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**TRANSMITTAL SHEET FOR
NOTICE OF INTENDED ACTION**

Control No. 220 Department or Agency Conservation and Natural Resources
Rule No. 220-2-.140

Rule Title: Special State Park Hunting Seasons

New Amend Repeal (of Existing Rule) Adopt by Reference

Would the absence of the proposed rule significantly harm or endanger the public health, welfare, or safety? YES

Is there a reasonable relationship between the state's police power and the protection of the public health, safety, or welfare? YES

Is there another, less restrictive method of regulation available that could adequately protect the public? NO

Does the proposed rule have the effect of directly or indirectly increasing the costs of any goods or services involved and, if so, to what degree? NO

Is the increase in cost, if any, more harmful to the public than the harm that might result from the absence of the rule? N/A

Are all facets of the rulemaking process designed solely for the purpose of, and so they have, as their primary effect, the protection of the public? YES

Does the proposed rule have any economic impact? NO
If the proposed rule has an economic impact, the proposed rule is required to be accompanied by a fiscal note prepared in accordance with subsection (f) of Section 41-22-23, Code of Alabama 1975.

Certification of Authorized Official

I certify that the attached proposed rule has been proposed in full compliance with the requirements of Chapter 22, Title 41, Code of Alabama 1975 and that it conforms to all applicable filing requirements of the Alabama Administrative Procedure Division of the Legislative Reference Service.

Signature of Certifying Officer Jennifer Weller
Secretary of Administrative Procedure

Date 7-20-15

Department of Conservation and Natural Resources
Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries Division

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AGENCY NAME: Department of Conservation and Natural Resources

RULE NO. & TITLE: 220-2-.140 Special State Park Hunting Seasons

INTENDED ACTION: Amendment.

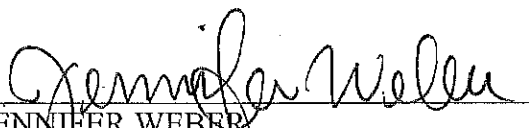
SUBSTANCE OF PROPOSED ACTION: Amend paragraph (1) to change the season dates and add "Whitetail Deer Hunt", add paragraph (2) which sets out the Lakepoint Resort State Park whitetail deer bow hunt, add paragraph (3) which sets out the Lakepoint Resort State Park youth squirrel hunt, add paragraph (4) which sets out the Blue Springs State Park youth squirrel hunt, and add paragraph (5) which sets out the Lake Guntersville State Park Alabama Hawking Association Demonstration Event.

TIME, PLACE, MANNER OF PRESENTING VIEWS: Interested persons may present their views in writing to the Director of the Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries Division at any time during the period stated below, or orally if requested in advance by personally appearing at Room 474, Folsom Administrative Building, 64 North Union Street, Montgomery, Alabama, at 10:00 a.m., Friday, September 4, 2015.

FINAL DATE FOR COMMENT AND COMPLETION OF NOTICE:

September 4, 2015.

CONTACT PERSON AT AGENCY: Chuck Sykes, Director, Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries Division, 5th Floor, 64 N. Union Street, Montgomery, Alabama 36130, 334-242-3848.


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Secretary of Administrative Procedure

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220-2-.140 Special State Park Hunting Seasons

There are hereby established Special State Park Hunting Seasons for the following parks:

(1) Oak Mountain State Park – Whitetail Deer Hunt. In a certain designated area at the park, for the hunting of deer by bow and arrow (including crossbows), during the period of November 1, ~~2014~~2015, through January 31, ~~2015~~2016, weekdays only, with the exception of the weekend of January ~~10~~ & ~~11~~10, January ~~17~~16 & ~~18~~17, and January ~~24~~23 & ~~25~~24, ~~2015-2016~~, by permitted and licensed Alabama resident and non-resident hunters 16 years old or older only, subject to and in accordance with established registration and eligibility requirements. Stalk hunting only (no dogs). State harvest limits will apply. Hunters will be allowed to take up to three deer per day, only one of which may be an antlered buck.

(2) Lakepoint Resort State Park – Whitetail Deer Bow Hunt. This is limited to the following dates only: October 19-21, 2015, October 26-28, 2015, November 9-11, 2015, November 16-18, 2015, December 14-16, 2015, January 25-27, 2016, and January 29-31, 2016. The bow hunts are limited to four people per date/pre-registered and all state hunting regulations will apply, including state harvest limits in Barbour County.

(3) Lakepoint Resort State Park – Youth Squirrel Hunt, gray squirrels only. February 13, 2016 only. All state regulations apply, limited number and age class.

(4) Blue Springs State Park – Youth Squirrel Hunt, gray squirrels only. February 20, 2016 only. All state regulations apply, limited number and age class.

(5) Lake Guntersville State Park – Alabama Hawking Association Demonstration Event, November 7, 2015 only. Gray squirrel harvest with raptors within the park golf course.

Statutory Authority: § 9-2-7, 9-2-8, and 9-2-12
Code of Alabama 1975

PENALTY: As provided by law.

10/17/2005(E); 10/11/2006(E) 10/26/2007(E); 12/4/2008(E); 10/13/2009(E);
11/16/2010(E); 10/28/2011(E); 8/18/2014(E).