

LOUISIANA WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES COMMISSION

MINUTES

JANUARY 6, 2000

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BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA

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MINUTES OF THE MEETING

OF

LOUISIANA WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES COMMISSION

Thursday, January 6, 2000

Chairman Tom Gattle presiding.

Warren Delacroix
Tom Kelly
Norman McCall
Jerry Stone

Secretary James Jenkins, Jr. was also present.

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(The full text of the Notice of Intent is made a part of the record.)

RESOLUTION
LOUISIANA WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES COMMISSION
LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES
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THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission adopts the attached Notice of Intent to repeal Section 177 of Title 76 relative to the take of crawfish on Sherburne Wildlife Management Area.

Thomas M. Gattle, Jr., Chairman
Wildlife and Fisheries
Commission

James H. Jenkins, Jr., Secretary
Department of Wildlife and
Fisheries

NOTICE OF INTENT

Department of Wildlife and Fisheries
Wildlife and Fisheries Commission

The Wildlife and Fisheries Commission does hereby give notice of its intent to repeal rules and regulations governing crawfishing activities on the agricultural lands on Sherburne WMA.

Title 76

WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES

Part VII. Wild Quadrupeds and Wild Birds

Chapter 1. Wild Quadrupeds

§177. Crawfishing on Agricultural Lands Within Sherburne WMA

Repealed.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 56:326.3.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, Wildlife and Fisheries Commission, LR 21:960 (September 1995), repealed LR .

The Secretary of the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries is authorized to take any and all necessary steps on behalf of the Commission to promulgate and effectuate this notice of intent and the final rule, including but not limited to, the filing of the fiscal and economic impact statements, the filing of the notice of intent and final rule and the preparation of reports and correspondence to other agencies of government.

Interested persons may submit comments relative to the proposed Rule to: Dave Morrison, Wildlife Division, Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, Box 98000, Baton Rouge, LA 70898-9000, prior to Thursday, March 2, 2000.

In accordance with Act #1183 of 1999, the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries/Wildlife and Fisheries Commission hereby issues its Family Impact Statement in connection with the preceding Notice of Intent: This Notice of Intent will have no impact on the six criteria set out at R.S. 49:972(B).

Thomas M. Gattle, Jr.
Chairman

Mr. Bennie Fontenot handled the next agenda item, **Rule Ratification - Freshwater Harvest of Mullet**. This action is a result of Act 838 of the 1999 Legislative Session which directed the Commission to establish rules that will allow commercial fishermen in freshwater areas using hoop nets to keep any mullet he may incidentally catch. The rules, such as a possession limit of 100 pounds per day, were explained by Mr. Fontenot. Chairman Gattle asked if there were any questions from the Commission or public. Hearing none, Commissioner McCall made a motion to adopt the Rule. Commissioner Kelly seconded the motion and it passed with no opposition.

(The full text of the Rule is made a part of the record.)

RULE

Department of Wildlife and Fisheries
Wildlife and Fisheries Commission

The Wildlife and Fisheries Commission hereby adopts the following rule on the harvest of mullet.

Title 76

WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES

Part VII. Fish and Other Aquatic Life

Chapter 1. Freshwater Sports and Commercial Fishing

§193. Freshwater Harvest of Mullet

A. Recreational Limits. The daily take and possession limit for the recreational harvest of mullet shall be 100 pounds per person per day. No person shall take or possess mullet in excess of 100 pounds per day, except for legally licensed commercial fishermen. No person shall sell, barter, trade or exchange or attempt to sell, barter, trade or exchange mullet taken or possessed recreationally.

B. Commercial; freshwater areas. The following provisions govern the commercial taking of mullet with hoop nets in the freshwater areas of the state:

1. Mullet caught in the freshwater areas of the state shall not be possessed by commercial fishermen in the saltwater areas of the state.

2. There shall be no lead nets on hoop nets used for the fishing of mullet.

3. No person shall take or possess mullet from hoop nets between the hours of official sunset and official sunrise.

4. No mullet shall be possessed on the water in the freshwater areas of the state between the hours of official sunset and official sunrise.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 56:6(25)(a), R.S. 56:325.1.A(1) and R.S. 56:333.1.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, Wildlife and Fisheries Commission, LR 26: (January 2000).

Thomas M. Gattle, Jr.
Chairman

A Rule Ratification - Black Bass Regulations - Removal of Slot Limit in Lake Bartholomew was also handled by Mr. Bennie Fontenot. This rule would remove the slot limit on black bass in Lake Bartholomew. The slot limit has been in effect since 1991 and the staff feels it has not worked in producing fish through the slot. Fishermen and the Lake Bartholomew Lake Commission have asked that this slot be removed. This action would repeal the slot limit and impose a 10 fish per day with no size limit. Chairman Gattle asked if there were any comments received? Mr. Fontenot stated there was no opposition. Commissioner Kelly made a motion to adopt the Rule change and it was seconded by Commissioner Delacroix. This motion also passed with no opposition.

(The full text of the Rule is made a part of the record.)

RULE

Department of Wildlife and Fisheries
Wildlife and Fisheries Commission

The Wildlife and Fisheries Commission hereby amends the following rule on black bass (*Micropterus spp.*) on Lake Bartholomew, located in Morehouse and Ouachita Parishes, Louisiana.

Title 76

Wildlife and Fisheries

Part VII. Fish and Other Aquatic Life

Chapter 1. Freshwater Sports and Commercial Fishing

§149. Black Bass Regulations-Daily Take and Size Limits

A. The Wildlife and Fisheries Commission establishes a statewide daily take (creel limit) of 10 fish for black bass

(Micropterus spp.). The possession limit shall be the same as the daily take on water and twice the daily take off water.

B. In addition, the Commission establishes special size and daily take regulations for black bass on the following water bodies:

1. Concordia Lake (Concordia Parish), and Caney Creek Reservoir (Jackson Parish):

a. Size limit: 15 inch - 19 inch slot. A 15 - 19 inch slot limit means that it is illegal to keep or possess a black bass whose maximum total length is between 15 inches and 19 inches, both measurements inclusive.

b. Daily take: eight fish of which no more than two fish may exceed 19 inches maximum total length.*

c. Possession limit:

i. On water - Same as daily take.

ii. Off water - Twice the daily take.

2. ~~Lake Bartholomew (Morehouse and Ouachita parishes),~~ Black Bayou Lake (Bossier Parish), Chicot Lake (Evangeline Parish), Cross Lake (Caddo Parish), John K. Kelly-Grand Bayou Reservoir (Red River Parish), Lake Rodemacher (Rapides Parish) and Vernon Lake (Vernon Parish):

a. Size Limit: 14 inch - 17 inch slot. A 14 - 17 inch slot limit means that it is illegal to keep or possess a black bass whose maximum total length is between 14 inches and 17 inches, both measurements inclusive.

b. Daily Take: eight fish of which no more than four fish may exceed 17 inches maximum total length.*

c. Possession limit:

i. On water - Same as daily take.

ii. Off water - Twice the daily take.

3. False River (Pointe Coupee Parish)

a. Size limit: 14 inch minimum size limit.

- b. Daily Take: 5 fish.
- c. Possession limit:
 - i. On water - Same as daily take.
 - ii. Off water - Twice the daily take.

*Maximum total length - The distance in a straight line from the tip of the snout to the most posterior point of the depressed caudal fin as measured with mouth closed on a flat surface.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 56:6 (25) (a), R.S. 56:325 (C), R.S. 56:326.3.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, Wildlife and Fisheries Commission, LR 14:364 (June 1988), amended LR 17:278 (March 1991), repromulgated LR 17:488 (May 1991), amended LR 17:1122 (November 1991), LR 20:796 (July 1994), LR 23:1168 (September 1997), LR 24:505 (March 1998), LR 26: (January 2000).

Thomas M. Gattle, Jr.
Chairman

Presentation of 5 Year Financial Projection began with Mr. Jim Patton stating this would be a power point presentation of a project that culminated in July 1999. A request by the Governor and the Commissioner of Administration was to look at sources of revenue and cost projected over the next five fiscal years. The objectives of the presentation included explaining the role of the Conservation Fund as principle source of revenue, look at the demand and cost pressures that have been and will be placed on the Conservation Fund over the next 5 years, look 5 years into the future to see what can be found, and a discussion of various funding solutions. The Conservation Fund represents the largest source of funding for the Department, pays almost all of the basic business expenses of the Department, provides most of the funds to match federal funds, pays for nearly all law enforcement activities, and meets growing demands and needs. The means of funding for fiscal year 1997-98 showed the Conservation Fund accounted for 63.1 percent of the Department's total funding. Facts about revenues to the Conservation Fund for the last 10 years showed growth has been erratic, characterized by extraordinary one time receipts, changing attitudes and growth has been slow compared to the Consumer Price Index over the same period of time. The sources of revenue and the trend for these revenues were discussed.

Conservation Funds are expected to increase from \$27.5 million in this fiscal year to \$28.9 million by fiscal year 2003-04. The demand pressure shows users want more places to engage in wildlife recreation activities and there are new users and new kinds of uses that have not been around before. This Department has acquired land every year since 1959 with the help of several statutory dedications. It is anticipated an increase of 50,000 acres to the WMA system by the year 2020, stated Mr. Patton. A chart of cumulative rate of growth of owned acreage was shown. Then several charts were shown on the growth of rate for outdoor recreation versus the growth of the Conservation Fund Revenues. The number of registered watercraft and the usage of these are increasing. Other demand pressures included: increasing law enforcement duties, increasing boater education programs, increasing demand for access to water, aquatic weed control, overboard pollution, non-native species and trophy fish. The demands placed on this Department are increasing faster than revenue. The biggest cost for the Department comes from people - 79 percent is for salaries and benefits. The staff levels have remain at a constant for the last 10 years, but the cost of salaries and benefits has increased substantially over the same 10 years. Technology costs were discussed and an example of growth in computer hardware versus the growth of Conservation Fund revenue was given. Another chart shown compared the cost for four different items (a pick-up truck, an automobile, a Suburban utility vehicle and a 4-wheel ATV) with the Consumer Price Index and the Conservation Fund revenues. Then shown were charts on the growth of insurance expenses and postage expenses versus the Conservation Fund revenue. For the next five years, Mr. Patton felt the rate of growth and associated costs would continue to exceed the Conservation Fund revenues. The projected deficit by the year 2004 would be \$8.3 million. Proposals to solve this problem include increasing recreational hunting and fishing license fees, raising the age limit on hunting and fishing licenses from 60 to 64, creating a senior fishing and hunting license at a lower cost, increasing boat and ATV registration fees, adjustments to the lifetime license fees, and having a WMA consumptive user fee. The Department needs to continue to emphasis user funding, stated Mr. Patton. Several states have already dedicated a portion of sales taxes collected on consumer spending related to outdoor recreational activities and the Department has included this as part of its proposal. The dedication of lottery funds and a general fund transfer were other possibilities for revenues. The long term goal is to find an acceptable broad based source of funding for the Conservation Fund.

After the presentation, Chairman Gattle asked if insurance and postage were part of risk management for the state and could not be controlled by the Department? Mr. Patton stated these are costs the Department can not control in any meaningful way. Commissioner McCall asked if other states were experiencing the same problem with loss of revenue? Mr. Patton stated this was a nationwide problem. Commissioner Delacroix asked how would funds come back to the Department on taxes from recreational hunting and fishing products and would these include ATV's, boats, trailers, etc.? Then he suggested putting an additional tax on the products instead of taking away from other state agencies that are already benefiting from the taxes. Chairman Gattle stated that proposal would be a legislative act. Then he asked if the Conservation Fund continues to decline because of seismic and oil and mineral revenues? Mr. Patton answered yes, seismic and oil and gas royalties are down, but the oil and gas royalties have recovered a bit. Chairman Gattle felt this was a very serious issue to him and the Department needs to find alternate sources for revenue. Demand has outgrown the Department's ability. He added that the Commission would be addressing the issue during the course of the year. Secretary Jenkins agreed this is a very serious issue. An economic impact study was done two years ago as well as a publication put together on licenses. One figure that comes to mind from the study, for the resources the Department manages, the economic impact to the State is \$8.7 billion. He then stated he has spoken with the people in charge at the Legislature and feels the Department will have their support. This study has been needed for several years, and Secretary Jenkins thanked Mr. Patton for getting it done and the projections made. Commissioner McCall commented this presentation was one of the best he has heard on that subject.

A Notice of Intent - Recreational Electronic Licensing was presented by Mr. Craig Lamendola. He stated these rules would not be controversial since the license vendor commission issue was resolved. Chairman Gattle asked if residents needed to have in their possession a picture ID similar to those required of non-residents when obtaining privileges by electronic methods? Mr. Lamendola stated both residents and non-residents need to show proof of who they are. Chairman Gattle then asked for an update on Point of Sale. Mrs. Janis Landry stated there are 654 vendors participating and almost 100 still not established. Over a million dollars in sales has been collected and over 42,000 privileges have been sold. Overall, she stated it was going very well. Commissioner Stone asked if this system has been advertised around

the State? Mrs. Landry stated this has been put on the Internet. Then Commissioner Stone stated he saw a magazine which had a list of states with this system available. Chairman Gattle asked if the Federal duck stamp has been incorporated into this system? Mr. Lamendola stated Congressman Billy Tauzin will introduce legislation to change this during this session. Chairman Gattle asked if an informational pool has been put together on the system to pick out those people that have not paid Civil Restitutions or other fines? Mrs. Landry stated the system has the ability and after June 1 of this year, more people would be affected by the system. Commissioner Stone asked if the system was collecting harvest information? Mrs. Landry stated yes, it was being done electronically. Commissioner Delacroix asked if the program could be expanded to include commercial licenses? Mrs. Landry stated it was possible and would require a lot more studying. Chairman Gattle complimented Mr. Lamendola and Mrs. Landry for the job of getting the system in place. He then asked for a motion to accept the Notice of Intent. Commissioner Kelly made a motion and it was seconded by Commissioner Delacroix. The motion passed with no opposition.

(The full text of the Notice of Intent is made a part of the record.)

NOTICE OF INTENT

Department of Wildlife and Fisheries
Wildlife and Fisheries Commission

The Wildlife and Fisheries Commission and the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries do hereby advertise their intent to supplant an existing rule on non-resident hunting and recreational fishing licenses with regulations on electronic licenses issuance.

Title 76

WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES

Part I. Wildlife and Fisheries Commission and Agencies Thereunder

Chapter 3. Special Powers and Duties

Subchapter H. Electronic Licenses Issuance

§327. Recreational Electronic Licensing

A. In accordance with Act 164 of the 1998 1st Extraordinary Session of the Louisiana Legislature, the Secretary of the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries hereby establishes rules for electronic licenses issuance within the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, providing regulations and qualification criteria of license vendors, criteria to accept or reject applications or suspend the licensee, and establish effective license authorization numbers.

B. The Department may enter into contracts to acquire electronic methods for issuing hunting and recreational fishing licenses within the State Purchasing regulations.

C. Effective June 1, 2000, all recreational licenses previously issued by non-electronic methods, shall be available through electronic issuing methods pursuant to these rules.

D. The Secretary of the Department shall have the authority to enter into contracts with license issuing agents (license vendors) for the purpose of distribution of electronic licenses. Licensing vendors shall be required to execute a contract provided by the Department which shall, at a minimum:

1. provide for a security deposit(s) by the vendor for electronic issuing equipment;

2. provide the mechanisms by which the electronic issuance and transfer of license fees shall be accomplished;

3. provide for compensation of licensing vendors in an amount not to exceed fifty-cents per license privilege, to be retained by the license vendor from license fees collected;

4. provide for other terms and conditions to be fulfilled by license vendors.

E. To qualify to become a license vendor, an applicant must complete the application, providing all required supporting documentation, sign a contract with the Department, and pay security deposit(s) for equipment.

F. To remain qualified, a licensing vendor must abide by all terms and conditions of the contract executed with the Department.

Failure to do so may result in suspension of authority to participate in the program and subject the offender to other penalties as provided by law.

G. Funding for the electronic license system shall be provided from grants, license fees and other sources provided by law.

H. All payments for licenses sold shall be paid by bank transfer. The Department shall specify the type of bank transfer(s) permitted.

I. Any vendor whose bank account is not sufficiently funded for three consecutive weeks, will be suspended from selling licenses until all funds due to the Department have been satisfied. If any balance due from a suspended vendor is not paid within sixty days of written notification from the Department, the vendor shall be dropped from the program, any balance due will be turned over for collection.

J. License vendors may only issue licenses to applicants who meet the requirements as set forth in R.S. 56, and who provide the required identification and documentation for the license.

K. Licensees who purchase licenses by telephone or Internet will be issued an effective license number (authorization number) that shall be effective immediately, or in accordance to dates provided therein, and will be valid for up to fourteen days.

L. Out of state licensees obtaining privileges by electronic methods shall have in their possession picture identification issued by an agency of a state or the federal government. Louisiana residents shall possess identification as required in R.S. 56:8(12). R.S. 56:8(60.1) requires that the appropriate identification be in possession at all times when engaging in the activity for which the license was issued.

M. The Secretary shall have the authority to provide for the implementation of lottery-type issues through electronic methods as provided herein.

N. If any provision of these regulations is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect the other provisions of these regulations which can be given effect without the invalid

provisions, and to this end the provisions of these regulations are hereby declared severable.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 56:6(21) and R.S. 56:641.1.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, Office of Management and Finance, LR 24:505 (March 1998), amended by Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, Wildlife and Fisheries Commission, LR .

The Secretary of the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries is authorized to take any and all necessary steps on behalf of the Commission to promulgate and effectuate this notice of intent and the final rule, including but not limited to, the filing of the fiscal and economic impact statements, the filing of the notice of intent and final rule and the preparation of reports and correspondence to other agencies of government.

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Thomas M. Gattle, Jr.
Chairman

The **Monthly Law Enforcement Report for December** was given by Major Keith LaCaze. The following numbers of citations and warnings were issued during the month of December.

Region I - Minden - 109 citations and 34 warnings.

Region II - Monroe - 56 citations, 27 warnings and 20 public assist cases.

Region III - Alexandria - 226 citations and 35 warnings.

Region IV - Ferriday - 169 citations, 4 warnings and 3 public assist cases.

Region V - Lake Charles - 173 citations, 11 warnings and 2 public assist cases.

Region VI - Opelousas - 168 citations and 16 warnings.

Region VII - Baton Rouge - 126 citations and 8 warnings.

Region VIII - New Orleans - 218 citations and 24 warnings.

Region IX - Thibodaux - 163 citations, 11 warnings and 4 public assist cases.

Statewide Strike Force - 20 citations, 4 warnings and 3 public assist cases.

Oyster Strike Force - 42 citations.

Special Investigation Unit - 29 citations.

SWEP - 20 citations.

The grand total of citations issued statewide for the month of December was 1,408. Also there were 170 warning citations issued for the month.

The aviation report for December 1999 showed enforcement pilots flew three airplanes a total of 76.4 hours for enforcement and 27.7 hours for other divisions. Also there were 11 citations issued.

Major LaCaze stated Commissioner Busbice asked about solutions to deer running problems. Some things the agents may be able to do include: developing language that would not allow a person to possess shotgun shells loaded with slug or shot larger than BB lead or F steel or firearms larger than 22 rimfire while hunting with dogs during the still hunting season for deer or in areas designated as still hunting only; and prohibit chase only for coyote, fox and bobcat hunting during still hunting segments of the firearm and archery season for deer. Chairman Gattle asked if it was hard to make a case for running deers? He felt a way to handle the situation is to limit the type of shot and the weaponry they carry. Chairman Gattle then asked for the number of enforcement officers in each region be given at the next meeting. Commissioner McCall asked for an explanation on the citation, obtain license fraudulently. Chairman Gattle asked if there have been any hunting

accidents? Commissioner Stone then asked how closely do the agents work with the Sheriff's Department in game violations?

The Commissioners agreed to hold the **May 2000 Meeting** on Thursday, May 4, 2000 beginning at 10:00 a.m. at the Baton Rouge Headquarters.

Chairman Gattle then asked if there were any **Public Comments**. Mr. Tommy Prickett stated information has been given over the last several meetings on the overpopulation of light geese and the hunting of these birds through the Conservation Order. The Commission gave the Secretary authority to implement the Conservation Order. The seasons set were, the east zone - January 24 through March 12 and the west zone - February 7 through March 12. But there was a special youth waterfowl date set for January 29, and the Department has decided to close the hunting of light geese in the east zone for that one day, January 29. Chairman Gattle concurred with holding the youth waterfowl hunting day since it has been successful in his area.

Mr. Phil Bowman stated he and Secretary Jenkins attended the dedication of a piece of property that would be added to the WMA system. The Corps of Engineers has purchased about 1,000 acres as mitigation caused by a Red River Waterway project. The property is adjacent to the existing Soda Lake WMA and will double the area. The area will provide good waterfowl hunting as well as good deer hunting.

Mr. Bob Love thanked the Fur & Alligator Advisory Council for their cooperation in providing the display on the first floor of the building. These displays help with the education problem of addressing consumer ideas for the demand for furs and fur products. He invited the Commission members to look at the display.

There being no further business, Commissioner McCall made a motion to **Adjourn** the meeting and it was seconded by Commissioner Kelly.



James H. Jenkins, Jr.
Secretary

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Please review.

Thanks,
Susan

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Department of Wildlife and Fisheries
Wildlife and Fisheries Commission

The Wildlife and Fisheries Commission does hereby give notice of its intent to repeal rules and regulations governing crawfishing activities on the agricultural lands on Sherburne WMA.

Title 76

WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES

Part VII. Wild Quadrupeds and Wild Birds

Chapter 1. Wild Quadrupeds

§177. Crawfishing on Agricultural Lands Within Sherburne WMA

Repealed.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 56:326.3.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, Wildlife and Fisheries Commission, LR 21:960 (September 1995), repealed LR .

The Secretary of the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries is authorized to take any and all necessary steps on behalf of the Commission to promulgate and effectuate this notice of intent and the final rule, including but not limited to, the filing of the fiscal and economic impact statements, the filing of the notice of intent and final rule and the preparation of reports and correspondence to other agencies of government.

Interested persons may submit comments relative to the proposed Rule to: Dave Morrison, Wildlife Division, Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, Box 98000, Baton Rouge, LA 70898-9000, prior to Thursday, March 2, 2000.

In accordance with Act #1183 of 1999, the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries/Wildlife and Fisheries Commission hereby issues its Family Impact Statement in connection with the preceding Notice of Intent: This Notice of Intent will have no impact on the six criteria set out at R.S. 49:972(B).

Thomas M. Gattle, Jr.
Chairman

Mr. Bennie Fontenot handled the next agenda item, **Rule Ratification - Freshwater Harvest of Mullet**. This action is a result of Act 838 of the 1999 Legislative Session which directed the Commission to establish rules that will allow commercial fishermen in freshwater areas using hoop nets to keep any mullet he may incidentally catch. The rules, such as a possession limit of 100 pounds per day, were explained by Mr. Fontenot. Chairman Gattle asked if there were any questions from the Commission or public. Hearing none, Commissioner McCall made a motion to adopt the Rule. Commissioner Kelly seconded the motion and it passed with no opposition.

(The full text of the Rule is made a part of the record.)

RULE

Department of Wildlife and Fisheries
Wildlife and Fisheries Commission

The Wildlife and Fisheries Commission hereby adopts the following rule on the harvest of mullet.

Title 76

WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES

Part VII. Fish and Other Aquatic Life

Chapter 1. Freshwater Sports and Commercial Fishing

§193. Freshwater Harvest of Mullet

A. Recreational Limits. The daily take and possession limit for the recreational harvest of mullet shall be 100 pounds per person per day. No person shall take or possess mullet in excess of 100 pounds per day, except for legally licensed commercial fishermen. No person shall sell, barter, trade or exchange or attempt to sell, barter, trade or exchange mullet taken or possessed recreationally.

B. Commercial; freshwater areas. The following provisions govern the commercial taking of mullet with hoop nets in the freshwater areas of the state:

1. Mullet caught in the freshwater areas of the state shall not be possessed by commercial fishermen in the saltwater areas of the state.

2. There shall be no lead nets on hoop nets used for the fishing of mullet.

3. No person shall take or possess mullet from hoop nets between the hours of official sunset and official sunrise.

4. No mullet shall be possessed on the water in the freshwater areas of the state between the hours of official sunset and official sunrise.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 56:6(25)(a), R.S. 56:325.1.A(1) and R.S. 56:333.1.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, Wildlife and Fisheries Commission, LR 26: (January 2000).

Thomas M. Gattle, Jr.
Chairman

A Rule Ratification - Black Bass Regulations - Removal of Slot Limit in Lake Bartholomew was also handled by Mr. Bennie Fontenot. This rule would remove the slot limit on black bass in Lake Bartholomew. The slot limit has been in effect since 1991 and the staff feels it has not worked in producing fish through the slot. Fishermen and the Lake Bartholomew Lake Commission have asked that this slot be removed. This action would repeal the slot limit and impose a 10 fish per day with no size limit. Chairman Gattle asked if there were any comments received? Mr. Fontenot stated there was no opposition. Commissioner Kelly made a motion to adopt the Rule change and it was seconded by Commissioner Delacroix. This motion also passed with no opposition.

(The full text of the Rule is made a part of the record.)

RULE

Department of Wildlife and Fisheries
Wildlife and Fisheries Commission

The Wildlife and Fisheries Commission hereby amends the following rule on black bass (Micropterus spp.) on Lake Bartholomew, located in Morehouse and Ouachita Parishes, Louisiana.

Title 76

Wildlife and Fisheries

Part VII. Fish and Other Aquatic Life

Chapter 1. Freshwater Sports and Commercial Fishing

§149. Black Bass Regulations-Daily Take and Size Limits

A. The Wildlife and Fisheries Commission establishes a statewide daily take (creel limit) of 10 fish for black bass

(Micropterus spp.). The possession limit shall be the same as the daily take on water and twice the daily take off water.

B. In addition, the Commission establishes special size and daily take regulations for black bass on the following water bodies:

1. Concordia Lake (Concordia Parish) and Caney Creek Reservoir (Jackson Parish):

a. Size limit: 15 inch - 19 inch slot. A 15 - 19 inch slot limit means that it is illegal to keep or possess a black bass whose maximum total length is between 15 inches and 19 inches, both measurements inclusive.

b. Daily take: eight fish of which no more than two fish may exceed 19 inches maximum total length.*

c. Possession limit:

i. On water - Same as daily take.

ii. Off water - Twice the daily take.

2. ~~Lake Bartholomew (Morehouse and Ouachita parishes),~~ Black Bayou Lake (Bossier Parish), Chicot Lake (Evangeline Parish), Cross Lake (Caddo Parish), John K. Kelly-Grand Bayou Reservoir (Red River Parish), Lake Rodemacher (Rapides Parish) and Vernon Lake (Vernon Parish):

a. Size Limit: 14 inch - 17 inch slot. A 14 - 17 inch slot limit means that it is illegal to keep or possess a black bass whose maximum total length is between 14 inches and 17 inches, both measurements inclusive.

b. Daily Take: eight fish of which no more than four fish may exceed 17 inches maximum total length.*

c. Possession limit:

i. On water - Same as daily take.

ii. Off water - Twice the daily take.

3. False River (Pointe Coupee Parish)

a. Size limit: 14 inch minimum size limit.

- b. Daily Take: 5 fish.
- c. Possession limit:
 - i. On water - Same as daily take.
 - ii. Off water - Twice the daily take.

*Maximum total length - The distance in a straight line from the tip of the snout to the most posterior point of the depressed caudal fin as measured with mouth closed on a flat surface.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 56:6 (25) (a), R.S. 56:325(C), R.S. 56:326.3.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, Wildlife and Fisheries Commission, LR 14:364 (June 1988), amended LR 17:278 (March 1991), repromulgated LR 17:488 (May 1991), amended LR 17:1122 (November 1991), LR 20:796 (July 1994), LR 23:1168 (September 1997), LR 24:505 (March 1998), LR 26: (January 2000).

Thomas M. Gattle, Jr.
Chairman

Presentation of 5 Year Financial Projection began with Mr. Jim Patton stating this would be a power point presentation of a project that culminated in July 1999. A request by the Governor and the Commissioner of Administration was to look at sources of revenue and cost projected over the next five fiscal years. The objectives of the presentation included explaining the role of the Conservation Fund as principle source of revenue, look at the demand and cost pressures that have been and will be placed on the Conservation Fund over the next 5 years, look 5 years into the future to see what can be found, and a discussion of various funding solutions. The Conservation Fund represents the largest source of funding for the Department, pays almost all of the basic business expenses of the Department, provides most of the funds to match federal funds, pays for nearly all law enforcement activities, and meets growing demands and needs. The means of funding for fiscal year 1997-98 showed the Conservation Fund accounted for 63.1 percent of the Department's total funding. Facts about revenues to the Conservation Fund for the last 10 years showed growth has been erratic, characterized by extraordinary one time receipts, changing attitudes and growth has been slow compared to the Consumer Price Index over the same period of time. The sources of revenue and the trend for these revenues were discussed.

Conservation Funds are expected to increase from \$27.5 million in this fiscal year to \$28.9 million by fiscal year 2003-04. The demand pressure shows users want more places to engage in wildlife recreation activities and there are new users and new kinds of uses that have not been around before. This Department has acquired land every year since 1959 with the help of several statutory dedications. It is anticipated an increase of 50,000 acres to the WMA system by the year 2020, stated Mr. Patton. A chart of cumulative rate of growth of owned acreage was shown. Then several charts were shown on the growth of rate for outdoor recreation versus the growth of the Conservation Fund Revenues. The number of registered watercraft and the usage of these are increasing. Other demand pressures included: increasing law enforcement duties, increasing boater education programs, increasing demand for access to water, aquatic weed control, overboard pollution, non-native species and trophy fish. The demands placed on this Department are increasing faster than revenue. The biggest cost for the Department comes from people - 79 percent is for salaries and benefits. The staff levels have remain at a constant for the last 10 years, but the cost of salaries and benefits has increased substantially over the same 10 years. Technology costs were discussed and an example of growth in computer hardware versus the growth of Conservation Fund revenue was given. Another chart shown compared the cost for four different items (a pick-up truck, an automobile, a Suburban utility vehicle and a 4-wheel ATV) with the Consumer Price Index and the Conservation Fund revenues. Then shown were charts on the growth of insurance expenses and postage expenses versus the Conservation Fund revenue. For the next five years Mr. Patton felt the rate of growth and associated costs would continue to exceed the Conservation Fund revenues. The projected deficit by the year 2004 would be \$8.3 million. Proposals to solve this problem include increasing recreational hunting and fishing license fees, raising the age limit on hunting and fishing licenses from 60 to 64, creating a senior fishing and hunting license at a lower cost, increasing boat and ATV registration fees, adjustments to the lifetime license fees, and having a WMA consumptive user fee. The Department needs to continue to emphasis user funding, stated Mr. Patton. Several states have already dedicated a portion of sales taxes collected on consumer spending related to outdoor recreational activities and the Department has included this as part of its proposal. The dedication of lottery funds and a general fund transfer were other possibilities for revenues. The long term goal is to find an acceptable broad based source of funding for the Conservation Fund.

After the presentation, Chairman Gattle asked if insurance and postage were part of risk management for the state and could not be controlled by the Department? Mr. Patton stated these are costs the Department can not control in any meaningful way. Commissioner McCall asked if other states were experiencing the same problem with loss of revenue? Mr. Patton stated this was a nationwide problem. Commissioner Delacroix asked how would funds come back to the Department on taxes from recreational hunting and fishing products and would these include ATV's, boats, trailers, etc.? Then he suggested putting an additional tax on the products instead of taking away from other state agencies that are already benefiting from the taxes. Chairman Gattle stated that proposal would be a legislative act. Then he asked if the Conservation Fund continues to decline because of seismic and oil and mineral revenues? Mr. Patton answered yes, seismic and oil and gas royalties are down, but the oil and gas royalties have recovered a bit. Chairman Gattle felt this was a very serious issue to him and the Department needs to find alternate sources for revenue. Demand has outgrown the Department's ability. He added that the Commission would be addressing the issue during the course of the year. Secretary Jenkins agreed this is a very serious issue. An economic impact study was done two years ago as well as a publication put together on licenses. One figure that comes to mind from the study, for the resources the Department manages, the economic impact to the State is \$8.7 billion. He then stated he has spoken with the people in charge at the Legislature and feels the Department will have their support. This study has been needed for several years, and Secretary Jenkins thanked Mr. Patton for getting it done and the projections made. Commissioner McCall commented this presentation was one of the best he has heard on that subject.

A Notice of Intent - Recreational Electronic Licensing was presented by Mr. Craig Lamendola. He stated these rules would not be controversial since the license vendor commission issue was resolved. Chairman Gattle asked if residents needed to have in their possession a picture ID similar to those required of non-residents when obtaining privileges by electronic methods? Mr. Lamendola stated both residents and non-residents need to show proof of who they are. Chairman Gattle then asked for an update on Point of Sale. Mrs. Janis Landry stated there are 654 vendors participating and almost 100 still not established. Over a million dollars in sales has been collected and over 42,000 privileges have been sold. Overall, she stated it was going very well. Commissioner Stone asked if this system has been advertised around

the State? Mrs. Landry stated this has been put on the Internet. Then Commissioner Stone stated he saw a magazine which had a list of states with this system available. Chairman Gattle asked if the Federal duck stamp has been incorporated into this system? Mr. Lamendola stated Congressman Billy Tauzin will introduce legislation to change this during this session. Chairman Gattle asked if an informational pool has been put together on the system to pick out those people that have not paid Civil Restitutions or other fines? Mrs. Landry stated the system has the ability and after June 1 of this year, more people would be affected by the system. Commissioner Stone asked if the system was collecting harvest information? Mrs. Landry stated yes, it was being done electronically. Commissioner Delacroix asked if the program could be expanded to include commercial licenses? Mrs. Landry stated it was possible and would require a lot more studying. Chairman Gattle complimented Mr. Lamendola and Mrs. Landry for the job of getting the system in place. He then asked for a motion to accept the Notice of Intent. Commissioner Kelly made a motion and it was seconded by Commissioner Delacroix. The motion passed with no opposition.

(The full text of the Notice of Intent is made a part of the record.)

NOTICE OF INTENT

Department of Wildlife and Fisheries
Wildlife and Fisheries Commission

The Wildlife and Fisheries Commission and the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries do hereby advertise their intent to supplant an existing rule on non-resident hunting and recreational fishing licenses with regulations on electronic licenses issuance.

Title 76

WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES

Part I. Wildlife and Fisheries Commission and Agencies Thereunder

Chapter 3. Special Powers and Duties

Subchapter H. Electronic Licenses Issuance

§327. Recreational Electronic Licensing

A. In accordance with Act 164 of the 1998 1st Extraordinary Session of the Louisiana Legislature, the Secretary of the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries hereby establishes rules for electronic licenses issuance within the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, providing regulations and qualification criteria of license vendors, criteria to accept or reject applications or suspend the licensee, and establish effective license authorization numbers.

B. The Department may enter into contracts to acquire electronic methods for issuing hunting and recreational fishing licenses within the State Purchasing regulations.

C. Effective June 1, 2000, all recreational licenses previously issued by non-electronic methods, shall be available through electronic issuing methods pursuant to these rules.

D. The Secretary of the Department shall have the authority to enter into contracts with license issuing agents (license vendors) for the purpose of distribution of electronic licenses. Licensing vendors shall be required to execute a contract provided by the Department which shall, at a minimum:

1. provide for a security deposit(s) by the vendor for electronic issuing equipment;
2. provide the mechanisms by which the electronic issuance and transfer of license fees shall be accomplished;
3. provide for compensation of licensing vendors in an amount not to exceed fifty-cents per license privilege, to be retained by the license vendor from license fees collected;
4. provide for other terms and conditions to be fulfilled by license vendors.

E. To qualify to become a license vendor, an applicant must complete the application, providing all required supporting documentation, sign a contract with the Department, and pay security deposit(s) for equipment.

F. To remain qualified, a licensing vendor must abide by all terms and conditions of the contract executed with the Department.

Failure to do so may result in suspension of authority to participate in the program and subject the offender to other penalties as provided by law.

G. Funding for the electronic license system shall be provided from grants, license fees and other sources provided by law.

H. All payments for licenses sold shall be paid by bank transfer. The Department shall specify the type of bank transfer(s) permitted.

I. Any vendor whose bank account is not sufficiently funded for three consecutive weeks, will be suspended from selling licenses until all funds due to the Department have been satisfied. If any balance due from a suspended vendor is not paid within sixty days of written notification from the Department, the vendor shall be dropped from the program, any balance due will be turned over for collection.

J. License vendors may only issue licenses to applicants who meet the requirements as set forth in R.S. 56, and who provide the required identification and documentation for the license.

K. Licensees who purchase licenses by telephone or Internet will be issued an effective license number (authorization number) that shall be effective immediately, or in accordance to dates provided therein, and will be valid for up to fourteen days.

L. Out of state licensees obtaining privileges by electronic methods shall have in their possession picture identification issued by an agency of a state or the federal government. Louisiana residents shall possess identification as required in R.S. 56:8(12). R.S. 56:8(60.1) requires that the appropriate identification be in possession at all times when engaging in the activity for which the license was issued.

M. The Secretary shall have the authority to provide for the implementation of lottery-type issues through electronic methods as provided herein.

N. If any provision of these regulations is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect the other provisions of these regulations which can be given effect without the invalid

provisions, and to this end the provisions of these regulations are hereby declared severable.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 56:6(21) and R.S. 56:641.1.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, Office of Management and Finance, LR 24:505 (March 1998), amended by Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, Wildlife and Fisheries Commission, LR .

The Secretary of the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries is authorized to take any and all necessary steps on behalf of the Commission to promulgate and effectuate this notice of intent and the final rule, including but not limited to, the filing of the fiscal and economic impact statements, the filing of the notice of intent and final rule and the preparation of reports and correspondence to other agencies of government.

Interested persons may submit comments relative to the proposed Rule to: Mrs. Janis Landry, Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, Box 98000, Baton Rouge, LA 70898-9000, prior to Thursday, March 2, 2000.

In accordance with Act #1183 of 1999, the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries/Wildlife and Fisheries Commission hereby issues its Family Impact Statement in connection with the preceding Notice of Intent: This Notice of Intent will have no impact on the six criteria set out at R.S. 49:972(B).

Thomas M. Gattle, Jr.
Chairman

The **Monthly Law Enforcement Report for December** was given by Major Keith LaCaze. The following numbers of citations and warnings were issued during the month of December.

Region I - Minden - 109 citations and 34 warnings.

Region II - Monroe - 56 citations, 27 warnings and 20 public assist cases.

Region III - Alexandria - 226 citations and 35 warnings.

Region IV - Ferriday - 169 citations, 4 warnings and 3 public assist cases.

Region V - Lake Charles - 173 citations, 11 warnings and 2 public assist cases.

Region VI - Opelousas - 168 citations and 16 warnings.

Region VII - Baton Rouge - 126 citations and 8 warnings.

Region VIII - New Orleans - 218 citations and 24 warnings.

Region IX - Thibodaux - 163 citations, 11 warnings and 4 public assist cases.

Statewide Strike Force - 20 citations, 4 warnings and 3 public assist cases.

Oyster Strike Force - 42 citations.

Special Investigation Unit - 29 citations.

SWEP - 20 citations.

The grand total of citations issued statewide for the month of December was 1,408. Also there were 170 warning citations issued for the month.

The aviation report for December 1999 showed enforcement pilots flew three airplanes a total of 76.4 hours for enforcement and 27.7 hours for other divisions. Also there were 11 citations issued.

Major LaCaze stated Commissioner Busbice asked about solutions to deer running problems. Some things the agents may be able to do include: developing language that would not allow a person to possess shotgun shells loaded with slug or shot larger than BB lead or F steel or firearms larger than 22 rimfire while hunting with dogs during the still hunting season for deer or in areas designated as still hunting only; and prohibit chase only for coyote, fox and bobcat hunting during still hunting segments of the firearm and archery season for deer. Chairman Gattle asked if it was hard to make a case for running deers? He felt a way to handle the situation is to limit the type of shot and the weaponry they carry. Chairman Gattle then asked for the number of enforcement officers in each region be given at the next meeting. Commissioner McCall asked for an explanation on the citation, obtain license fraudulently. Chairman Gattle asked if there have been any hunting

accidents? Commissioner Stone then asked how closely do the agents work with the Sheriff's Department in game violations?

The Commissioners agreed to hold the **May 2000 Meeting** on Thursday, May 4, 2000 beginning at 10:00 a.m. at the Baton Rouge Headquarters.

Chairman Gattle then asked if there were any **Public Comments**. Mr. Tommy Prickett stated information has been given over the last several meetings on the overpopulation of light geese and the hunting of these birds through the Conservation Order. The Commission gave the Secretary authority to implement the Conservation Order. The seasons set were, the east zone - January 24 through March 12 and the west zone - February 7 through March 12. But there was a special youth waterfowl date set for January 29, and the Department has decided to close the hunting of light geese in the east zone for that one day, January 29. Chairman Gattle concurred with holding the youth waterfowl hunting day since it has been successful in his area.

Mr. Phil Bowman stated he and Secretary Jenkins attended the dedication of a piece of property that would be added to the WMA system. The Corps of Engineers has purchased about 1,000 acres as mitigation caused by a Red River Waterway project. The property is adjacent to the existing Soda Lake WMA and will double the area. The area will provide good waterfowl hunting as well as good deer hunting.

Mr. Bob Love thanked the Fur & Alligator Advisory Council for their cooperation in providing the display on the first floor of the building. These displays help with the education problem of addressing consumer ideas for the demand for furs and fur products. He invited the Commission members to look at the display.

There being no further business, Commissioner McCall made a motion to **Adjourn** the meeting and it was seconded by Commissioner Kelly.

James H. Jenkins, Jr.
Secretary

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He also thanked two of the game's coaching giants — Bowden and Lou Holtz. Amato coached under Holtz at N.C. State in the mid-1970s.

Robinson said he talked to about 12 coaches during the long search, but met with Amato first and only offered him the position.

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LWFC plans recreational crawfishing for SWMA

By **JOE MACALUSO**
Advocate outdoors writer

Families searching for a spot to catch crawfish may not have to look too far this spring if a plan announced by state wildlife officials is passed by the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission.

Wildlife Division administrator Tom Prickett read a Notice of Intent to ban all commercial crawfishing activities on the Sherburne Wildlife Management Area near Krotz Springs and open the area to recreational crawfishing only. The SWMA is approximately 35 miles west of Baton Rouge on U.S. 190.

The notice means the commission will hear public comment on the matter until its May 4 meeting in Baton Rouge. Sometime by the middle of May, the 2,400 acres developed primarily for waterfowl management will be open to the public for net-only crawfishing.

Prickett said the acreage, which is owned by the Corps of Engineers and management by the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, had no road access when it was purchased by the corps six years ago. In partnership with Ducks Unlimited and Exxon, the LDWF developed the area for overwintering ducks and other migratory birds.

When the area flooded in 1996, commercial crawfishermen found their way into the area. Because commercial operations are prohibited on state-owned wildlife management areas, Prickett said the department was forced to institute a permitting system to allow the commercial fishermen to take crawfish in subsequent years. He said there were only seven permits issued in 1999.

"Unless the (Atchafalaya) Basin gets high enough to overflow the levees surrounding the area, there is only enough crawfish in the area for a recreational catch," Prickett said.

When the corps purchased a road access to the area in 1998, the 2,400-acre area was opened to vehicular traffic. Prickett said this is what made the area ideal for recreational crawfishing.

He said while the move will be controversial, especially among the

seven commercial permittees, the action "... is consistent with our mission and control for recreational activities."

In other action, the commission ratified rules for the commercial and recreational catch of mullet in freshwater areas. It's primary regulations limit the fishery to hoop nets and to hours between sunrise and sunset. There is no closed season.

The commission also approved removing Lake Bartholomew from the state's quality Lakes Program. Inland Fisheries Section chief Bennie Fontenot said the 14-17 inch slot limit on the lake had not noticeably improved the size of black bass in the lake. The lake, located in Ouachita and Morehouse parishes, returns to the 10-fish per day/no size limit regulations.

The LWFC also approved new rules for the new electronic-issue recreational licensing system which will be in place by July 1 when all 1999-2000 recreational licenses expire.

Wildlife and Fisheries licensing administrator Janis Landry said there are 654 vendors around the state using the new system, which does away with the time-consuming, paper-and-stamps issuing system of the last three decades. Vendors use a computer link-up to issue all permits and stamps, except for the Federal Migratory Waterfowl Stamp. Vendors retained the commission of 50 cents per license sold; not the 50 cents per transaction the LDWF proposed under the original contract with license sellers.

The commission also heard the five-year operating budget forecast from LDWF Undersecretary Jim Patton, and learned that enforcement agents wrote 1,408 citations in December. Most of the citations were for deer and waterfowl hunting violations.

Two new commission members were also introduced, Dr. Jerry Stone, a Baton Rouge physician and avid recreational fisherman and hunter, and Warren Delacroix, who operates Fisherman's Net and Tackle Supply Company in New Orleans. They replace Jerald Hanchey of Lafayette and Daniel Babin of Houma, whose terms ended in December.

STANDINGS

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Miami	21	10	.677
New York	19	12	.613
Philadelphia	19	15	.559
Orlando	16	16	.500
Boston	13	17	.433
New Jersey	12	19	.387
Washington	11	21	.344
Central Division			
	W	L	Pct
Indiana	22	9	.710
Charlotte	18	13	.581
Toronto	18	13	.581
Detroit	18	14	.563
Milwaukee	18	15	.545
Cleveland	13	19	.406
Atlanta	11	20	.355
Chicago	3	26	.103

WESTERN

Midwest Division			
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Utah	21	10	.677
San Antonio	21	12	.636
Minnesota	15	14	.517
Denver	16	15	.516
Houston	10	22	.313
Dallas	9	23	.281
Vancouver	7	24	.226
Pacific Division			
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L.A. Lakers	27	5	.845
Portland	24	8	.750
Phoenix	19	11	.633
Seattle	20	12	.625
Sacramento	18	11	.621
L.A. Clippers	9	22	.290
Golden State	6	26	.188

Wednesday's Games

Philadelphia 113, Golden State 92
Orlando 116, Vancouver 96
Detroit 120, Atlanta 106
Utah 118, Charlotte 96
Seattle 99, San Antonio 96
Chicago 77, Washington 66
L.A. Lakers 118, L.A. Clippers 101

Thursday's Games

Toronto 101, Sacramento 89
Miami 111, Houston 95
Detroit 101, Milwaukee 95
Cleveland 90, Golden State 75
Minnesota 99, Portland 96
Utah 105, Dallas 92
Indiana 102, Denver 97

Tonight's Games

Chicago at Washington, 6 p.m.
Sacramento at Boston, 6 p.m.
Vancouver at New Jersey, 6:30 p.m.
Toronto at Atlanta, 6:30 p.m.
New York at Orlando, 7 p.m.
San Antonio at Phoenix, 9:30 p.m.
Charlotte at L.A. Lakers, 9:30 p.m.

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COMMISSION MEETING
ROLL CALL

Thursday, January 6, 2000
Baton Rouge, LA
Wildlife & Fisheries Building

	Attended	Absent
Tom Gattle (Chairman)	<u>✓</u>	—
Tom Kelly	<u>✓</u>	—
Bill Busbice	—	<u>✓</u>
Glynn Carver	—	<u>✓</u>
Norman McCall	<u>✓</u>	—
Warren Delacroix	<u>✓</u>	—
Henry Jerry Stone	<u>✓</u>	—

Mr. Chairman:

There are 5 Commissioners in attendance and we have a quorum.

Secretary Jenkins is also present.

AGENDA

LOUISIANA WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES COMMISSION
BATON ROUGE, LA
January 6, 2000
10:00 AM

1. Roll Call
2. Approval of Minutes of December 2, 1999
3. Notice of Intent - Crawfishing on Agricultural Lands Within Sherburne WMA - Tommy Prickett
4. Rule Ratification - Freshwater Harvest of Mullet - Gary Tilyou
5. Rule Ratification - Black Bass Regulations - Removal of Slot Limit in Lake Bartholomew - Gary Tilyou
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LOUISIANA WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES COMMISSION
BATON ROUGE, LA
January 6, 2000
10:00 AM

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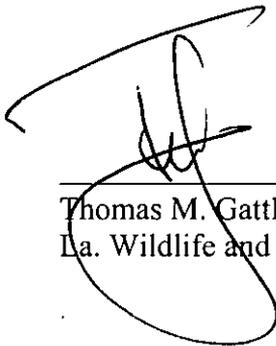
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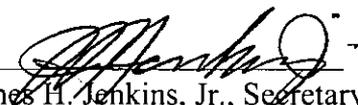
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NOTICE OF INTENT

Department of Wildlife and Fisheries
Wildlife and Fisheries Commission

The Wildlife and Fisheries Commission does hereby give notice of its intent to repeal rules and regulations governing crawfishing activities on the agricultural lands on Sherburne WMA.

Title 76

WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES

Part VII. Wild Quadrupeds and Wild Birds

Chapter 1. Wild Quadrupeds

§177. Crawfishing on Agricultural Lands Within Sherburne WMA

Repealed.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 56:326.3.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, Wildlife and Fisheries Commission, LR 21:960 (September 1995), repealed LR .

The Secretary of the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries is authorized to take any and all necessary steps on behalf of the Commission to promulgate and effectuate this notice of intent and the final rule, including but not limited to, the filing of the fiscal and economic impact statements, the filing of the notice of intent and final rule and the preparation of reports and correspondence to other agencies of government.

Interested persons may submit comments relative to the

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Thomas M. Gattle, Jr.

Chairman

RULE

Department of Wildlife and Fisheries
Wildlife and Fisheries Commission

The Wildlife and Fisheries Commission hereby adopts the following rule on the harvest of mullet.

Title 76

WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES

Part VII. Fish and Other Aquatic Life

Chapter 1. Freshwater Sports and Commercial Fishing

§193. Freshwater Harvest of Mullet.

A. Recreational Limits. The daily take and possession limit for the recreational harvest of mullet shall be 100 pounds per person per day. No person shall take or possess mullet in excess of 100 pounds per day, except for legally licensed commercial fishermen. No person shall sell, barter, trade or exchange or attempt to sell, barter, trade or exchange mullet taken or possessed recreationally.

B. Commercial; freshwater areas. The following provisions govern the commercial taking of mullet with hoop nets in the freshwater areas of the state:

1. Mullet caught in the freshwater areas of the state shall not be possessed by commercial fishermen in the saltwater areas of the state.

2. There shall be no lead nets on hoop nets used for

the fishing of mullet.

3. No person shall take or possess mullet from hoop nets between the hours of official sunset and official sunrise.

4. No mullet shall be possessed on the water in the freshwater areas of the state between the hours of official sunset and official sunrise.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 56:6(25)(a), R.S. 56:325.1.A(1) and R.S. 56:333.1.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, Wildlife and Fisheries Commission, LR 26: (January 2000).

Thomas M. Gattle, Jr.

Chairman

RULE

Department of Wildlife and Fisheries
Wildlife and Fisheries Commission

The Wildlife and Fisheries Commission hereby amends the following rule on black bass (Micropterus spp.) on Lake Bartholomew, located in Morehouse and Ouachita Parishes, Louisiana.

Title 76

Wildlife and Fisheries

Part VII. Fish and Other Aquatic Life

Chapter 1. Freshwater Sports and Commercial Fishing

§149. Black Bass Regulations-Daily Take and Size Limits

A. The Wildlife and Fisheries Commission establishes a statewide daily take (creel limit) of 10 fish for black bass (Micropterus spp.). The possession limit shall be the same as the daily take on water and twice the daily take off water.

B. In addition, the Commission establishes special size and daily take regulations for black bass on the following water bodies:

1. Concordia Lake (Concordia Parish), and Caney Creek Reservoir (Jackson Parish):

a. Size limit: 15 inch - 19 inch slot. A 15 - 19 inch slot limit means that it is illegal to keep or possess a black bass whose maximum total length is between 15 inches and 19 inches, both measurements inclusive.

b. Daily take: eight fish of which no more than two fish may exceed 19 inches maximum total length.*

c. Possession limit:

i. On water - Same as daily take.

ii. Off water - Twice the daily take.

2. ~~Lake Bartholomew (Morehouse and Ouachita parishes),~~
Black Bayou Lake (Bossier Parish), Chicot Lake (Evangeline Parish),
Cross Lake (Caddo Parish), John K. Kelly-Grand Bayou Reservoir (Red
River Parish), Lake Rodemacher (Rapides Parish) and Vernon Lake
(Vernon Parish):

a. Size Limit: 14 inch - 17 inch slot. A 14 - 17
inch slot limit means that it is illegal to keep or possess a black
bass whose maximum total length is between 14 inches and 17 inches,
both measurements inclusive.

b. Daily Take: eight fish of which no more than
four fish may exceed 17 inches maximum total length.*

c. Possession limit:

i. On water - Same as daily take.

ii. Off water - Twice the daily take.

3. False River (Pointe Coupee Parish)

a. Size limit: 14 inch minimum size limit.

b. Daily Take: 5 fish.

c. Possession limit:

i. On water - Same as daily take.

ii. Off water - Twice the daily take.

*Maximum total length - The distance in a straight line from the tip of the snout to the most posterior point of the depressed caudal fin as measured with mouth closed on a flat surface.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 56:6 (25) (a), R.S. 56:325(C), R.S. 56:326.3.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, Wildlife and Fisheries Commission, LR 14:364 (June 1988), amended LR 17:278 (March 1991), repromulgated LR 17:488 (May 1991), amended LR 17:1122 (November 1991), LR 20:796 (July 1994), LR 23:1168 (September 1997), LR 24:505 (March 1998), LR 26: (January 2000).

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Baton Rouge

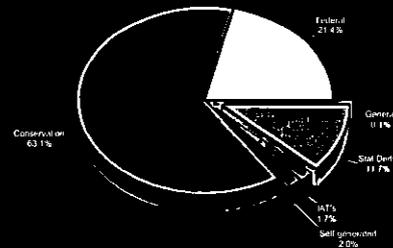
OBJECTIVES OF THIS PRESENTATION

- Explain role of the Conservation Fund (CF) as the principal source of revenue
- Look at the demand and cost pressures placed on the CF
- A look five years into the future ... to find a funding shortfall
- Discussion of various funding solutions

Conservation Fund facts

- Represents the largest source of LDWF funding
- Pays the basic 'business' expenses of LDWF
- Provides funds to match federal funds
- Pays for nearly all law enforcement activities
- To meet growing demands and needs, revenues to CF have to keep pace

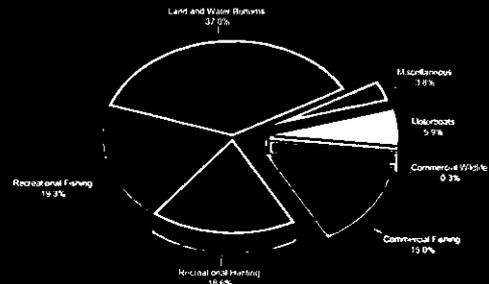
LDWF Means of Funding 1997-1998



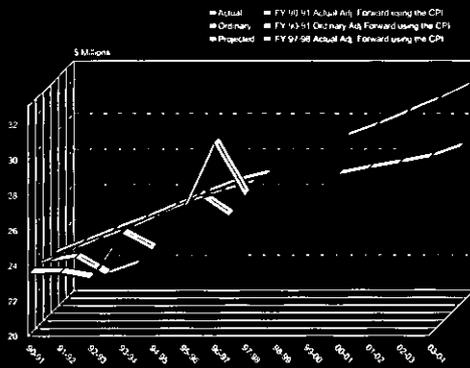
Conservation Fund Revenues (FY 90-91 to FY 97-98)

- Erratic Growth
 - extraordinary (one-time) revenue receipts
 - user trends
 - changing attitudes
- Growth slower when compared to CPI
 - CF growth: 18.2% (w/o extraordinary revenue)
 - CPI growth: 19.7%

Sources of Conservation Fund Revenues



Trend of Conservation Fund Revenues



Conservation Fund Revenues

- Projected to increase from \$27.5 million (FY 99-00) to \$28.9 million (FY 03-04).
 - Average annual growth rate of 0.5%
 - CPI average annual growth rate: 2.4%
 - Land and Water Bottoms, Recreational Fishing & Hunting will show slight increases.
 - Motorboat Transactions & Miscellaneous Revenues projected to be flat.
 - Commercial Fishing revenues will decrease.

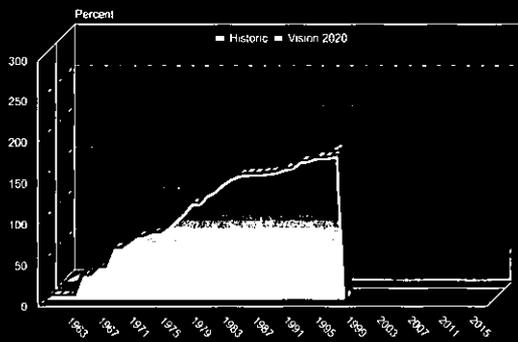
DEMAND PRESSURES

- Users want more places
- New users and new uses

Land Acquisition

- An integral part of the department's mandate
- Why purchase land?
 - Lease restrictions & requirements
 - Reversion considerations
 - Location
 - Increasing demand for access
- Anticipated increase in acreage under *VISION 2020* plan

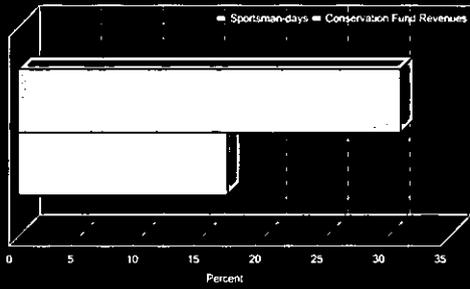
Cumulative Rate of Growth of Owned Acreage in WMA & Refuges (Historical and VISION 2020)



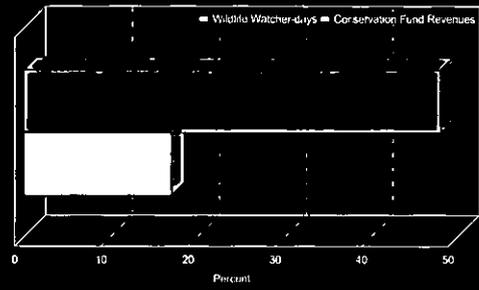
Outdoor Recreation

- Rising participation rates
- Increasing number of days spend on outdoor recreation
- Growing trip-related expenditures

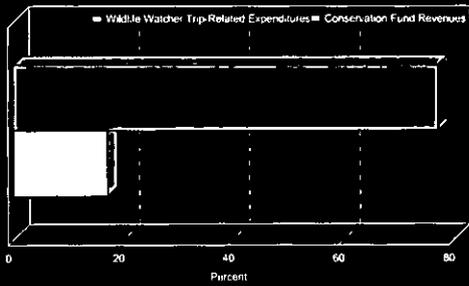
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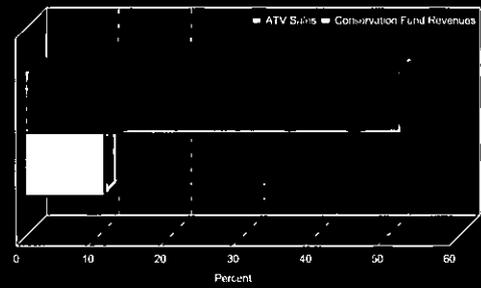
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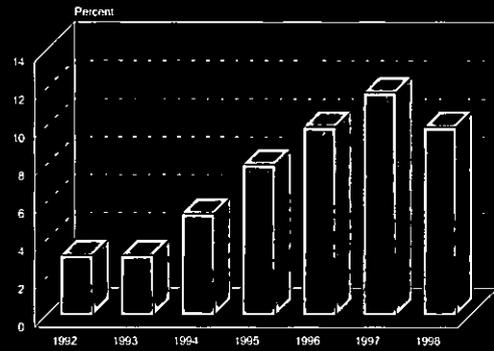
Rate of Growth of ATV Sales vs. Rate of Growth of Conservation Fund Revenues (1995-1998)



Growing Number of Registered Watercraft

- 35 boats per square mile in 1991 to 39 boats per square mile in 1996

Rate of Growth in Total Number of Watercraft



Other Demand Pressures

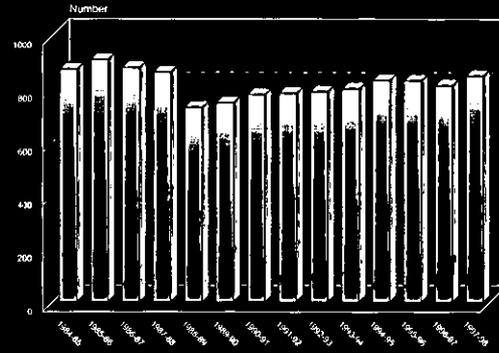
- Increasing law enforcement duties
- Increasing boater education programs
- Increasing demand for access to water
- Aquatic weed control
- Overboard pollution
- Non-native species
- Trophy fish

COST PRESSURES

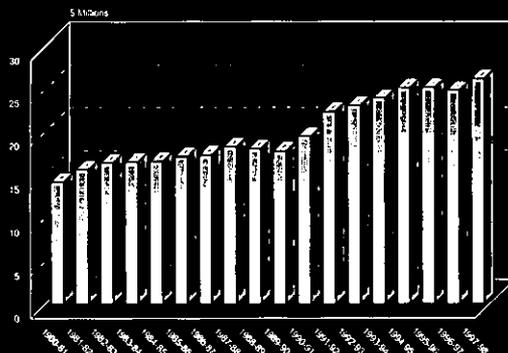
People Costs

- Constant staff levels over the last eight years
- Cost of salaries and benefits have steadily increased

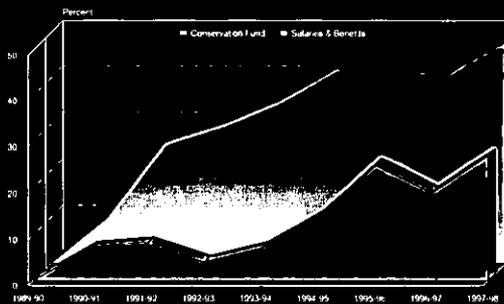
Authorized Positions



Annual Salary and Benefit Expenditures by Fiscal Year



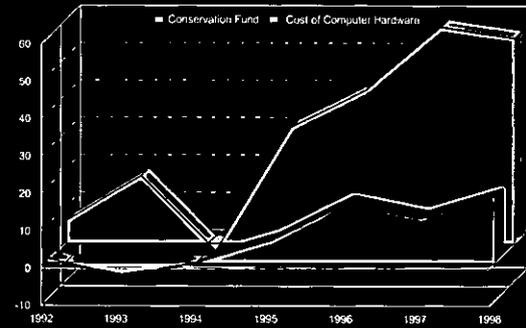
Cumulative Rate of Growth of Salaries and Benefits vs. Conservation Fund Revenues



Technology Costs

- New technologies can:
 - Create new costs by making new services or levels of service available
 - Create an expectation or even a requirement for their use
 - Make jobs more complex
 - Create the need for new jobs
- Some technologies get more expensive
- Some technologies get cheaper, but as unit cost declines, use increases and so total cost still increases:

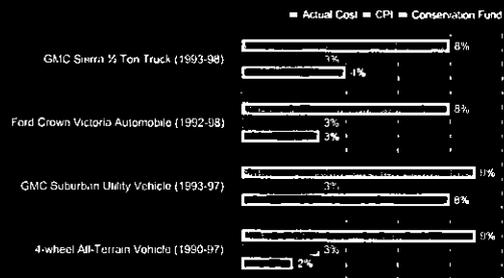
Cumulative Rate of Growth of Amortized Cost of Computer Hardware vs. Conservation Fund Revenues



Indivisible Unit Costs

- Vehicles
 - trucks, cars, ATVs
 - heavy equipment
 - technology-driven cost increases
- Watercraft
 - LDWF spending increased from \$529,000 in 1991 to just under \$800,000 in 1998.

Comparison of Effective Annual Rate of Growth



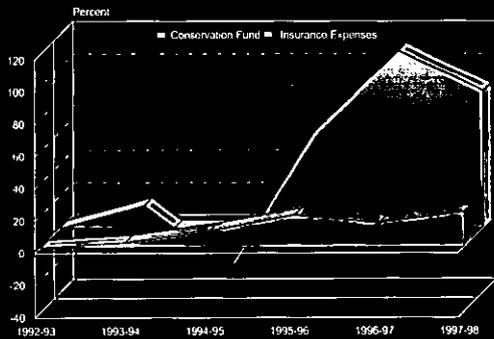
Macroeconomic Forces

- Inflation
- Labor Supply
- Federal Government Policy

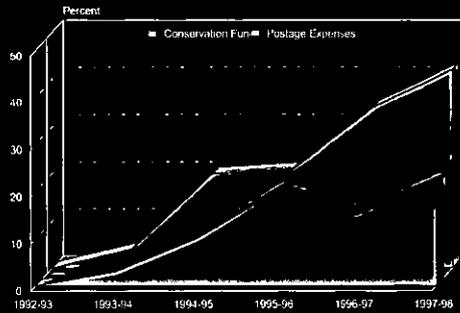
Additional Cost Pressures

- Societal Changes
 - a litigious society
 - need for loss protection
 - increasing insurance costs
- Rising Postal Expenditures

Cumulative Rate of Growth of Insurance Expenses vs. Conservation Fund Revenues

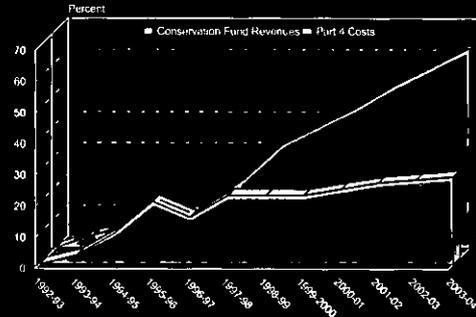


Cumulative Rate of Growth of Postage Expense vs. Conservation Fund Revenues



THE LOOK AHEAD

Rate of Growth in Revenues and Costs



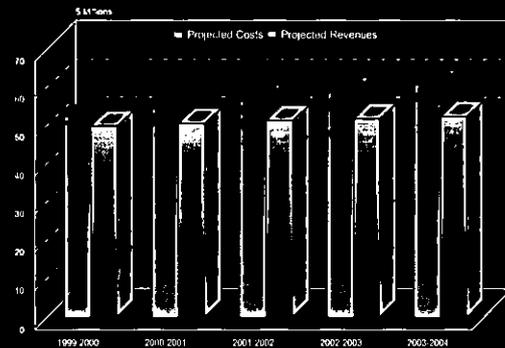
The Revenue Gap

- Based upon projected increases in CF revenues, increasing departmental costs, and no new sources of revenue:

– CF revenues for FY 99-00 through FY 03-04 will not be able to meet costs

Projected Deficit by 2004: \$8.3 million

Projections of Costs vs. Revenues



OUR REVENUE ENHANCEMENT PROPOSALS

Proposed Fee Changes

- Increases in Recreational Fishing & Hunting License fees
- License required from age 60 to 64
- Create senior fishing & hunting licenses
- Increases in boat fees
- Increase in ATV Registration fees with dedication to LDWF
- Lifetime License fee adjustments
- WMA Consumptive User fee

Seek a Broader Base of Support?

- Strengths of User Funding
 - those who benefit from public service should pay for those services
 - varied and independent sources of funding
 - accountability in service delivery
 - no need to compete for scarce funding
- An Approach to Broaden User Support
 - collection of sales taxes on consumer spending related to outdoor recreational activities

Thinking 'Outside of the Box':

- New taxes?
 - Missouri Conservation Tax
 - Arkansas Conservation Sales Tax
- Lottery Funds?
 - Arizona Heritage Fund
 - Great Outdoors Colorado
- Prairie populism: Illinois Conservation 2000

If there is one common theme across all of these initiatives, it is that when each state was able to achieve an acceptable broad-based program,

The amount of funding then made available was quite significant.

NOTICE OF INTENT

Department of Wildlife and Fisheries
Wildlife and Fisheries Commission

The Wildlife and Fisheries Commission and the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries do hereby advertise their intent to supplant an existing rule on non-resident hunting and recreational fishing licenses with regulations on electronic licenses issuance.

Title 76

WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES

Part I. Wildlife and Fisheries Commission and Agencies

Thereunder

Chapter 3. Special Powers and Duties

Subchapter H. Electronic Licenses Issuance

§327. Recreational Electronic Licensing

A. In accordance with Act 164 of the 1998 1st Extraordinary Session of the Louisiana Legislature, the Secretary of the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries hereby establishes rules for electronic licenses issuance within the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, providing regulations and qualification criteria of license vendors, criteria to accept or reject applications or suspend the licensee, and establish effective license authorization numbers.

B. The Department may enter into contracts to acquire electronic methods for issuing hunting and recreational fishing

licenses within the State Purchasing regulations.

C. Effective June 1, 2000, all recreational licenses previously issued by non-electronic methods, shall be available through electronic issuing methods pursuant to these rules.

D. The Secretary of the Department shall have the authority to enter into contracts with license issuing agents (license vendors) for the purpose of distribution of electronic licenses. Licensing vendors shall be required to execute a contract provided by the Department which shall, at a minimum:

1. provide for a security deposit(s) by the vendor for electronic issuing equipment;

2. provide the mechanisms by which the electronic issuance and transfer of license fees shall be accomplished;

3. provide for compensation of licensing vendors in an amount not to exceed fifty-cents per license privilege, to be retained by the license vendor from license fees collected;

4. provide for other terms and conditions to be fulfilled by license vendors.

E. To qualify to become a license vendor, an applicant must complete the application, providing all required supporting documentation, sign a contract with the Department, and pay security deposit(s) for equipment.

F. To remain qualified, a licensing vendor must abide by all terms and conditions of the contract executed with the Department.

Failure to do so may result in suspension of authority to participate in the program and subject the offender to other penalties as provided by law.

G. Funding for the electronic license system shall be provided from grants, license fees and other sources provided by law.

H. All payments for licenses sold shall be paid by bank transfer. The Department shall specify the type of bank transfer(s) permitted.

I. Any vendor whose bank account is not sufficiently funded for three consecutive weeks, will be suspended from selling licenses until all funds due to the Department have been satisfied. If any balance due from a suspended vendor is not paid within sixty days of written notification from the Department, the vendor shall be dropped from the program, any balance due will be turned over for collection.

J. License vendors may only issue licenses to applicants who meet the requirements as set forth in R.S. 56, and who provide the required identification and documentation for the license.

K. Licensees who purchase licenses by telephone or Internet will be issued an effective license number (authorization number) that shall be effective immediately, or in accordance to dates provided therein, and will be valid for up to fourteen days.

L. Out of state licensees obtaining privileges by electronic

methods shall have in their possession picture identification issued by an agency of a state or the federal government. Louisiana residents shall possess identification as required in R.S. 56:8(12). R.S. 56:8(60.1) requires that the appropriate identification be in possession at all times when engaging in the activity for which the license was issued.

M. The Secretary shall have the authority to provide for the implementation of lottery-type issues through electronic methods as provided herein.

N. If any provision of these regulations is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect the other provisions of these regulations, which can be given effect without the invalid provisions, and to this end the provisions of these regulations are hereby declared severable.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 56:6(21) and R.S. 56:641.1.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, Office of Management and Finance, LR 24:505 (March 1998), amended by Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, Wildlife and Fisheries Commission, LR .

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ENFORCEMENT CASE REPORT

DECEMBER 1999

REGION 1:

PARISHES: BIENVILLE, BOSSIER,
CADDO, CLAIBORNE,
DESOTO, RED RIVER,
WEBSTER

TOTAL CASES	109
TOTAL	DESCRIPTION OF CITATION
13	Boating
3	Angling W/O A License
7	Fishing W/O A Cane Pole License
1	Take Game Fish Illegally
1	Poss. Overlimit Freshwater Game Fish
6	Hunting W/O a Resident License
1	Hunting W/O A Non-Resident License
1	Failure To Abide By Commission Rules
4	Hunt From A Moving Vehicle
2	Hunt W/Unplugged Gun
1	Hunt MGB W/O A State Duck Stamp
3	Failure to Comply With Hunter Safety Regs.
7	Hunt W/O a Resident Big Game License
1	Hunt W/O Non-Resident Big Game License
5	Hunt Deer Illegal Hours
10	Hunt Deer From Public Road

2	Take Illegal Deer Open Season
1	Hunt Deer With Illegal Weapon
6	Failure To Wear Hunters Orange
1	Violate Federal Stamp Requirement
1	Hunt MGB Illegal Hours
4	Hunt MGB Over Baited Area
1	Possession Untagged MGB
1	Possession Over Limit Of Ducks
9	Not Abiding By Rules And Regs. On WMA
1	DWI
1	Illegal Spotlighting From Public Road
1	Littering
11	Operate ATV On Public Road
3	Discharge Firearm From Public Road

WARNING CITATIONS:

TOTAL 34	DESCRIPTION OF CITATION
8	Boating
1	Angling W/O Resident License
3	Hunt W/O Resident License
1	Failure To Comply W/Hunter Safety Regs.
2	Hunt W/O Resident Big Game License
4	Failure to Comply W/Hunter Safety Regs
15	Not Abiding By Rules And Regs. On WMA

CONFISCATIONS:

CONFISCATION DESCRIPTION
18 ducks, 3 deer, 1 pistol, 55 yellow bass, 2 white perch, 2 ice chests, and 5 hoop nets.

TOTAL OF EACH CATEGORY FOR REGION 1

TOTAL	DESCRIPTION
13	Boating
2	Commercial Fishing
8	Federal Migratory
1	Littering
25	Miscellaneous
10	Recreational Fishing
50	State Hunting/Trapping
34	Warning Citations

TOTAL NUMBER FOR PUBLIC ASSISTANCE

TOTAL	DESCRIPTION
0	Public Assistance

REGION 2:

PARISHES: E. CARROL, JACKSON,
LINCOLN, MOREHEAD,
QUACHITA, RICHLAND
UNION, W. CARROL

TOTAL CASES	56
TOTAL	DESCRIPTION OF CITATION
1	Boating
8	Not Abiding By Rules and Regulations on WMA
1	Not Abiding By Commission Rules and Regulations
6	Hunt Deer From Public Road
2	Hunt Without Resident License
2	Failure To Comply With Hunter's Orange Requirements
5	Hunt From Moving Vehicle
1	Hunt Without Big Game License
1	Hunt From Public Road
5	Take Deer Illegal Hours
3	Discharge Firearm From Public Road
2	Littering
1	Failure To Yield
1	Driving Under Suspension
1	Careless Operation (Motor Vehicle)

1	No Driver's Licensee
1	Operate Vehicle W/O Vehicle License
2	Criminal Damage To State Property
2	Unauthorized Use Of Motor Vehicle
2	Hunt Wild Quadrupeds Illegal Hours
1	Take Fur-bearing Animals W/O Permit
3	Criminal Trespass
1	Take Illegal Deer Open Season
1	Failure To Stop At Red Light
2	Hunt DMAP Lands W/O Permit

WARNING CITATIONS:

TOTAL 27	DESCRIPTION OF CITATION
3	Hunt W /O Resident Big Game License
21	Not Abiding By Rules and Regulations On WMA
3	Failure To Wear Hunter's Orange

CONFISCATIONS:

CONFISCATION DESCRIPTION
2- Deer, 2-Rifles, 1-Spotlight, 3-Cartridges.

TOTAL OF EACH CATEGORY FOR REGION 2

TOTAL	DESCRIPTION
1	Boating
-0-	Commercial Fishing
-0-	Federal Migratory
2	Littering
10	Miscellaneous
-0-	Recreational Fishing
43	State Hunting/Trapping
27	Warning Citations

TOTAL NUMBER FOR PUBLIC ASSISTANCE

TOTAL	DESCRIPTION
20	Public Assistance (Assisting Stranded Motorists)

REGION 3

PARISHES: AVOUELLES, GRANT,
NATCHITOCHEs, RAPIDES
SABINE, VERNON, WINN

TOTAL CASES	226
TOTAL	DESCRIPTION OF CITATION
5	Boating
1	Trapping W/O A License
12	Hunt W/O Resident Big Game License In Possession
11	Hunt W/O Resident Basic License In Possession
17	Fail To Wear Hunters Orange
1	Take Spotted Fawn
7	Hunt Or Take Deer Illegal Hours With Artificial Light
2	Possession Of Illegally Taken Deer Out Of Season
4	Not Abiding By Commission Rules & Regulations
5	Hunt Deer Illegal Hours
11	Hunt From Moving Vehicle
34	Hunt Deer From Public Road
1	Illegal Possession Of Wild Quadruped
4	Hunt Deer With Dogs During Still Hunt Season
2	Hunt Across Public Road
9	Hunt Deer Closed Area

8	Hunt, Stand, Loiter From Public Road
1	Hunt Wild Quadrupeds Illegal Hours With Artificial Light
7	Hunt Or Take Deer Illegal Methods
1	Take Deer Illegally From A Boat While Swimming
1	Take Illegal Deer Open Season
1	Fail To Comply With Hunter Safety Regulations
1	Hunt M.G.B. W/O State Stamp
1	Aiding & Abetting A Juvenile
9	Possess Over Limit Of Ducks (Field Possession)
1	Take Grebe (No Season)
3	Failure To Retrieve (Wanton Waste)
1	Hunt M.G.B. Illegal Hours
6	Possess Lead Shot In Steel Shot Only Area
1	Hunt M.G.B. With Electronic Calling Device (Geese)
2	Hunt Ducks With Un-Plugged Gun
2	Hunt Ducks W/O Federal Stamp
3	Operate A.T.V. On Public Road
1	Driving Under Suspension
4	Simple Obstruction Of A Roadway
1	Reckless Operation Of A Vehicle

1	Discharge Firearm From Public Road
3	Illegal Spotlighting From Public Road
39	Not Abiding By Rules & Regulations
1	Hunt With Unplugged Gun
1	Littering

WARNING CITATIONS:

TOTAL 35	DESCRIPTION OF CITATION
5	Fail To Wear Hunters Orange
1	Hunt W/O Resident Basic License
2	Hunt W/O Resident Big Game License
1	Hunt W/O Non-Resident License
26	Not Abiding By Rules & Regulations

CONFISCATIONS:

CONFISCATION DESCRIPTION
55 ducks, 1 grebe, 3 doe deer, 1 spotted fawn, 4 buck deer, 1 button buck deer head, 1 deer shoulder & hind quarters, 4 rifles, 3 shotguns, 1 rifle with scope, 9 308 cal. shells, 3 30.06 shells, 216 12ga lead shot shells, 2 spotlights, 1 flashlight, 1 electronic calling device, 1 beer can.

TOTAL OF EACH CATEGORY FOR REGION 3

TOTAL	DESCRIPTION
5	Boating
0	Commercial Fishing
25	Federal Migratory
1	Littering
10	Miscellaneous
0	Recreational Fishing
185	State Hunting/Trapping
35	Warning Citations

TOTAL NUMBER FOR PUBLIC ASSISTANCE

TOTAL	DESCRIPTION
0	Public Assistance

REGION 4

PARISHES: CALDWELL, CATAHOULA,
CONCORDIA, FRANKLIN
LASALLE, MADISON,
TENSAS

TOTAL CASES	169
TOTAL	DESCRIPTION OF CITATION
6	Boating
1	Angling W/O A License
13	Hunting W/O A Resident License
2	Hunting W/O A Non-Resident License
11	Failure To Abide By Commission Rules & Regulations
17	Hunting From A Moving Vehicle
1	Hunting W/Unplugged Gun
2	Hunt, Stand, Loiter From Public Road, Right-Of-Way
6	Hunt Wild Quadrupeds Illegal Hours
8	Hunt W/O Resident Big Game License
2	Hunt W/O Non-Resident Big Game License
11	Hunt Or Take Deer Illegal Hours Or With Artificial Light
8	Hunt Or Take Deer From Public Road
1	Hunt Or Take Deer Illegally From A Boat Or While Swimming
2	Hunt Or Take Illegal Deer Open Season

1	Hunt Or Take Deer W/Illegal Weapon
19	Fail To Comply W/Hunters Orange Regulations
1	Hunt W/O Muzzleloader License
3	Hunt On DMAP Lands W/O Permit From Owner/Lessee
2	Hunt Raccoons Illegally
1	Violate MGB Federal Stamp Requirement
1	Hunt Ducks Or Geese W/O Federal Stamp
3	Hunting MGB With Unplugged Gun
10	Hunting MGB Illegal Hours
1	Hunting MGB From A Vehicle
1	Possess Untagged MGB
6	Using lead Shot In Area Designated As Steel Shot Only
4	Taking Or Possession Of Other Non-Game Birds (No Season)
21	Not Abiding By Rules & Regulations On WMA
1	Littering
2	Operate ATV Vehicle On Public Road
1	Flight From An Officer

WARNING CITATIONS:

TOTAL 4	DESCRIPTION OF CITATION
2	Fail Comply W/Hunters Orange Regulations
2	Not Abiding By Rules & Regulations On WMA

CONFISCATIONS:

CONFISCATION DESCRIPTION
125 dmap tags, 11 jawbones, 3 deer, 1 egret, 1 blue herring, 12 ducks, 1 coon. 8 rifles, 5 spotlights, 2 shotguns, 39 lead shot shells, 1 boat, 1 outboard motor, 1 boat trailer.

TOTAL OF EACH CATEGORY FOR REGION 4

TOTAL	DESCRIPTION
6	Boating
0	Commercial Fishing
27	Federal Migratory
1	Littering
113	Miscellaneous
1	Recreational Fishing
21	State Hunting/Trapping
4	Warning Citations

TOTAL NUMBER FOR PUBLIC ASSISTANCE

TOTAL	DESCRIPTION
3	Public Assistance

REGION 5

BEAUREGARD, CALCASIEU
CAMERON, EVANGELINE
JEFF DAVIS, VERMILLION

TOTAL CASES	173
TOTAL	DESCRIPTION OF CITATION
26	Boating
10	Angling W/O A License
1	Angling W/O A Non-Resident License
2	Use Gear W/O Recreational Gear License
2	Fail To Maintain Records
3	Transport W/O Required License
2	Illegal Shipping Of Commercial Fish
1	Fail To Mark Crab Containers
1	Commercial Truck W/O Display Owner Name And Address
2	Possession Of Untagged/Improperly Tagged Oysters 10%+
7	Hunting From Moving Vehicle And/Or Aircraft
4	Hunting W/O Resident License
1	Hunting W/O Non-Resident License
1	Hunting W/Unplugged Gun Or Silencer
2	Illegal Possession Of Wild Quadrupeds, Wild Birds, Or Parts Thereof
13	Hunt Wild Quadrupeds And/Or Wild Birds Illegal Hours

2	Hunt Across Public Road Or Road Right-Of-Way
1	Hunt, Stand, Loiter From Public Road
4	Hunt Migratory Game Birds W/O State Stamp
1	Fail To Sign Duck Stamp
3	Hunt W/O Resident Big Game License
2	Hunt Or Take Deer Or Bear Illegal Hours Or With Artificial Light
3	Hunt Or Take Dear From Public Road
1	Hunt Or Take Illegal Deer Open Season
4	Violate Migratory Game Birds Federal Stamp Requirement
1	Hunt Ducks Or Geese W/O Federal Stamp
2	Hunt Migratory Game Birds With Unplugged Gun
14	Hunting Migratory Game Birds Illegal Hours
11	Hunting Migratory Game Birds Illegal Hours
2	Hunting Migratory Game Birds From Moving Motorboat
1	Wanton Waste Of Migratory Game Birds
1	Using Lead Shot In Steel Shot Only Area
4	Using Lead Shot In Steel Shot Only Area
1	Transport Illegally Taken Migratory Game Birds
1	Hunting Doves Closed Season
3	Hunting Ducks Closed Season

5	Possess Over Limit Of Ducks
1	Possess Over Limit Of Ducks
1	Hunting Woodcocks Closed Season
1	Taking Herons – No Season
1	Taking Killdeer – No Season
1	Hunt Migratory Game Birds W/O State Stamp
3	Hunt Migratory Game Birds Hunting License
13	Not Abiding By Rules And Regulations On Wildlife Management Area
3	Illegal Possession Of Drugs Or Marijuana
1	Miscellaneous Federal Violation
3	Littering

WARNING CITATIONS:

TOTAL 11	DESCRIPTION OF CITATION
9	Boating
1	Take Or Possess Undersized Black Drum
1	Fail To Wear Hunters Orange

CONFISCATIONS:

CONFISCATION DESCRIPTION
12 rabbits, 9 riffles, 10 sacks oysters, 1 spot light, 28 bullets, 26 ducks, 11 boxes crabs, 1 dove, 13 pounds of shrimp sold for \$32.50.

TOTAL OF EACH CATEGORY FOR REGION 5

TOTAL	DESCRIPTION
26	Boating
11	Commercial Fishing
59	Federal Migratory
3	Littering
16	Miscellaneous
13	Recreational Fishing
45	State Hunting/Trapping
9	Warning Citations

TOTAL NUMBER FOR PUBLIC ASSISTANCE

TOTAL	DESCRIPTION
2	Public Assistance

REGION 6.

**PARISHES: IBERIA, IBERVILLE,
LAFAYETTE, PT.COUPÉE
ST.LANDRY, W.B.ROUGE**

TOTAL CASES	168
TOTAL	DESCRIPTION OF CITATION
21	Boating
4	Angling W/O A License
3	Hunt W/O Resident License
1	Hunt MGB W/O State Stamp
9	Fail To Comply With Hunter Safety Regulations
1	Operate Vehicle While Intoxicated
2	Improper Lane Usage
2	Littering
1	Use Leadshot In Steel Shot Area Only
15	Not Abiding By Rules/Regulations On WMA
1	Hunt MGB With Unplugged Gun
2	Hunt With Unplugged Gun
2	Obtain License Fraudulently
3	Take Illegal Size Black Bass
14	Hunt MGB Illegal Hours
1	Take Grebe – No Season

2	Take/Possess Undersize Black Drum
2	Take/Possess Overlimit Black Drum
1	Possess Overlimit Ducks
1	Hunt W/O Resident Muzzleloader License
3	Hunt W/O Resident Big Game License
1	Hunt Deer Closed Area
2	Illegal Spotighting From Public Road
1	Hunt W/O Non-Resident License
1	Hunt W/O Non-Resident Big Game License
9	Hunt From Moving Vehicle
8	Hunt From Public Road
5	Hunt Deer Illegal Hours
2	Contributing To The Delinquency Of A Juvenile
4	Take/Hunt Rabbits By Mashing Weeds
9	Sell And/Or Buy Fish W/O Non-Resident Wholesale Retail Dealers License
1	Transport W/O Required Non-Resident License
2	Hunt Deer Illegal Methods
1	Operate Vehicle While License Expired
1	Failure To Abide By Commission Rules
2	Hunt From Public Road

6	Violate Interstate Commerce Regulations
7	Fail To Maintain Records
4	Fail To Mark Crab Containers
2	Fail To Wear Hunters Orange
1	Careless Operation
2	Hunt Deer Illegal Hours
1	Sell Gamefish
1	Sell Fish Caught Recreationally
2	Hunt Raccoons Illegally
1	Possession Of Illegal Deer Open Season
1	Hunt/Take Illegal Deer Open Season

WARNING CITATIONS:

TOTAL 16	DESCRIPTION OF CITATION
5	Boating
1	Fail To Comply With Hunter Safety Regulations
6	Not Abiding By Rules/Regulations On WMA
1	Hunt W/O License
1	Hunt MGB W/O State Stamp
2	Failure To Wear Hunters Orange

CONFISCATIONS:

CONFISCATION DESCRIPTION
8 deer, 1 Louisiana drivers license, 10 leadshot shells, 1 fishing license, 1 saltwater license, 3 hunting licenses, 3 big game licenses, 1 Thistlethwaite hunting permit, 1 grebe, 14 wood ducks, 12 black drum, 2 buckshot shells, 1 shotgun, 1 license carrier, 5 invoices, 10 spent shells casings, 12 DMAP tags, 1 DMAP deer kill records, 2 vehicles, 127 yellow bass, 3 rifles, 1 bow hunting license, 2 raccoons, 1 gadwall.

TOTAL OF EACH CATEGORY FOR REGION 6

TOTAL	DESCRIPTION
21	Boating
23	Commercial Fishing
19	Federal Migratory
2	Littering
29	Miscellaneous
11	Recreational Fishing
63	State Hunting/Trapping
16	Warning Citations

TOTAL NUMBER FOR PUBLIC ASSISTANCE

TOTAL	DESCRIPTION
0	Public Assistance

REGION 7

PARISHES: ASCENSION, E.B. ROUGE,
E. FELICIANA, LIVINGSTON,
ST. HELENA, ST. TAMMANY,
TANGIPAOHA, WASHINGTON,
W. FELICIANA

TOTAL CASES	126
TOTAL	DESCRIPTION OF CITATION
1	Boating
5	Hunt W/O Basic Resident License
4	Hunt W/O Resident Big Game License
1	Hunt W/O Non-Resident Basic License
1	Hunt W/O Non-Resident Big Game License
6	Failure To Comply W/Hunter Orange Regulations
26	Hunt Deer Illegal Hours
5	Illegal Night Hunting
28	Hunt From A Moving Vehicle
11	Hunt From A Public Road
16	Hunt Deer From A Public Road
1	Fail To Maintain Records
12	Not Abiding by W.M.A. Rules And Regulations
2	Possess Buckshot During Closed Gun Season-Deer
1	Possess Deer W/O Permit
1	Hunt M.G.B. Illegal Hours (Woodcock)

1	Hunt M.G.B. Closed Season (Ducks)
4	Criminal Trespass

WARNING CITATIONS:

TOTAL 8	DESCRIPTION OF CITATION
7	Not Abiding By W.M. A. Rules And Regulations
1	Hunt W/O Basic Resident License

CONFISCATIONS:

CONFISCATION DESCRIPTION	
EQUIPMENT 21 guns 13 Q-Beams	GAME 2-Rabbits 1-Duck 3- Woodcock

TOTAL OF EACH CATEGORY FOR REGION 7

TOTAL 134	DESCRIPTION
1	Boating
1	Commercial Fishing
2	Federal Migratory
0	Littering
4	Miscellaneous
1	Recreational Fishing
117	State Hunting/Trapping
8	Warning Citations

TOTAL NUMBER FOR PUBLIC ASSISTANCE

TOTAL	DESCRIPTION
0	Public Assistance

REGION 8

**PLAQUEMINE, ST. BERNARD,
ST. CHARLES, ORLEANS,
JEFFERSON**

TOTAL CASES	218
TOTAL	DESCRIPTION OF CITATION
25	Boating
14	Angling W/O A License
4	Angling W/O A License Non-Resident
4	Angling W/O A Saltwater License
1	Angling W/O A Saltwater License Non-Resident
4	Take/Possess O/L Red Drum
1	Possess over 10 Red Drum
3	Possess O/L of Red Drum In Excess of 27"(Recreational)
4	Take or Possess Undersized Red Drum(Recreational)
4	Take or Possess Undersized Black Drum(Recreational)
2	Take or Possess O/L Spotted Seatrout
2	Take or Possess O/L Black Drum
9	Take or Possess Commercial Fish W/O Commercial License
1	Take Commercial Fish W/O Commerical Gear License
1	Take or Possess Commerical fish W/O Vessel License
2	Sell and/or Buy Fish W/O Wholesale/Retail Dealer's License

1	Sell and/or Buy Fish W/O Retail Seafood Dealers License
2	Fail to Maintain Records
5	Transport W/O Required License
2	Use Saltwater Net Illegally(Gill Net)
2	Take/Possess O/L Commercial "Fish"
6	Buy Commercial Fish From Un-Lic. Fisherman
1	Buy Fish from unlicensed Non-resident Dealer
1	Allow Unlicensed fisherman use CML Vessel License
1	Allow Unlicensed fisherman use CML Gear License
1	Fail to Pay Severance Tax
3	Unlawfully Take Oysters Off a Private Lease
8	Failure to Fill Out Oyster Tags Correctly
8	Harvest Oysters W/O Oyster Harvester License
5	Hunting W/O Resident License
2	Possess Wild Quadruped W/O a License
1	Hunting W/O Non-Resident License
2	Failure to Abide By Commission Rules
7	Hunting From a Moving Vehicle
2	Hunting W/Unplugged Gun
6	Hunting Wild Quadrupeds Illegal Hours

4	Harassment of Person(s) Lawfully Hunting
3	Hunting Across a Public Road
2	Hunt, Stand, Loiter, From Public Road
1	Hunt MGB W/O State Stamp
1	Obtain License Fraudulently
1	Hunting W/O Resident Big Game License
1	Hunting W/O Non-Resident Big Game License
5	Hunt or Take Deer Illegal Hours
1	Fail to Comply W/Hunters Orange
1	Hunt Raccoons Illegally
1	Violate MGB Federal Stamp Requirement
1	Hunting MGB With Unplugged Gun(Federal)
1	Hunting MGB From Moving Motorboat(Federal)
4	Transport Completely Dressed MGB(Federal)
4	Using Lead Shot In Area Designated As Steel Shot Only(Federal)
1	Possess Over Limit of Doves(Federal)
1	Possess Over Limit of Coots(Federal)
3	Possess Over Limit of Ducks(Federal)
1	Possess Over Limit of Gallinules(Federal)
1	Taking or Possess of Other Non-Game Birds – No Season(Federal)

6	Not Abiding By Rules and Regulations on WMA
27	Miscellaneous

WARNING CITATIONS:

TOTAL 24	DESCRIPTION OF CITATION
4	Angling W/O A License
1	Angling W/O A License Non-Resident
6	Take or Possess Undersized Red Drum
1	Take or Possess Undersized Spotted Seatrout
2	Take or Possess Undersized Black Drum
1	Take or Possess O/L Spotted Seatrout
2	Hunting W/O Resident License
1	Possess of Buckshot During Closed Deer Season
3	Operating Unregistered Motorboat
2	Expired Boat Registration Certificate
1	Improper Running Lights

CONFISCATIONS:

CONFISCATION DESCRIPTION
<p>Seafood returned to the water...Mullet(100 lbs)...Crabs(1/2 box) Seafood and Game Donated....Spotted Seatrout(45)...Red Drum(53)....Black Drum(29)....Oysters(919 sacks)....Channel Catfish(1971).....Mullet Gizzard(30)....Red Roe(510 lbs).....Stone Crab Claws(229lbs).....Ducks(16)....Gadwall(1)...Teal(4)....Gallinules(21).... Shoveler(1)....Rabbits(13)....Coots(24)....Tern(1)....Doves(34)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Seafood Sold At Bid....Mullet(650 lbs. sold for \$520)....Mullet(2794 lbs. sold for \$826.30)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Hardware Confiscated: 9mm Auto Handgun(1)....Trip Tickets(9)....Pans w/tops(4)....1200 ft. Mullet Gill/Net Strike Net (3)....Vessel(1)....Rifle(5)....11" Fillet Knife(1)....Winchester 7mm Mag(1)....96qt Chest(4)....Spotlight(2)....Flat Boat(1)....Boat Trailer(1)....7mm mag cartridges(17)....spent 7mm m cartridges(1)....Fine shot shells(6)....Buck shot shells(4)....Hunting Lic(1)....State Duck Stamp(1)....Lead shotgun shells(84)....22 cal rifle cartridges(3)....Flashlight(2)....Shotgun(5)....Slug(</p>

TOTAL OF EACH CATEGORY FOR REGION 8

TOTAL	DESCRIPTION
25	Boating
59	Commercial Fishing
23	Federal Migratory
0	Littering
32	Miscellaneous
43	Recreational Fishing
36	State Hunting/Trapping
24	Warning Citations

TOTAL NUMBER FOR PUBLIC ASSISTANCE

TOTAL	DESCRIPTION
0	

REGION 9

PARISHES: ASSUMPTION, ST. JAMES
 ST. JOHN, ST. MARY
 TERREBONNE, LAFOURCHE
 JEFFERSON-GRAND ISLE
 LOWER ST. MARTIN

TOTAL CASES	163
TOTAL	DESCRIPTION OF CITATION
17	Boating
24	Angling W/O A License
2	Angling W/O A License Non-Resident
10	Angling W/O Saltwater License
1	Angling W/O Saltwater License Non-Resident
2	Posses Over 10 Red Drum (Off Water)
8	Take Undersized Red Drum (Recreational)
2	Take Undersized Spotted Sea Trout (Recreational)
7	Take Undersized Black Drum (Recreational)
1	Take O/L Spotted Sea Trout (On Water)
2	Take O/L Black Drum (Recreational)
1	Sell Commercial Fish W/O Commercial License
1	Take Commercial Fish W /O Commercial Gear License
1	Take Commercial Fish W/O Vessel License
1	Fail To Report Commercial Fishery Data

3	Unlawfully Take Oysters From State Water Bottoms
9	Hunting W/O Resident License
1	Hunting W/O Non-Resident License
2	Hunting From Moving Vehicle
4	Hunting W/Unplugged Gun
3	Hunt Wild Quadrupeds Illegal Hours
1	Hunt Across Public road
1	Hunt From Public Road
3	Hunt MGB W/O State Stamp
4	Hunt W/O Resident Big Game License
2	Hunt Deer Closed Season
3	Hunt Deer Illegal Hours
1	Hunt Deer Illegal Methods
1	Hunt Deer W/Illegal Weapon
3	Release Turkeys W/O Permission
5	Hunt Raccoons Illegally
2	Hunting Ducks W/O Federal Stamp
5	Hunting MGB Illegal Hours
2	Hunting MGB From A Moving Motorboat
1	Possess Untagged MGB

7	Rallying MGB
3	Hunt With Unplugged Gun
2	Violate MGB Federal Stamp Requirement
4	Use Lead Shot In Steel Area Only
1	Hunting Doves Closed Season
1	Possess O/L Of Ducks (Field Possession)
1	Hunting Gallinules Closed Season
3	Taking Grebe-No Season
2	Hunt MGB W/O State Stamp
2	Hunt MGB W/O State Hunting License
1	Contributing To Delinquency Of Minor

WARNING CITATIONS:

TOTAL 11	DESCRIPTION OF CITATION
10	Boating
1	Angling W/O A License

CONFISCATIONS:

CONFISCATION DESCRIPTION
2 doves, 2 grebes, 24 red drum, 18 black drum, 33 trout, 729 lbs. crabs sold for \$372.60, 26 teal ducks, 1 widgeon, 5 northern shovelers, 3 mallards, 3 scaups, 63 coots, 3 ringnecks, 1 wood duck, 5 rabbits, 1 coon, 1 pintail, 5 gadwalls, 1 sack oysters, commercial trip tickets, 1 car (paper seizure), 15 shotguns, 1 rod and reel, 1 commercial license, 1 commercial gear license, 1 commercial vessel license, 1 q-beam light, various lead and steel shot.

TOTAL OF EACH CATEGORY FOR REGION 9

TOTAL	DESCRIPTION
17	Boating
7	Commercial Fishing
20	Federal Migratory
0	Littering
4	Miscellaneous
59	Recreational Fishing
56	State Hunting/Trapping
11	Warning Citations

TOTAL NUMBER FOR PUBLIC ASSISTANCE

TOTAL	DESCRIPTION
4	Public Assistance

SPECIAL STRIKE FORCE**STATEWIDE**

TOTAL CASES	20
TOTAL	DESCRIPTION OF CITATION
5	Boating
2	Angling W/O A License
2	Angling W/O A Saltwater License
1	Hunt W/O Resident License
1	Hunt, Stand, Loiter From Public Road
1	Hunt Ducks Or Geese W/O Federal Stamp
1	Hunt MGB Illegal Hours
1	Use Lead Shot In Area Designated As Steel Shot
1	Hunt MGB W/O State Stamp
1	Hunt MGB W/O State Hunting License
1	Possess Overlimit Of Ducks
3	Other Than Wildlife And Fisheries

WARNING CITATIONS:

TOTAL 4	DESCRIPTION OF CITATION
1	Fail To Display Valid Certificate Decal
1	Expired Boat Registration Certificate
1	Improper Boat Numbers
1	Fail To Comply With P.F.D. Requirements

CONFISCATIONS:

CONFISCATION DESCRIPTION
13 ducks, 2 lead shot shotgun shells.

TOTAL OF EACH CATEGORY FOR STATEWIDE STRIKE FORCE

TOTAL	DESCRIPTION
5	Boating
0	Commercial Fishing
6	Federal Migratory
0	Littering
3	Miscellaneous
4	Recreational Fishing
2	State Hunting/Trapping
4	Warning Citations

TOTAL NUMBER FOR PUBLIC ASSISTANCE

TOTAL	DESCRIPTION
3	Public Assistance

OYSTER STRIKE FORCE**STATEWIDE**

TOTAL CASES	42
TOTAL	DESCRIPTION OF CITATION
0	Boating
3	Unlawfully Take Oysters Off Private Lease
7	Failure To Fill Out Oyster Tag Correctly
8	Take Oysters W/O Oyster Harvester License
8	Take Oysters W/O Commercial Fisherman License
1	Allow Unlicensed Fisherman To Use Commercial Vessel License
1	Allow Unlicensed Fisherman To Use Commercial Gear License
7	Buy Oysters From Unlicensed Commercial Fisherman
1	Take Over The Daily Limit Of Spotted Sea Trout
5	Angling W/O a Basic Resident License
1	Fishing W/O A Saltwater License

WARNING CITATIONS:

TOTAL 0	DESCRIPTION OF CITATION
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CONFISCATIONS:

CONFISCATION DESCRIPTION
32 spotted sea trout.

TOTAL OF EACH CATEGORY FOR OYSTER STRIKE FORCE

TOTAL	DESCRIPTION
0	Boating
35	Commercial Fishing
0	Federal Migratory
0	Littering
0	Miscellaneous
7	Recreational Fishing
0	State Hunting/Trapping
0	Warning Citations

TOTAL NUMBER FOR PUBLIC ASSISTANCE

TOTAL	DESCRIPTION
0	Public Assistance

SEAFOOD INVESTIGATIVE UNIT

STATEWIDE

TOTAL CASES	29
TOTAL	DESCRIPTION OF CITATION
2	Boating
1	Selling Fish Caught Recreationally
1	No Commercial License
1	No Gear License
1	No Vessel License
3	No wholesale/Retail License
4	Failure To Maintain Records
8	No Transport License
2	Selling & Purchasing Game Fish
1	Buying Fish From Unlicensed Non-Resident Dealer
1	Failure To Report Criminal Data
1	Failure To Pay Shrimp Severance Tax
3	Violated State Fishery Commercial Regulations

WARNING CITATIONS:

TOTAL 0	DESCRIPTION OF CITATION
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CONFISCATIONS:

CONFISCATION DESCRIPTION
229 lbs. stone crab claws sold for \$687.00, 510 lbs. red mullet roe sold for \$4,361.25, 30 lbs. of mullet gizzard sold for \$142.50, 729 lbs. of blue crabs sold for 372.60, and 120 yellow bass disposed of.

TOTAL OF EACH CATEGORY FOR SEAFOOD INVESTIGATIVE UNIT

TOTAL	DESCRIPTION
2	Boating
27	Commercial Fishing
0	Federal Migratory
0	Littering
0	Miscellaneous
0	Recreational Fishing
0	State Hunting/Trapping
0	Warning Citations

TOTAL NUMBER FOR PUBLIC ASSISTANCE

TOTAL	DESCRIPTION
0	Public Assistance

S.W.E.P.

COASTAL WATERS

TOTAL CASES	20
TOTAL	DESCRIPTION OF CITATION
5	Boating
1	Take Commercial Mullet Illegal Hours
2	Use Saltwater Gill Nets Illegally
1	Take Commercial Fish W/O Commercial License
1	Take Commercial Fish W/O Commercial Gear
1	Possession Over Limit Of Spotted Sea Trout
2	Possession Undersized Red Drum
1	Possession Over Limit Red Drum
1	Possession Over Limit Black Drum
1	Angle W/O Saltwater License
1	Angle W/O Basic License
3	Possession Undersize Black Drum

WARNING CITATIONS:

TOTAL 0	DESCRIPTION OF CITATION
0	

CONFISCATIONS:

CONFISCATION DESCRIPTION
2,794 lbs. of mullet sold for \$862.30, 2-1200 foot gill nets, 1-16 foot flat boat, 1-40 h.p. Mariner, 1 Magic Tilt trailer, 35 black drum and 18 red drum.

TOTAL OF EACH CATEGORY FOR S.W.E.P.

TOTAL	DESCRIPTION
5	Boating
5	Commercial Fishing
0	Federal Migratory
0	Littering
0	Miscellaneous
10	Recreational Fishing
0	State Hunting/Trapping
0	Warning Citations

TOTAL NUMBER FOR PUBLIC ASSISTANCE

TOTAL	DESCRIPTION
0	Public Assistance

TOTAL CASES

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NOTE: WRITTEN WARNINGS = 170

ENFORCEMENT AVIATION REPORT
DECEMBER, 1999

185-Amph. - 61092
Hrs. - 41.0

185-Float - 9667Q
Hrs. - 44.3

210 - 9467Y
Hrs. - 18.8

Enforcement Hours - 76.4

Other Divisions - 27.7

Total Plane Use - 104.1

Cases Made In Conjunction With Aircraft Use Resulted In Citations Issued For:

6-Hunt Over Bait

2-Unplugged Gun

3-Use Lead Shot

11-Total

Confiscations: 10 Ducks

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SCHEDULE FOR FINAL RULES TO BE PUBLISHED IN STATE REGISTER

JAN-00 RULE - Freshwater Harvest of Mullet

 RULE - Black Bass Regulations - Lake Bartholomew

MARCH-00 RULE - Crab Trap Marking

APRIL-00 RULE - Reef Fish-Daily Take, Possession & Size
Limits Set by Commission

MONTHLY CIVIL RESTITUTION REPORT

PERIOD	NO. CASES ASSESSED	AMOUNT ASSESSED	CREDIT FOR SALE GOODS	NO. CASES PAID	AMOUNT PAID	DISCOUNTS TAKEN	PERCENT DOLLARS PAID	PERCENT CASES PAID
FISCAL YEAR 1993-94								
July, 1993	25	\$21,039.00	(\$9,778.00)	29	\$4,855.00	\$2,545.00		
Aug., 1993	53	\$44,922.00	(\$1,137.00)	41	\$7,950.00	\$3,603.00		
Sept., 1993	42	\$137,635.00	(\$17,938.00)	35	\$6,783.00	\$3,048.00		
Oct., 1993	49	\$21,471.00	(\$11,282.00)	40	\$3,285.00	\$1,519.00		
Nov., 1993	57	\$31,207.00	-\$13,260.00)	32	\$3,053.00	\$2,845.00		
Dec., 1993	53	\$13,777.00		27	\$6,507.00	\$6,713.00		
Jan., 1994	38	\$18,918.00		32	\$4,423.00	\$2,831.00		
Feb., 1994	68	\$38,131.00	(\$8,238.00)	46	\$9,124.00	\$5,993.00		
Mar., 1994	38	\$22,739.00	(\$2,482.00)	51	\$10,854.00	\$6,796.00		
April, 1994	14	\$44,732.00	(\$1,404.00)	27	\$7,307.00	\$4,632.00		
May, 1994	10	\$4,504.00	(\$165.00)	7	\$5,447.00	\$3,808.00		
June, 1994	29	\$26,167.00	(\$2,986.00)	12	\$1,886.00	\$1,214.00		
Total FY 1994	476	\$425,242.00	(\$68,670.00)	379	\$71,474.00	\$45,547.00	27.5%	79.6%
FISCAL YEAR 1994-95								
July, 1994	17	\$2,127.00	(\$335.00)	23	\$2,101.00	\$1,437.00		
Aug., 1994	41	\$96,403.00	(\$3,035.00)	20	\$1,010.00	\$605.00		
Sept., 1994	34	\$14,614.00	(\$14,002.00)	26	\$2,596.00	\$2,342.00		
Oct., 1994	94	\$17,426.00	(\$8,677.00)	38	\$2,922.00	\$3,179.00		
Nov., 1994	43	\$103,592.00		45	\$3,992.00	\$2,803.00		
Dec., 1994	68	\$31,400.00		35	\$4,315.00	\$2,329.00		
Jan., 1995	55	\$27,601.00		52	\$7,493.00	\$4,921.00		
Feb., 1995	70	\$61,119.00		41	\$6,472.00	\$3,973.00		
Mar., 1995	31	\$25,072.00		44	\$8,315.00	\$4,737.00		
Apr., 1995	13	\$15,353.00		16	\$3,565.00	\$1,538.00		
May., 1995	23	\$11,632.00		16	\$4,315.00	\$654.00		
June 1995	45	\$31,008.00		18	\$2,630.00	\$1,025.00		
Total FY 1995	534	\$437,347.00	(\$26,049.00)	374	\$49,726.00	\$29,543.00	18.1%	70.0%
FISCAL YEAR 1995-96								
July, 1995	0	\$0.00						
Aug., 1995	46	\$17,425.00		27	\$9,028.00	\$1,729.00		
Sept., 1995	1	\$125.00		21	\$3,093.00	\$2,049.00		
Oct., 1995	122	\$206,244.00		29	\$2,720.00	\$1,161.00		
Nov., 1995	55	\$23,124.00		62	\$10,151.00	\$6,383.00		
Dec., 1995	50	\$18,607.26		32	\$4,780.66	\$2,802.76		
Jan., 1996	49	\$13,814.88	(\$15,296.45)	36	\$5,296.51	\$3,472.89		
Feb., 1996	50	\$14,716.97		38	\$5,777.53	\$3,416.91		
Mar., 1996	33	\$24,936.91		36	\$6,035.12	\$3,421.75		
Apr., 1996	30	\$11,006.66		36	\$7,173.12	\$2,711.54		
May., 1996	23	\$7,989.34		24	\$3,941.69	\$2,020.29		
June 1996	50	\$22,151.31		16	\$2,790.02	\$1,182.23		
Total FY 1996	509	\$360,141.33	(\$15,296.45)	357	\$60,786.65	\$30,350.37	25.3%	70.1%
FISCAL YEAR 1996-97								
July, 1996	40	\$71,894.13		32	\$5,249.93	\$2,947.96		
Aug., 1996	32	\$5,362.64		32	\$6,254.59	\$3,783.69		
Sept., 1996	41	\$7,210.00		29	\$2,259.96	\$1,326.58		
Oct., 1996	29	\$11,092.53		25	\$3,697.89	\$2,261.98		
Nov., 1996	20	\$10,009.10		22	\$1,624.63	\$698.02		
Dec., 1996	13	\$238,466.04		22	\$5,877.18	\$2,121.53		
Jan., 1997	27	\$11,755.22		17	\$4,393.30	\$2,377.09		
Feb., 1997	47	\$18,520.87		42	\$8,579.84	\$5,552.63		
Mar., 1997	26	\$13,434.02		27	\$4,999.59	\$2,757.67		
Apr., 1997	10	\$2,908.87		15	\$2,322.88	\$1,298.66		
May., 1997	20	\$11,682.70		15	\$5,198.91	\$1,399.21		
June 1997	5	\$8,036.58		10	\$2,335.24	\$765.34		
Total FY 1997	310	\$410,372.70	\$0.00	288	\$52,793.94	\$27,290.36	19.5%	92.9%

FICAL YEAR 1997 - 98

July, 1997	10	\$2,811.71		8	\$1,584.67	\$823.11		
Aug., 1997	14	\$8,741.30		8	\$1,496.49	\$779.14		
Sept., 1997	29	\$19,926.37		12	\$2,051.78	\$1,278.04		
Oct., 1997	12	\$4,716.81		23	\$3,184.83	\$2,063.89		
Nov., 1997	23	\$54,965.34		10	\$2,424.86	\$1,218.28		
Dec., 1997	25	\$36,881.09		15	\$4,376.97	\$2,775.66		
Jan., 1998	42	\$30,025.81		17	\$5,300.40	\$3,533.66		
Feb., 1998	37	\$31,164.95		29	\$22,961.69	\$8,501.18		
Mar., 1998	9	\$13,273.45		32	\$9,406.56	\$4,371.53		
Apr., 1998	10	\$5,628.21		10	\$2,602.62	\$1,279.77		
May., 1998	0	\$225.00		8	\$2,885.02	\$950.46		
June 1998	5	\$2,414.03		6	\$1,041.54	\$98.00		
Total FY 1998	216	\$210,774.07	\$0.00	178	\$59,317.43	\$27,672.72	41.3%	82.4%

FICAL YEAR 1998 - 99

July, 1998	9	\$1,390.43		8	\$1,964.20	\$716.75		
Aug., 1998	10	\$2,240.70		10	\$1,048.28	\$372.47		
Sept., 1998	8	\$2,768.96		11	\$2,000.36	\$1,148.23		
Oct., 1998	22	\$28,704.85		14	\$1,860.17	\$807.48		
Nov., 1998	19	\$9,137.79		11	\$1,765.97	\$1,092.43		
Dec., 1998	23	\$11,959.10		27	\$4,441.02	\$2,040.71		
Jan., 1999	41	\$21,179.55		18	\$6,621.63	\$3,838.22		
Feb., 1999	45	\$26,236.24		41	\$12,119.09	\$6,923.61		
Mar., 1999	15	\$7,549.57		33	\$8,281.77	\$4,138.44		
Apr., 1999	9	\$8,013.54		14	\$3,035.82	\$1,388.41		
May., 1999	5	\$5,161.23		5	\$905.50	\$405.00		
June 1999	7	\$3,719.01		13	\$3,011.06	\$533.83		
Total FY 1999	213	\$128,060.97	\$0.00	205	\$47,054.87	\$23,405.58	55.0%	96.2%

FISCAL YEAR 1999-2000

July, 1999	5	\$1,556.38		9	\$2,287.53	\$1,198.81		
Aug., 1999	10	\$2,510.83		15	\$2,455.38	\$513.73		
Sept., 1999	6	\$2,032.19	\$5,324.80	28	\$3,563.06	\$475.93		
Oct., 1999	11	\$4,452.31	\$567.75	25	\$2,775.48	\$557.41		
Nov., 1999	14	\$8,634.64		26	\$3,250.96	\$1,322.96		
Dec., 1999	24	\$15,891.96		19	\$3,862.76	\$2,126.27		
Jan., 2000								
Feb., 2000								
Mar., 2000								
Apr., 2000								
May, 2000								
June, 2000								
Total FY 2000	70	\$35,078.31	\$5,892.55	122	\$18,195.17	\$6,195.11	70%	174%

LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES
 CIVIL RESTITUTION ACTIVITY REPORT
 CURRENT MONTH
 12/01/1999 TO 12/31/1999

	# CASES	AMOUNT
ORIG RESTITUTION VALUES ENTERED	24	\$15,891.96
HEARING COSTS ASSESSED	0	\$0.00
SALE OF CONFISCATED COMMODS	0	\$0.00
SALES EXCEEDING RESTITUTION	0	\$0.00
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RESTITUTION ASSESSED	24	\$15,891.96
PAYMENTS	19	\$3,862.76-
DISCOUNTS FOR TIMELY PAYMENTS	10	\$2,126.27-
OVERPAYMENTS	0	\$0.00
REFUND OF OVERPAYMENT	0	\$0.00
APPLIED CONFISCATED COMMODS	0	\$0.00
APPLIED EXCEEDING BALANCE DUE	0	\$0.00
REFUND OF CONFISCATED COMMOD.	0	\$0.00
RETURNED CHECKS	0	\$0.00
MISC. ADJUSTMENTS		
DEBITS	0	\$0.00
CREDITS	0	\$0.00
REASSESSMENTS		
DEBITS	0	\$0.00
CREDITS	0	\$0.00
WRITE-OFFS	1	\$14.21-
ASSESSMENTS WITHDRAWN	0	\$0.00
ADJUDICATION ADJUSTMENTS	0	\$0.00
FOUND NOT RESPONSIBLE	0	\$0.00
CASES VOIDED BY ENFORCEMENT	0	\$0.00

FOOTNOTE:		
FORFEIT OF CONFISCATED COMMODS	0	\$0.00

LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES
 CIVIL RESTITUTION ACTIVITY REPORT
 FISCAL YEAR TO DATE
 07/01/1999 TO 12/31/1999

	# CASES	AMOUNT
ORIG RESTITUTION VALUES ENTERED	70	\$34,728.31
HEARING COSTS ASSESSED	9	\$350.00
SALE OF CONFISCATED COMMODS	0	\$0.00
SALES EXCEEDING RESTITUTION	0	\$0.00
=====		
RESTITUTION ASSESSED	70	\$35,078.31
PAYMENTS	96	\$18,195.17-
DISCOUNTS FOR TIMELY PAYMENTS	42	\$6,195.11-
OVERPAYMENTS	1	\$290.50
REFUND OF OVERPAYMENT	1	\$290.50
APPLIED CONFISCATED COMMODS	8	\$4,757.05-
APPLIED EXCEEDING BALANCE DUE	1	\$1,621.15
REFUND OF CONFISCATED COMMOD.	0	\$0.00
RETURNED CHECKS	0	\$0.00
MISC. ADJUSTMENTS		
DEBITS	0	\$0.00
CREDITS	0	\$0.00
REASSESSMENTS		
DEBITS	0	\$0.00
CREDITS	0	\$0.00
WRITE-OFFS	4	\$16.10-
ASSESSMENTS WITHDRAWN	0	\$0.00
ADJUDICATION ADJUSTMENTS	0	\$524.54-
FOUND NOT RESPONSIBLE	5	\$2,717.35-
CASES VOIDED BY ENFORCEMENT	0	\$0.00

 FOOTNOTE:

FORFEIT OF CONFISCATED COMMODS	1	\$0.00
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LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES
 CIVIL RESTITUTION ACTIVITY REPORT
 INCEPTION TO DATE
 12/31/1999

	# CASES	AMOUNT
ORIG RESTITUTION VALUES ENTERED	3,872	\$2,630,045.06
HEARING COSTS ASSESSED	186	\$4,925.00
SALE OF CONFISCATED COMMODS	331	\$269,865.45-
SALES EXCEEDING RESTITUTION	148	\$71,951.21
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RESTITUTION ASSESSED	3,872	\$2,437,055.82
PAYMENTS	2,625	\$463,775.21-
DISCOUNTS FOR TIMELY PAYMENTS	1,811	\$223,925.09-
OVERPAYMENTS	121	\$3,002.08
REFUND OF OVERPAYMENT	46	\$8,488.37
APPLIED CONFISCATED COMMODS	12	\$23,206.50-
APPLIED EXCEEDING BALANCE DUE	5	\$12,222.64
REFUND OF CONFISCATED COMMOD.	19	\$83,803.09
RETURNED CHECKS	1	\$36.75
MISC. ADJUSTMENTS		
DEBITS	2	\$35.00
CREDITS	13	\$10.22-
REASSESSMENTS		
DEBITS	21	\$6,881.15
CREDITS	58	\$36,391.47-
WRITE-OFFS	212	\$138,129.92-
ASSESSMENTS WITHDRAWN	6	\$1,399.24-
ADJUDICATION ADJUSTMENTS	0	\$11,786.13-
FOUND NOT RESPONSIBLE	38	\$76,259.71-
CASES VOIDED BY ENFORCEMENT	0	\$0.00
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** TOTAL OUTSTANDING	1,051	\$1,576,641.41

FOOTNOTE:

FORFEIT OF CONFISCATED COMMODS	2	\$0.00 *
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AGING OF SALE OF CONFISCATED COMMODITIES

VIOLATION DATE UNKNOWN	0	\$0.00
1 - 30 DAYS	2	\$32.50
31 - 60 DAYS	5	\$2,422.35
61 - 90 DAYS	11	\$1,154.94
91 - 120 DAYS	10	\$8,853.09
121 - 150 DAYS	32	\$12,051.70
151 - 180 DAYS	11	\$7,543.65
181 - 365 DAYS	70	\$46,406.69
OVER ONE YEAR	154	\$151,859.89
OVER TWO YEARS	107	\$65,425.16
OVER THREE YEARS	431	\$347,242.40
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** TOTAL AGING	833	\$642,992.37

AGING OF OUTSTANDING CASES

CAN NOT BE INVOICED	10	\$6,944.54
CURRENT	10	\$5,330.96
1 - 30 DAYS	11	\$7,061.02
31 - 90 DAYS	3	\$1,450.41
91 - 180 DAYS	3	\$1,088.00
181 - 365 DAYS	34	\$24,055.91
CASES SENT FOR COLLECTION	89	\$500,709.90
OVER 1 YEAR PENDING	0	\$0.00
OVER 1 YEAR (OTHER)	891	\$1,030,002.67
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** TOTAL AGING	1,051	\$1,576,643.41

LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES
 CLASS I ACTIVITY REPORT
 CURRENT MONTH
 12/01/1999-12/31/1999

	# CASES	AMOUNT
FINES	371	\$18,800.00
HEARING COSTS		
DEBITS	15	\$375.00
CREDITS	0	\$0.00
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TOTAL DUE		\$19,175.00

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PAID IN FULL	159	\$8,475.00-
PARTIAL PAYMENTS	0	\$0.00
OVERPAYMENTS	1	\$50.00
REFUNDS	0	\$0.00
RETURNED CHECKS	1	\$50.00
MISC CHANGES		
DEBITS	1	\$20.00
CREDITS	0	\$0.00
ADJUSTMENTS TO VIOLATION		
DEBITS	0	\$0.00
CREDITS	0	\$0.00
VOIDS	6	\$200.00-
NOT GUILTY	0	\$0.00

LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES
 CLASS I ACTIVITY REPORT
 FISCAL YEAR TO DATE
 07/01/1999-12/31/1999

	# CASES	AMOUNT
FINES	3,927	\$199,655.00
HEARING COSTS		
DEBITS	664	\$16,577.00
CREDITS	2	\$175.00-
		=====
TOTAL DUE		\$216,057.00

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PAID IN FULL	2,809	\$148,009.40-
PARTIAL PAYMENTS	64	\$3,090.00-
OVERPAYMENTS	25	\$1,189.00
REFUNDS	18	\$471.00
RETURNED CHECKS	3	\$150.00
MISC CHANGES		
DEBITS	3	\$40.00
CREDITS	2	\$1.60-
ADJUSTMENTS TO VIOLATION		
DEBITS	1	\$50.00
CREDITS	0	\$0.00
VOIDS	276	\$11,082.00-
NOT GUILTY	31	\$700.00-

LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES
 CLASS I ACTIVITY REPORT
 INCEPTION TO DATE
 12/31/1999

	# CASES	AMOUNT
FINES	77,507	\$3,940,652.07
HEARING COSTS		
DEBITS	16,866	\$421,903.80
CREDITS	2	\$4,900.00-
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TOTAL DUE		\$4,357,655.87

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PAID IN FULL	43,227	\$2,242,817.27-
PARTIAL PAYMENTS	1,206	\$54,868.37-
OVERPAYMENTS	865	\$24,953.34
REFUNDS	159	\$7,750.31
RETURNED CHECKS	60	\$3,200.00
MISC CHANGES		
DEBITS	60	\$1,005.00
CREDITS	168	\$156.03-
ADJUSTMENTS TO VIOLATION		
DEBITS	117	\$6,950.00
CREDITS	14	\$800.00-
VOIDS	4,302	\$182,807.73-
NOT GUILTY	657	\$32,750.00-
		=====
TOTAL OUTSTANDING		\$1,887,315.12

AGING OF OUTSTANDING CASES FROM CITATION DATE

CURRENT	116	\$5,850.00
1 - 30 DAYS	309	\$15,900.00
31 - 60 DAYS	488	\$24,900.00
91 - 180 DAYS	1,067	\$54,704.00
181 - 365 DAYS	1,633	\$95,335.00
OVER 1 YEAR UNCOLLECTABLE	0	\$0.00
OVER 1 YEAR PENDING	0	\$0.00
OVER 1 YEAR (OTHER)	26,480	\$1,690,626.12
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** TOTAL AGING	30,093	\$1,887,315.12

AGING OF OUTSTANDING CASES FROM HEARING DATE

PREHEARING	765	\$38,825.00
0 - 90 DAYS	3,173	\$161,029.00
91 - 180 DAYS	428	\$26,210.00
181 - 270 DAYS	648	\$36,295.00
271 - 365 DAYS	645	\$45,630.00
OVER 1 YEAR UNCOLLECTABLE	0	\$0.00
OVER 1 YEAR PENDING	0	\$0.00
OVER 1 YEAR (OTHER)	24,434	\$1,579,326.12
		=====
** TOTAL AGING	30,093	\$1,887,315.12

AGENDA

LOUISIANA WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES COMMISSION
BATON ROUGE, LA
January 6, 2000
10:00 AM

1. Roll Call
2. Approval of Minutes of December 2, 1999
3. Notice of Intent - Crawfishing on Agricultural Lands Within Sherburne WMA - Tommy Prickett
4. Rule Ratification - Freshwater Harvest of Mullet - Gary Tilyou
5. Rule Ratification - Black Bass Regulations - Removal of Slot Limit in Lake Bartholomew - Gary Tilyou
6. Presentation of 5 Year Financial Projection - Jim Patton
7. Notice of Intent - Recreational Electronic Licensing - ~~Craig Lamendola~~ *Janis Landry*
8. Enforcement & Aviation Reports/December - Keith LaCaze
9. Set May 2000 Meeting Date
10. Public Comments
11. Adjournment

Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries

NEWS RELEASE

James H. Jenkins Jr.
Secretary

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225/765-2923

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AMENDED AGENDA ISSUED FOR JAN. 6 MEETING OF LOUISIANA WILDLIFE & FISHERIES COMMISSION

The Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission will hold its first regular meeting of the year on Thursday, Jan. 6 at 10 a.m. The meeting is open to the public and will take place in the Louisiana Room of the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries building, located at 2000 Quail Dr. in Baton Rouge.

The amended agenda follows:

1. Roll call
2. Approval of minutes of Dec. 2, 1999
3. Notice of intent - crawfishing on agricultural lands within Sherburne WMA
4. Rule ratification - freshwater harvest of mullet
5. Rule ratification - black bass regulations (removal of slot limit in Lake Bartholomew)
6. Presentation of five year financial projection
7. Notice of intent - recreational electronic licensing
8. Enforcement & aviation reports - December
9. May 2000 meeting date
10. Public comments
11. Adjournment

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January 4, 2000

NEWS RELEASE

APPROVED: *P. Bowman*

AMENDED AGENDA FOR COMMISSION MEETING

The next regular public board meeting has been scheduled by the Commission for 10:00 A.M. on Thursday, January 6, 2000, at the Wildlife and Fisheries Building, 2000 Quail Drive, Baton Rouge, LA.

1. Roll Call
2. Approval of Minutes of December 2, 1999
3. Notice of Intent - Crawfishing on Agricultural Lands Within Sherburne WMA
4. Rule Ratification - Freshwater Harvest of Mullet
5. Rule Ratification - Black Bass Regulations - Removal of Slot Limit in Lake Bartholomew
6. Presentation of 5 Year Financial Projection
7. Notice of Intent - Recreational Electronic Licensing
8. Enforcement & Aviation Reports/December
9. Set May 2000 Meeting Date
10. Public Comments
11. Adjournment

Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries

NEWS RELEASE

James H. Jenkins Jr.
Secretary

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WILDLIFE & FISHERIES COMMISSION TO MEET JAN. 6

The Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission will hold its next regular meeting on Thursday, Jan. 6, 2000, at 10 a.m. The meeting is open to the public and will take place in the Louisiana Room of the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries building, located at 2000 Quail Dr. in Baton Rouge.

The agenda follows:

1. Roll call
2. Approval of minutes of Dec. 2, 1999
3. Presentation of proposed deer depredation policy
4. Notice of intent - crawfishing on agricultural lands within Sherburne WMA
5. Rule ratification - freshwater harvest of mullet
6. Rule ratification - black bass regulations - removal of slot limit in Lake Bartholomew
7. Presentation of 5 year financial projection
8. Notice of intent - recreational electronic licensing
9. Enforcement & aviation reports - December
10. Set May 2000 meeting date
11. Public comments
12. Adjournment

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Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries
NEWS RELEASE

James H. Jenkins Jr.
Secretary



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12/29/99

L.W.F. COMMISSION BUDGET COMMITTEE TO MEET JAN. 6

The Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission budget committee will hold a meeting on Thursday, Jan. 6, 2000, at 8:45 a.m. The meeting is open to the public and will take place in the fourth floor conference room of the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries building, located at 2000 Quail Dr. in Baton Rouge. The LDWF budget will be discussed at the meeting.

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M.J. "Mike" Foster, Jr.
Governor

December 29, 1999

MEMORANDUM

TO: Budget Committee Members (Commissioners Gattle, Busbice & McCall)

FROM: Susan Hawkins *Susan Hawkins*

SUBJECT: Committee Meeting

Chairman Tom Gattle has called a meeting of the Budget Committee for Thursday, January 6, 2000 at 8:45 AM in the Fourth Floor Conference Room. The meeting is to review the budget for the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries.

Please let us know if you will be unable to attend. Thank you.

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cc: Commissioner Glynn Carver
Commissioner Tom Kelly
James Jenkins, Jr.
Jim Patton

State of Louisiana



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December 23, 1999

M.J. "Mike" Foster, Jr.
Governor

MEMORANDUM

TO: Chairman and Members of Commission

FROM: James H. Jenkins, Jr., Secretary 

SUBJECT: January Commission Meeting Agenda

The next regular Commission meeting will be held at 10:00 A.M. on Thursday, January 6, 2000, in the Louisiana Room at the Wildlife and Fisheries Building, 2000 Quail Drive, Baton Rouge, LA.

The following items will be discussed:

1. Roll Call
2. Approval of Minutes of December 2, 1999

OFFICE OF WILDLIFE

3. Presentation of Proposed Deer Depredation Policy
4. Notice of Intent - Crawfishing on Agricultural Lands Within Sherburne WMA

OFFICE OF FISHERIES

5. Rule Ratification - Freshwater Harvest of Mullet
6. Rule Ratification - Black Bass Regulations - Removal of Slot Limit in Lake Bartholomew

JIM PATTON

7. Presentation of 5 Year Financial Projection

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AGENDA FOR COMMISSION MEETING

The next regular public board meeting has been scheduled by the Commission for 10:00 A.M. on Thursday, January 6, 2000, at the Wildlife and Fisheries Building, 2000 Quail Drive, Baton Rouge, LA.

1. Roll Call
2. Approval of Minutes of December 2, 1999
3. Presentation of Proposed Deer Depredation Policy
4. Notice of Intent - Crawfishing on Agricultural Lands Within Sherburne WMA
5. Rule Ratification - Freshwater Harvest of Mullet
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12. Adjournment

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BUDGET COMMITTEE MEETING

The Budget Committee of the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission will meet on Thursday, January 6, 2000, in the Fourth Floor Conference Room of the Wildlife and Fisheries Building, 2000 Quail Drive, Baton Rouge, LA. The meeting, scheduled to begin at 8:45 AM, will be to discuss the budget for the Department.

C O V E R

S H E E T



FAX

To: Tom Gattle

Fax #: 318-559-1524

Subject: Agenda

Date: December 21, 1999

Pages: 3, including this cover sheet.

COMMENTS:

Please review the attached agenda for the January 6, 2000 Commission Meeting and then give me a call. Thanks and Happy Holidays!

From the desk of...

Susan Hawkins

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, 1999

MEMORANDUM

TO: Chairman and Members of Commission
FROM: James H. Jenkins, Jr., Secretary
SUBJECT: January Commission Meeting Agenda

The next regular Commission meeting will be held at 10:00 A.M. on Thursday, January 6, 2000, in the Louisiana Room at the Wildlife and Fisheries Building, 2000 Quail Drive, Baton Rouge, LA.

The following items will be discussed:

1. Roll Call
2. Approval of Minutes of December 2, 1999

OFFICE OF WILDLIFE

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TO: Undersecretary, Assistant Secretary-Office of Wildlife,
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Assistant

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*Presentation of Proposed
Deer Depredation Policy - Notice of Intent
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11/15/99
Dear Susan:
I have the following two items on the January agenda:
1) Rule Ratification - Freshwater Harvest of Mullet - Gary Tilyou
2) Rule Ratification - Black Bass Regulations - Removal of Slot Limit in Lake Bartholomew - Gary Tilyou

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Hawkins, Susan

From: Foote, Karen

Sent: Wednesday, December 15, 1999 2:46 PM

To: Roussel, John E

Cc: Hawkins, Susan; Greeson, Cathy

Subject: No Marine agenda Commission agenda items at this time

But February should be fun.

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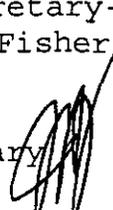
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*Nothing
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FAX

To: Dr. Henry Stone

Fax #: 928-1474

Subject: Agenda

Date: January 5, 2000

Pages: 3, including this cover sheet.

COMMENTS:

The attached agenda is for the Commission Meeting tomorrow beginning at 10 AM. Also attached is a News Release for a Budget Committee Meeting which will begin at 8:45 AM in the Fourth Floor Conference Room if you wish to attend.

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