County) from September 1 to the second Sunday of October to September 1 to the Friday before the third Saturday in October.
5. Add Unit 11D (Bennett County and portions of Mellette County) with season dates of September 1 – December 31.

Motion by Barry Jensen with second by Gary Jensen TO FINALIZE CHANGES TO PRAIRIE ELK HUNTING SEASON 41:06:59 AS PROPOSED. Motion carried unanimously.

#### Hunting Season Proposals

##### Nonresident Waterfowl Hunting Season

Chief Tom Kirschenmann presented the current rules indicating the number of licenses available to nonresidents is determined in state statute and the Department has no recommended changes for the 2013 season.

##### Special Canada Goose Waterfowl Hunting Season

Kirschenmann presented the rules and restrictions with no recommended changes.

##### Tundra Swan Hunting Season

Chad Switzer presented the dates, requirements, restrictions, and harvest information with no recommended changes to the rule.

#### Division of Parks and Recreation

##### Camping Permits and Rules

Assistant Director Bob Schneider presented a recommended change to camping permits to remove the \$2.00 reduction in camping fee during the winter months when comfort stations are closed. Although campground use is minimal during the winter, the Division incurs costs to maintain access to campgrounds. Eliminating the \$2.00 discount will help recoup some of this added wintertime cost. The new reservation system contract allows campers to reserve sites year round, 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Schneider indicated managers keep the comfort stations open as long as possible.

Eliminate the \$2 differential in camping fees during cold weather periods when restroom and shower facilities are closed.

Motion by Peterson with second by Spies TO PROPOSE THE RECOMMENDED CHANGE TO CAMPING PERMITS AND RULES AS PRESENTED. Motion carried unanimously.

##### Pennington County Land Transfer

Parks Director Doug Hofer indicated the Department of Transportation approached the Department with a desire to transfer approximately one-third of an acre of land adjacent to the Mickelson Trail located about three miles south of Hill City to Game, Fish, and Parks. Hofer supports the transfer and presented Resolution 13-04 for Commission consideration.

Motion by Gary Jensen with second by Spies TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 13-04 AS PRESENTED (Appendix A). Motion carried unanimously.

##### Dock 44 Concession Amendment

Parks Concessionaire Manager Sean Blanchette presented background on the Dock 44 and Marina concession operation at Snake Creek Recreation Area indicating the operators wish to add video lottery to their existing services. Blanchette indicated other concessionaires have had video lottery in the past and this does generate income for the resort. The location of the lottery room is approved by the Department and placed away from family friendly areas. The resort owner incurs the construction costs of the gaming room while income generated is subject to the franchise fee. Blanchette presented the First Amendment to Concession Agreement and recommended approval.

Motion by Spies with second by Gary Jensen TO APPROVE THE FIRST AMENDMENT TO CONCESSION AGREEMENT DOC 44 AND MARINA AS PRESENTED (Appendix B). Motion carried unanimously.

##### Sheps Canyon Horse Trails

Director Hofer provided background and letters with the Black Hills National Forest regarding the Special Use Permit application indicating the approval process could take eight to twelve months for a final decision, and if new trails are constructed the USFS is recommending allowances for more than one type of non-motorized use. The Bureau of Reclamation also required a Special Use Permit and approved the application earlier this month.

Hofer indicated plans for the trail system at Angostura are on hold and the Department is waiting for a decision regarding the environmental analysis requirement before developing five miles of trail on the Bureau of Reclamation land leased by the Department.

#### Building Committees

Director Hofer stated the 2013 Legislature approved funding for three Game, Fish, and Parks building projects and that a committee is required to select the consultant engineering firms that will design these projects. The committee by statute must consist of the State Engineer, Department Secretary or designee, and a member of the governing Commission to work with the contractor for design. The three projects are Cedar Shores marina bank stabilization, the Custer State Park Visitor's Center, and the Good Earth Visitor's Center and Phase 1 development. A Commission member will need to serve on each of these project committees and could meet within the next 60-90 days. Chairman Knippling will appoint a member for each committee.

Director Hofer indicated the Commissioners will be invited to a special event tentatively scheduled on July 19 for the on-site Dedication of the Good Earth State Park at Blood Run.

#### Division of Wildlife

##### Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation Raffle

Tom Slowey representing the Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation provided background of their relationship with Game, Fish, and Parks including the funds provided for "on the ground" projects of more than \$60,000 in 2012. The sale of the raffle tag this year is up 16% from last year with hopes of more than \$20,000 raised for 2013. There are eighteen chapters in South Dakota holding banquets and selling the raffle tickets and two of the banquets happen the first week of May. Slowey requested the draw be on May 4 at the Rapid City banquet and that Commissioner Gary Jensen be present for the draw. Gary Jensen indicated he could be present and this was okay with the Commission.

Wildlife Director Tony Leif asked Jerry Hershoff to join Tom Slowey and Director Leif presented them with an award recognizing the Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation for their partnership with GFP. Leif appreciates the assistance of the RMEF in elk management and in particular the continued funding for elk research and the assistance of moving elk out of Wind Cave. Director Leif thanked RMEF and their 150,000 members and volunteers who assist with elk habitat and management in South Dakota.

Chair Knippling called a recess at 4:44 PM with meeting to resume at 8:30 AM the next morning. The meeting resumed at 8:30 AM with Commissioners Knippling, Peterson, Gary Jensen, Barry Jensen, and Jim Spies present. Sather was not attending by conference phone. Secretary Vonk was present along with media, staff, and public numbering about twenty-five.

#### Animal Damage Control program

Director Leif indicated HB1123 provided additional funding to assist with the Animal Damage Control (ADC) program. The first step is to expand allocations of ADC time to current Wildlife Damage Specialists for on-the-ground services.

Keith Fisk presented a PowerPoint Presentation indicating the 2013 Legislature approved an addition \$1 surcharge on all license types beginning immediately to assist with animal damage. Fisk provided background and history of damage caused by coyote, beaver, and prairie dogs and spending for 2012 was \$934,000 with 2013 estimated costs of more than \$1.25 million. The addition funds will add three staff positions in the field and should provide funding until 2019. Immediate assistance begins with stepping up the aerial program by 260 hours and assisting predator districts. The additional funds will provide 3.3 full time equivalents to be reflected in the Fiscal Year 2014 budget. The Commission will review and approve the FY14 budget at the May or June meeting.

#### Bighorn Sheep Auction Tag

Chief Tom Kirschenmann indicated the bighorn sheep auction tag sold for \$102,000 and the Midwest Chapter of the Bighorn Sheep Foundation has fourteen days to submit the name to the Department. The funds will go into an established account within the Division of Wildlife for tracking the funds. A working group is being formed to determine priorities on how best these enhancement dollars should be spent, and the direction of bighorn sheep management. The Forest Service, other state wildlife agencies, and Canada are included with the management of bighorn sheep.

#### Big Game Season Structure

Kirschenmann presented the 2013-2014 Season table that was published in the Hunting Handbook along with a table showing the season start dates as in current rule from 2013 through 2022. The table shows that in 2013 and 2019 the Antelope and Archery Deer seasons have the same start date. The West River deer start date begins on the second Saturday seven of the years and three of the years the West River deer start date is the third Saturday of November. This is the first year since the rule changed four years ago to "sixteen days before Thanksgiving" that the start date is the third Saturday in November. Kirschenmann indicated this information will be available to the public and on the GFP Website.

#### Sturgis Remnant Highway Lot Property Disposal

Paul Coughlin indicated a small tract of land adjacent to Sturgis, the Marcotte GPA, and Interstate 90 remains on the tax rolls for the Division of Wildlife. This

1.01 acre was appraised at \$40,000 for light industrial use and is not suitable for wildlife habitat or recreation. The Department would like to dispose of this property and will bring this forward as an action item in May.

#### Aquatic Nuisance Species Awareness Campaign

Mike Smith gave a PowerPoint Presentation about a prevention and awareness campaign Aquatic Nuisance Species (ANS). Fishermen and boaters have been surveyed at 24 lakes the last two years about indicating about 90% of public has some awareness of ANS. A unified message and logo has been developed to assist in awareness and education with the use of billboards, radio messages, publications, and there will be messages in boats bought or repaired at boat dealers. Visitors to the GFP Website in May, June, and July will be directed to a page that teaches them about Aquatic Nuisance Species (ANS). Portable boat washing stations will be available at different lake access areas through the summer.

#### Bowhunter Education

Chief Scott Simpson provided a history of bowhunter education which became standardized in 1992. The SD Bowhunters, Inc. has been responsible for the program for the past 20 years and more than 26,000 people have completed the course. The National Bowhunters Education Foundation is developing a completely online course and SD Bowhunters agree this course should be available. Traditional bowhunter education classes will continue to be offered along with the online class alternative. Discussion with SD Bowhunters, Inc. will continue to determine class schedules and offer classes closer to the hunting season.

#### Planned Educational Activities

Simpson provided a list of the 2013 Step-Outside programs planned by the Wildlife Division staff across South Dakota not including the programs offered at the Outdoor Campuses. These free classes are youth and family oriented and open to the public.

#### 2012 Pheasant and Grouse Harvest Estimates

Travis Runia presented a PowerPoint showing the 2012 pheasants harvested were 1.43 million, down from 1.56 million in 2011. The number of hunters remained steady in 2012 and the population estimate was slightly lower in 2012 than 2011. The pheasant population has been declining since 2007 along with CRP acres and drought conditions have affected the population in certain areas. Pheasants have been transplanted to the Hill Game Production Area in hopes to augment the population.

The prairie grouse harvest was about 50,000 similar to the past few years, with continued drought, it will affect the population and harvest.

#### Elk Population Survey and Movement Project

John Kanta presented a PowerPoint about the Wind Cave Elk Movement project indicating 389 elk were moved out of Wind Cave into Custer State Park.

These elk were mostly cows and calves and 26 had radio collars, which will continue to be monitored to see if they remain in Custer State Park or move elsewhere.

Andy Lindbloom provided a PowerPoint with details, maps, and photos of the aerial survey and explained how the models were developed. This major undertaking included twenty staff and 170 hours. It took over a month to develop hundreds of subunits that could be flown in an hour at 100 feet above ground by helicopters. The elk were counted and groups of fifty or more were photographed and then counted and typed after the flight. Helicopters stayed in touch with each other while flying many areas each day to minimize counting some herds twice and missing other herds. This process indicates an estimated 5,100 elk in the Black Hills with an additional 500 in Wind Cave and 500 in Custer State Park. The recommendation for the 2013 Elk Hunting Season would be to keep the current license allocations with no changes from 2012 season. All hunters are to submit incisor teeth from their harvested elk to determine the age of the elk. An elk management plan will be drafted this year.

#### Lower Oahe Goose Hunting Access Area Report

Cliff Stone gave a PowerPoint Presentation that included background, location, license information, and administration of the hunting program just north of Pierre. This area consists of 43 registration fields each containing hunting pits, shooting pits, or pass-shooting canals located on 36,000 acres of private land. The GFP Website posts aerial waterfowl counts online and is accessible by smart phones as well. Decoys, range finders, and other equipment are available for check out to assist hunters. In 2012, 3500 geese were harvested and hunter satisfaction continues to increase each year.

#### Mountain Lion Season Summary

Lindbloom stated the Mountain Lion Season closed on March 31 with 61 lions harvested, 35 were females, and 26 were males. Seven were harvested in Custer State Park and six were harvested with the use of dogs. The season started with 46 collared lions in the Black Hills, ten were harvested. The 2013 license sales were 4,351 and the prairie season is open year round. Custer State Park and the immediate area around it saw a harvest of thirteen lions last year, this year twelve lions were harvested. One sub-adult male was harvested that had an ear tag from Wyoming. The Wyoming season had four units with seventy lions harvested.

#### Spring Canada Goose Take Permit Update

Keith Fisk shared that on April 1 selected hunters could begin harvesting resident Canada geese in counties in Northeast South Dakota. The harvested geese have to be turned into processors for the Sportsmen Against Hunger Program and 21 geese were turned in the first day. Discussion included how hunters would be able to recognize resident geese and what happens if nonresident geese were harvested.

Secretary Vonk indicated there is a meeting with the Wildlife Management Institution team in Pierre on April 16.

Motion by Gary Jensen with second by Peterson TO ADJOURN THE MEETING. The motion carried unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 9:56 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeffrey R. Vonk, Department Secretary

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Appendix A

RESOLUTION 13 - 04

Whereas, the South Dakota Department of Transportation (DOT), has contacted the South Dakota Department of Game, Fish, and Parks (GFP) and has expressed a desire to transfer at no cost to GFP the title to following described real property located in Pennington County, South Dakota, to wit:

Tract 9 of Stubb's Placer M.S. #622 in the SE $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 11, Township 2 South, Range 4 East of the B.H.M., Pennington County, South Dakota, less Lot H1; and

Whereas, the above described real property is approximately 0.30 acres in size and located adjacent to the Mickelson Trail on the north side of US Highway 16 approximately three miles south of Hill City, South Dakota, and is very suitable for use in conjunction with the operation of the Mickelson Trail; and

Whereas, pursuant to the authority granted it by SDCL 41-2-19, GFP desires to accept the transfer of title to said real property for purposes of public recreational use in conjunction with the operation of the Mickelson Trail; and

Whereas, the Commission having reviewed this matter and having determined that it is in the best interests of both GFP and the public to approve said transfer and to authorize and direct GFP to accept the transfer of said property from DOT for purposes of public recreational use in conjunction with the Mickelson Trail.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Game, Fish, and Parks Commission does hereby approve the transfer to GFP of title to the above described real estate, and further, does hereby authorize and direct GFP to accept said transfer from DOT.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Commission approves GFP's designation of the use of said real property for public recreational purposes in conjunction with the operation of the Mickelson Trail and does hereby expressly designate and classify the use of above described real property for public recreational purposes.

Appendix B  
**FIRST AMENDMENT TO CONCESSION AGREEMENT  
DOCK 44 AND MARINA**

This FIRST AMENDMENT TO CONCESSION AGREEMENT between the South Dakota Department of Game, Fish, and Parks ("Department") 523 East Capitol, Pierre, South Dakota, 57501 and Linda Dahl, ("Concessionaire") 640 St. Joe, Spearfish, South Dakota, 57783.

WHEREAS, the Department entered into a concession agreement on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2008, to facilitate the private operation of Dock 44 located at Snake Creek Recreation Area, hereinafter referred to as the "Resort"; and

WHEREAS, The Concessionaire desires to provide video lottery to the existing services offered at Dock 44; and

WHEREAS, The Concession Agreement does not authorize video lottery at Dock 44; and

WHEREAS, the Department and Concessionaire desire to authorize video lottery and set forth all terms and conditions thereof.

IT IS THEREFORE AGREED that the Concession Agreement dated February 15, 2008, between Department and the Concessionaire is amended as follows:

1. To authorize video lottery within the Resort, Section 3(b) "Additional Authorized Accommodations, Facilities and Services", subsection 10 shall be added as follows:
  10. Video Lottery in Department approved locations only
2. To define and make final video lottery proceeds subject to all fee and reserve requirements of the Concession Agreement, Section 2(j) is amended as follows:
  - (j) "Gross Receipts" means all revenue received, to be received, or realized by Concessionaire from all sales for cash or credit, of services, accommodations, materials and other merchandise made pursuant to the rights granted under this Agreement, Gross Receipts of SubConcessionaires, commissions earned on leases or agreements with other persons or companies operating in the Resort, and revenue earned from sales through electronic media, mail order or otherwise. Concessionaire shall report all of its revenues to the Department without allowances, exclusions, or deductions of any kind. For purposes of calculating franchise fees and other fees and reserve amounts identified in this agreement, gasoline sales, hunting and fishing license sales (not

including agent fees), and park entrance license sales will be excluded from Gross Receipts. Gross Receipts from video lottery subject to fee and reserve amounts shall be limited to proceeds after payouts and minus Concessionaire's remittance to the South Dakota Lottery Commission.

3. Video Lottery machines must be enclosed and separated from other concession services and managed so as to not conflict or distract with the experience of other patrons to the concession or Snake Creek Recreation Area. Any building modifications required for Video Lottery shall be at the expense of the Concessionaire and are subject to Department approval. Any restoration requirements of the Concessionaire shall be determined prior to construction.
4. Except as modified by this First Amendment to Concession Lease Agreement, all other terms and conditions of the Concession Lease Agreement dated February 15, 2008, shall continue to remain in full force and effect.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this First Amendment to Concession Agreement on this \_\_\_\_\_ Day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2013

SOUTH DAKOTA DEPARTMENT OF GAME, FISH AND PARKS

BY: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_  
Douglas Hofer, Director, Division of Parks and Recreation

CONCESSIONAIRE

BY: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_  
Linda Dahl

Public Hearing Minutes of the Game, Fish, and Parks Commission  
April 4, 2013

Public Hearing Officer Chuck Schlueter began the hearing at 2:02 PM in the Conference Center at the Holiday Inn Express in Winner, South Dakota. Schlueter stated the items listed under Finalizations on the Commission Agenda were open for public comment and he would read written comments with oral testimony following. Those attending the hearing are to approach the microphone, state their name, provide their name and city on the sign-in sheet, and keep comments to three minutes.

Sheps Canyon Lodge Fee

No oral or written comments were received.

Custer State Park Non-Trophy and Trophy Bison Hunting Seasons

George Clements of Afton, MN, emailed: "I have read the proposed changes for both trophy and non-trophy bison hunt in South Dakota. The proposed changes are fine with me. Of course, I wish the prices did not increase but I understand the market pricing. Earlier I had expressed an opinion with others that accumulating preference points would certainly make hunt planning much easier. Being limited in vacation it is important to have a good idea if a hunt is going to occur. If someone sets aside a week for this hunt, and the hunt does not occur, then there could readily be times when one scrambles to use this vacation by the end of the year. If the hunt does happen, and I wish to hunt again in the future, I could apply for preference points and make plans with certainty on a future date. I would also like to ask that the drawing occur earlier in the year, again for the sake of proper planning."

Mike Schrage of Duluth, MN, emailed: "I was hoping when I first saw this email notice that the proposal would include increased opportunities for non-trophy hunts at CSP. I was disappointed to see fewer permits proposed for non-residents and dramatic jump in prices. The proposal to change the preference system to allow more points for repeat applicants is good. It creates more predictability for when an applicant might be drawn. I would hope the Game, Fish, and Parks Commission could see fit to minimize the price increases proposed for non-trophy hunting and consider ways to expand the total number of permits available. Raising the price for a cow permit from \$1000 to \$1750 makes it much less likely I can afford to make a trip like this. Certainly it would impact how much time I could spend in the area."

Boyd Schulz of Brookings, SD, emailed: "I would like to express my thoughts regarding the Custer State Parks Buffalo Hunt. I have been fortunate enough to draw a non trophy buffalo license in the past...I believe you should consider that this hunt, although somewhat nontraditional, is important to the residents of SD and residents should get preference in the license allocation process. Nonresident licenses should be allocated as a very small percentage of the total, if at all. There are plenty of places nonresident can shoot a buffalo if they want to shoot a buffalo but the majority, or all, of the opportunity to hunt Custer State Park Buffalo should be left to the residents of SD."

Cory Christiansen of Osseo, MN, emailed: "Regarding # 5 proposed amendment, I support the application accrual. I have been applying for the past two years and will continue to apply but it would be nice to know that eventually I will get the opportunity to hunt without relying on luck."

Dan Silvers of Toledo, OH, emailed: "I can understand giving residents a better chance at gaining tags, but seeing as how the bison hunts are the only hunts available to individuals outside of SD, I don't think resident preference should be given. When I hunted out there in 2010, I brought my wife and made it a 5-day vacation, which boosts your local economy. Having someone from SD drive over, shoot a bison, and leave the same day does little to nothing to gain tourism dollars for you in Custer."

James Fuller of Dryden, MI, emailed: "I can understand giving residents a better chance at gaining tags, but seeing as how the bison hunts are the only hunts available to individuals outside of SD, I don't think resident preference should be given. When I hunted out there in 2010, I brought my wife and made it a 5-day vacation, which boosts your local economy. Having someone from SD drive over, shoot a bison, and leave the same day does little to nothing to gain tourism dollars for you in Custer."

I am a non-resident and I would also like to see a couple of the other Custer State Park Hunts opened up for all Americans to enjoy. Even if it is only for a small percentage of tags like 1 or 2 percent. It surprises me that your state would allow Bison to be hunted by an out of stater but not your elk and deer. I am from Michigan and our state does not charge an absorbent price for non-resident licenses. The only hunt in our state that is not open to non-residents is our Elk hunt because of the size of the herd and we only give out about 120 tags. If this is the case then I completely understand. Thank you for hearing my opinions and I hope I am lucky enough to draw the non-trophy bull tag in the near future."

Lane Wilson of Ozark, AR, emailed: "I would like to enter my comments opposing the changes to the Trophy and Non-trophy Bison hunts except that I do support the accumulation of preference points. I have taken both of my sons to participate in the Non-trophy Bull hunts. We really enjoyed the experience with Chad Kremer and the other Park staff. If the price goes up further it will limit the number of young people that can participate in the experience. I am afraid that it will make the recruitment of new hunters into the sport more difficult. Hunting seems to be trending towards a rich man's sport too much as it is. As to reserving a number of the hunts for residents, I don't think that a relatively small percentage as in the Trophy Bull changes are a problem, but I think that the percentage proposed for the Non-trophy hunts is much too high. As non-residents coming into the area we spent a significant amount patronizing hotels and restaurants in both Rapid City and Custer as well as restaurants in Deadwood and Hot Springs. We also used a taxidermist locally in Custer to do the shoulder mounts and a meat processor in Hot Springs to butcher the meat. I hope that you will take these things in consideration and will not severely limit these opportunities for young people and for those of us from outside of your beautiful state."

Dan Goede of Sioux Falls, SD, emailed: "In October of 2012, I was fortunate to harvest a non-trophy bull, with Chad Kremer as my guide. His expertise and

information on Bison and herd management made the hunt extremely enjoyable. As a SD resident, my input would be to suggest having a fee schedule that is tiered to resident/non-resident hunters. Having hunted large game in other states, my experience has always been that the cost for out of state hunters always is significantly higher. Generating more revenue from out of state license fees, could serve CSP bison program well. Also, the number of tags allocated to resident hunters only, seems to me, to be quite minimal. I would suggest at least an equal representation of resident to non-resident hunters.”

No oral testimony was received.

### Elk Hunting Seasons

Martin Luebke of Garreson, SD, emailed: “Thanks for the opportunity to provide some input on SD Elk Season. Even with new count, I'm still concerned about elk numbers. If others are too, why not lower or eliminate the number of "cow only" tags? You did it in CSP and so could it be done for all units including archery? I see RMEF gets 1 CSP any elk tag and thousands of other applicants get to compete for 4. (Have purchased life memberships for RMEF so agree they are good group.) Wonder would it hurt the CSP elk population if archery bull tags were allowed? For that matter, if there could be more rifle bull tags, wouldn't there still be enough bulls to breed? Thanks for continuing to reduce the lion population --in my opinion that can only help. Also moving some elk from Wind Cave to CSP was a no brainer and great move. Thanks for helping return SD the great hunting state it has been.”

Aaron Thompson of Spearfish, SD, wrote, “As a rancher and an individual who cares about his home, I oppose this proposed reduction in tags. It should not need to be stated that the area in questions is in a horrible drought. Every single grazing permittee on the National Forest will cut his numbers this year, either of his own volition or at the directive of the Forest Service, but numbers will be cut. At this time I intended to stock 75% of my allotted number of cattle and will cut more if conditions warrant at the time of turnout. The reduction of elk tags should not be adopted and numbers should be increased in order to bring the elk heard in the Black Hills in line with available forage resources.”

Don Hausle of Rapid City, SD, emailed: “Since the recent GF&P Elk Survey showed about 6,000 head, I certainly hope you will authorize a lot more tags than were proposed. The Forest Service Management Plan calls for 4,500 which includes the Wyoming side of the Black Hills. Since our ranch is in unit H1, I hope the Commission will set the number at a 20% - 25% higher level than proposed to reduce summer forage loss and loss of hay which is very expensive. Heavy elk use on our place (Salmon Ranch) was verified by G,F&P Conservation Officers last fall. I estimate forage loss (conservatively) at \$2,300 ( 20 hd for 60 days). In addition, elk have eaten and damaged a significant amount of hay this winter on a neighboring ranch where our cattle are wintered. My neighbor called, but his call was not returned for over a month. He was finally informed that he should put up a stack yard or panels and purchase the supplies himself, then G,F&P would share the cost at 50%. This is NOT acceptable. Would you be willing to take a loss on your business or ranch/farm operation due to wildlife entering your private land and taking/destroying your feedstocks? Landowners should not be expected to pay for

these losses. We host the public's wildlife as it is, but we shouldn't have to lose money. Most of us like wildlife, but do not want to put our Ag operations at risk because of it. As you all know, we have been in severe drought conditions which may continue so forage and hay costs are at record levels. Since our acreage is not large enough, we cannot get a landowner tag, nor is there a hardship provision, but the loss of hay and forage dwarfs the value of the elk tag."

Doug Boer of Madison, SD, emailed: "Hello folks, in quickly viewing the elk license numbers it looks like project # 1 should be getting back the licensed numbers as in 08 of 1675 vs. 570 currently, or has it been determined that the hills can't support such numbers."

Mike Jarding of Hot Springs, SD, emailed: "Concerns on how SDGF&P are managing the BH elk. Last commission meeting John Kanta said overall success was around 50%, and most western states would be thrilled about 50% success. In a general unit maybe. This is an average 10 year wait to get a tag in SD. I think hunters want a better percent than 50%. Talking to GF&P they told me 70% of the bulls were shot 4 years and younger. Most hunters don't want to wait 10 years to shoot a rag horn bull. Only 8 elk were moved from Wind Cave to unit 3. Unit 3 had a 38% harvest on cows last year, the lowest ever. They are still proposing to have a cow only late season. GF&P also stated they had a 1:1 bull/cow ratio in unit 3. If you hunted or spent any time in the woods you would easily know it is very far from 1:1. GF&P closed two units and two CSP hunting seasons due to over harvest that GF&P issued too many tags, taking dream hunts from South Dakota hunters. The elk management needs to change."

No oral testimony was received.

The Public Hearing concluded at 2:19 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeffrey R. Vonk, Department Secretary

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**REQUEST FOR LISTS OF LICENSE HOLDERS**

**Application for exception to regular fee**

Type of List Requested Resident Trapping license for 2012

Number of licenses in list \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Person, Entity, or Organization requesting list:

South Dakota Trappers Assoc Inc

Address of Person, Entity, or Organization:

814 N. W. 6<sup>th</sup> St.

Madison SD 57042

How would you like your list sent to you: (email or disk)

email

Email Address:

fawbushg@gmail.com

Phone Number

605-256-6329

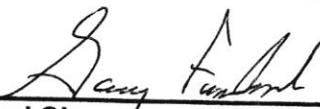
Purpose for which list will be used:

The list will be used to contact potential new members for our trapping association. It may also be used to inform them of upcoming activities.

**This list is Names and Mailing Addresses ONLY**

The sale of lists by the Department of Game, Fish & Parks is authorized by SDCL 1-27-1 and ARSD 41:06:02:04, 05 and 06. The fee for a Game, Fish & Parks Commission approved exception is \$100, otherwise the fee is \$100 per thousand names or a minimum of \$100 whichever is greater.

Unless requested and approved as part of this request, the license list will not include anyone under eighteen years of age. Names are for one-time use only and are to be used only by the person, entity or organization approved per this request.



Authorized Signature of Purchaser

4-24-13

Date

Date of Commission Action

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**REQUEST FOR LISTS OF LICENSE HOLDERS**

Type of List Requested 20112 Non-Resident Small Game

Number of Licenses in list 50,000 (\$100.00)

Name of Person, Entity, or Organization requesting list:  
South Dakota Wildlife Federation

Address of Person, Entity, or Organization:  
SDWF

Box 7075

Pierre, SD 57501-7075

**Purpose for which list will be used:**

SDWF would like to survey the non-resident pheasant hunters and ask them questions to the amount of fee if any they pay for access while hunting in South Dakota. Ask other types of questions regarding public land leased land, preserves, etc. and to seek their answers to approximately five other survey questions.

I would like the list to be on Disk in Access comma delineated.

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Names will be provided on self-adhesive mailing labels unless otherwise specified. Unless requested and approved as part of this request, the license list will not include anyone under eighteen years of age. Names are for one-time use only and are to be used only by the person, entity or organization approved per this request.

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Authorized Signature of Purchaser

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Date

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Date of Commission Action

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**South Dakota Department of Game, Fish & Parks  
FY2014 Budget Summary Report**

**Center 06 Game, Fish & Parks**

	<b>FY2014</b>	<b>FY2014</b>	<b>FY2014</b>
	<u>Agency Request</u>	<u>Legislative Session</u>	<u>Appropriated</u>
Salaries	21,116,861	589,464	21,706,325
Benefits	5,786,402	533,267	6,319,669
<b>FTE</b>	<b>563.10</b>	-	<b>563.10</b>
General	2,306,127	187,513	2,493,640
Federal	4,187,255	201,869	4,389,124
Other	20,355,881	787,349	21,143,230
<b>Total PS</b>	<b>26,849,263</b>	<b>1,176,731</b>	<b>28,025,994</b>
Travel	977,575	-	977,575
Contractual Services	26,388,693	108,570	26,497,263
Supplies & Materials	6,112,477	-	6,112,477
Grants	3,439,004	-	3,439,004
Capital Assets	12,387,594	-	12,387,594
Other	297,809	-	297,809
General	1,968,910	-	1,968,910
Federal	19,786,934	1,159	19,788,093
Other	27,847,308	107,411	27,954,719
<b>Total Operating Expenses</b>	<b>49,603,152</b>	<b>108,570</b>	<b>49,711,722</b>
Personal Services	26,903,263	1,122,731	28,025,994
Operating Expenses	49,603,152	108,570	49,711,722
General	4,275,037	187,513	4,462,550
Federal	23,974,189	203,028	24,177,217
Other	48,203,189	894,760	49,097,949
<b>Total Budget</b>	<b>76,452,415.00</b>	<b>1,285,301</b>	<b>77,737,716</b>

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**South Dakota Department of Game, Fish & Parks  
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**Center 0601 Administration**

	FY2014 <u>Agency Request</u>	FY2014 <u>Legislative Session</u>	FY2014 <u>Appropriated</u>
Salaries	1,351,149	61,372	1,412,521
Benefits	386,650	40,864	427,514
<b>FTE</b>	<b>25.10</b>	-	<b>25.10</b>
General	89,882	13,205	103,087
Federal	-	-	-
Other	1,647,917	89,031	1,736,948
<b>Total PS</b>	<b>1,737,799</b>	<b>102,236</b>	<b>1,840,035</b>
Travel	109,183	-	109,183
Contractual Services	1,862,994	29,680	1,892,674
Supplies & Materials	352,288	-	352,288
Grants	-	-	-
Capital Assets	18,200	-	18,200
Other	-	-	-
General	821,015	-	821,015
Federal	-	-	-
Other	1,521,650	29,680	1,551,330
<b>Total Operating Expenses</b>	<b>2,342,665</b>	<b>29,680</b>	<b>2,372,345</b>
Personal Services	1,737,799	102,236	1,840,035
Operating Expenses	2,342,665	29,680	2,372,345
General	910,897	13,205	924,102
Federal	-	-	-
Other	3,169,567	118,711	3,288,278
<b>Total Budget</b>	<b>4,080,464</b>	<b>131,916</b>	<b>4,212,380</b>

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**Center 0620 Parks & Recreation Operations**

	<u>FY2014 Agency Request</u>	<u>FY2014 Legislative Session</u>	<u>FY2014 Appropriated</u>
Salaries	7,379,054	56,916	7,435,970
Benefits	1,834,971	181,722	2,016,693
<b>FTE</b>	<b>242.20</b>	-	<b>242.20</b>
General	2,270,245	120,308	2,390,553
Federal	801,629	39,092	840,721
Other	6,142,151	79,238	6,221,389
<b>Total PS</b>	<b>9,214,025</b>	<b>238,638</b>	<b>9,452,663</b>

Travel	132,956	-	132,956
Contractual Services	6,545,434	17,048	6,562,482
Supplies & Materials	1,902,704	-	1,902,704
Grants	700,000	-	700,000
Capital Assets	663,942	-	663,942
Other	295,809	-	295,809
General	1,147,895	-	1,147,895
Federal	2,242,746	1,159	2,243,905
Other	6,850,204	15,889	6,866,093
<b>Total Operating Expenses</b>	<b>10,240,845</b>	<b>17,048</b>	<b>10,257,893</b>

Personal Services	9,214,025	238,638	9,452,663
Operating Expenses	10,240,845	17,048	10,257,893
General	3,418,140	120,308	3,538,448
Federal	3,044,375	40,251	3,084,626
Other	12,992,355	95,127	13,087,482
<b>Total Budget</b>	<b>19,454,870</b>	<b>255,686</b>	<b>19,710,556</b>

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**Center 0621 Parks & Recreation - Development/Improvement**

	FY2014 <u>Agency Request</u>	FY2014 <u>Legislative Session</u>	FY2014 <u>Appropriated</u>
Salaries	-	-	-
Benefits	-	-	-
<b>FTE</b>	-	-	-
General	-	-	-
Federal	-	-	-
Other	-	-	-
<b>Total PS</b>	-	-	-

Travel	-	-	-
Contractual Services	-	-	-
Supplies & Materials	-	-	-
Grants	-	-	-
Capital Assets	6,446,000	-	6,446,000
Other	-	-	-
General	-	-	-
Federal	3,224,300	-	3,224,300
Other	3,221,700	-	3,221,700
<b>Total Operating Expenses</b>	<b>6,446,000</b>	-	<b>6,446,000</b>

Personal Services	-	-	-
Operating Expenses	6,446,000	-	6,446,000
General	-	-	-
Federal	3,224,300	-	3,224,300
Other	3,221,700	-	3,221,700
<b>Total Budget</b>	<b>6,446,000</b>	-	<b>6,446,000</b>

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**Center 0622 Snowmobile Trails - Info**

	FY2014 <u>Agency Request</u>	FY2014 <u>Legislative Session</u>	FY2014 <u>Appropriated</u>
Salaries	285,936	10,277	296,213
Benefits	61,327	4,741	66,068
<b>FTE</b>	<b>9.10</b>	-	<b>9.10</b>
General	-	-	-
Federal	-	-	-
Other	347,263	15,018	347,263
<b>Total PS</b>	<b>347,263</b>	<b>15,018</b>	<b>347,263</b>

Travel	22,550	-	22,550
Contractual Services	140,327	460	140,787
Supplies & Materials	181,750	-	181,750
Grants	312,500	-	312,500
Capital Assets	492,000	-	492,000
Other	-	-	-
General	-	-	-
Federal	288,000	-	288,000
Other	861,127	460	861,587
<b>Total Operating Expenses</b>	<b>1,149,127</b>	<b>460</b>	<b>1,149,587</b>

Personal Services	347,263	15,018	362,281
Operating Expenses	1,149,127	460	1,149,587
General	-	-	-
Federal	288,000	-	288,000
Other	1,208,390	15,478	1,208,850
<b>Total Budget</b>	<b>1,496,390</b>	<b>15,478</b>	<b>1,496,850</b>

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<b>Center 0610 Wildlife Operations - Info</b>			
	<b>FY2013 Base Budget</b>	<b>FY2013 Legislative Session</b>	<b>FY2013 Revised</b>
Salaries	12,000,578	-	12,000,578
Benefits	3,503,454	384,871	3,888,325
<b>FTE</b>	<b>286.70</b>	-	<b>286.70</b>
General	-	-	-
Federal	3,359,306	94,971	3,454,277
Other	12,144,726	289,900	12,434,626
<b>Total PS</b>	<b>15,504,032</b>	<b>384,871</b>	<b>15,888,903</b>
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Travel	713,436	-	713,436
Contractual Services	17,054,455	111,042	17,165,497
Supplies & Materials	3,329,285	-	3,329,285
Grants	2,720,138	-	2,720,138
Capital Assets	2,573,112	-	2,573,112
Other	2,000	-	2,000
General	-	-	-
Federal	11,697,602	-	11,697,602
Other	14,694,824	111,042	14,805,866
<b>Total Operating Expenses</b>	<b>26,392,426</b>	<b>111,042</b>	<b>26,503,468</b>
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Personal Services	15,504,032	384,871	15,888,903
Operating Expenses	26,392,426	111,042	26,503,468
General	-	-	-
Federal	15,056,908	94,971	15,151,879
Other	26,839,550	400,942	27,240,492
<b>Total Budget</b>	<b>41,896,458</b>	<b>495,913</b>	<b>42,392,371</b>

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**Center 0610 Wildlife Operations - Info**

	<u>FY2014 Agency Request</u>	<u>FY2014 Legislative Session</u>	<u>FY2014 Commission Adopted</u>
Salaries	12,100,722	639,799	12,740,521
Benefits	3,503,454	347,040	3,850,494
		-	-
<b>FTE</b>	<b>286.70</b>	<b>3.30</b>	<b>290.00</b>
		-	-
General	-	-	-
Federal	3,385,626	162,777	3,548,403
Other	12,218,550	824,062	13,042,612
<b>Total PS</b>	<b>15,604,176</b>	<b>986,839</b>	<b>16,591,015</b>
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Travel	712,886	-	712,886
Contractual Services	17,839,938	161,382	18,001,320
Supplies & Materials	3,675,735	-	3,675,735
Grants	2,426,504	-	2,426,504
Capital Assets	2,149,452	-	2,149,452
Other	2,000	-	2,000
		-	-
General	-	-	-
Federal	12,300,888	-	12,300,888
Other	14,505,627	161,382	14,667,009
<b>Total Operating Expenses</b>	<b>26,806,515</b>	<b>161,382</b>	<b>26,967,897</b>
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Personal Services	15,604,176	986,839	16,591,015
Operating Expenses	26,806,515	161,382	26,967,897
		-	-
General	-	-	-
Federal	15,686,514	162,777	15,849,291
Other	26,724,177	985,444	27,709,621
<b>Total Budget</b>	<b>42,410,691</b>	<b>1,148,221</b>	<b>43,558,912</b>

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**South Dakota Department of Game, Fish & Parks  
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**Center 0612 Wildlife Development/Improvement - Info**

	FY2014 <u>Agency Request</u>	FY2014 <u>Legislative Session</u>	FY2014 <u>Appropriated</u>
Salaries	-	-	-
Benefits	-	-	-
<b>FTE</b>	-	-	-
General	-	-	-
Federal	-	-	-
Other	-	-	-
<b>Total PS</b>	-	-	-

Travel	-	-	-
Contractual Services	-	-	-
Supplies & Materials	-	-	-
Grants	-	-	-
Capital Assets	2,618,000	-	2,618,000
Other	-	-	-
General	-	-	-
Federal	1,731,000	-	1,731,000
Other	887,000	-	887,000
<b>Total Operating Expenses</b>	<b>2,618,000</b>	-	<b>2,618,000</b>

Personal Services	-	-	-
Operating Expenses	2,618,000	-	2,618,000
General	-	-	-
Federal	1,731,000	-	1,731,000
Other	887,000	-	887,000
<b>Total Budget</b>	<b>2,618,000</b>	-	<b>2,618,000</b>

# License Sales Totals

(as of April 29)

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date updated: 29 April 2013

	2012	2013	% Change
Resident Predator/Varmint	1,024	849	-17.1%
Furbearer	2,659	2,462	-7.4%
Combination	29,829	22,779	-23.6%
Junior Combination	3,150	1,741	-44.7%
Senior Combination	3,780	3,635	-3.8%
Resident Small Game	2,091	1,633	-21.9%
Resident Youth Small Game	645	654	1.4%
Resident 1-Day Fishing	1,068	427	-60.0%
Resident Annual Fishing	31,609	12,985	-58.9%
Senior Fishing	7,565	3,440	-54.5%
Resident Gamefish Spearing/Archery	1,260	1,460	15.9%
Resident Migratory Bird Certificate	14,066	13,445	-4.4%
Nonresident Predator/Varmint	871	803	-7.8%
Nonresident Furbearer	7	4	-42.9%
Nonresident Small Game	3,086	2,870	-7.0%
Nonresident Youth Small Game	215	191	-11.2%
Resident 1-Day Small Game	215	147	-31.6%
Nonresident Annual Shooting Preserve	141	84	-40.4%
Nonresident 5-day Shooting Preserve	469	484	3.2%
Nonresident 1-day Shooting Preserve	181	175	-3.3%
Nonresident Spring Light Goose	2,738	3,697	35.0%
Nonresident Youth Spring Light Goose	106	119	12.3%
Nonresident Migratory Bird Certificate	104	117	12.5%
Nonresident 1-Day Fishing	2,784	1,405	-49.5%
Nonresident 3-Day Fishing	2,375	1,918	-19.2%
Nonresident Annual Fishing	7,033	4,681	-33.4%
Nonresident Family Fishing	2,928	1,843	-37.1%
Nonresident Youth Annual Fishing	190	167	-12.1%
Nonresident Gamefish Spearing/Archery	90	301	234.4%
<b>TOTAL ON FILE =</b>	<b>122,279</b>	<b>84,516</b>	<b>-30.9%</b>

GAME, FISH, AND PARKS COMMISSION ACTION  
FINALIZATION

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**Camping Permits and Rules**  
Chapter 41:03:04

Commission Meeting Dates:	Proposal	April 4-5, 2013	Winner
	Public Hearing	May 2-3, 2013	Custer State Park
	Finalization	May 2-3, 2013	Custer State Park

**COMMISSION PROPOSAL**

Modify 41:03:04:03

**Requirements and Restrictions:**

Requires a camper to pay a daily fee for the use of a campsite, camping cabin or lodge in a state park, recreation area and certain lakeside use area.

**Recommended changes from last year:**

Eliminate the \$2.00 differential in camping fees during cold weather periods when restroom and shower facilities are closed.

**DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDATION**

**Recommended change from proposal:** None

**SUPPORTIVE INFORMATION**

Currently, state park camping fees are reduced by \$2.00 during the winter when cold weather requires closure of restroom and shower facilities. Park managers try to keep these facilities open as long as possible. The department plows snow from campground roads to keep a sufficient number of campsites available and campsite electricity is available throughout the winter. Winter programming is provided in many parks (groomed ski trails, snowshoe hikes, ice fishing derbies and birding walks are a few examples). The department incurs costs to offer winter activities including camping opportunities. Camping use is minimal during the winter months. Between November 1, 2012 and March 31, 2013, only 665 camping units were recorded. This represents less than 1/4 of 1% of the 270,386 camping units recorded last year. To offer 24/7, year-round reservations and avoid refunds or asking for additional payment, park managers must pre-determine comfort stations closure and opening dates. Again, our goal is to encourage managers to keep these facilities open as long as practical. This can vary dramatically from park to park and year to year. The proposed elimination of the \$2.00 winter differential will affect a minimal number of park users while helping the department recover some of the added cost of snow removal and providing winter recreation opportunities.

APPROVE _____	MODIFY _____	REJECT _____	NO ACTION _____
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# GAME, FISH, AND PARKS COMMISSION ACTION PROPOSAL

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## Custer State Park Deer Hunting Season Chapter 41:06:41

<b>Commission Meeting Dates:</b>	<b>Proposal</b>	<b>May 2-3, 2013</b>	<b>Custer State Park</b>
	<b>Public Hearing</b>	<b>June 6, 2013</b>	<b>Pierre</b>
	<b>Finalization</b>	<b>June 6-7, 2013</b>	<b>Pierre</b>

### DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDATION

**Season Dates:** November 2-15, 2013

**Licenses:** 10 "Any Whitetail Deer" licenses  
20 "Antlerless Whitetail Deer" muzzleloader licenses

**Requirements and Restrictions:**

1. Season open from the first Saturday in November for 14 consecutive days.
2. Hunters must attend a briefing prior to the hunt.
3. 41:06:41:02. Number and type of licenses available.
  - (1) CUD-CU1: 10 "one-tag any whitetail deer" licenses
  - (2) CUD-CU2: 20 "one-tag antlerless whitetail deer" muzzleloader licenses
  - (3) CUD ZZ1: no deer licenses may be issued. However, an applicant for this unit shall accrue a preference point as provided in § 41:06:01:09.
4. Applicants successful in drawing an "any" tag type are ineligible for the license again for 10 years.

**Recommended changes from last year:**

1. Reduce number of "Any Deer" licenses from 2 to zero.
2. Increase number of "Antlerless Whitetail Deer" muzzleloader licenses from zero to 20.

### SUPPORTIVE INFORMATION

All 12 hunters reported and 11 of 12 were successful. One any deer hunter did not harvest a deer. For the any deer season one mature mule deer was harvested and for the any white-tail season mature white-tailed bucks were killed. Most comments were very positive and the hunters enjoyed their experiences. Staff recommends providing licenses for antlerless white-tail deer once again. This decision is based on improved fawn recruitment as surveys indicate the white-tail fawn:doe ratio was 0.93 in 2012 which increased from 0.53 in 2011. Unfortunately, mule deer observations were rare during surveys last year and observations of fewer mature mule deer bucks initiated a recommendation of not providing 2 any deer licenses this year. Wildlife viewing is also important for Custer State Park and fewer mature mule deer bucks being viewed in CSP is a concern.

Year	License Type	Applicants	WT Bucks Harvested	WT Does Harvested	MD Bucks Harvested	MD Does Harvested	All Deer Harvested	Success
2011	Any WT	1,831*	9		1		10	100%
	Any Deer		1		1		2	100%
	Antlerless WT			23			23	82%
2012	Any WT	1,825*	10				10	100%
	Any Deer				1		1	50%

\*Number of applicants is for all seasons combined.

APPROVE \_\_\_\_\_ MODIFY \_\_\_\_\_ REJECT \_\_\_\_\_ NO ACTION \_\_\_\_\_

# GAME, FISH AND PARKS COMMISSION ACTION PROPOSAL

## East River Deer Hunting Season Chapter 41:06:21

<b>Commission Meeting Dates:</b>	<b>Proposal</b> <b>Public Hearing</b> <b>Finalization</b>	<b>May 2-3, 2013</b> <b>June 6, 2013</b> <b>June 6-7, 2013</b>	<b>Custer State Park</b> <b>Pierre</b> <b>Pierre</b>
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### DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDATION

**Season Dates:** November 23 – December 8, 2013

December 28, 2013 – January 5, 2014 for antlerless deer tags only

**Open Area:** See the attached map

**Licenses:** 18,695 one-tag, 11,770 two-tag, and 2,800 three-tag licenses (total of 50,635 tags)

**Requirements and Restrictions:**

1. One-half of the licenses allocated in each unit are available for landowner/operator preference.
2. In addition to these licenses, 687 “any deer” licenses are available through the “Special Buck” application as approved at the March GFP Commission meeting.
3. Landowners not possessing a license that allows the harvest of a buck may purchase an “any deer” or a two-tag “any deer + antlerless deer” license that is valid on their property only.
4. Initially, all licenses are available only to residents. Nonresidents may apply for licenses remaining after the second lottery drawing.
5. A portion of southeastern Minnehaha County is closed to hunting with firearms other than muzzleloaders and shotguns using slugs.
6. Only unfilled “any antlerless deer” and “antlerless whitetail deer” tags are valid for 9 days beginning on the Saturday after Christmas.

**Recommended changes from last year:**

1. Offer 1,050 less one-tag licenses, 1,500 less two-tag licenses, and 1,300 less three-tag licenses (overall decrease of 7,950 tags) than 2012.

Year	“Any Deer” Tags	“Antlerless Deer” Tags	Total Tags
2012	22,040	36,545	58,585
2013	21,465	29,170	50,635

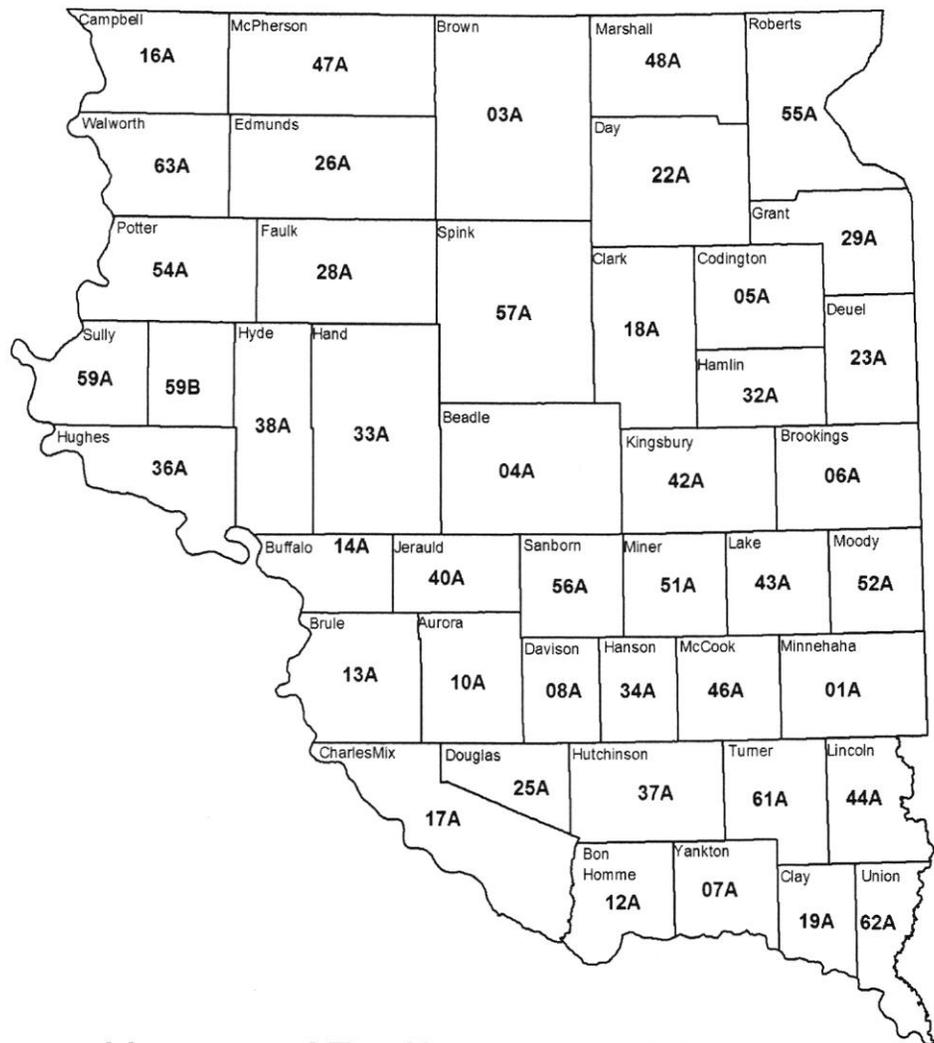
### SUPPORTIVE INFORMATION

Table includes harvest data from East River Deer, East River Special Buck and East River Landowner-Own Land licenses.

Year	Licenses Sold	WT Bucks Harvested	WT Does Harvested	MD Bucks Harvested	MD Does Harvested	All Deer Harvested	Success
2008	48,980	16,951	20,239	646	642	38,478	50%
2009	48,330	13,733	17,741	511	735	32,717	42%
2010	49,046	17,300	21,595	496	539	39,929	49%
2011	47,539	14,970	19,401	502	513	35,386	44%
2012	39,284	14,563	14,037	372	332	29,304	48%

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# EAST RIVER DEER UNITS



License and Tag Numbers by Unit

Unit	Licenses	Tags	Unit	Licenses	Tags	Unit	Licenses	Tags
01A	950	950	22A	1,300	1,300	44A	350	350
03A	2,300	3,300	23A	600	600	46A	600	600
04A	1,050	1,400	25A	350	350	47A	800	1,600
05A	350	350	26A	1,300	2,600	48A	800	800
06A	800	800	28A	1,100	3,300	51A	950	950
07A	300	300	29A	400	400	52A	550	550
08A	700	700	32A	600	600	54A	1,050	2,100
10A	750	1,300	33A	1,050	2,050	55A	500	500
12A	100	100	34A	450	450	56A	850	850
13A	1,350	2,700	36A	525	975	57A	1,300	2,100
14A	400	800	37A	50	50	59A	750	1,450
16A	720	1,420	38A	920	2,740	59B	550	1,650
17A	600	600	40A	700	1,100	61A	200	200
18A	1,100	1,600	42A	1,200	1,400	62A	400	400
19A	300	300	43A	550	550	63A	750	1,450

East River Deer - 2013

Unit #	Unit Name	Resident Licenses												License Totals					
		AnyD	AtID	AD+2AntID	3AntID	AD+AtID	2 AtID	AnyW	AtIW	AnyW+2AntIW	3 AtIW	AW+AtIW	2 AtIW	RES	RES	RES	RES	RES	
		01	03	06	07	08	09	11	13	16	17	18	19	1-tag	2-tag	3-tag	Licenses	Tags	
01A	Minnehaha	550	400											950	0	0	950	950	
03A	Brown	300	1,000			1,000								1,300	1,000	0	2,300	3,300	
04A	Beadle	500	200			250	100							700	350	0	1,050	1,400	
05A	Codington	350												350	0	0	350	350	
06A	Brookings	550	250											800	0	0	800	800	
07A	Yankton	300												300	0	0	300	300	
08A	Davison	350	350											700	0	0	700	700	
10A	Aurora	50							150				350	200	200	550	0	750	1,300
12A	Bon Homme	100												100	0	0	100	100	
13A	Brule					350							650	350	0	1,350	0	1,350	2,700
14A	Buffalo					100							250	50	0	400	0	400	800
16A	Campbell	20					100						400	200	20	700	0	720	1,420
17A	Charles Mix	150						450						600	0	0	600	600	
18A	Clark	600					500							600	500	0	1,100	1,600	
19A	Clay	300												300	0	0	300	300	
22A	Day	600	700											1,300	0	0	1,300	1,300	
23A	Deuel	400	200											600	0	0	600	600	
25A	Douglas							350						350	0	0	350	350	
26A	Edmunds					700	600							0	1,300	0	1,300	2,600	
28A	Faulk			600	500									0	0	1,100	1,100	3,300	
29A	Grant	400												400	0	0	400	400	
32A	Hamlin	600												600	0	0	600	600	
33A	Hand	50											500	500	50	1,000	0	1,050	2,050
34A	Hanson	250	200											450	0	0	450	450	
36A	Hughes	75				100	150						200	75	450	0	525	975	
37A	Hutchinson	50												50	0	0	50	50	
38A	Hyde					20				500	400			0	20	900	920	2,740	
40A	Jerauld	50							250				300	100	300	400	0	700	1,100
42A	Kingsbury	650	350				200							1,000	200	0	1,200	1,400	
43A	Lake	350	200											550	0	0	550	550	
44A	Lincoln	350												350	0	0	350	350	
46A	McCook	400	200											600	0	0	600	600	
47A	McPherson					500	300							0	800	0	800	1,600	
48A	Marshall	500	300											800	0	0	800	800	
51A	Miner	450	500											950	0	0	950	950	
52A	Moody	350	200											550	0	0	550	550	
54A	Potter					150	200						450	250	0	1,050	0	1,050	2,100
55A	Roberts	400	100											500	0	0	500	500	
56A	Sanborn	350	500											850	0	0	850	850	
57A	Spink	300	200			800								500	800	0	1,300	2,100	
59A	Sully West	150	150							250			200	300	200	250	750	1,450	
59B	Sully East			350	200									0	0	550	550	1,650	
61A	Turner	200												200	0	0	200	200	
62A	Union	400												400	0	0	400	400	
63A	Walworth	50					100						400	200	50	700	0	750	1,450
	TOTAL	11,495	6,000	950	700	3,970	2,250	800	400	750	400	3,500	2,050	18,695	11,770	2,800	33,265	50,635	
Unit #	Unit Name	AnyD	AtID	AD+2AntID	3AntID	AD+AtID	2 AtID	AnyW	AtIW	AnyW+2AntIW	3 AtIW	AW+AtIW	2 AtIW	RES	RES	RES	RES	RES	
		01	03	06	07	08	09	11	13	16	17	18	19	1-tag	2-tag	3-tag	Licenses	Tags	

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Unit #	Unit Name	2012 Resident Licenses	2013 Resident Licenses	# Change	% Change	2012 Resident Tags	2013 Resident Tags	# Change	% Change
01A	Minnehaha	950	950	0	0%	950	950	0	0%
03A	Brown	2,300	2,300	0	0%	3,300	3,300	0	0%
04A	Beadle	1,050	1,050	0	0%	1,500	1,400	-100	-7%
05A	Codington	350	350	0	0%	350	350	0	0%
06A	Brookings	800	800	0	0%	800	800	0	0%
07A	Yankton	800	300	-500	-63%	800	300	-500	-63%
08A	Davison	700	700	0	0%	700	700	0	0%
10A	Aurora	750	750	0	0%	1,300	1,300	0	0%
12A	Bon Homme	700	100	-600	-86%	800	100	-700	-88%
13A	Brule	1,650	1,350	-300	-18%	4,450	2,700	-1,750	-39%
14A	Buffalo	400	400	0	0%	800	800	0	0%
16A	Campbell	720	720	0	0%	1,420	1,420	0	0%
17A	Charles Mix	1,050	600	-450	-43%	2,100	600	-1,500	-71%
18A	Clark	1,300	1,100	-200	-15%	2,000	1,600	-400	-20%
19A	Clay	700	300	-400	-57%	700	300	-400	-57%
22A	Day	1,300	1,300	0	0%	1,300	1,300	0	0%
23A	Deuel	600	600	0	0%	600	600	0	0%
25A	Douglas	500	350	-150	-30%	1,000	350	-650	-65%
26A	Edmunds	1,300	1,300	0	0%	2,600	2,600	0	0%
28A	Faulk	1,100	1,100	0	0%	3,300	3,300	0	0%
29A	Grant	400	400	0	0%	400	400	0	0%
32A	Hamlin	600	600	0	0%	600	600	0	0%
33A	Hand	850	1,050	200	24%	1,650	2,050	400	24%
34A	Hanson	600	450	-150	-25%	600	450	-150	-25%
36A	Hughes	475	525	50	11%	875	975	100	11%
37A	Hutchinson	800	50	-750	-94%	800	50	-750	-94%
38A	Hyde	870	920	50	6%	2,590	2,740	150	6%
40A	Jerauld	650	700	50	8%	1,050	1,100	50	5%
42A	Kingsbury	1,200	1,200	0	0%	1,400	1,400	0	0%
43A	Lake	550	550	0	0%	550	550	0	0%
44A	Lincoln	400	350	-50	-13%	400	350	-50	-13%
46A	McCook	600	600	0	0%	600	600	0	0%
47A	McPherson	1,000	800	-200	-20%	2,000	1,600	-400	-20%
48A	Marshall	900	800	-100	-11%	900	800	-100	-11%
51A	Miner	850	950	100	12%	850	950	100	12%
52A	Moody	550	550	0	0%	550	550	0	0%
54A	Potter	1,050	1,050	0	0%	2,100	2,100	0	0%
55A	Roberts	500	500	0	0%	500	500	0	0%
56A	Sanborn	750	850	100	13%	900	850	-50	-6%
57A	Spink	1,300	1,300	0	0%	2,300	2,100	-200	-9%
59A	Sully West	750	750	0	0%	1,950	1,450	-500	-26%
59B	Sully East	550	550	0	0%	1,650	1,650	0	0%
61A	Turner	400	200	-200	-50%	400	200	-200	-50%
62A	Union	750	400	-350	-47%	750	400	-350	-47%
63A	Walworth	750	750	0	0%	1,450	1,450	0	0%
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>37,115</b>	<b>33,265</b>	<b>-3,850</b>	<b>-10%</b>	<b>58,585</b>	<b>50,635</b>	<b>-7,950</b>	<b>-14%</b>

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# GAME, FISH, AND PARKS COMMISSION ACTION PROPOSAL

## West River Deer Hunting Season Chapter 41:06:20

<b>Commission Meeting Dates:</b>	<b>Proposal</b>	<b>May 2-3, 2013</b>	<b>Custer State Park</b>
	<b>Public Hearing</b>	<b>June 6, 2013</b>	<b>Pierre</b>
	<b>Finalization</b>	<b>June 6-7, 2013</b>	<b>Pierre</b>

### DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDATION

**Season Dates:** Units 30A (Gregory) and 50A (Mellette) November 2-5 and November 18-24, 2013  
 Units 24A (Dewey), 64A (Ziebach) November 2-24, 2013  
 20A (Corson)  
 All other units November 16 -- December 1, 2013  
 Antlerless Tags Only: December 28, 2013 – January 5, 2014

**Open Area:** See the attached map

**Licenses:** Residents: 2,865 one-tag, 15,475 two-tag, and 3,645 three-tag licenses  
 Nonresidents: 232 one-tag, 1,240 two-tag, and 292 three-tag licenses

**Requirements and Restrictions:**

1. 500 resident and 500 nonresident "any deer" licenses are available through the "Special Buck" application.
2. One-half of the licenses allocated in each unit are available for landowner/operator preference applicants.
3. Landowners may also purchase an "any deer" or "any deer + any antlerless deer" license that is valid only on their property as long they do not hold a regular West River deer license that allows the harvest of a buck.
4. Only persons using a wheelchair may apply for the licenses in Stanley County (Unit 58D) designated as a special "Hunters with Disabilities" unit.
5. Only unfilled "any antlerless deer" and "antlerless whitetail deer" tags are valid for 9 days beginning on the Saturday after Christmas.

**Recommended changes from last year:**

1. Adjust resident license numbers by increasing one-tag licenses by 240, decreasing two-tag licenses by 1,260 (2,520 tags), and increasing three-tag licenses by 305 (915 tags) compared to 2012.
2. Adjust nonresident license numbers by increasing one-tag licenses by 20, decreasing two-tag licenses by 102 (204 tags), and increasing three-tag licenses by 24 (72 tags) compared to 2012.

Year	Resident "Any Deer" Tags	Resident "Antlerless Deer" Tags	Resident Total Tags
2012	18,215	27,900	46,115
2013	17,750	27,000	44,750

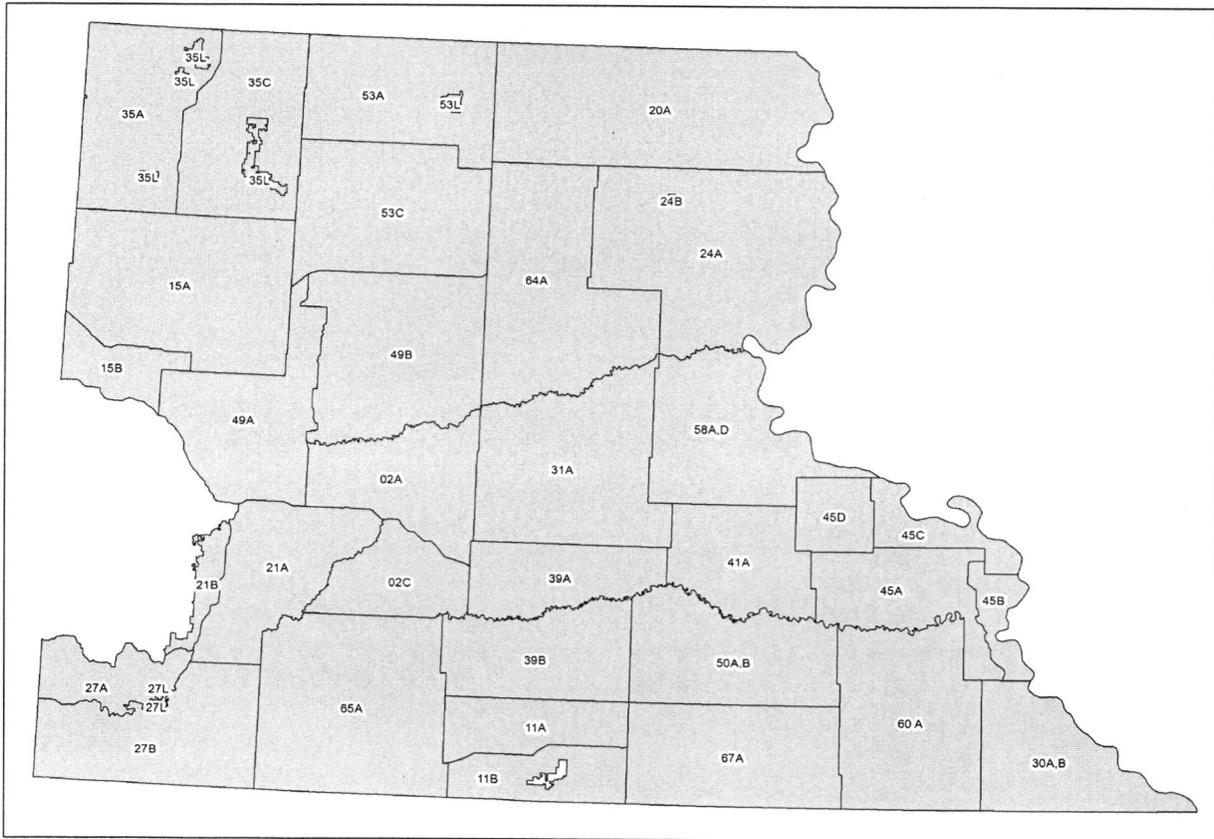
### SUPPORTIVE INFORMATION

Table includes harvest data from West River Deer, West River Special Buck and West River Landowner-Own Land licenses.

Year	Licenses Sold	WT Bucks Harvested	WT Does Harvested	MD Bucks Harvested	MD Does Harvested	All Deer Harvested	Success
2008	30,597	8,621	8,081	7,560	6,256	30,518	54%
2009	31,390	10,319	10,036	7,224	7,281	34,862	49%
2010	31,914	11,009	11,665	5,759	5,537	33,970	49%
2011	29,895	11,139	12,301	4,456	3,901	31,797	48%
2012	25,654	8,978	9,146	3,950	2,466	24,541	49%

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# WEST RIVER DEER UNITS



**West River Deer License & Tag Numbers**

Unit	Resident		Nonresident		Unit	Resident		Nonresident	
	Licenses	Tags	Licenses	Tags		Licenses	Tags	Licenses	Tags
02A	900	1,800	72	144	39A	350	500	28	40
02C	250	250	20	20	39B	450	900	36	72
11A	300	600	24	48	41A	700	1,650	56	132
11B	250	500	20	40	45A	800	2,100	64	168
15A	950	1,800	76	144	45B	325	875	26	70
15B	900	1,800	72	144	45C	50	120	5	12
20A	550	1,100	44	88	45D	100	160	9	14
21A	350	350	28	28	49A	900	1,800	72	144
21B	100	100	8	8	49B	1,500	3,000	120	240
24A	500	1,000	40	80	50A	500	1,350	40	108
24B	20	40	2	4	50B	800	2,050	64	164
27A	150	150	12	12	53A	850	1,700	68	136
27B	750	1,300	60	104	53C	1,000	2,000	80	160
27L	15	15	2	2	53L	15	30	2	4
30A	1,150	2,500	92	200	58A	650	900	52	72
30B	1,150	2,500	92	200	58D	10	10	2	2
31A	850	1,700	68	136	60A	1,900	4,300	152	344
35A	350	500	28	40	64A	650	1,300	52	104
35C	400	700	32	56	65A	100	150	8	12
35L	100	100	8	8	67A	350	1,050	28	84



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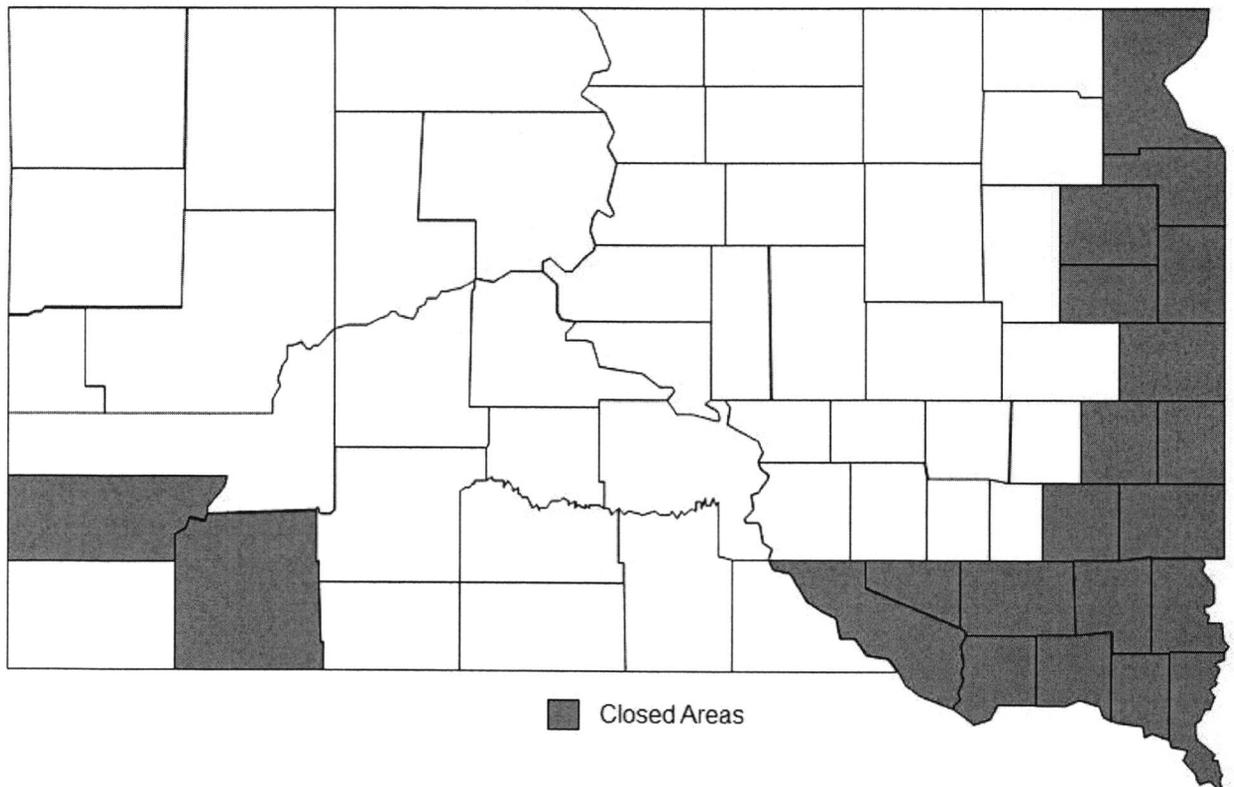
Unit #	Unit Name	2012 Resident Licenses	2013 Resident Licenses	# Change	% Change	2012 Resident Tags	2013 Resident Tags	# Change	% Change
02A	Pennington	900	900	0	0%	1,800	1,800	0	0%
02C	Pennington	400	250	-150	-38%	400	250	-150	-38%
11A	Bennett	350	300	-50	-14%	700	600	-100	-14%
11B	Bennett	340	250	-90	-26%	900	500	-400	-44%
15A	Butte	1,100	950	-150	-14%	1,900	1,800	-100	-5%
15B	Butte	850	900	50	6%	1,700	1,800	100	6%
20A	Corson	550	550	0	0%	1,100	1,100	0	0%
21A	Custer	400	350	-50	-13%	400	350	-50	-13%
21B	Custer	150	100	-50	-33%	150	100	-50	-33%
24A	Dewey	500	500	0	0%	1,000	1,000	0	0%
24B	Little Moreau	20	20	0	0%	40	40	0	0%
27A	Fall River	150	150	0	0%	150	150	0	0%
27B	Fall River	750	750	0	0%	1,300	1,300	0	0%
27L	Fall River	15	15	0	0%	15	15	0	0%
30A	Gregory	1,150	1,150	0	0%	2,500	2,500	0	0%
30B	Gregory	1,150	1,150	0	0%	2,500	2,500	0	0%
31A	Haakon	850	850	0	0%	1,700	1,700	0	0%
35A	Harding	400	350	-50	-13%	550	500	-50	-9%
35C	Harding	450	400	-50	-11%	750	700	-50	-7%
35L	Harding	100	100	0	0%	100	100	0	0%
39A	Jackson	400	350	-50	-13%	800	500	-300	-38%
39B	Jackson	350	450	100	29%	800	900	100	13%
41A	Jones	700	700	0	0%	1,600	1,650	50	3%
45A	Lyman	800	800	0	0%	2,000	2,100	100	5%
45B	Lyman	350	325	-25	-7%	900	875	-25	-3%
45C	Lyman	50	50	0	0%	120	120	0	0%
45D	Lyman	100	100	0	0%	200	160	-40	-20%
49A	Meade	950	900	-50	-5%	1,900	1,800	-100	-5%
49B	Meade	1,500	1,500	0	0%	3,400	3,000	-400	-12%
50A	Mellette	500	500	0	0%	1,250	1,350	100	8%
50B	Mellette	800	800	0	0%	1,950	2,050	100	5%
53A	Perkins	850	850	0	0%	1,700	1,700	0	0%
53C	Perkins	1,100	1,000	-100	-9%	2,200	2,000	-200	-9%
53L	Perkins	15	15	0	0%	30	30	0	0%
58A	Stanley	700	650	-50	-7%	950	900	-50	-5%
58D	Stanley	10	10	0	0%	10	10	0	0%
60A	Tripp	1,900	1,900	0	0%	4,300	4,300	0	0%
64A	Ziebach	650	650	0	0%	1,300	1,300	0	0%
65A	Shannon	100	100	0	0%	150	150	0	0%
67A	Todd	300	350	50	17%	900	1,050	150	17%
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>22,700</b>	<b>21,985</b>	<b>-715</b>	<b>-3%</b>	<b>46,115</b>	<b>44,750</b>	<b>-1,365</b>	<b>-3%</b>

Note: An additional 8% of the number of licenses will be available to nonresidents.

## Landowner Free Antlerless Deer License

1. Landowner free antlerless deer licenses authorized by SDCL 41-6-19.8 may be issued to any qualifying farmer or rancher for use in the West River, East River, Youth, Archery, and Muzzleloader deer hunting units where at least one antlerless deer tag is available after the second lottery drawing from the previous year East River and West River deer seasons. However, no such free antlerless license is valid in counties where antlerless archery or a muzzleloader license is restricted.
2. A maximum of two (2) free antlerless deer licenses per ranch/farm unit.
3. Licenses are valid on private land owned/leased and operated in the area as described below.

2013 Landowner Free Antlerless Deer Map



# GAME, FISH, AND PARKS COMMISSION ACTION PROPOSAL

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## Black Hills Deer Hunting Season Chapter 41:06:19

<b>Commission Meeting Dates:</b>	<b>Proposal</b>	<b>May 2-3, 2013</b>	<b>Custer State Park</b>
	<b>Public Hearing</b>	<b>June 6, 2013</b>	<b>Pierre</b>
	<b>Finalization</b>	<b>June 6-7, 2013</b>	<b>Pierre</b>

### WILDLIFE DIVISION RECOMMENDATION

**Season Dates:** November 1-30, 2013

**Open Area:** Black Hills

**Licenses:**  
 200 resident and 16 nonresident "Any" deer licenses  
 3,000 resident and 240 nonresident "Any Whitetail" deer licenses  
 100 resident and 8 nonresident "Antlerless Whitetail" deer licenses

**Requirements and Restrictions:**

1. One-half of the resident licenses allocated for each unit are available for landowner preference.

**Recommended changes from last year:**

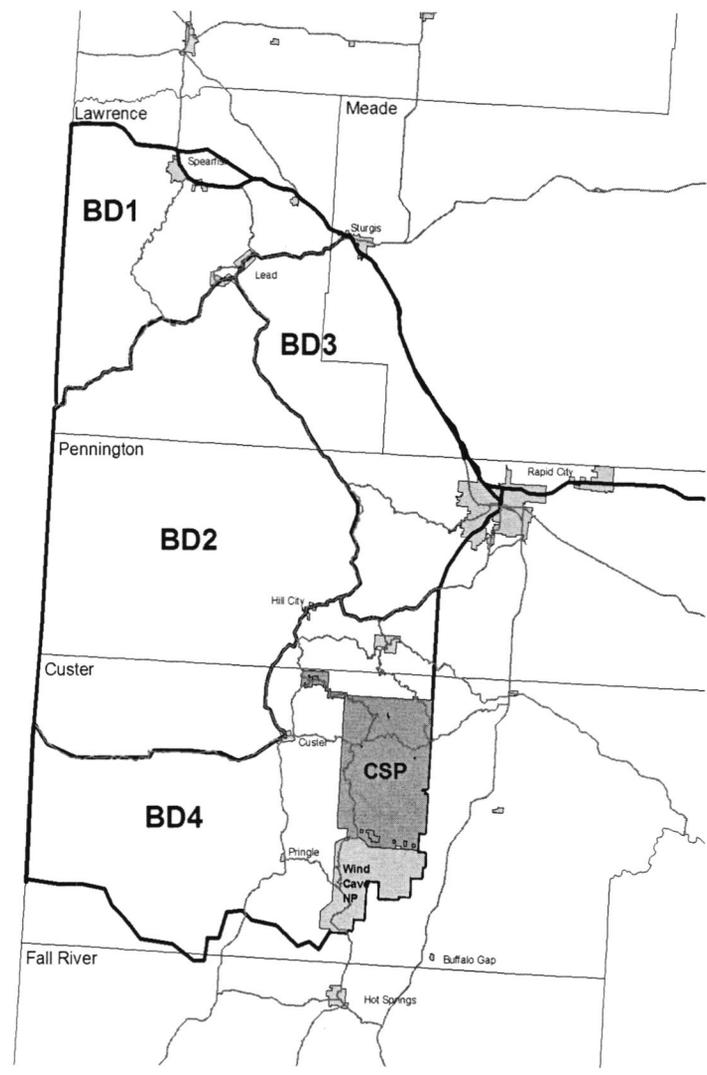
1. Offer residents 50 and nonresidents 4 fewer "Antlerless Whitetail" deer licenses than 2012.

### SUPPORTIVE INFORMATION

Year	Resident Licenses	Nonresident Licenses	WT Bucks Harvested	WT Does Harvested	MD Bucks Harvested	MD Does Harvested	All Deer Harvested	Hunter Success
2008	8,451	722	2,620	1,824	138	56	4,639	51%
2009	7,218	613	2,450	1,122	134	74	3,781	48%
2010	4,938	389	2,203	599	101	16	3,017	57%
2011	4,137	329	2,011	401	107	10	2,530	57%
2012	3,337	243	2,008	289	88	6	2,391	67%

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# BLACK HILLS DEER UNITS



**BH1 – All of the area in BD1, BD2, BD3 and BD4**

## Black Hills Deer Licenses - 2013

	Resident Licenses		Nonresident Licenses	
	"Any Deer"	"Any Whitetail"	"Any Deer"	"Any Whitetail"
BH1	200	3,000	16	240
	"Anterless Deer"	"Anterless Whitetail"	"Anterless Deer"	"Anterless Whitetail"
BD1	0	100	0	8
BD2	0	0	0	0
BD3	0	0	0	0
BD4	0	0	0	0

Black Hills Deer - 2013

Unit	Resident Licenses			Nonresident Licenses			License Totals							
	Any D	Any WT	Atl Whitetail	Any D	Any WT	Atl Whitetail	RES	RES	RES	RES	NR	NR	NR	NR
	01	11	13	01	11	13	1-tag	2-tag	Lic	Tags	1-tag	2-tag	Lic	Tags
BD1			100			8	100		100	100	8		8	8
BD2														
BD3														
BD4														
BH1	200	3,000		16	240		3,200		3,200	3,200	256		256	256
TOTAL	200	3,000	100	16	240	8	3,300		3,300	3,300	264		264	264
Unit	Any D	Any WT	Atl Whitetail	Any D	Any WT	Atl Whitetail	RES	RES	RES	RES	NR	NR	NR	NR
	01	11	13	01	11	13	1-tag	2-tag	Lic	Tags	1-tag	2-tag	Lic	Tags
					<b>RES and NR:</b>		<b>3,564</b>		<b>3,564</b>	<b>3,564</b>				

BLACK HILLS DEER  
2012--2013 Comparison

Resident Licenses												
Unit	Any Deer				Any Whitetail				Antlerless Whitetail			
	Year		Change		Year		Change		Year		Chage	
	2012	2013	#	%	2012	2013	#	%	2012	2013	#	%
BD1									150	100	-50	-33%
BD2												
BD3												
BD4												
BH1	200	200	0	0%	3,000	3,000	0	0%				
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>3,000</b>	<b>3,000</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>-50</b>	<b>-33%</b>

Note: An additional 8% of the number of licenses will be available to nonresidents.

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# GAME, FISH AND PARKS COMMISSION ACTION PROPOSAL

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## National Wildlife Refuge Deer Hunting Season Chapter 41:06:36

<b>Commission Meeting Dates:</b>	<b>Proposal</b>	<b>May 2-3, 2013</b>	<b>Custer State Park</b>
	<b>Public Hearing</b>	<b>June 6, 2013</b>	<b>Pierre</b>
	<b>Finalization</b>	<b>June 6-7, 2013</b>	<b>Pierre</b>

### DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDATION

**Season Dates:**

Sand Lake NWR	November 9-13, November 14-18, November 19-24, Nov. 25—December 1, December 2-8, and December 28, 2013-January 5, 2014.
Lacreek NWR	October 16-22 and November 27 – December 3.
Waubay NWR*	November 15-19, November 20-24, and November 25 – December 8.

\* includes Waubay State Game Refuge

**Licenses:**

Sand Lake NWR	Resident: 80 “any deer” and 40 “any antlerless deer” licenses Nonresident: 8 “any deer” and 4 “any antlerless deer” licenses
Lacreek NWR	Residents: 30 “any whitetail deer” and 20 “antlerless whitetail deer + antlerless whitetail deer” licenses Nonresidents: 4 “any whitetail deer” and 2 “antlerless whitetail deer + antlerless whitetail deer” licenses
Waubay NWR	Residents: 45 “any deer” licenses Nonresidents: 6 “any deer” licenses

**Requirements and Restrictions:**

1. The first season on Sand Lake NWR, both seasons on Lacreek NWR and the first 2 seasons on Waubay NWR are restricted to muzzleloaders.
2. Applicants may apply for only one refuge unit (season) in the first application period.
3. Licenses remaining after the first application period may be purchased by any resident or nonresident on a first-come, first serve basis.

**Recommended changes from last year:**

1. Adjust the start date for Unit RFD-SL1 from the Saturday before East River deer hunting season to the second Saturday of November. Start dates for all other Sand Lake units would adjust accordingly.
2. Only unfilled Sand Lake “Antlerless Deer” licenses are valid during the 9-day season starting on the first Saturday after Christmas.
3. During any Refuge Deer seasons that are restricted to muzzleloaders, make an allowance for optics that do not employ magnification as defined in **41:06:04:14 Muzzleloading Restrictions**.

### SUPPORTIVE INFORMATION

Table includes harvest data from Sand Lake, Lacreek and Waubay National Wildlife Refuges.

Year	Licenses	Success	Bucks Harvested	Does Harvested	Total Harvest
2008	508	33%	114	123	237
2009	384	45%	93	79	172
2010	384	23%	89	73	162
2011	329	37%	55	67	122
2012	248	38%	64	31	95

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# GAME, FISH, AND PARKS COMMISSION ACTION PROPOSAL

## Archery Deer Hunting Season 41:06:22 Uses of Parks and Public Lands 41:03:01

<b>Commission Meeting Dates:</b>	<b>Proposal</b>	<b>May 2-3, 2013</b>	<b>Custer State Park</b>
	<b>Public Hearing</b>	<b>June 6, 20123</b>	<b>Pierre</b>
	<b>Finalization</b>	<b>June 6-7, 2013</b>	<b>Pierre</b>

### DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDATION

**Season Dates:** September 28, 2013 – January 15, 2014

**Open Area:** "Any Deer" Licenses: Statewide, East River, West River  
"Any Antlerless Deer" Licenses: Unit 1 and Unit 2

**Licenses:** Unlimited resident "any deer" licenses  
Unlimited resident single and double tag "any antlerless deer" licenses

#### Requirements and Restrictions:

1. A person may purchase no more than five (5) archery deer licenses regardless of type.
2. Resident and nonresident hunters may purchase one (1) statewide "any deer" license or one (1) East River "any deer" license and one (1) West River "any deer" license.
3. Residents and nonresidents may purchase "any antlerless deer" licenses.
4. Individuals may purchase one "any antlerless deer" license for Unit 1.
  - a. The Unit 1 "any antlerless deer" licenses are not valid in the Black Hills Fire Protection District and the counties of Bon Homme, Charles Mix, Clay, Codington, Douglas, Grant, Hutchinson, Lincoln, Turner, Union and Yankton.
5. Individuals may purchase up to five (5) single and double tag "any antlerless deer" licenses for Unit 2:
  - a. The Unit 2 single and double tag "any antlerless deer" licenses are not valid in those areas closed in Unit 1 and the counties of Brookings, Deuel, Hamlin, Lake, McCook, Minnehaha, Moody, and Roberts.
6. Shooting hours are ½ hour before sunrise to ½ hour after sunset.
7. From Jan 1-15, only "any antlerless deer" licenses are valid.
8. Sand Lake NWR is open Oct 19 – Jan 15, except during the Sand Lake NWR firearm deer season.
9. Waubay Lake State Game Refuge and Waubay National Wildlife Refuge in Day County are open through Dec 31, except during refuge deer seasons.
10. Lacreek NWR is open through Dec 31, except during the Lacreek NWR firearm deer seasons.
11. Licensees must obtain an access permit from the Department issued by lottery drawing before hunting Adams Homestead and Nature Preserve and Good Earth State Park.

#### Recommended changes from last year:

1. Only unfilled "Any Antlerless Deer" licenses are valid from January 1-15<sup>th</sup>.
2. Add Bon Homme, Charles Mix, Clay, Codington, Douglas, Grant, Hutchinson, Lincoln, Turner, Union and Yankton counties to the area where antlerless deer licenses are not valid.
3. Change the name of "Blood Run Nature Area" to "Good Earth State Park".
4. Reduce number of "Any Antlerless Deer" archery access permits for Adams Homestead and Nature Preserve from 45 to zero and Good Earth State Park from 5 to zero.
5. Increase the number of "Any Deer" archery access permits from 5 to 10 for Adams Homestead and Nature Preserve.

### SUPPORTIVE INFORMATION

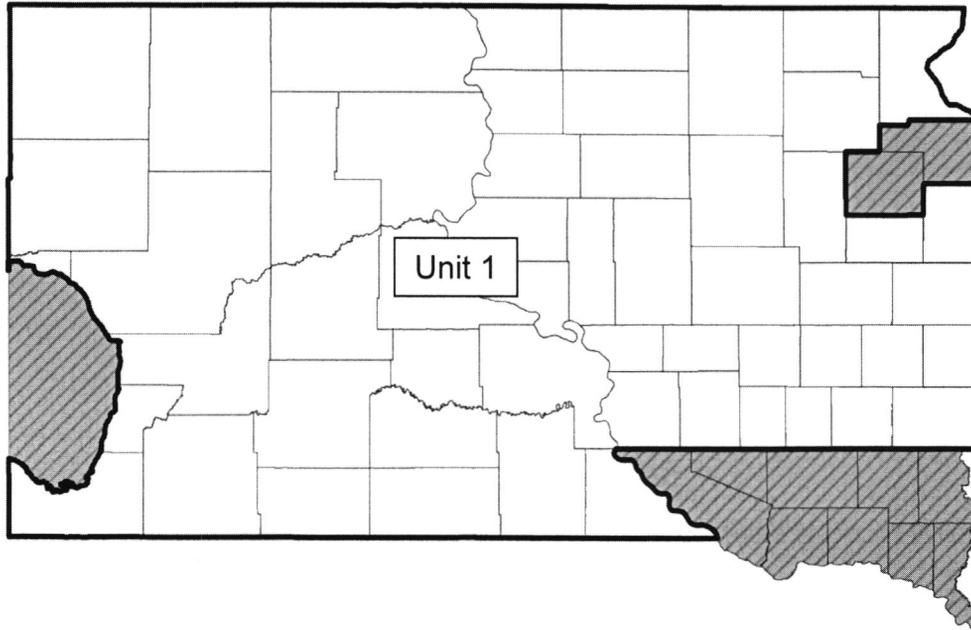
Year	"Any Deer" Licenses	"Antlerless" Licenses (Tags)	Hunter Success	WT Bucks Harvested	WT Does Harvested	MD Buck Harvested	MD Does Harvested	Deer Harvested
2008	17,410	7,229 (11,182)	33%	4,079	4,211	589	450	9,329
2009	18,648	7,918 (10,070)	33%	4,411	4,191	506	286	9,393
2010	19,967	8,349 (10,534)	33%	4,698	4,429	475	328	9,930
2011	20,210	7,857 (10,958)	27%	4,216	3,534	459	193	8,401
2012	20,528	7,700 (9,630)	27%	4,221	3,363	354	135	8,074

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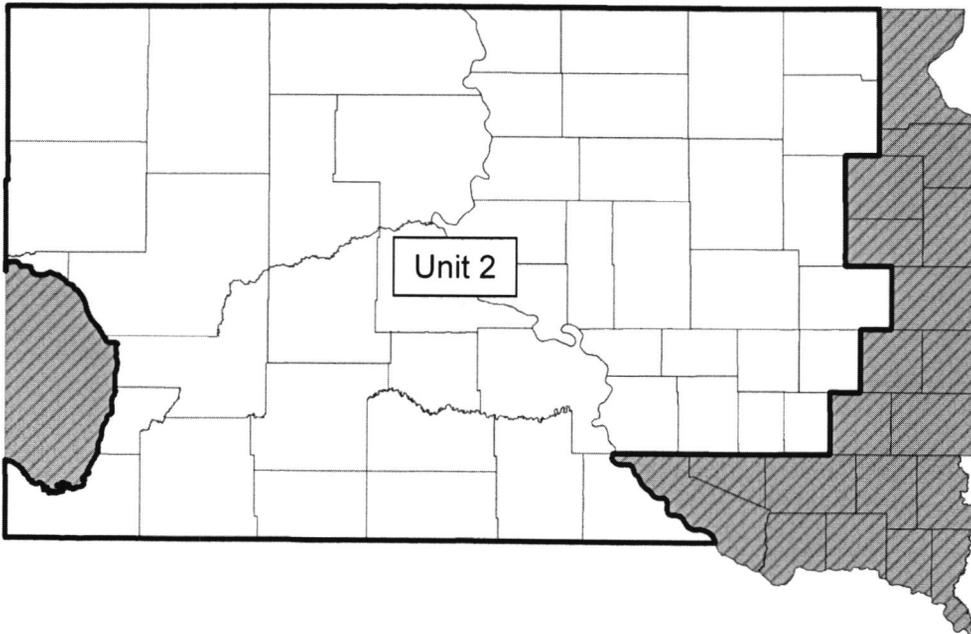
### Archery Deer Hunting Season 2013 "Antlerless License" Restrictions

1. The Unit 1 single-tag "any antlerless deer" license is valid in all areas except the shaded areas.
2. The Unit 2 single-tag and double-tag "any antlerless deer" licenses are valid in all areas except the shaded areas.
3. Archery antlerless deer licenses are not valid on Sand Lake National Wildlife Refuge in Brown County.

**Archery Antlerless Unit 1 (shaded areas closed)**



**Archery Antlerless Unit 2 (shaded areas closed)**



# GAME, FISH AND PARKS COMMISSION ACTION PROPOSAL

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## General Muzzleloading Deer Hunting Season Chapter 41:06:45

<b>Commission Meeting Dates:</b>	<b>Proposal</b>	<b>May 2-3, 2013</b>	<b>Custer State Park</b>
	<b>Public Hearing</b>	<b>June 6, 2013</b>	<b>Pierre</b>
	<b>Finalization</b>	<b>June 6-7, 2013</b>	<b>Pierre</b>

### DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDATION

**Season Dates:** December 1, 2013 – January 15, 2014

**Open Area:** “Any Deer” Licenses: Statewide  
 “Any Antlerless Deer” Licenses: Unit 1 and Unit 2

**Licenses:** 1,000 “any deer” licenses  
 Unlimited single and double “any antlerless deer” licenses

**Requirements and Restrictions:**

1. A hunter may possess no more than five (5) general muzzleloading deer licenses regardless of type.
2. Only residents are eligible to apply for “any deer” tags. Residents and nonresidents may purchase “any antlerless deer” licenses.
3. Individuals may purchase one “any antlerless deer” license for Unit 1.
  - a. The Unit 1 “any antlerless deer” licenses are not valid in the Black Hills Fire Protection District and the counties of Bon Homme, Charles Mix, Clay, Codington, Douglas, Grant, Hutchinson, Lincoln, Turner, Union and Yankton.
4. Individuals may purchase up to five (5) single and double tag “any antlerless deer” licenses for Unit 2:
  - a. The Unit 2 single and double tag “any antlerless deer” licenses are not valid in those areas closed in Unit 1 and the counties of Brookings, Deuel, Hamlin, Lake, McCook, Minnehaha, Moody, and Roberts.
5. Shooting hours are ½ hour before sunrise to ½ hour after sunset.
6. From Jan 1-15, only “any antlerless deer” are valid.
7. Sand Lake National Wildlife Refuge, Lacreek National Wildlife Refuge, Lake Andes National Wildlife Refuge, Waubay National Wildlife Refuge, Waubay State Game Refuge, Farm Island State Recreation Area, LaFramboise Island Nature Area, and the Fort Meade Bureau of Land Management South unit and the signed portion of the North unit are closed to general muzzleloading deer hunting.

**Recommended changes from last year:**

1. Only unfilled “any antlerless deer” licenses are valid from January 1-15<sup>th</sup>.
2. Add Bon Homme, Charles Mix, Clay, Codington, Douglas, Grant, Hutchinson, Lincoln, Turner, Union and Yankton counties to the area where antlerless deer licenses are not valid.

### SUPPORTIVE INFORMATION

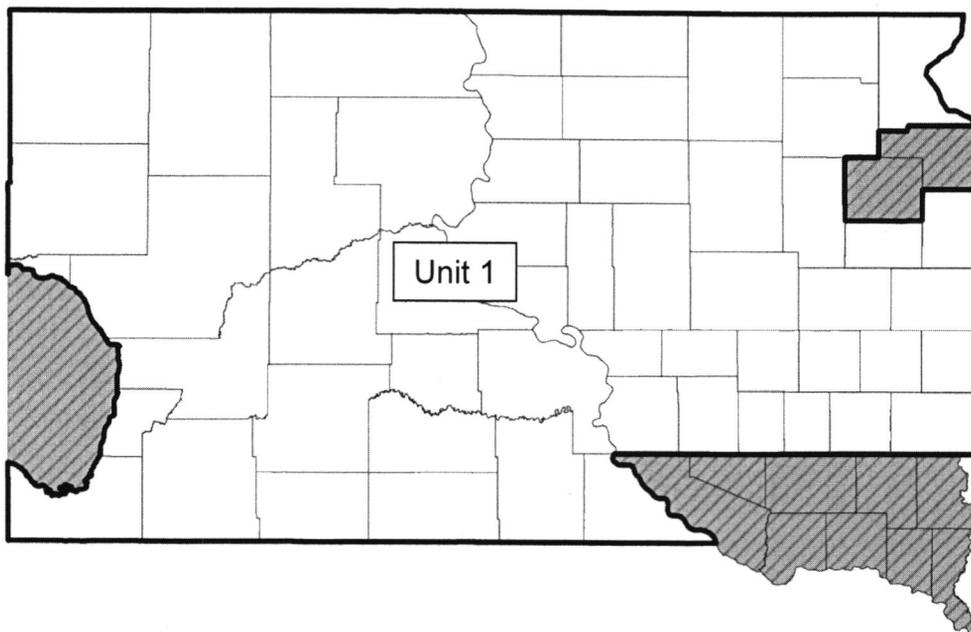
Year	1 <sup>st</sup> Choice Applications	“Any Deer” Licenses	“Antlerless” Licenses (Tags)	Hunter Success	WT Bucks Harvested	WT Does Harvested	MD Buck Harvested	MD Does Harvested	Deer Harvested
2008	5,080	1,018	4,838 (7,655)	44%	625	2,520	179	518	3,842
2009	5,184	1,015	4,752 (6,534)	35%	499	1,758	78	305	2,641
2010	5,516	1,013	4,870 (6,737)	39%	563	2,037	106	328	2,988
2011	5,404	1,018	5,012 (6,712)	26%	308	1,113	83	216	1,720
2012	6,062	986	5,144 (6,703)	30%	439	1,229	117	216	2,001

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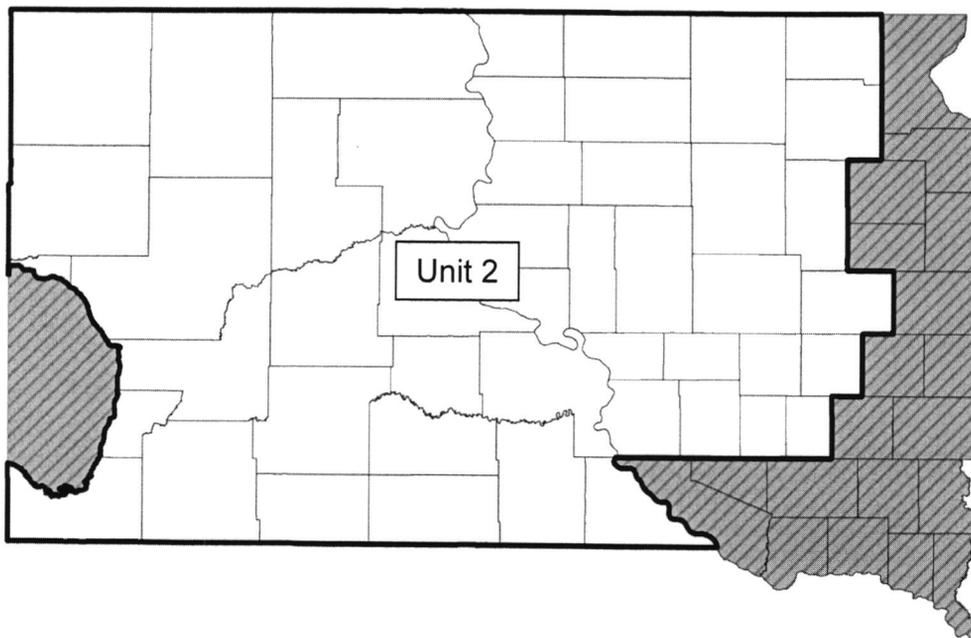
### Muzzleloader Deer Hunting Season 2013 "Antlerless License" Restrictions

1. The Unit 1 single-tag "any antlerless deer" license is valid in all areas except the shaded areas.
2. The Unit 2 single-tag and double-tag "any antlerless deer" licenses are valid in all areas except the shaded areas.

**Muzzleloader Antlerless Unit 1 (shaded areas closed)**



**Muzzleloader Antlerless Unit 2 (shaded areas closed)**



# GAME, FISH, AND PARKS COMMISSION ACTION PROPOSAL

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## Youth Deer Hunting Season Chapter 41:06:44

<b>Commission Meeting Dates:</b>	<b>Proposal</b>	<b>May 2-3, 2013</b>	<b>Custer State Park</b>
	<b>Public Hearing</b>	<b>June 6, 2013</b>	<b>Pierre</b>
	<b>Finalization</b>	<b>June 6-7, 2013</b>	<b>Pierre</b>

### DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDATION

**Season Dates:** September 14, 2013 – January 15, 2014

**Open Area:** Statewide and Limited Unit

**Licenses:** Single tag “any antlerless deer” licenses

**Requirements and Restrictions:**

1. Both residents and nonresidents that have not reached the age of 18 years old on June 30 may purchase a youth deer license.
2. Allow a resident parent and/or guardian to purchase a Youth Deer license.
3. Each hunter must be accompanied by an adult while hunting.
4. Shooting hours are ½ hour before sunrise to ½ hour after sunset.
5. Receipt of a license does not affect eligibility for other seasons.
6. Hunters may purchase up to two (2) youth deer licenses. Only one youth deer license is valid statewide. The Youth Limited Unit license is not valid in the Black Hills Fire Protection District and the counties of Bon Homme, Brookings, Charles Mix, Clay, Codington, Deuel, Douglas, Grant, Hamlin, Hutchinson, Lake, Lincoln, McCook, Minnehaha, Moody, Roberts, Turner, Union, and Yankton.
7. Waubay State Game Refuge, Farm Island State Recreation Area, LaFramboise Island Nature Area, and the Fort Meade Bureau of Land Management South unit and the signed portion of the North unit are closed to youth deer hunting.

**Recommended change from last year:**

1. Add Bon Homme, Charles Mix, Clay, Douglas, Hutchinson and Union counties to those areas where only one license is valid.
2. Remove the youth deer restriction for Sand Lake National Wildlife Refuge, Lacreek National Wildlife Refuge, Lake Andes National Wildlife Refuge, and Waubay National Wildlife Refuge. This would make an allowance for the USFWS Refuge System to allow access for youth deer hunting at their discretion.

### SUPPORTIVE INFORMATION

Year	Licenses Sold	Hunter Success	WT Bucks Harvested	WT Does Harvested	MD Bucks Harvested	MD Does Harvested	Deer Harvested
2008	7,800	56%	588	3,152	78	556	4,373
2009	6,847	51%	423	2,480	76	522	3,501
2010	7,261	53%	442	2,851	47	491	3,831
2011	7,033	44%	345	2,353	44	321	3,063
2012	5,318	51%	328	2,424	29	312	3,093

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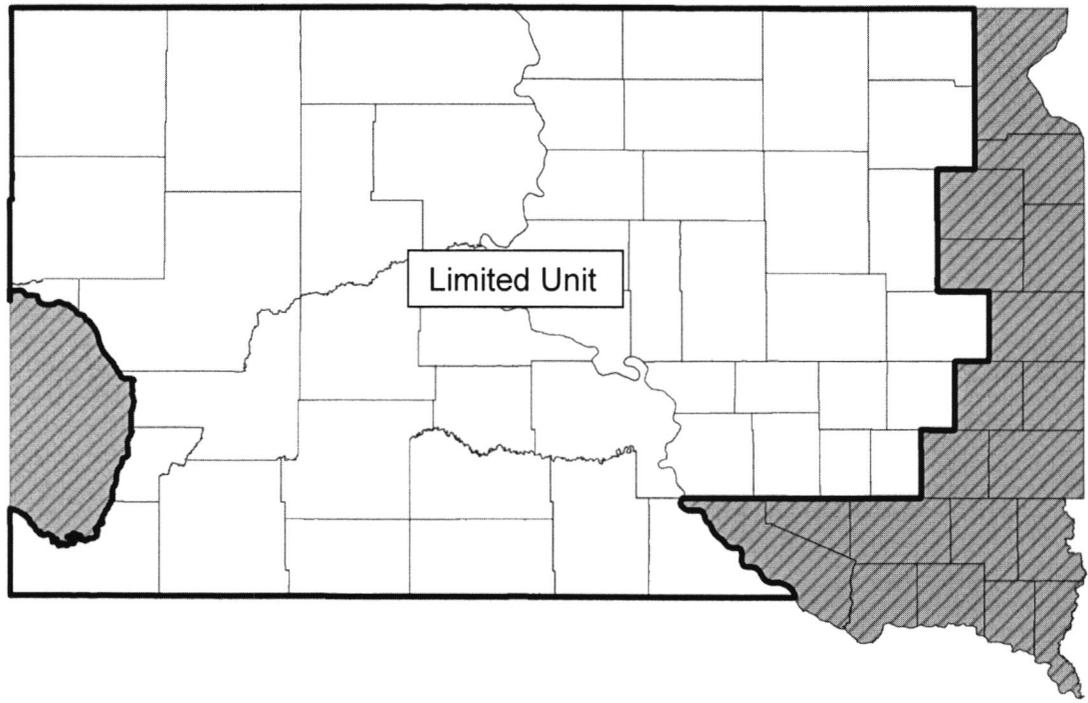
### Youth Deer Hunting Season 2013 "Antlerless License" Restrictions

Youth deer hunters may purchase up to two (2) youth deer licenses, with only one (1) youth deer license valid statewide (all counties open). Limited youth deer licenses are valid in all areas except the shaded areas on the Limited Unit Map.

**Statewide Unit Map (all counties open)**



**Limited Unit Map (shaded areas closed)**



# GAME, FISH, AND PARKS COMMISSION ACTION PROPOSAL

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## Archery Antelope Hunting Season

Chapter 41:06:24

<b>Commission Meeting Dates:</b>	<b>Proposal</b>	<b>May 2-3, 2013</b>	<b>Custer State Park</b>
	<b>Public Hearing</b>	<b>June 6, 2013</b>	<b>Pierre</b>
	<b>Finalization</b>	<b>June 6-7, 2013</b>	<b>Pierre</b>

**DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDATION**

**Season Dates:** August 17 – October 31, 2013 except when the prairie (firearm) antelope season is open.

**Open Area:** All areas where the prairie (firearm) antelope season is open and Brule, Buffalo, Hand, and Campbell counties; and the portions of Custer and Pennington counties within the Black Hills Fire Protection District with special access permits.

**Licenses:** Unlimited resident “any antelope” licenses.  
Unlimited nonresident “any antelope” licenses.

**Requirements and Restrictions:**

1. A person may have only one (1) archery antelope license.
2. Shooting hours are ½ hour before sunrise to ½ hour after sunset.
3. Five (5) special access permits will be issued via lottery drawing to those licensees who possess a valid “any antelope” resident archery license for those portions of Custer and Pennington Counties within the Black Hills Fire Protection District, except Custer State Park.

**Recommended change from last year:** None.

**SUPPORTIVE INFORMATION**

Year	Resident Licenses	Nonresident Licenses	Hunter Success	Bucks Harvested	Doe/Fawns Harvested
2008	1,599	614	27%	657	157
2009	1,713	686	16%	516	189
2010	1,490	503	13%	363	87
2011	1,246	309	16%	281	56
2012	1,212	255	22%	297	22

**APPROVE**     
 **MODIFY**     
 **REJECT**     
 **NO ACTION**

# GAME, FISH, AND PARKS COMMISSION ACTION PROPOSAL

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## Fall Wild Turkey Hunting Season

Chapter 41:06:14

<b>Commission Meeting Dates:</b>	<b>Proposal</b>	<b>May 2-3, 2013</b>	<b>Custer State Park</b>
	<b>Public Hearing</b>	<b>June 6, 2013</b>	<b>Pierre</b>
	<b>Finalization</b>	<b>June 6-7, 2013</b>	<b>Pierre</b>

### DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDATION

**Season Dates:** October 1, 2013 – January 31, 2014

**Licenses:**

Black Hills	1,500 resident and 120 nonresident one-tag “any turkey” licenses
ER Prairie	Residents: 1,580 one-tag, 700 two-tag “any turkey” licenses
WR Prairie	Unlimited resident and nonresident 2-tag “any turkey” licenses for the West River Prairie Unit (WR1).

**Requirements and Restrictions:**

1. One-half of the prairie licenses are available for landowner preference applicants.
2. A person may apply for both a Black Hills license and a prairie unit license in the first drawing.
3. A person is limited to a total of five (5) fall turkey licenses.
4. Brookings, Marshall, Day, Roberts, Grant, Hutchinson and Turner, Minnehaha, Davison and Hanson, Deuel, and Moody counties, and the areas below Oahe Dam east of State Hwy1806 and north of Hwy 14-34 in Stanley County, are designated for shotgun or archery hunting only.
5. A person may not use any firearm on the south unit and the signed portion of the north unit of the Bureau of Land Management Fort Meade Recreation Area.
6. No person may shoot a turkey that is in a tree or roost.

**Recommended changes from last year:**

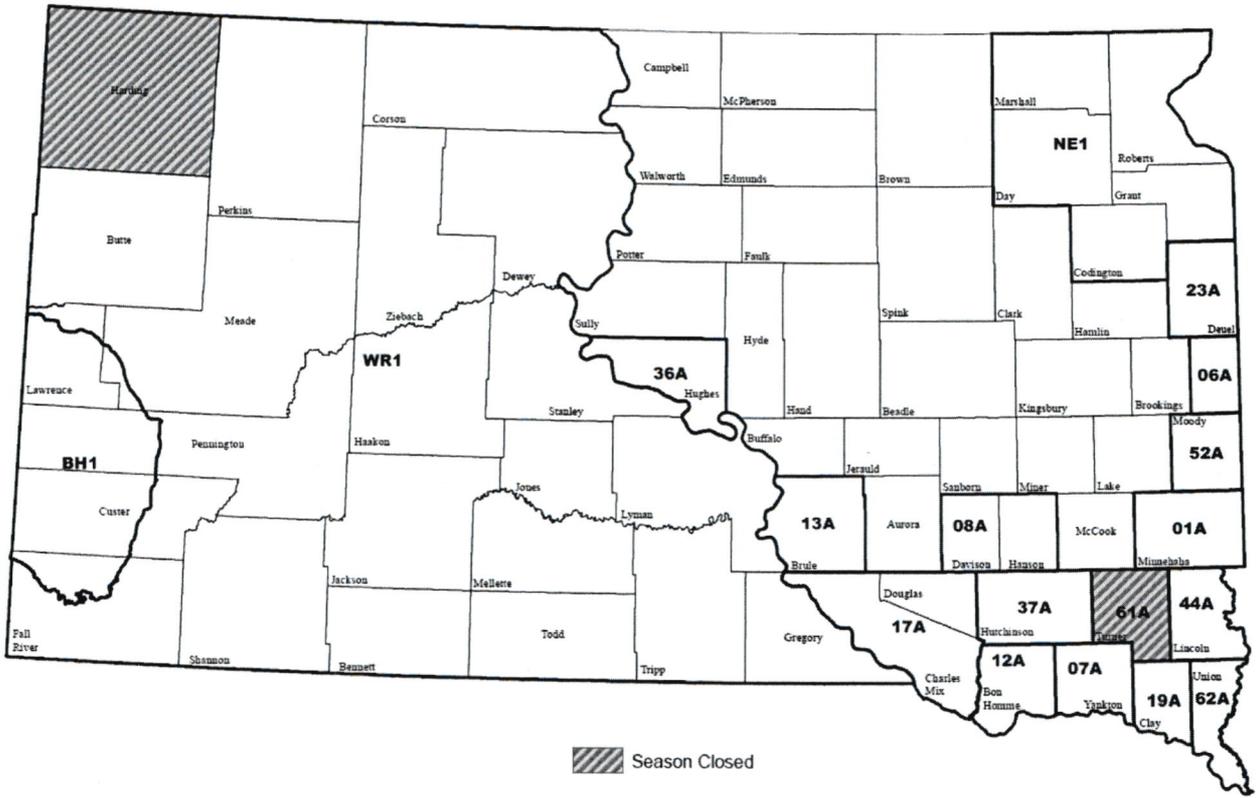
1. Offer 20 fewer one-tag licenses and 10 more two-tag licenses for resident hunters on the East River Prairie Units.
2. Offer 500 fewer one-tag licenses for resident hunters and 40 fewer one-tag licenses for nonresident hunters for the Black Hills Unit.
3. Repeal **41:06:14:04. Licenses valid for unit specified.** In those units adjoining the Cheyenne River or White River a license is valid in the adjacent unit within one mile of the common river boundary.

### SUPPORTIVE INFORMATION

Year	Prairie				Black Hills			
	Licenses Sold	Toms Harvested	Hens Harvested	Success	Licenses Sold	Toms Harvested	Hens Harvested	Success
2008	5,996	2,606	1,949	47%	4,319	806	1,179	46%
2009	5,876	2,335	2,002	43%	3,646	658	711	38%
2010	5,995	3,019	2,419	48%	3,312	907	646	47%
2011	5,649	2,497	1,838	41%	3,098	537	513	34%
2012	5,075	2,109	1,225	37%	2,165	483	458	46%

**APPROVE** 
**MODIFY** 
**REJECT** 
**NO ACTION**

# FALL TURKEY UNITS



## Fall Turkey Licenses - 2013 (All tags are for "any turkey")

Unit	1-tag	2-tag	Unit	1-tag	2-tag
01A	60		23A	50	
06A	40		36A	50	
07A	130		37A	30	
08A		50	44A	50	
12A		180	52A	20	
13A	150		62A		70
17A		350	NE1	1,000	
19A		50	BH1	1,500	

West River Prairie Unit (WR1)—Unlimited resident and nonresident 2-tag "any turkey" licenses

Fall Turkey - 2013

Unit #	Unit Name	Resident		Nonresident		License Totals							
		AnyT 31	2 AnyT 37	AnyT 31	2 AnyT 37	RES 1-tag	RES 2-tag	RES Licenses	RES Tags	NR 1-tag	NR 2-tag	NR Lic	NR Tags
01A	Minnehaha	60				60		60	60				
06A	Brookings	40				40		40	40				
07A	Yankton	130				130		130	130				
08A	Davison/Hanson		50				50	50	100				
12A	Bon Homme		180				180	180	360				
13A	Brule	150				150		150	150				
17A	Charles Mix/Douglas		350				350	350	700				
19A	Clay		50				50	50	100				
23A	Deuel	50				50		50	50				
36A	Hughes	50				50		50	50				
37A	Hutchinson	30				30		30	30				
44A	Lincoln	50				50		50	50				
52A	Moody	20				20		20	20				
62A	Union		70				70	70	140				
NE1	Northeast	1,000				1,000		1,000	1,000				
BH1	Black Hills	1,500		120		1,500		1,500	1,500	120		120	120
	TOTAL	3,080	700	120		3,080	700	3,780	4,480	120		120	120
Unit #	Unit Name	AnyT 31	2 AnyT 37	AnyT 31	2 AnyT 37	RES 1-tag	RES 2-tag	RES Licenses	RES Tags	NR 1-tag	NR 2-tag	NR Lic	NR Tags
						<b>RES &amp; NR:</b>	<b>3,200</b>	<b>700</b>	<b>3,900</b>	<b>4,600</b>			

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FALL TURKEY  
2012--2013 Comparison

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Unit #	Unit Name	2012 Resident Licenses	2013 Resident Licenses	# Change	% Change	2012 Resident Tags	2013 Resident Tags	# Change	% Change
01A	Minnehaha	60	60	0	0%	60	60	0	0%
06A	Brookings	40	40	0	0%	40	40	0	0%
07A	Yankton	130	130	0	0%	130	130	0	0%
08A	Davison/Hanson	50	50	0	0%	100	100	0	0%
12A	Bon Homme	180	180	0	0%	360	360	0	0%
13A	Brule	150	150	0	0%	150	150	0	0%
17A	Charles Mix/Douglas	350	350	0	0%	700	700	0	0%
19A	Clay	50	50	0	0%	100	100	0	0%
23A	Deuel	50	50	0	0%	50	50	0	0%
36A	Hughes	50	50	0	0%	50	50	0	0%
37A	Hutchinson	30	30	0	0%	30	30	0	0%
44A	Lincoln	70	50	-20	-29%	70	50	-20	-29%
52A	Moody	20	20	0	0%	20	20	0	0%
62A	Union	60	70	10	17%	120	140	20	17%
NE1	Northeast	1,000	1,000	0	0%	1,000	1,000	0	0%
BH1	Black Hills	2,000	1,500	-500	-25%	2,000	1,500	-500	-25%
	TOTAL	4,290	3,780	-510	-12%	4,980	4,480	-500	-10%

Note: An additional 8% of the number of licenses will be available to nonresidents for the Black Hills.  
Unlimited resident and nonresident 2-tag "any turkey" licenses for the West River Prairie Unit.

# GAME, FISH, AND PARKS COMMISSION ACTION PROPOSAL

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## Beaver Trapping and Hunting Season

Chapter 41:08:01

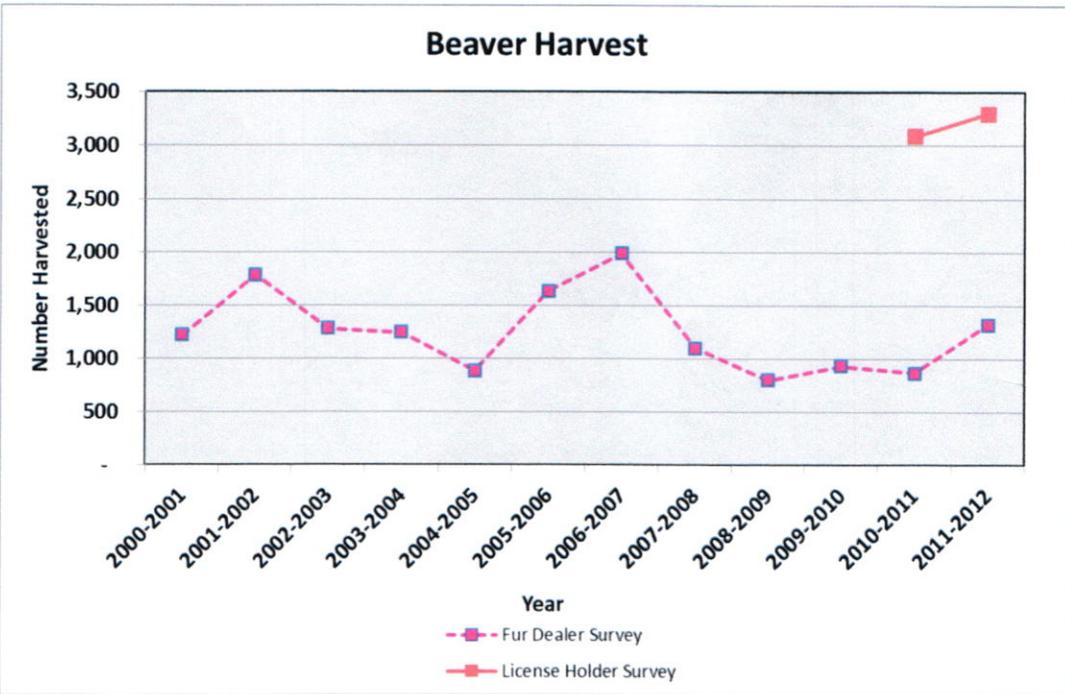
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	<b>Public Hearing</b>	June 6, 2013	<b>Pierre</b>
	<b>Finalization</b>	June 6-7, 2013	<b>Pierre</b>

**DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDATION**

<b>Season Dates:</b>	<b>Area:</b>
Year-round	Counties west of the Missouri River except that portion of the Black Hills Fire Protection District south of Interstate 90 and west SD Highway 79.
November 2, 2013 – April 30, 2014	All counties east of the Missouri River and portions of the Black Hills Fire Protection District south of Interstate 90 and west of SD Highway 79 that are not owned by the US Forest Service.
January 1 – March 31, 2014	US Forest Service land in the Black Hills Fire Protection District south of Interstate 90 and west of SD Highway 79.

**Recommended changes from last year:** None.

**SUPPORTIVE INFORMATION**



\*New harvest survey methodology used since 2010-11.

**APPROVE** 
**MODIFY** 
**REJECT** 
**NO ACTION**

# GAME, FISH, AND PARKS COMMISSION ACTION PROPOSAL

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## Skunk, Opossum, Jackrabbit, Fox, Raccoon and Badger Season

Chapter 41:08:01

<b>Commission Meeting Dates:</b>	<b>Proposal</b> <b>May 2-3, 2013</b> <b>Public Hearing</b> <b>June 6, 2013</b> <b>Finalization</b> <b>June 6-7, 2013</b>	<b>Custer State Park</b> <b>Pierre</b> <b>Pierre</b>
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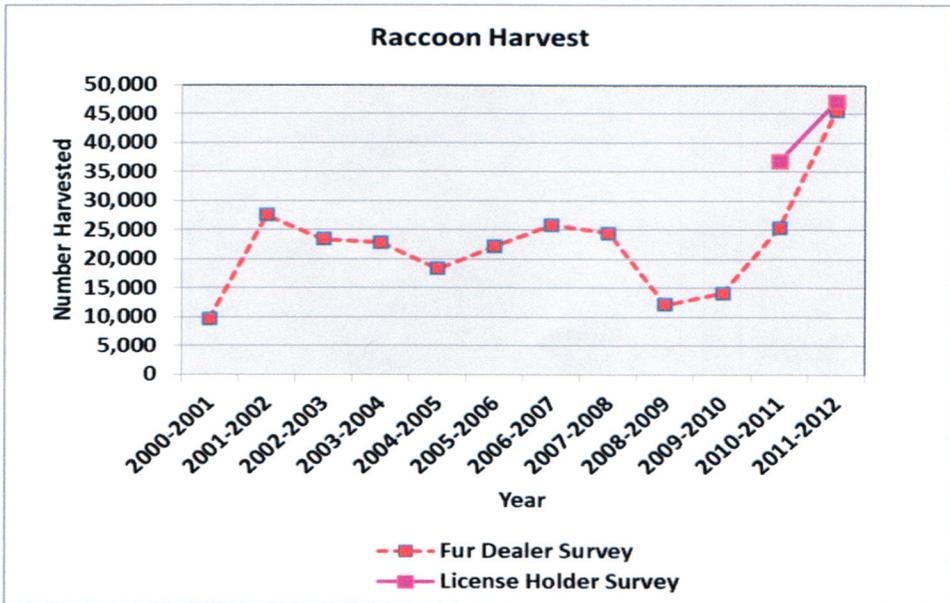
**DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDATION**

**Season Dates:**            Year-round

**Open Area:**                Statewide

**Recommended changes from last year:** None

**SUPPORTIVE INFORMATION**



Harvest Year	Red Fox	Badger	Skunk	Opossum	Jackrabbit
2001-2002	1,424	590	891	70	1,490
2002-2003	1,617	958	1,367	63	3,627
2003-2004	1,178	1,091	533	210	4,442
2004-2005	726	1,124	714	261	1,703
2005-2006	1,128	1,589	251	149	1,309
2006-2007	1,325	1,911	328	326	1,312
2007-2008	906	1,160	747	68	2,556
2008-2009	631	686	208	8	2,853
2009-2010	525	616	504	16	3,764
2010-2011	1,618	1,647	9,459	2,797	4,252
2011-2012	1,776	1,634	17,085	3,349	4,333

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PROPOSAL

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Mink, Weasel and Muskrat Trapping Season

Chapter 41:08:01

Commission Meeting Dates:	Proposal	May 2-3, 2013	Custer State Park
	Public Hearing	June 6, 2013	Pierre
	Finalization	June 6-7, 2013	Pierre

DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDATION

**Mink and Weasel**

**Season Dates:** November 2, 2013 – January 31, 2014

**Open Area:** Statewide

**Muskrat**

**Season Dates:** **Area:**

Year-round

All areas of the state, west of the Missouri River, except that portion of the Black Hills Fire Protection District south of Interstate 90 and west SD Highway 79.

November 2, 2013 – April 30, 2014

All areas of the state, east of the Missouri River and portions of the Black Hills Fire Protection District south of Interstate 90 and west of SD Highway 79.

**Requirements and Restrictions:**

1. Trapping on or in muskrat houses is prohibited from March 16 to the end of the season (April 30).

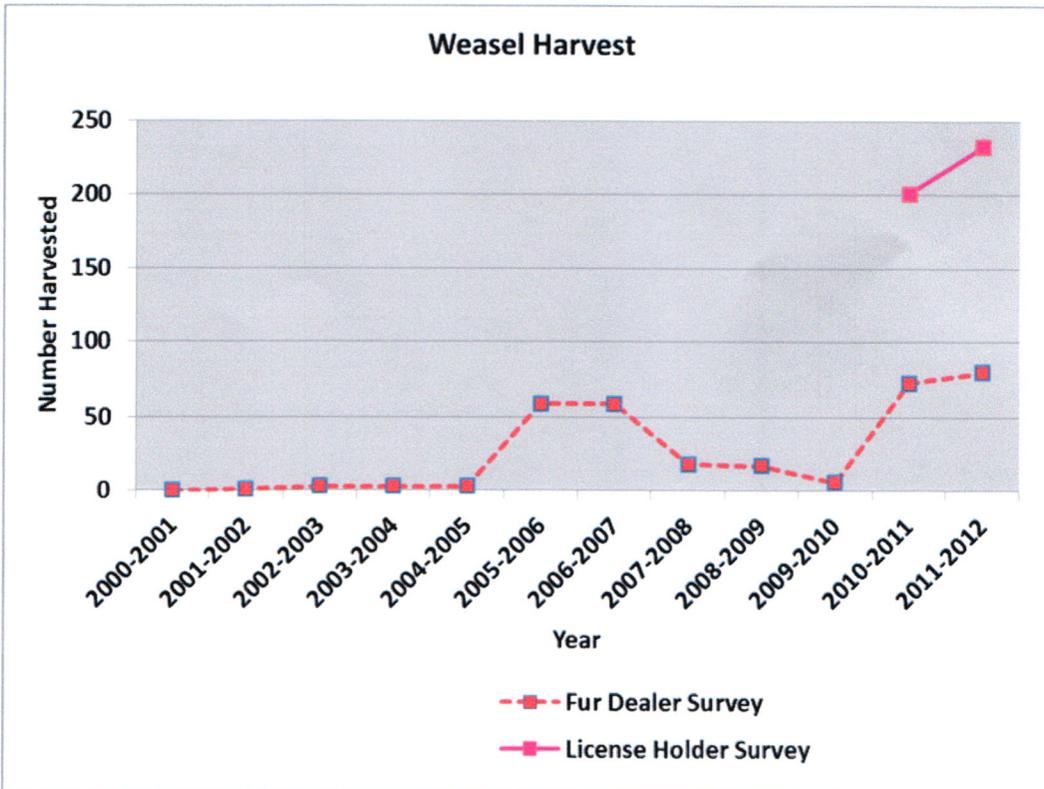
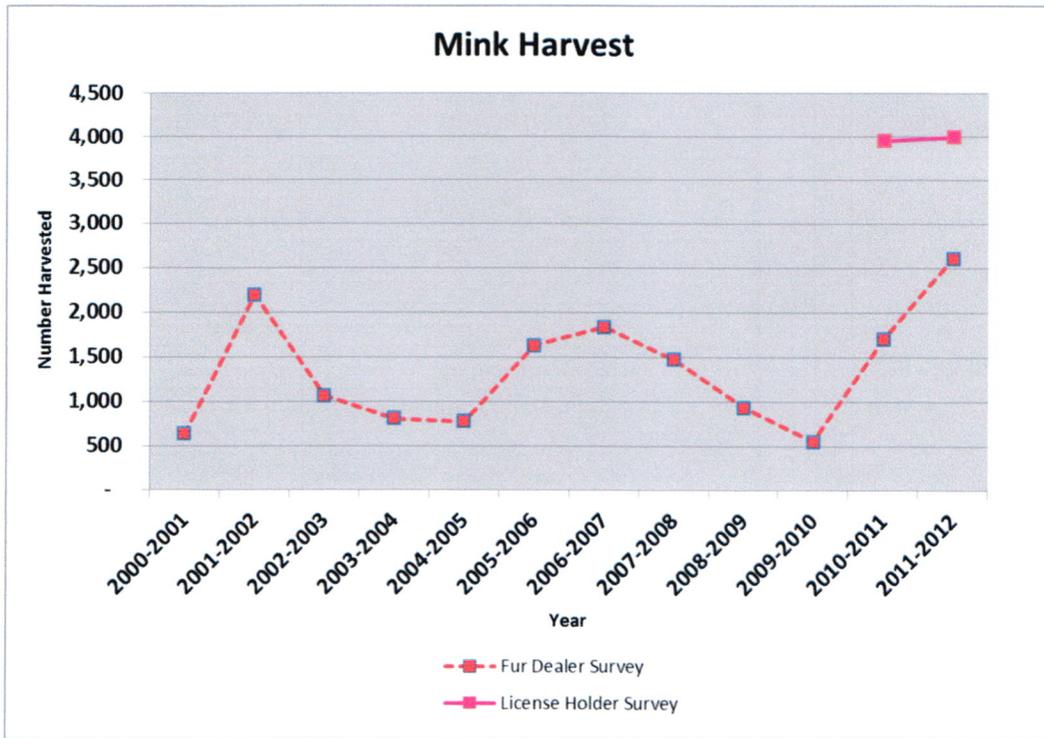
**Recommended changes from last year:** None.

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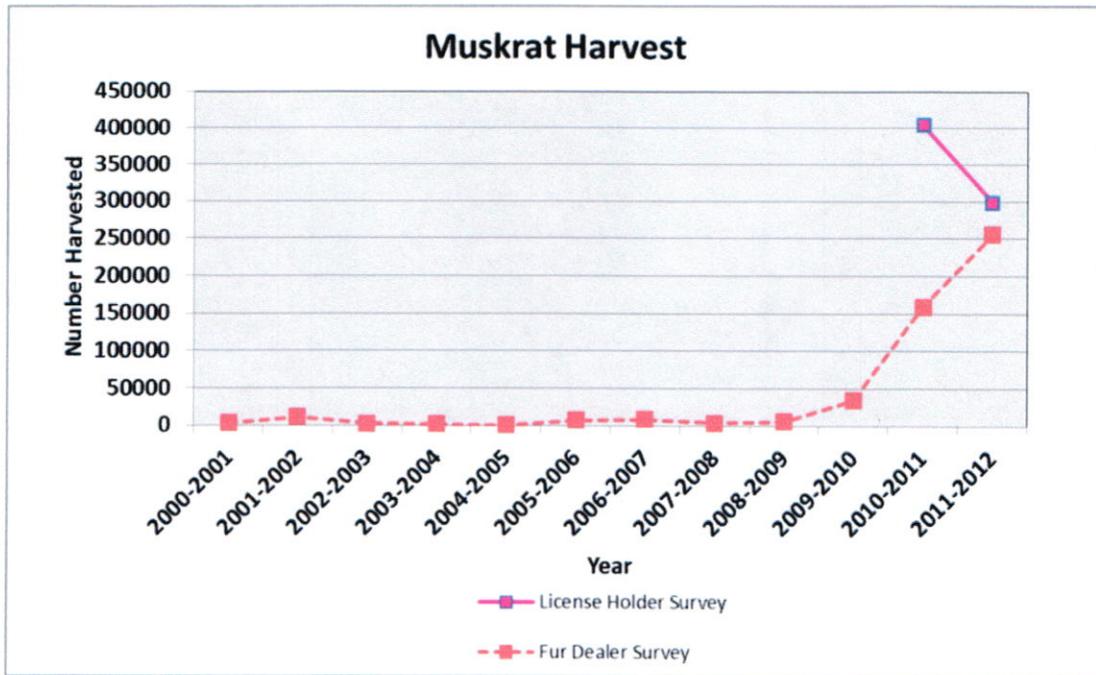
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\*New harvest survey methodology used since 2010-11.

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# GAME, FISH AND PARKS COMMISSION ACTION PROPOSAL

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## Muskrat Hunting Season

Chapter 41:08:01

<b>Commission Meeting Dates:</b>	<b>Proposal</b> <b>Public Hearing</b> <b>Finalization</b>	<b>May 2-3, 2013</b> <b>June 6, 2013</b> <b>June 6-7, 2013</b>	<b>Custer State Park</b> <b>Pierre</b> <b>Pierre</b>
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### DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDATION

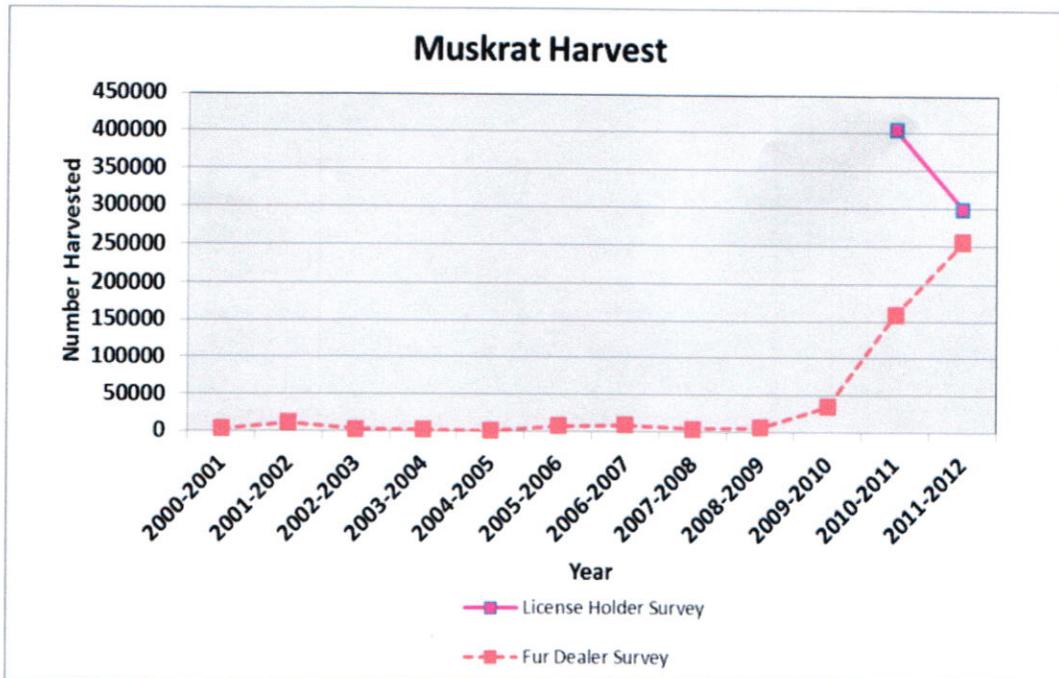
**Season Dates:** April 1, 2014 – August 31, 2014

**Area:** Statewide

**Restrictions:** Only landowners and lessees, including School and Public Lands surface lease holders, on land they own or operate and state, county, or township highway officials within public road right-of-ways are allowed to take muskrats during the season. Non-toxic shot is required for shotguns.

**Recommended changes from last year:** None.

### SUPPORTIVE INFORMATION



\*New harvest survey methodology used since 2010-11.

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GAME, FISH, AND PARKS COMMISSION ACTION  
PROPOSAL

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**Bobcat Trapping and Hunting Season**  
Chapter 41:08:01

<b>Commission Meeting Dates:</b>	<b>Proposal</b>	<b>May 2-3, 2013</b>	<b>Custer State Park</b>
	<b>Public Hearing</b>	<b>June 6, 2013</b>	<b>Pierre</b>
	<b>Finalization</b>	<b>June 6-7, 2013</b>	<b>Pierre</b>

**DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDATION**

**Season Dates:**

December 26, 2013 – February 15, 2014

December 26, 2013 – January 19, 2014

**Area:**

All counties west of the Missouri River.

Buffalo, Brule, Charles Mix, Bon Homme, and  
Yankton counties.

**Requirements and Restrictions:**

1. Trappers or hunters who participate in the bobcat season east river are limited to one bobcat per trapper or hunter.
2. A bobcat taken must be presented to a conservation officer or wildlife damage specialist for registration and tagging of the pelt within 5 days of harvest. Additionally, once the season has closed, an individual has 24 hours to notify a conservation officer or wildlife damage specialist of any untagged bobcats harvested during the season. The pelt must be removed from the carcass and the carcass must be surrendered to the conservation officer or wildlife damage specialist. After the pelt has been tagged, it shall be returned to the hunter or trapper. Upon request, the carcass may be returned to the hunter or trapper after the carcass has been inspected and the lower jaw has been removed. A person may only possess, purchase or sell raw bobcat pelts that are tagged through the eyeholes with the tag provided by the department.

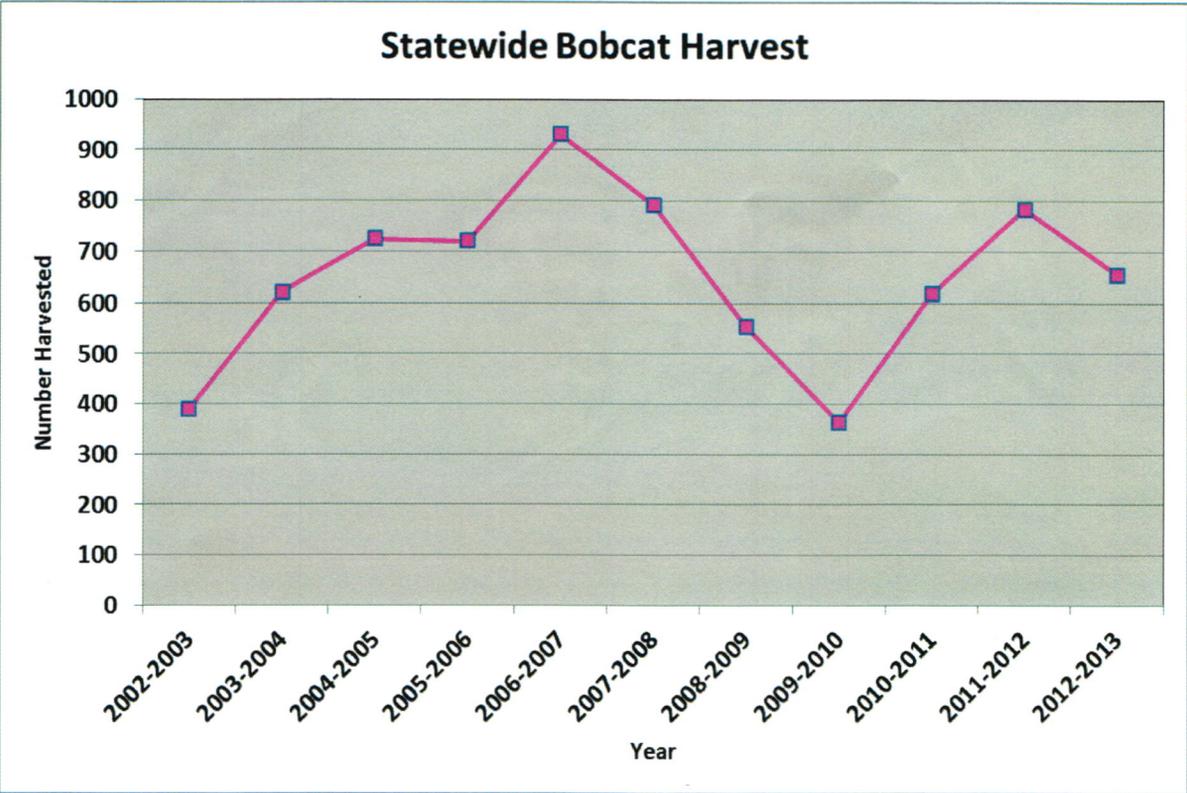
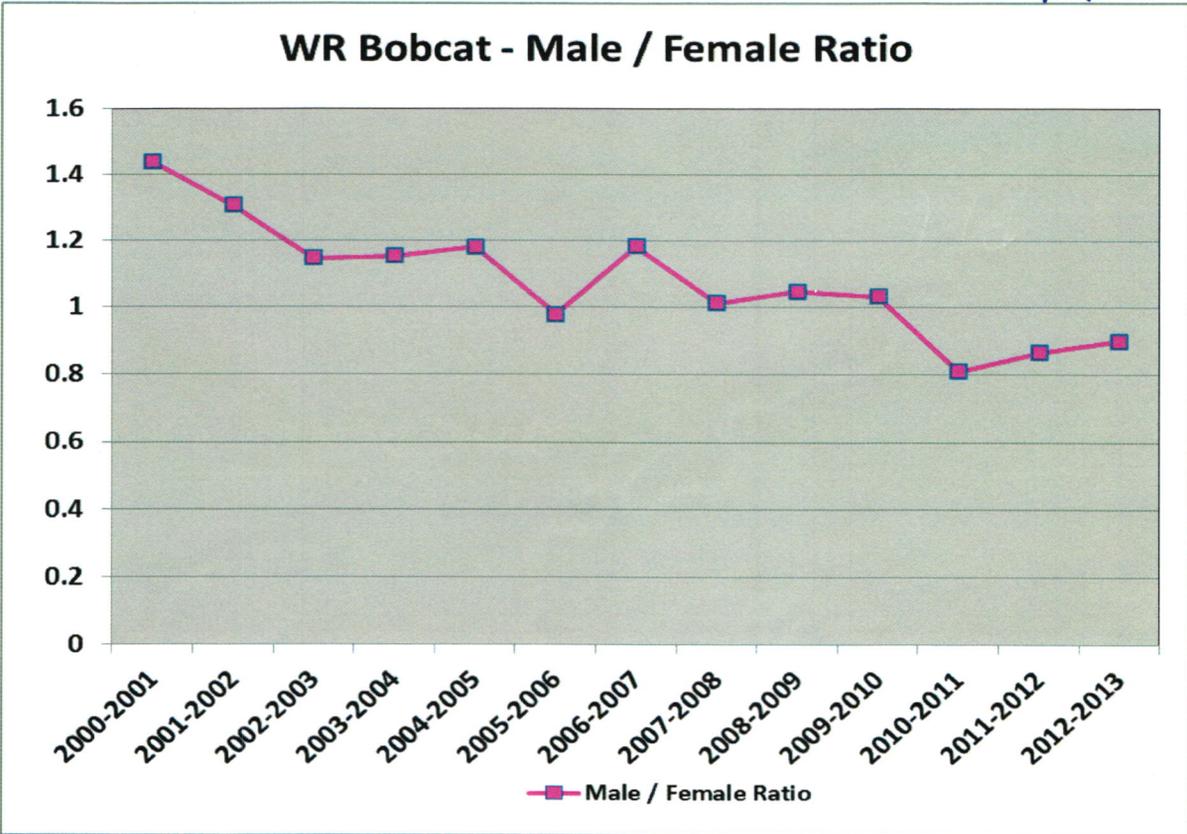
**Recommended changes from last year:**

1. Shorten the west river season. The west river season will open at sunrise on December 26 and will close at sunset on February 15.
2. Change the east river season to open at sunrise on December 26 and close at sunset on the third Sunday of January.

**SUPPORTIVE INFORMATION**

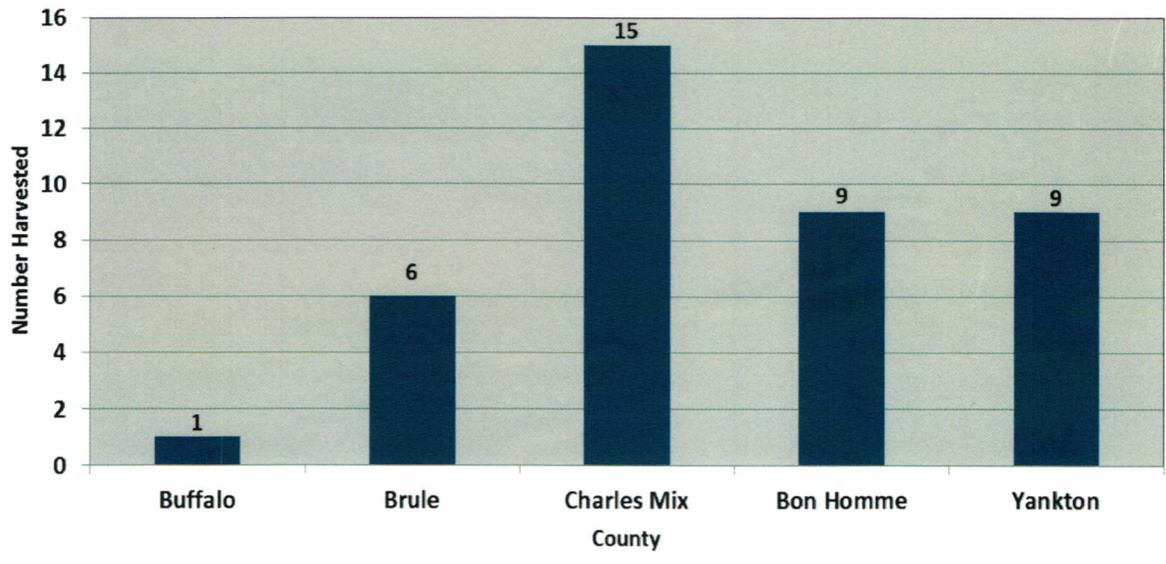
The last three consecutive years of the west river bobcat season has experienced sex ratios that have been skewed towards a higher ratio of females being harvested. Having more females than males harvested is an indicator of a moderate or heavy harvested population.

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### 2012 East River Bobcat Harvest



# GAME, FISH, AND PARKS COMMISSION ACTION PROPOSAL

## Goose Hunting Season Chapter 41:06:16

<b>Commission Meeting Dates:</b>	<b>Proposal</b>	<b>May 2-3, 2013</b>	<b>Custer State Park</b>
	<b>Public Hearing</b>	<b>June 6, 2013</b>	<b>Pierre</b>
	<b>Finalization</b>	<b>June 6-7, 2013</b>	<b>Pierre</b>

### DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDATION

**Season Dates:** August 3-31, 2013

**Open Area:** Brookings, Brown, Clark, Codington, Day, Deuel, Hamlin, Hanson, Grant, Kingsbury, Lake, Lincoln, Marshall, McCook, Miner, Minnehaha, Moody, Pennington, Roberts, Spink and Union counties.

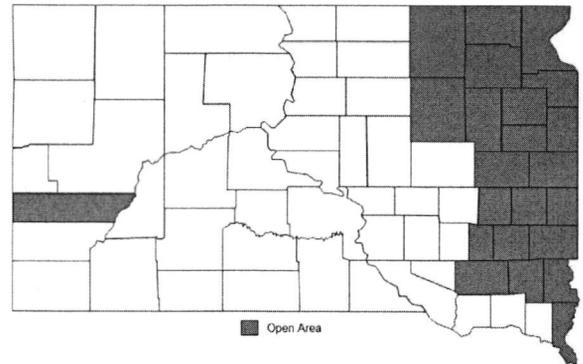
**Daily Bag Limit:** 15 Canada geese

**Possession Limit:** None

**Licenses:** Residents only

**Requirements and Restrictions:**

1. Annual small game or combination license and state migratory bird certification. Federal waterfowl stamp is not required.
2. Shooting hours are one-half hour before sunrise to one-half hour sunset.
3. Unplugged shotguns allowed.
4. All other restrictions are the same as during the Early Fall and Regular Canada Goose Season.



**Recommended changes from last year:**

1. Modify the season dates to the first Saturday of August to August 31.
2. Increase the daily bag limit from 8 to 15.
3. Add those portions west of the Cheyenne River in Pennington County to the open area.
4. Allow unplugged shotguns.
5. Modify the shooting hours to end one-half hour after sunset.

### SUPPORTIVE INFORMATION

Resident Canada goose numbers have shown an increasing trend since the early 1990's in South Dakota and are monitored by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's annual May Breeding Waterfowl Survey. Though the 2013 survey has not been conducted, this survey showed a spring population index of 270,000 Canada geese in South Dakota during 2012. The most recent 3-year average (2010-2012) is 220,000 birds. This is significantly higher than the management plan goal of 80,000-90,000.

These large numbers of resident Canada geese are causing significant crop depredation in eastern South Dakota. Landowner tolerance to goose depredation has decreased over the years due to economic issues such as higher commodity prices and increased crop production costs. Although most of our depredation problems with resident Canada geese are agricultural in nature, we are also experiencing urban goose problems, in particular, Rapid City and Sioux Falls.

Year	Number Hunters	Ave. Days Hunted	Average Season Bag	Harvest
2010	3,538	2.99	8.21	29,047
2011	3,211	2.74	9.44	30,300
2012	3,581	3.08	10.26	36,757

**APPROVE** \_\_\_\_\_ **MODIFY** \_\_\_\_\_ **REJECT** \_\_\_\_\_ **NO ACTION** \_\_\_\_\_

GAME, FISH AND PARKS COMMISSION ACTION  
PROPOSAL

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ARCHERY RESTRICTIONS  
CHAPTER 41:06:05

Commission Meeting Dates:	Proposal	May 2-3, 2013	Custer State Park
	Public Hearing	June 6, 2013	Pierre
	Finalization	June 6-7, 2013	Pierre

WILDLIFE DIVISION RECOMMENDATION

Amend 41:06:05:03 to limit the scope of the rule to the possession of firearms by an archery hunter. Create a new rule, 41:06:05:03.01, to address non-licensee armed accompaniment and to place the responsibility for adherence on the unlicensed hunter.

Recommended changes:

**41:06:05:03. Possession of firearm while archery hunting prohibited -- Accompaniment restrictions --**

**Exception.** No person who is licensed in a season restricted to archery only may: (1) ~~P~~ possess a firearm in the field while hunting big game with bow and arrow except if the person is carrying a pistol and possesses a valid concealed pistol permit as provided in SDCL chapter 23-7;

~~— (2) Be accompanied in the field by a person possessing a firearm, except if the person is carrying a pistol and possesses a valid concealed pistol permit as provided in SDCL chapter 23-7; or~~

~~— (3) Be accompanied in the field by a person carrying a bow and arrow if the person does not possess an archery big game license that is valid for the same geographic area and time of year as the licensee.~~

**41:06:05:03.01. Non-licensee armed accompaniment prohibited -- Exception.**

No person accompanying a licensee who is hunting big game with bow and arrow under an archery only license may:

- 1) Possess a bow and arrow (or crossbow) if the person does not possess an archery big game license that is valid for the same geographic area and time of year as the licensed archery hunter or;
- 2) Possess a firearm, including a muzzleloading firearm, except if the person is carrying a pistol and possesses a valid concealed pistol permit as provided in SDCL chapter 23-7.

SUPPORTIVE INFORMATION

Currently, a person hunting under an archery only license cannot be accompanied in the field by another person carrying a firearm or bow and arrow unless that individual has an archery big game license valid for the same geographic area and time of year as the licensee. An exception exists for those persons carrying a pistol and possessing a valid concealed pistol permit. The licensed archery big game hunter is held as the responsible party if other armed individuals accompany him/her and do not have the same type of license. The proposed amendment would place the responsibility for adherence to the rule on the armed unlicensed individual who accompanies the archery big game hunter.

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GAME, FISH, AND PARKS COMMISSION ACTION  
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**Motor Vehicles on Public Lands and Park and Trail Use Pass**  
Chapter 41:03:02 and 41:03:03

<b>Commission Meeting Dates:</b>	<b>Proposal</b>	<b>May 2-3, 2013</b>	<b>Custer State Park</b>
	<b>Public Hearing</b>	<b>June 6-7, 2013</b>	<b>Pierre</b>
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**PARKS & RECREATION DIVISION RECOMMENDATIONS**

**Requirements and Restrictions**

These rules regulate the operation of motor vehicles on department lands and require park entrance licenses on motor vehicles operating in park areas that require a park entrance license fee.

**Add a section 41:03:02:13**

**41:03:02:13. Restrictions on Motor Vehicles – Exceptions.** No person shall operate, nor allow another person to operate, a motor vehicle as defined in title 32 on roads or parking areas within the state park system unless the vehicle displays a valid license plate pursuant to SDCL chapters 32-5 and 32-20, with the following exceptions:

1. Golf carts having properly functioning headlights, brake lights, and rearview mirror, and which are insured by one of the methods provided by SDCL 32-35-113; and
2. Combustion engine powered mopeds and scooters having a maximum engine displacement of 50cc, a properly functioning headlight, brake light, horn, and rear view mirror, and which are insured by one of the methods provided by SDCL 32-35-113.

In addition, any operator of any motor vehicle, including golf carts, mopeds and scooters, must be a licensed driver pursuant to SDCL chapters 32-12 and 32-20.

A golf cart that does not display a valid license plate may operate on designated roads and parking lots within state parks and recreation areas with the following exceptions,

- 1) Custer State Park except within designated campgrounds; and
- 2) roads with posted speed limits of more than 35 miles per hour.

**Amend ARSD 41:03:03:02 as follows:**

**41:03:03:02. Display of park entrance license.** A park entrance license must be affixed to the lower right-hand corner of the motor vehicle windshield by applying the adhesive backing of the license directly to the inside of the windshield. A park entrance license may not be transferred from one motor vehicle to another. Unless otherwise directed by a department representative, the operator of a motorcycle, moped, scooter or golf cart must have the park entrance license affixed by applying the adhesive backing of the license directly to the motorcycle motor vehicle

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or have the motor vehicle license or serial number visibly recorded with permanent marker on the face of the park entrance license and available for inspection at all times while in a park area requiring a park entrance license fee.

When the motor vehicle is not in operation, the transferable park entrance license must be conspicuously hung on the rearview mirror of the motor vehicle. When the motor vehicle is in operation in a park, the transferable park license must be placed where it is visible on the dash of the motor vehicle. As an alternative to the above, the operator of a motorcycle, moped, scooter or golf cart must make the transferrable park entrance license available to park staff for inspection upon request.

**Repeal ARSD 41:03:03:03.01 (6):**

**41:03:03:03.01. Park entrance license exemptions.** Park entrance license exemptions are as follows

~~(6) A park entrance license is not required for any moped powered by a combustion engine with a maximum piston or rotor displacement of 50 cubic centimeters.~~

**SUPPORTIVE INFORMATION**

During the 2013 legislative session, HB 1220 was passed and signed into law. The statute directs the Game, Fish, and Parks Commission to promulgate rules to permit the use of golf carts with in state parks and recreation areas. The statute in its entirety states:

*"The Game, Fish, and Parks Commission shall promulgate rules, pursuant to chapter 1-26, to permit the use of golf carts on roads within state parks and state recreation areas that are designated by the commission to be used by golf carts. The rules shall require that the golf cart is insured as a motor vehicle by one of the methods provided by § 32-35-113, has a rearview mirror, and has functioning headlights, and brake lights. The commission may also, by a rule, require the golf cart to display a valid park entrance license. Any person operating a golf cart on any such designated road shall hold a valid driver license."*

Under current state statute, gasoline engine powered golf carts can be licensed and operated on public roads, including state parks and recreation areas. HB 1220 will allow any licensed driver to operate any type of golf cart on roads designated by the Game, Fish and Parks Commission within state park and recreation areas if it is insured, has required safety equipment and possess a valid park entrance license.

Also proposed is elimination of the current park entrance license exemption for mopeds. Statute allows unlicensed mopeds (gasoline powered scooters having a maximum engine displacement of 50 c.c.) to operate on public roads. Eliminating the moped exemption will result in a uniform requirement that a park entrance license will be required for "all" motor vehicles legally operated on state park and recreation area roads where the park entrance license is required.

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# Custer State Park Visitor Center



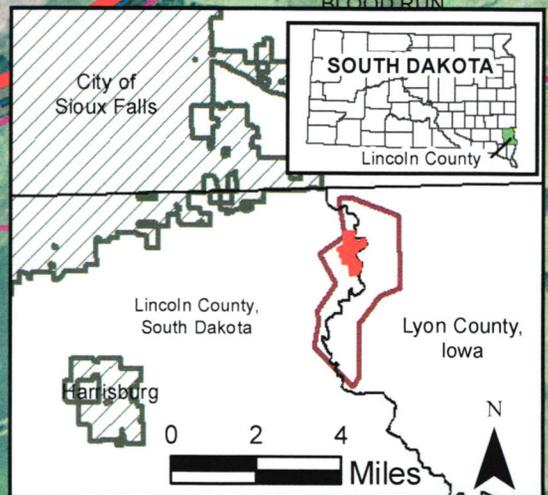
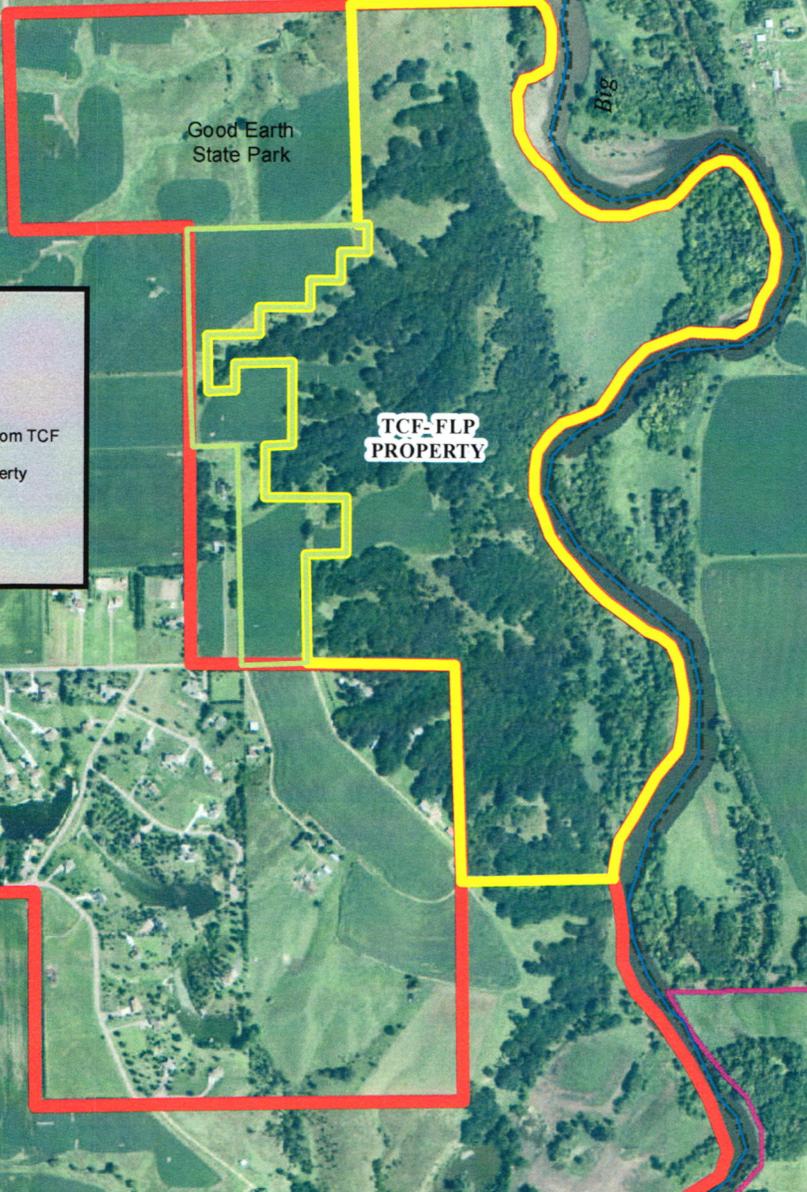
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# BLOOD RUN NATIONAL HISTORIC LANDMARK AREA South Dakota Game, Fish & Parks 2013 Land Transfers



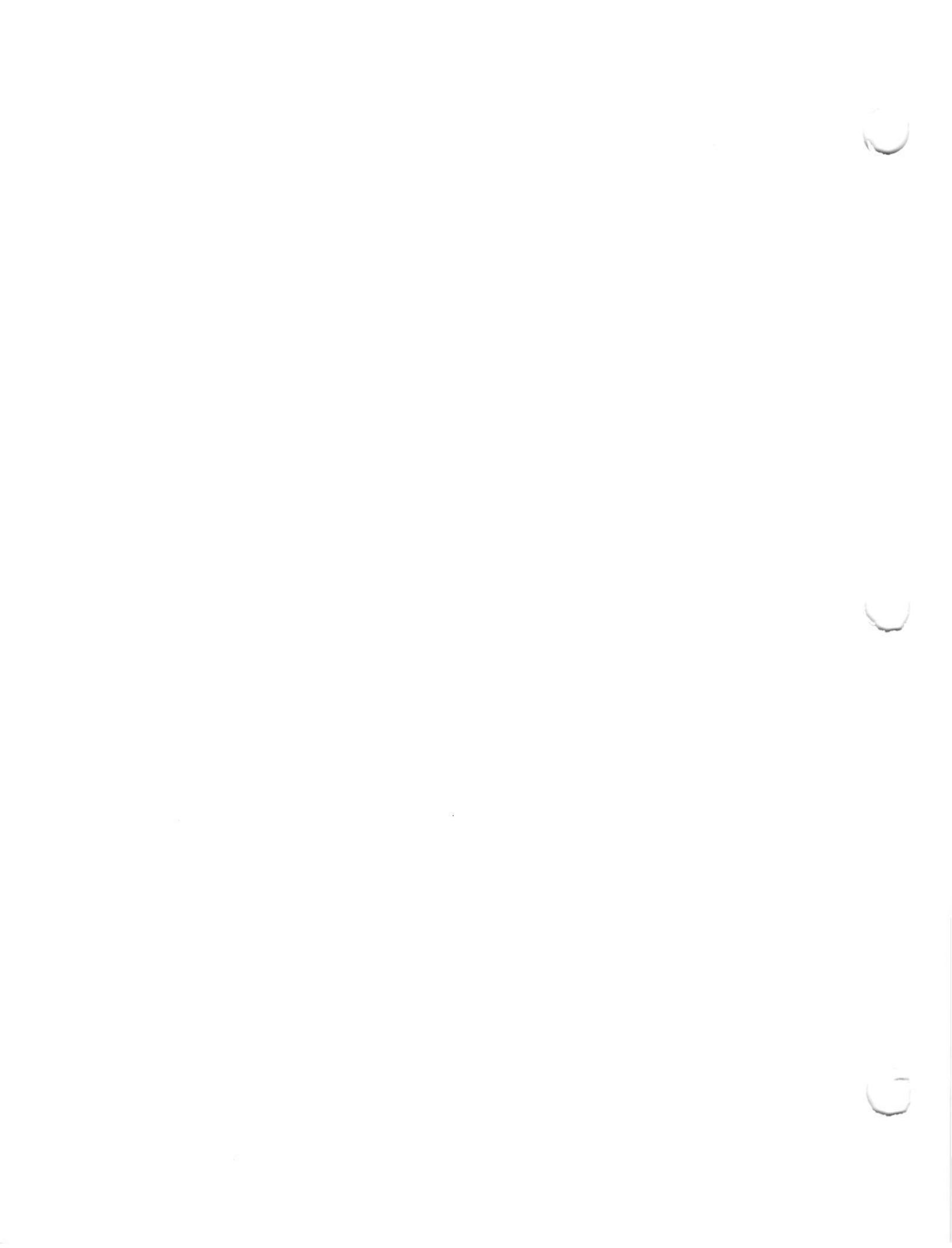
**LEGEND**

- Land Transfer from TCF
- TCF - FLP Property
- State\_Parks
- State of Iowa

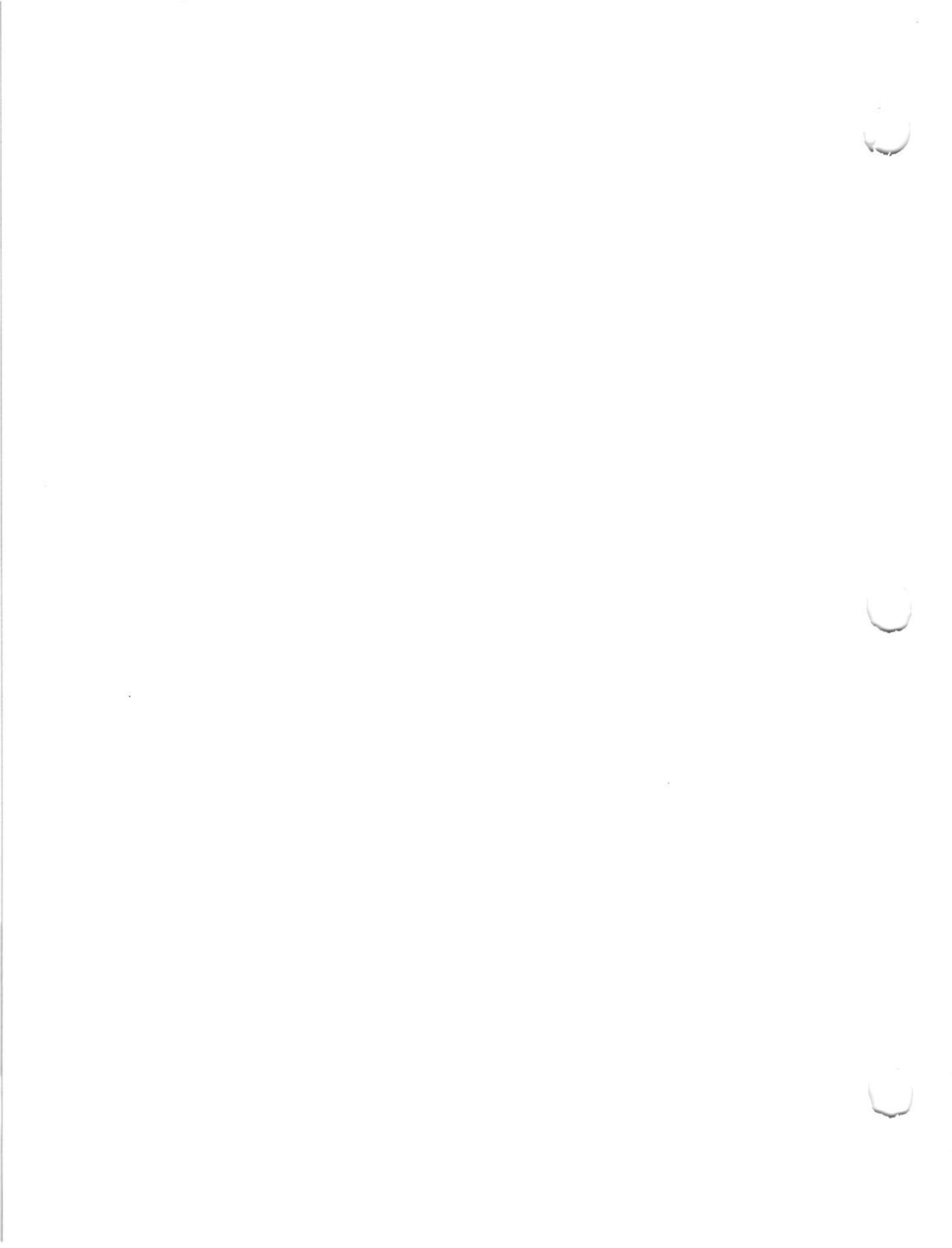


Marcotte Game Production Area  
Remnant Highway Lot Disposal - 1.01 acres







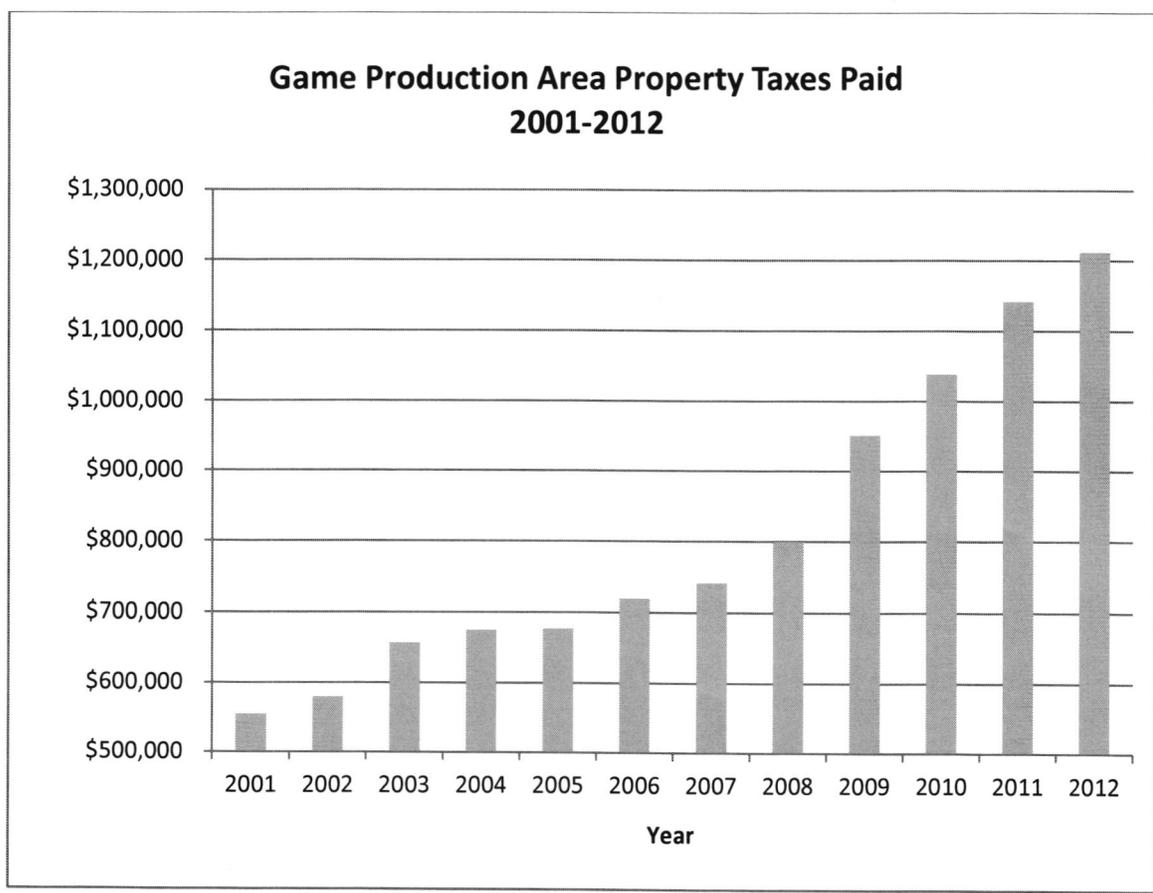


## 2012 TAXES ON GAME PRODUCTION AREAS

<u>COUNTY</u>	<u>ACRES</u>	<u>TOTAL TAX</u>	<u>PER ACRE</u>
Aurora	2,371.00	\$ 14,479.08	\$ 6.11
Beadle	2,350.10	\$ 15,780.89	\$ 6.71
Bennett	2,877.50	\$ 11,325.40	\$ 3.94
Bon Homme	3,616.59	\$ 44,427.32	\$ 12.28
Brookings	2,773.30	\$ 21,527.30	\$ 7.76
Brown	10,224.88	\$ 49,214.41	\$ 4.81
Brule	8,545.21	\$ 37,673.38	\$ 4.41
Buffalo	300.00	\$ 836.06	\$ 2.79
Campbell	1,371.40	\$ 3,625.90	\$ 2.64
Charles Mix	10,900.69	\$ 61,868.42	\$ 5.68
Clark	10,968.57	\$ 38,270.95	\$ 3.49
Clay	521.38	\$ 3,498.87	\$ 6.71
Codington	8,568.07	\$ 69,099.01	\$ 8.06
Corson	320.00	\$ 545.14	\$ 1.70
Custer	2,792.47	\$ 7,807.15	\$ 2.80
Davison	445.72	\$ 5,023.36	\$ 11.27
Day	12,068.92	\$ 54,590.24	\$ 4.52
Deuel	5,148.00	\$ 31,198.84	\$ 6.06
Dewey	3,324.05	\$ 6,433.33	\$ 1.94
Edmunds	1,523.60	\$ 5,573.36	\$ 3.66
Fall River	8,833.24	\$ 21,925.92	\$ 2.48
Faulk	1,657.45	\$ 5,597.92	\$ 3.38
Grant	2,132.07	\$ 15,651.66	\$ 7.34
Gregory	12,743.45	\$ 46,533.25	\$ 3.65
Haakon	80.00	\$ 132.24	\$ 1.65
Hamlin	8,054.31	\$ 49,432.96	\$ 6.14
Hand	4,930.25	\$ 19,505.60	\$ 3.96
Hanson	588.68	\$ 3,701.90	\$ 6.29
Harding	1,221.90	\$ 1,319.18	\$ 1.08
Hughes	5,584.43	\$ 21,040.01	\$ 3.77
Hutchinson	2,307.47	\$ 26,311.94	\$ 11.40
Hyde	1,633.79	\$ 7,066.34	\$ 4.33
Jerauld	1,286.89	\$ 8,396.60	\$ 6.52
Jones	631.00	\$ 1,742.02	\$ 2.76
Kingsbury	8,614.46	\$ 60,446.60	\$ 7.02
Lake	3,764.16	\$ 19,861.76	\$ 5.28
Lawrence	4,049.02	\$ 9,234.14	\$ 2.28
Lincoln	1,708.57	\$ 21,984.10	\$ 12.87
Lyman	16,226.71	\$ 40,269.71	\$ 2.48
McCook	2,079.73	\$ 21,274.38	\$ 10.23
McPherson	4,681.48	\$ 15,025.96	\$ 3.21
Marshall	11,063.37	\$ 52,125.82	\$ 4.71
Meade	1,183.33	\$ 2,122.32	\$ 1.79
Miner	3,826.69	\$ 39,883.14	\$ 10.42
Minnehaha	2,167.09	\$ 9,483.72	\$ 4.38



Moody	504.36	\$ 2,900.74	\$ 5.75
Pennington	101.05	\$ 134.42	\$ 1.33
Perkins	320.00	\$ 620.82	\$ 1.94
Potter	563.18	\$ 2,779.46	\$ 4.94
Roberts	5,114.91	\$ 21,923.64	\$ 4.29
Sanborn	3,289.02	\$ 24,112.08	\$ 7.33
Spink	2,199.63	\$ 9,397.57	\$ 4.27
Stanley	16,670.06	\$ 23,178.70	\$ 1.39
Sully	15,560.40	\$ 61,584.12	\$ 3.96
Tripp	1,461.11	\$ 7,250.22	\$ 4.96
Turner	1,103.42	\$ 9,472.94	\$ 8.59
Union	1,020.76	\$ 16,442.44	\$ 16.11
Walworth	4,757.99	\$ 16,008.83	\$ 3.36
Yankton	1,271.64	\$ 12,840.82	\$ 10.10
	<u>255,998.52</u>	<u>\$1,211,514.40</u>	<u>\$ 4.73</u>



- The Wildlife Division's obligation to pay property taxes on Game Production Areas for county, township, and school purposes is by both South Dakota State Constitution (XI § 5) and South Dakota Codified Law 41-4-8.
- For tax valuation purposes, Game Production Areas are classified as agricultural lands as per South Dakota Codified Law 10-6-31.3.

