

LOUISIANA WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES COMMISSION

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BOARD MEETING

November 5, 1987

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Baton Rouge, Louisiana

AGENDA

LOUISIANA WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES COMMISSION
BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA

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MINUTES OF MEETING OF
LOUISIANA WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES COMMISSION

November 5, 1987

Chairman Dale Vinet presiding:

Wednesday, November 4, 1987 - 2:30 PM

Joe Palmisano presiding:

Jack Cappel
Warren Pol
Mark Roberts

Thursday, November 5, 1987 - 10:00 AM

Jack Cappel
Don Hines
Joe Palmisano
Warren Pol
Mark Roberts

Mr. J. Burton Angelle was also present.

The minutes of the meeting of October 1, 1987 were approved with a motion from Mr. Pol, seconded by Mr. Roberts.

The Enforcement Report for the month of October, 1987 was given by Winton Vidrine. The report was discussed in detail.

Tommy Prickett presented a resolution to ratify the wildlife management area road use restrictions. A motion was made by Dr. Cappel, seconded by Mr. Roberts which was approved unanimously.

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

WHEREAS, the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission has passed a rule at its August 7, 1987 meeting to limit the use of conventional vehicles on certain roads and trails on wildlife management areas in Districts IV and VI, and

WHEREAS, the Commission has advertised this proposed rule in the State Register for the prescribed period of time, and

WHEREAS, no written response objected to the proposed rule, now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that on November 5, 1987 this rule shall be placed in force on Red River, Three Rivers, Saline Boeuf, Big Lake, Grassy Lake and Spring Bayou Wildlife Management Areas.

Mike Olinde presented a resolution for the clarification of field trial regulations for wildlife management areas. Mr. Palmisano made a motion to accept the resolution, seconded by Dr. Cappel which was approved unanimously.

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

WHEREAS, the availability of bird dog field trial grounds has greatly decreased since the mid-1970's and

WHEREAS, the number of requests for bird dog field trial to be held on LDWF wildlife management areas has increased and will no doubt continue to increase in the future particularly with the acquisition of Sandy Hollow, and

WHEREAS, the LDWF recognizes bird dog field trials as a legitimate public use of wildlife management areas, and

WHEREAS, the LDWF has always taken the lead in the development of sound wildlife management practices on its lands, now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the attached regulations governing bird dog field trials on wildlife management areas be adopted by the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission to supercede those currently approved in the Louisiana Administrative Code under Title 76, Part V, Chapter 1, 103; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the accompanying pen-reared bobwhite health certification procedures also be adopted.

At Wednesday's meeting Bob Dennie briefed the Commission on the National Aquatic Education Program. Two videos were shown and Bob stated that the Wildlife Educators will recruit a staff of volunteers who will schedule aquatic education clinics. These volunteers will be recruited, equipped with donated supplies and materials, trained by the wildlife educators and supported in the effort to reach out to thousands of Louisiana youngsters. This effort was initiated by the Sport Fishing Institute and the Future Fisherman Foundation. Rods and reels and other tackle were donated to the program by manufacturers.

Ron Dugas gave the Survey Report at Wednesday's meeting. During the period of September 28-November 1, 1987 field activity consisted of 122 surveys were scheduled, 67 were unable to be done due to bad weather or fishermen unable to meet surveyor. Office activity showed \$416.14, lease rental collected; \$96,968 survey fees collected; 145 applications were filed, 5 new leases were issued and 1 survey was conducted by a private surveyor.

Phil Bowman presented a resolution regarding the reciprocal shrimp license agreement with Alabama. Mr. Palmisano made a motion to accept the resolution, seconded by Dr. Hines which was unanimously approved.

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

WHEREAS, Louisiana R.S. 56:671 states the Commission may enter into reciprocal fishing license agreements with the authorities of any other state, and

WHEREAS, R.S. 56:671 further states these reciprocal agreements may be rescinded by either the Commission or the authorities of the reciprocating state, and

WHEREAS, in 1964 the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission entered into a reciprocal agreement with the State of Alabama to grant Alabama commercial shrimpers resident license privileges, and

WHEREAS, in 1986, Louisiana issued 405 resident shrimp licenses to Alabama residents, and

WHEREAS, this reciprocal agreement is not in the best interest of the State of Louisiana, now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission requests steps be initiated to notify the State of Alabama that Louisiana is hereby rescinding the reciprocal agreement it has had with the State of Alabama for shrimp licenses; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission request the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries to examine all other existing reciprocal agreements to see if these agreements are still in the best interest of the State of Louisiana.

Mr. Herring also mentioned that an agreement had been sent to Alabama regarding hunting licenses. This agreement has not been returned to the Department. A fee of \$152 has been requested to be charged by both states for a hunting license.

At Wednesday's meeting Ron Dugas discussed the partial closure of the oyster season east of the Mississippi River. This decision will be made at the December meeting.

Dr. Michael Caire presented a resolution concerning the black bear. Dr. Hines made a motion to accept this resolution, seconded by Mr. Roberts which passed unanimously.

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

WHEREAS, the Louisiana Bear (*Ursus americanus luteolus*) is an important game animal of the bottomlands of Louisiana and adjacent states; and

WHEREAS, the Louisiana Bear needs an updated documented population status and distribution study; and

WHEREAS, the Louisiana Bear has unresolved complex taxonomic questions; and

WHEREAS, the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries is presently studying the Louisiana Bear in Southern Louisiana through the Louisiana Cooperative Wildlife Research Unit; and

WHEREAS, an important population of the Louisiana Bear exists in Northeast Louisiana centered in the Tensas National Wildlife Refuge/Big Lake Wildlife Management Area Complex; now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission request that the U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service immediately and sufficiently fund and institute a complete study of the population and taxonomy of the Louisiana Bear in Tensas and Madison Parishes.

Johnnie Tarver presented a Notice of Intent to update rules and regulations for the State Register.

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

The Fur and Refuge Division manages approximately 500,000 acres of wetlands in the coastal zone. Pass-a-Loutre, Salvador, Pointe-au-Chien and Atchafalaya Delta Wildlife Management Areas are managed for recreational activities with limited commercial fisheries. Rockefeller Refuge, State Wildlife Refuge, and Marsh Island Refuge are donations with very restrictive activities permitted in accordance with the Deeds of Donation.

The rules and regulations governing all activities have been promulgated throughout the years by the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission and various rule changes are found in the record. To simplify and group those rules in one form with minor changes recommended, the Administrative Code is the purpose of this rule.

The rules and regulations controlling those permitted activities may be viewed at the Quail Drive office off Perkins Road, Baton Rouge, LA; 504/765-2340.

Interested persons may submit written comments on the proposed rule to Johnnie W. Tarver, Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, P. O. Box 15570, Baton Rouge, LA 70895.

Representative Harry Benoit stated that because the Commission has been asked by the federal government (Gulf States Marine Fisheries Commission and Gulf State-Federal Fisheries Management Board upon recommendation of the Menhaden Advisory Committee) to close the menhaden season outside the three mile limit. He also stated that because the short notice would cause extreme hardship on the bait industry with the crawfish season getting ready to open, people in his area would have to start looking for an alternative which would cause problems. The menhaden people would lose money and the state would also lose revenues. He then requested that the Commission either postpone or take under advisement the closing of the menhaden season at least until October of next year.

Mr. Palmisano made a motion to take this situation under advisement for a month since the Commission does not have the necessary information to make a decision and better understand the problems on both sides, seconded by Dr. Cappel and passed unanimously.

The February meeting date was set for Wednesday and Thursday, February 3rd and 4th in Houma with a public hearing for the hunting seasons at 7:00PM on Wednesday.

Corky Perret made an announcement concerning Proposition Two which is an amendment to protect the existing Wildlife and Fisheries Conservation Fund. He also stated that there will be an article in the Conservationist.

Mr. Joe Herring announced that the International Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies will hold its annual meeting in New Orleans in the year 1990. This organization includes fish and game agencies in the U. S., Mexico, Canada and other foreign countries. It is a meeting of the administrators and will be held the week after Labor Day.

Don Puckett presented the regulations on the mandatory hunter education program. Mr. Palmisano made a motion to ratify these regulations, seconded by Mr. Roberts which passed unanimously.

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

WHEREAS, the 1987 Legislature has mandated the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission to adopt rules to regulate the mandatory firearms and hunter education program, now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission adopt the following regulations.

1. The Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission shall be the sole authority for establishing minimum requirements for certification of students and volunteer instructors and for the overall administration of the hunter education program.
2. The Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries shall maintain a computer register of all students and instructors who have successfully met all requirements for certification.
3. Requirements for student certification shall be as follow:
 - a) A minimum of ten (10) hours classroom instruction.
 - b) Pass a written exam prepared by the Department.
 - c) Demonstration of proficiency of hunting firearms under field conditions.
 - d) Upon successful completion of the requirements, students shall receive permanent credentials.
4. Requirements for volunteer instructor certification shall be as follow:
 - a) A minimum of twelve (12) hours classroom instruction.
 - b) Pass a written exam prepared by the Department.
 - c) Demonstration of proficiency of firearms through a field shooting exercise.
 - d) Upon successful completion, candidates as volunteers shall be certified for a one year period. Recertification shall be based on continued participation in the Louisiana Firearms and Hunter Education Program.
5. Upon determination that the holder of any hunting license or permit obtained other than in accordance with this part shall have all said licenses revoked.

Philip Bowman reported to the Commission steps the Department was taking in response to the request that the Department become involved in collecting fishery dependent data. Phil reported the Department had developed a budget decision package for consideration along with the fiscal year 1988/89 budget which would provide funds to hire and equip seven (7) port agents for the state. In the interim, Phil reported, the Seafood Division was reprogramming to provide time (one day per week) for some existing Seafood personnel to work with the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) port agents to increase coverage and reduce the turn-around time for fishery dependent data.

Phil then introduced Mr. Tom Dawley, Supervisory Fishery Reporting Specialist with NMFS, who reviewed with the Commission NMFS' system for collecting fishery dependent data. Mr. Dawley also explained that the proposed assistance from the Department would greatly aid in reducing the turn-around time for reporting fisheries landings.

Election of Officers was held. Dr. Hines nominated Mr. Palmisano for Chairman, seconded by Mr. Pol. With no opposition this was approved unanimously. Dr. Cappel nominated Mr. Roberts, which was seconded by Dr. Hines, there was no opposition and it was unanimously approved.

The meeting was adjourned.

103. Field Trials on Wildlife Management Areas

The Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission does hereby authorize field trials by recognized bird dog associations to be held on selected wildlife management areas but only under the following conditions:

- A. The season framework for conducting field trials involving the use of bird dogs is from October 1 through March 30 of each year. Specific season dates, however, will be set annually, management area by management area.
- B. No trial will be allowed during managed deer hunts or opening weekends of other deer gun seasons.
- C. No shooting of wild bobwhites will be allowed during the closed quail season.
- D. Pen-reared bobwhites can not be used for field trial purposes without first obtaining health certification as prescribed by the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission. Failure of bobwhites to pass the certification will result in the postponement (cancellation) of the field trial.
- E. Applications must be submitted well in advance (a period established by the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission) by field trial associations specifying the date and precise location for the proposed field trial.
- F. Only two (2) trials per field trial organization will be allowed each season.
- G. Applications will be approved only after the field trial association has met these conditions.
- H. All bobwhites released for field trial purposes must be banded with a numbered band furnished by the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries. A list of the band numbers of birds released and birds recovered as well as any unused bands must be returned to the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries within 2 weeks after a field trial is held.
- I. All pen-reared bobwhites can be inspected by Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries personnel for evidence of diseases before they are released on the wildlife management areas for field trial purposes. Evidence of diseased birds can result in the cancellation of the field trial.
- J. Applications received for the Fort Polk Wildlife Management Area must be approved by the U.S. Army.

Pen-reared Bobwhite Health Certification Procedures

The Louisiana Veterinary Medical Diagnostic Laboratory (LVMDL) will perform health evaluations on the sample of live pen-reared bobwhites. A 5 percent sample, not to be less than 5 birds, must be delivered (shipped or otherwise) live with the completed Batch Case History Form to the LVMDL on Monday mornings by 9 o'clock at least 5 but not more than 10 working days prior to the field trial. Testing requires 5 working days.

Items tested for include but are not limited to:

- Avian Pox
- Capillaria
- Coccidia
- Cryptosporidia
- Ectoparasites
- Heterakis spp.
- Histomoniasis
- Mycoplasma gallisepticum
- Pullorum
- Typhoid

No trial utilizing pen-reared bobwhites can be conducted without health certification. Failure of samples to pass certification will result in the postponement (cancellation) of a trial if another supplier's birds can not be certified before the trial.

The fee for the diagnostic tests is \$27.00 per 5 birds (\$5.40@) and is payable to the LVMDL in advance. This price is subject to change without notice.

Louisiana Veterinary Medical Diagnostic Laboratory
P. O. Box 16570-A
Baton Rouge, LA 70893
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Location:

Louisiana Veterinary Medical Diagnostic Laboratory
School of Veterinary Medicine
LSU Campus
Baton Rouge
Corner of South Stadium Road and River Road

RESOLUTION

LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES
LOUISIANA WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES COMMISSION

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WHEREAS, the number of requests for bird dog field trial to be held on LDWF Wildlife Management Areas has increased and will no doubt continue to increase in the future particularly with the acquisition of Sandy Hollow, and

WHEREAS, the LDWF recognizes bird dog field trials as a legitimate public use of WMA's, and

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THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the attached regulations' governing bird dog field trials on wildlife management areas be adopted by the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission to supercede those currently approved in the Louisiana Administrative Code under Title 76, Part V, Chapter 1, 103;

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J. Burton Angelle

NOTICE OF INTENT
LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES
LOUISIANA WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES COMMISSION

In accordance with the provisions of the Administrative Procedure Act (R. S. 49.950 et. seq.) the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission gives notice that it proposes minor changes/clarification to the Louisiana Administrative Code -- Title 76, Part V, Chapter 1, 103 (Field Trials on Wildlife Management Areas). The proposed action simply omits some unnecessary regulations, liberalizes the season framework, and states more clearly other procedural responsibilities required by the LDWF of bird dog clubs utilizing a WMA for a field trial. The Department of Wildlife and Fisheries requested that the Commission authorize these changes at the 5 November 1987 Commission meeting held at the Baton Rouge Office.

The proposed changes are attached.

Interested parties may submit their views in writing to Hugh A. Bateman, Chief, Game Division, Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, P. O. Box 15570, Baton Rouge, LA 70895.

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Title 76
WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES
Part V. Wild Quadrupeds and Wild Birds

Chapter 1. Wild Quadrupeds

§101. Bow Hunting License

A. Whereas, the Louisiana Legislature during the 1978 Regular Session passed Act 576, authorizing a special license fee of five dollars for bow hunting, the net proceeds of which are dedicated to the conservation fund; and

Whereas, the bow hunters of Louisiana supported the passage of Act 576 and are in favor of the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission adopting a resolution implementing the said act; and,

Whereas, the said bow hunting fees shall produce revenues which will contribute to the enhancement and management of wild game throughout Louisiana;

B. Now therefore be it resolved that the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission hereby establishes, fixes, and adopts a special bow license of five dollars, authorizing the holder thereof to hunt with bows during the bow hunting season in accordance with the provisions of Act 576 of the 1978 Regular Session of the Louisiana Legislature.

Be it further resolved that bow hunting licenses be distributed and sold to bow hunters throughout the State of Louisiana by the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries in the most efficient and expeditious manner determined by the secretary of the said department.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 56:105.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, Wildlife and Fisheries Commission, LR 4:405 (October 1978).

§103. Field Trials on Wildlife Management Areas

The Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission does hereby authorize field trials to be held on wildlife management areas by recognized bird dog associations but only under the following conditions:

A. Field trials involving the use of bird dogs may be conducted from October 1 through March 30 of each year.

B. No shooting of quail will be allowed during the closed season.

C. No trial will be allowed during managed deer hunts or during the open turkey season on wildlife management areas.

D. All quail released for field trial purposes must be banded with a numbered band. A list of the band numbers must be furnished to Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission personnel.

E. Efforts will be made to recapture pen-reared quail released for field trial purposes.

F. All pen-reared quail must be inspected by Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission personnel to make sure the quail are disease-free before they can be released on the wildlife management areas for field trial purposes.

G. Applications must be submitted well in advance by field trial associations specifying the date and precise location for the proposed field trial.

H. Applications will be approved only after the field trial association has met these conditions.

I. Applications received for the Fort Polk Wildlife Management Area must be approved by the U.S. Army.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 56:141.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, Wildlife and Fisheries Commission, LR 2:459 (December 1976).

Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission
Regulations on
Mandatory Hunter Education Program

Whereas the 1984 Legislature has mandated the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission to adopt rules to regulate the mandatory firearms and hunter education program,

Therefore it be resolved that the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission adopt the following regulations.

1. The Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission shall be the sole authority for establishing minimum requirements for certification of students and volunteer instructors and for the overall administration of the hunter education program.
2. The Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries shall maintain a computer register of all students and instructors who have successfully met all requirements for certification.
3. Requirements for student certification shall be as follows:
 - a) A minimum age requirement of 10 years at time of certification.
 - b) A minimum of ten (10) hours classroom instruction.
 - c) Pass a written exam prepared by the Department.
 - d) Demonstration of proficiency of hunting firearms under field conditions.
- 3) Upon successful completion of the requirements, students shall receive permanent credentials.
4. Requirements for volunteer instructor certification shall be as follows:
 - a) A minimum of twelve (12) hours classroom instruction.
 - b) Pass a written exam prepared by the Department.
 - c) Demonstration of Proficiency of firearms through a field shooting exercise.
 - d) Upon successful completion, candidates as volunteers shall be certified for a one year period. Recertification shall be based on continued participation in the Louisiana Firearms and Hunter Education Program.

5. Upon determination that the holder of any hunting license or permit obtained other than in accordance with this part shall have all said licenses revoked.

IV. ESTIMATED EFFECT ON COMPETITION AND EMPLOYMENT - (Summary)
None.

Mary Mitchell
Chief Fiscal Officer

Mark C. Drennen
Legislative Fiscal Officer

NOTICE OF INTENT

**Department of Wildlife and Fisheries
Wildlife and Fisheries Commission**

The following resolution was adopted by the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission at its regular meeting held in Baton Rouge, LA, January 16, 1985.

Resolution to Set Dates for Annual Shrimp Meeting

WHEREAS, R.S. 56:497 provides all inshore shrimp seasons shall be set by the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission; and

WHEREAS, R.S. 56:497 also provides that the inshore spring shrimp season shall begin no later than May 25; and

WHEREAS, rules promulgated by the commission are subject to the Administrative Procedure Act and review and approval by the legislative oversight committee before such rules can be enacted.

NOW THEREFORE be it resolved that the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission announces its intention to review all data and receive public input relative to setting of the 1985 spring shrimp season on April 30; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission announces its intention to set on May 1, 1985, the opening dates for the 1985 spring shrimp season.

Interested persons may submit written comments to: Harry Schafer, Chief, Seafood Division, Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, Box 15570, Baton Rouge, LA 70895.

J. Burton Angelle
Secretary

**Fiscal and Economic Impact Statement
For Administrative Rules
Rule Title: Mandatory Hunter Safety Certification**

I. ESTIMATED IMPLEMENTATION COSTS (SAVINGS) TO STATE OR LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL UNITS - (Summary)

The mandatory Hunter Education bill will cost an additional \$60,000. This increase is projected due to increases in supplies, equipment and travel required to accomplish certification of participants.

II. ESTIMATED EFFECT ON REVENUE COLLECTIONS OF STATE OR LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL UNITS - (Summary)

None, funds are derived from excise taxes on firearms and are prorated back to the state on a 75 percent Federal 25 percent State matching basis. The 25 percent state funds are from Rockefeller Refuge funds.

III. ESTIMATED COSTS AND/OR ECONOMIC BENEFITS TO DIRECTLY AFFECTED PERSONS OR NON-GOVERNMENTAL GROUPS - (Summary)

None, The Hunter Safety course will be offered free of charge to participants.

IV. ESTIMATED EFFECT ON COMPETITION AND EMPLOYMENT - (Summary)

None, no additional personnel will be hired. Increase in workloads will be offset by use of trained volunteers.

Mary Mitchell
Chief Fiscal Officer

Mark C. Drennen
Legislative Fiscal Officer

**Fiscal and Economic Impact Statement
For Administrative Rules
Rule Title: Rockefeller Refuge**

I. ESTIMATED IMPLEMENTATION COSTS (SAVINGS) TO STATE OR LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL UNITS - (Summary)

None.

II. ESTIMATED EFFECT ON REVENUE COLLECTIONS OF STATE OR LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL UNITS - (Summary)

Not applicable.

III. ESTIMATED COSTS AND/OR ECONOMIC BENEFITS TO DIRECTLY AFFECTED PERSONS OR NON-GOVERNMENTAL GROUPS - (Summary)

Not applicable.

IV. ESTIMATED EFFECT ON COMPETITION AND EMPLOYMENT - (Summary)

Not applicable.

Mary Mitchell
Chief Fiscal Officer

Mark C. Drennen
Legislative Fiscal Officer

NOTICE OF INTENT

**Department of Wildlife and Fisheries
Wildlife and Fisheries Commission**

**A Resolution on Mandatory Hunter
Education Program**

Whereas, the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission has recognized the need for firearms and hunter education for the hunters of Louisiana and requested a mandatory bill be enacted by the Louisiana Legislature; and

Whereas, the 1984 Louisiana Legislature passed Act 149 requiring mandatory hunter safety certification prior to purchase of a hunting license for anyone born on or after September 1, 1969; and

Whereas, the 1984 Legislature has mandated the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission to adopt rules to regulate the mandatory firearms and hunter education program;

Therefore it be resolved that the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission propose the following regulations.

1. The Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission shall be the sole authority for establishing minimum requirements for certification of students and volunteer instructors and for the overall administration of the hunter education program.

2. The Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries shall maintain a computer register of all students and instructors who have successfully met all requirements for certification.

3. Requirements for student certification shall be as follows:

a. A minimum of six hours classroom instruction.

b. Pass a written exam prepared by the Department.

c. Demonstration of proficiency of hunting firearms under field conditions.

d. Upon successful completion of the requirements, students shall receive permanent credentials.

4. Requirements for volunteer instructor certification shall be as follows:

a. A minimum of 12 hours classroom instruction.

b. Pass a written exam prepared by the Department.

c. Demonstration of proficiency of firearms through a field shooting exercise.

d. Upon successful completion, candidates as volunteers shall be certified for a two year period. Recertification shall be based on continued participation in the Louisiana Firearms and Hunter Education Program.

Interested persons may submit written comments to: Chester Carpenter, Hunter Safety Coordinator, Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, Box 15570, Baton Rouge, LA 70895.

J. Burton Angelle
Secretary

**Fiscal and Economic Impact Statement
For Administrative Rules
Rule Title: Shrimp Seasons Inside Waters**

I. ESTIMATED IMPLEMENTATION COSTS (SAVINGS) TO STATE OR LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL UNITS - (Summary)

There will be no costs to implement this season as it will be handled along with other regular duties.

II. ESTIMATED EFFECT ON REVENUE COLLECTIONS OF STATE OR LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL UNITS - (Summary)

There will be an estimated 35,000 shrimp licenses sold. Using a median cost of \$20 per license, this would result in estimated revenue of \$700,000.

III. ESTIMATED COSTS AND/OR ECONOMIC BENEFITS TO DIRECTLY AFFECTED PERSONS OR NON-GOVERNMENTAL GROUPS - (Summary)

The costs to the affected groups would be the licensing fees of \$700,000.

The benefits are the estimated \$150 million annual value of shrimp at docksides.

The 1983 season yielded 77,260,000 pounds of heads-off shrimp valued at \$133.5 million.

IV. ESTIMATED EFFECT ON COMPETITION AND EMPLOYMENT - (Summary)

Approximately 50,000 individuals are influenced by the annual shrimp seasons.

Mary Mitchell
Chief Fiscal Officer

Mark C. Drennen
Legislative Fiscal Officer

NOTICE OF INTENT

**Department of Wildlife and Fisheries
Wildlife and Fisheries Commission**

Resolution adopted by the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries at its regular meeting held in New Orleans, Wednesday, December 5, 1984.

WHEREAS, the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries received the Rockefeller Wildlife Refuge under a conditional Deed of Donation in 1920; and

WHEREAS, the Deed of Donation has been revised by a Memorandum of Agreement between the Department of the Interior and the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries effective the eighteenth day of April, 1983; and

WHEREAS, provisions of the original Deed of Donation and the Memorandum of Agreement permit recreational use of the area; and

WHEREAS, the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries has been permitting sport fishing and other recreational use of the area for 25 years without interference with the wildlife management programs on the area; and

WHEREAS, numerous regulations have been adopted by the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission to control public use of the wildlife refuge area; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Louisi-

ana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission does hereby adopt the following rules and regulations to govern the use of the Rockefeller Wildlife Refuge for sport fishing and other recreational uses.

1. The visiting season on the Rockefeller Wildlife Refuge will extend from March 1 to December 1 throughout the refuge except those restricted areas designated to prohibit interference with research activities. Use of Humble Canal; Joseph Harbor Bayou; Headquarters Canal; East End Road and Locks; Union Producing Canal; Deep Lake; East End Boundary Canal; and Rollover Bayou shall be year-round. In addition to this access, sport fishermen shall be permitted to enter the Refuge from the Gulf side in East Constance Bayou, East Little Constance Bayou, Big Constance Bayou, Little Constance Bayou. Access through these bayous will be permitted only as far inland as the existing water control structures. The remainder of the refuge shall be restricted during the winter months and will be closed to all trespassing.

2. Use of the refuge will be allowed from one-half hour before official sunrise until official sunset. This includes access routes through the Refuge.

3. Overnight camping is prohibited.

4. Hunting, molesting or intentional disturbing of wildlife is prohibited.

5. Trawling on the refuge is prohibited. Trolllines, jug lines, trammel and gill nets and traps are prohibited. All commercial fishing is prohibited. One-hundred pounds of shrimp per boat per day is allowed during the inside open shrimp season as established by the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission. Ten pounds of shrimp for bait purposes may be caught during the closed season. Shrimp can be harvested only by cast net or dip net on the refuge and only for sport fishing or home consumption use.

6. Crawfish may be harvested from the open portion of the refuge and 100 pounds per boat or vehicle is allowed per day. Set nets may be used but must be attended and removed from the refuge daily. No commercial harvest allowed.

7. Oysters may be harvested from the natural reefs. One gallon per boat per day is allowed and oysters must be opened at the reef and the shells returned to the reef.

8. The burning of the marshes is prohibited. Water control structures are not to be tampered with or altered by anyone other than employees of the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries.

9. Bringing firearms, bows and arrows, liquor and controlled substance narcotics onto the Refuge is prohibited. All boats and vehicles are subject to search by all authorized employees of the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries at anytime.

10. Boat travel on the Refuge will be maintained at a minimum and boats shall be operated so as to create a minimum of wave wash. Speed boat racing and water skiing is prohibited. Pulling boats over levees, dams or water control structures is prohibited.

11. No littering is allowed. Visitors must remove their litter or place in appropriate litter disposal sites.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the secretary is hereby authorized to publicize this change in regulations through the news media.

This is to certify that the above and foregoing is a true copy of the excerpt of the minutes of the meeting of the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries Commission held in New Orleans, LA, on Wednesday, December 5, 1984.

Interested persons may submit written comments to: Johnnie Tarver, Chief, Fur and Refugee Division, Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, Box 15570, Baton Rouge, LA 70895.

J. Burton Angelle
Secretary

Committee Reports

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1) Proposal by the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission to adopt the federal regulations for personal flotation devices, fire extinguishers, flame arrestors and ventilation.

Approved by a vote of 5-0.

Clyde W. Kimball
Chairman

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Approved by a vote of 5-0.

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LOUISIANA ADMINISTRATIVE CODE UPDATE

Administrative Code Update
January 1985 - March 1985

Volume	Title	Section	Effect	Location
1	35	5745	amended	LR 10:6 (Jan. 1985)
1	35	1513	adopted	LR 10:6 (Jan. 1985)

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Department of Natural Resources Fishermen's Gear Compensation Fund

In accordance with the provisions of the Fishermen's Gear Compensation Fund, Louisiana Revised Statutes 56:700.1 through 56:700.5, and in particular, Section 700.4 thereof, regulations adopted for the fund as published in the *Louisiana Register* on August 20, 1980; and also the rules of the secretary of this department, notice is hereby given that 53 completed claims, amounting to \$65,681.87, were received during the month of March, 1985. During the same month, 47 claims, amounting to \$68,994.81 were paid. The following is a list of the paid claims:

Claim No. 84-1463 Philip Cantrelle & Allen Wiseman	Claim No. 84-1492 Louis Matherne	Claim No. 84-1514 Plaquemines Bunkers
Claim No. 84-1544 James Prudhomme, Jr.	Claim No. 84-1608 Rudolph Kreger, Jr.	Claim No. 84-1609 Henry Luwisch
Claim No. 84-1611 Mark Barbe	Claim No. 84-1636 Lawrence Charpentier	Claim No. 84-1637 Lawrence Charpentier
Claim No. 84-1657 Tracy Alfonso	Claim No. 84-1658 Tracy Alfonso	Claim No. 84-1659 Tracy Alfonso
Claim No. 84-1670 Howard Derouen	Claim No. 84-1671 Howard Derouen	Claim No. 84-1677 Randy Adams
Claim No. 84-1710 Lloyd Duncan	Claim No. 84-1739 Henry Martin	Claim No. 84-1768 Malcolm Assevado
Claim No. 84-1769 Malcolm Assevado	Claim No. 84-1770 Malcolm Assevado	Claim No. 84-1785 Henry Martin
Claim No. 84-1786 Henry Martin	Claim No. 84-1801 Randy Adams	Claim No. 84-1804 James Prudhomme, Jr.

OCTOBER 1987 CASE REPORT

REGION 1

TOTAL CASES-80

Enforcement-80
Other Divisions-0

- 1-Boating
- 9-Hunting with unplugged gun
- 13-Hunting without resident license
 - 2-Hunting without non-resident license
 - 3-Hunting or taking deer /closed season
 - 4-Illegal spotlighting from public road
 - 7-Hunting at night with light and gun
 - 7-Hunting from moving vehicle
 - 5-Hunting or discharging firearms from public road
 - 3-Taking overlimit of squirrels
- 1-Littering
 - 1-Using commercial gear without gear license
 - 2-No drivers license
 - 2-Hunting or taking deer illegal hours
 - 3-Resisting arrest by flight
 - 2-Possession of marijuana
 - 2-Possession of drug paraphernalia
 - 6-Possession of deer closed season
 - 1-Trapping in closed season
 - 1-Trapping without a license
 - 1-Possession of live wild quadruped/no permit
 - 1-Fishing without a license
 - 1-Hunting raccoons illegally

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REGION 1 CONT'D.

1-Possession untagged migratory gamebirds

CONFISCATIONS

1-12 gauge Browning Automatic, 1-20 gauge Ithaca single shot, 1-12 gauge model 1100, 1-22 caliber Browning rifle, 1-357 Colt Trooper Mark 3, 1-22 caliber Winchester Model, 1-22 caliber Remington Speedmaster, 1-410 gauge Harrington Richardson shotgun.

1-1987 Ford Pickup, 4 deer, 32 squirrels, 1 buck deer, 1 fox, 2 live coyotes, 1 box shotgun shells, 1 Pearson bow and 7 arrows, 2-6 volt flashlights, 2-12 volt seal beam spotlights, 1 animal trunk cage, 4 traps, 1 hoop net, 1 48 qt. Gott Cooler, 1 bag marijuana, 1 syringe.

REGION 2

TOTAL CASES-69

Enforcement-63

Other Divisions-6

5-Boating

2-Hunting without a non-resident license

11-Hunting squirrels no license

7-Hunting with unplugged gun

2-Not abiding by rules and regulations on WMA

1-Possession of illegal deer

7-Taking deer closed season

2-Taking deer illegal hours

5-Hunting from moving vehicle

5-Hunting at night with light and gun

5-Taking deer public road

1-Angling without a license

1-Hunting deer without big game license

2-Taking overlimit of raccoon

1-Failure to yield for emergency vehicle

1-Driving under revocation

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REGION 2 CONT'D.

- 1-Speeding
- 1-Resisting arrest
- 2-DWI
- 1-Driving with expired drivers license
- 1-Unauthorized use of a movable
- 1-Reckless operation of a motor vehicle
- 1-Failure to maintain control of vehicle

CONFISCATIONS

6-22 Magnum bullets, 1-Remington rifle with scope, 1-48 quart Coleman ice chest, 1 spotlight, 1 Winchester magnum rifle with scope, 4 deer, 1-1977 Ford Pickup Truck, 1 Remington 1100 shotgun, 6 #1 buckshot shells, 1 Marlin 22 magnum rifle, 1 Old Timer knife.

REGION 3

TOTAL CASES-66

Enforcement-59
Other Divisions-7

- 8-Boating
- 8-Hunting with unplugged gun
- 1-Littering
- 1-Hunting raccoons illegal hours
- 10-Hunting without resident license
- 1-Theft of livestock
- 2-Hunting doves over baited area
- 2-Illegal spotlighting from public road
- 5-Hunting deer closed season
- 2-Possession of deer illegally taken
- 4-Hunting deer with light and gun
- 1-Taking turkey closed season
- 5-Not abiding by rules and regulations on WMA

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REGION 3 CONT'D.

- 1-Hunting deer without resident big game license
- 2-Taking squirrels closed season
- 3-Discharging firearms from public road
- 1-Hunting from moving vehicle
- 2-Failure to have commercial license in possession
- 1-Using illegal nets
- 2-Netting in closed season
- 4-Angling without resident license
- 1-Selling or buying fish without wholesale/retail dealer license

CONFISCATIONS

2 Turkeys, 1 hog, 2 deer.

REGION 4

TOTAL CASES-80

Enforcement-60
Other Divisions-20

- 1-Angling without a license
- 2-Taking rabbits by mashing weed
- 17-Not abiding by rules and regulations on WMA
- 13-Hunting without resident basic and big game license
- 12-Hunting from moving vehicle
- 3-Hunting with unplugged gun
- 9-Hunting at night with light and gun
- 8-Hunting or discharging firearms from a public road
- 1-Possession squirrels closed season
- 2-Illegal possession of marijuana
- 2-Possession of poison pods
- 1-Taking overlimit of deer
- 1-Taking illegal deer open season

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REGION 4 CONT'D.

- 1-Hunting deer illegal hours
- 2-Possession illegally taken deer
- 1-Trespassing with firearms on WMA

CONFISCATIONS
NONE

REGION 5

TOTAL CASES-97

Enforcement-86
Other Divisions-11

- 11-Boating
- 11-Selling commercial fish without a commercial license
 - 1-Unattended gill nets
 - 2-No commercial gear license
 - 1-Using illegal mesh
 - 1-Taking deer closed season
 - 1-Taking turkey closed season
 - 2-Hunting migratory game birds illegal hours
 - 1-Hunting migratory game birds with lead shot
 - 8-Hunting without a resident license
 - 6-Cast netting without a license
 - 2-Hunting without a non-resident license
 - 1-Hunting with unplugged gun
 - 5-Hunting at night with light and gun
 - 7-Hunting from moving vehicle
 - 4-Hunting squirrel closed season
 - 1-Taking overlimit of rabbits
 - 1-Taking overlimit of doves
 - 1-Possession of live quadruped/no permit

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REGION 5 CONT'D

1-Littering

19-Angling without resident license

4-Angling without non-resident license

CONFISCATIONS

14 dove, 1 raccoon, 1-22 Savage rifle with scope, 1-Remington model 1100-12 gauge, 2 containers marijuana, 1-100 foot gill net, 1 turkey, 10 squirrels, 16 rabbits, 81 lbs. shrimp, 1 teal.

REGION 6

TOTAL CASES-267

Enforcement-227
Other Divisions-40

56-Boating

56-Angling without a license

1-Taking gamefish illegally

1-Using gear without a recreational license

2-Unattended gill nets

23-Take or possess commercial fish no license

6-Possession undersize commercial fish

2-Trawling in restricted area

6-Taking oysters from private lease

15-Taking oysters no written permission

19-Hunting without a license

5-Hunting from public road

2-Hunting with unplugged gun

8-Hunting from moving vehicle

8-Hunting at night with light and gun

5-Hunting raccoon illegally

5-Taking overlimit raccoons

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REGION 6 CONT'D

- 2-Taking rabbits illegal methods
- 3-Hunting deer illegal hours
- 7-Hunting migratory game birds illegal hours
- 1-Wanton waste migratory game birds
- 1-Possession of ducks other than teal
- 2-Hunting duck closed season
- 3-Hunting duck no stamp
- 5-Take/possess overlimit of ducks
- 4-Hunting migratory game birds with unplugged gun
- 1-Possession overlimit of ducks
- 1-Taking non-game birds
- 15-Not abiding by rules and regulations on WMA

CONFISCATIONS

1 rabbit, 16 doves, 35 ducks, 17 raccoons, 80 lbs. catfish, 60 lbs. shrimp, 1 owl, 4 shotguns, 2 rifles, 4 headlights, 2 spotlights, 1 battery, 13 gill nets.

REGION 7

TOTAL CASES-193

Enforcement-179
Other Division-14

- 11-Boating
- 37-Hunting without a license
- 15-Trespassing
- 3-Transporting ducks closed season
- 2-Hunting ducks closed season
- 1-Possession non-game bird (owl, mounted)
- 11-Hunting with unplugged gun
- 3-Hunting wild quadrupeds illegal hours
- 10-Hunting from moving vehicle

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REGION 7 CONT'D.

- 2-Possession poison pods while bow hunting
- 1-Criminal mischief
- 2-Hunting raccoons illegally
- 3-Hunting deer from public road
- 2-Hunting deer illegal hours
- 2-Hunting deer closed season
- 1-Sell and/or buy fish w/o wholesale retail license
- 2-Hunting deer at night
- 5-Hunting at night w/light & gun
- 2-Discharge firearms from a public road
- 50-Fishing without a license
- 1-Hunting turkey in closed season
- 1-Hunting turkey in closed area
- 1-Possession turkey in closed season
- 10-Trawling in Lk. Ponchartrain Sanctuary
- 3-Fishing without commercial license
- 1-Not abiding by rules and regulations in WMA

CONFISCATIONS

8 guns, 3 bows, 10 arrows, 12 squirrels, 3 wood ducks, 1 mounted owl.
4000 ft. of unattended gill nets in Lake Ponchartrain.

REGION 8

TOTAL CASES-486

Enforcement-439
Other Divisions-47

- 44-Boating
- 25-Angling without a license
- 2-Angling without a non-resident license
- 15-Angling without a saltwater license
- 6-Use recreational gear without recreational license
- 36-Taking possession of undersize red drum/ speckled trout

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REGION 8 CONT'D.

- 1-Taking game fish illegally
- 3-Transporting filet saltwater fish
- 12-Trawling with oversize trawls
- 3-Possession overlimit of doves
- 2-Hunting without a big game resident license
- 4-Hunting from public road
- 23-Hunting at night
- 9-Hunting from moving vehicle
- 4-Hunting without a resident license
- 2-Hunting without bow license
- 3-Hunting squirrels in closed season
- 3-Illegal possession of an alligator
- 1-Hunting rabbits illegal hours
- 2-Possession rabbits no license
- 1-Hunting raccoon illegally
- 5-Hunting with unplugged gun
- 1-Possession live deer no permit
- 2-Fileted commercial fish
- 57-Taking commercial fish without commercial fish license
- 26-Taking commercial fish without a commercial gear license
- 1-Using illegal mesh gill net
- 22-Block free passage of fish
- 27-Fishing with unattended net
- 8-Possession undersize commercial fish
- 9-Failure to have commercial license in possession

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REGION 8 CONT'D.

- 4-Taking oyster off private lease
- 5-Using undersize dredge no/permit
- 25-Taking oysters in unapproved area
- 15-Taking oyster without written permission
- 2-Hunting migratory birds with no federal stamp
- 2-Hunting snipe closed season
- 3-Hunting doves closed season
- 11-Hunting migratory birds over bait
- 1-Wanton waste migratory game birds
- 6-Taking Ibis no season
- 2-Use lead shot/steel shot zone
- 3-Take ducks closed season
- 4-Transport migratory birds illegally
- 1-Resisting arrest
- 1-Public intimidation of an officer
- 2-Littering
- 7-Criminal trespass
- 2-DWI
- 3-Gill net/Sanctuary

CONFISCATIONS

31 trawls, 6 butterfly nets, 198 gill nets, 21 shotguns, 5 rifles, 5 headlights, alligator parts, 24 rabbits, 8 squirrels, 1 mink, 114 doves, 1 snipe, 1 Ibis, 152 crab traps, 1 trammel nets, 3 slat traps, 2 alligators, 18 raccoons, 1 deer, 1 wood duck, 7 nutria, 225 redfish, 250 speckled trout, 1 bow and 4 arrows, 1 bow case, 12 lbs. filet, 33 catfish, 184 lbs. redfish, 152 crab traps, 1 trammel net, 3 slat traps, 184 redfish, 8 oyster tongs, 31 sacks oyster, 60 drum, 621 lbs. flounder, 280 lbs. drum filet, 10 lbs. sheephead, 15 teal ducks, 1 rail, 1-14 ft. wooden boat, 1-14 ft. aluminum boat, 1-15 ft. Challenger boat, 1-14 ft. wooden pirogue, 1-16 ft. aluminum boat, 1-10 ft. wooden boat, 6 misc. unidentified boats, 2 Ford Pickup trucks, 1 8 h.p. Briggs and Stratton motor, 4 Johnson motors, 3 Evinrude motors, 1 electric motor and one Mercury motor.

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TOTAL CASES ALL REGION: 1394

TOTAL CASES ENFORCEMENT: 1249

TOTAL CASES OTHER DIVISIONS: 145

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DELTA TIDE

ENGINE HOURS: 70

BOATS CHECKED: 87

13-Trawling inside waters/oversized trawls

5-No commercial fishing license

3-No commercial vessel license

3-No commercial gear license

1-Operating vessel without a navigation license

1-Operating motor vessel with no motorboat registration certificate in possession.

1-Operating motor vessel with no registration numbers on boat

2-Butterflying in restricted area

CONFISCATIONS

20 trawls seized, 4 butterfly nets seized.

RIP TIDE

ENGINE HOURS: 84

BOATS CHECKED: 84

2-No commercial fishing license

2-No commercial gear license

3-No commercial vessel license

1-Oversize trawl/inside water

9-Illegal haul seines/small mesh

9-Illegal haul seines/1900 foot oversize; minimum 1200 feet

CONFISCATIONS

2 trawls, 1-1900 foot haul-seine

Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries
Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission

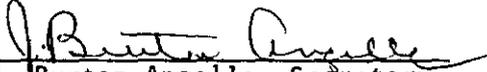
RESOLUTION

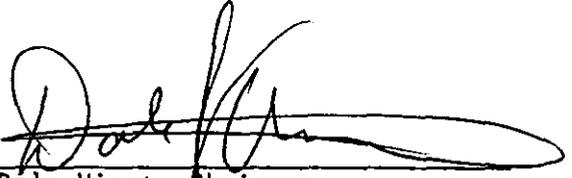
WHEREAS, the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission has passed a rule at its August 7, 1987 meeting to limit the use of conventional vehicles on certain roads and trails on WMA's in Districts IV and VI, and

WHEREAS, the Commission has advertised this proposed rule in the State Register for the prescribed period of time, and

WHEREAS, no written response objected to the proposed rule, now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that on November 5, 1987 this rule shall be placed in force on Red River, Three Rivers, Saline, Boeuf, Big Lake, Grassy Lake and Spring Bayou WMA's.


J. Burton Angelle, Secretary
La. Department of Wildlife
and Fisheries


Dale Vinet, Chairman
Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries
Commission



J. BURTON ANGELLE, SR.
SECRETARY

DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES
DISTRICT VIII
400 ROYAL ST.
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EDWIN W. EDWARDS
GOVERNOR

November 2, 1987

**COASTAL & MARINE RESOURCES
SURVEY SECTION
03 - 04
ACTIVITY REPORT**

From September 28th thru November 1st

During this period field activity consisted of:

122 Surveys that were scheduled.
67 Surveys that were unable to be done due to bad weather
or fishermen unable to meet surveyor.

Surveys that were completed consisted of:

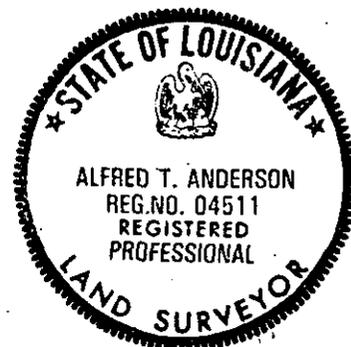
39 Leases that were tied into the monument control system.
3 Applications for new area.
11 15-year limitations.
0 Restake applications.

Total field activity:

<u>1985</u>	<u>1986</u>	<u>1987</u>	
<u>1277</u>	<u>1416</u>	<u>1135</u>	- Surveys scheduled.
<u>681</u>	<u>1079</u>	<u>618</u>	- Surveys performed.
<u>558</u>	<u>308</u>	<u>514</u>	- Surveys unable to be done due to bad weather or fishermen unable to meet surveyor.
<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>0</u>	- Survey where fishermen refused to survey.
<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>2</u>	- Disputes settled.
<u>37</u>	<u>24</u>	<u>3</u>	- No shows.
<u>0</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>0</u>	- Applications cancelled by request.

Office activity during this period:

\$ 416.14- Lease rental collected.
\$96,968.00- Survey fees collected.
145 - Applications filed.
5 - New leases issued.
1 - Surveys - Private Surveyor for the month.
26 - Surveys - Private Surveyor, 1987



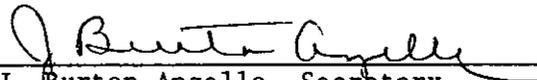
RESOLUTION

Alabama Shrimping License Reciprocal Agreement

- WHEREAS Louisiana R.S. 56:671 states the Commission may enter into reciprocal fishing license agreements with the authorities of any other state, and
- WHEREAS R.S. 56:671 further states these reciprocal agreements may be rescinded by either the Commission or the authorities of the reciprocating state, and
- WHEREAS in 1964 the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission entered into a reciprocal agreement with the State of Alabama to grant Alabama commercial shrimpers resident license privileges, and
- WHEREAS in 1986, Louisiana issued 405 resident shrimp licenses to Alabama residents, and
- WHEREAS this reciprocal agreement is not in the best interest of the State of Louisiana, now
- THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission requests steps be initiated to notify the State of Alabama that Louisiana is hereby rescinding the reciprocal agreement it has had with the State of Alabama for shrimp licenses; and
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission request the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries to examine all other existing reciprocal agreements to see if these agreements are still in the best interest of the State of Louisiana.



Dale Vinet, Chairman
Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Comm.



J. Burton Angelle, Secretary
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- WHEREAS, the Louisiana Bear (*Ursus americanus luteolus*) is an important game animal of the bottomlands of Louisiana and adjacent states; and
- WHEREAS, the Louisiana Bear needs an updated documented population status and distribution study; and
- WHEREAS, the Louisiana Bear has unresolved complex taxonomic questions; and
- WHEREAS, the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries is presently studying the Louisiana Bear in Southern Louisiana through the Louisiana Cooperative Wildlife Research Unit; and
- WHEREAS, an important population of the Louisiana Bear exists in Northeast Louisiana centered in the Tensas National Wildlife Refuge/Big Lake Wildlife Management Area Complex; now
- THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission request that the U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service immediately and sufficiently fund and institute a complete study of the population and taxonomy of the Louisiana Bear in Tensas and Madison Parishes.


J. Burton Angelle

NOTICE OF INTENT

Department of Wildlife and Fisheries
Wildlife and Fisheries Commission

The Fur and Refuge Division manages approximately 500,000 acres of wetlands in the coastal zone. Pass a Loutre, Salvador, Pointe au Chien and Atchafalaya Delta Wildlife Management Areas are managed for recreational activities with limited commercial fisheries. Rockefeller Refuge, State Wildlife Refuge, and Marsh Island Refuge are donations with very restrictive activities permitted in accordance with the Deeds of Donation.

The rules and regulations governing all activities have been promulgated throughout the years by the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission and various rule changes are found in the record. To simplify and group those rules in one form with minor changes recommended, the Administrative Code is the purpose of this rule.

The rules and regulations controlling those permitted activities may be viewed at the Quail Drive office off Perkins Road, Baton Rouge, LA; phone (504)765-2340.

Interested persons may submit written comments on the proposed rule to Johnnie W. Tarver, La. Dept. of Wildlife and Fisheries, P.O. Box 15570, Baton Rouge, LA 70895.


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Oct. 20, 1987

Paula

J. Burton Angelle
Secretary
La. Dept. Wildlife & Fisheries
Post Office Box 15570
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Dear Sir:

Enclosed is a copy of the letter I sent to each Commissioner and a resolution and discussion. Would you place this resolution on the Commissioner's agenda for November?

Thank you,

Michael J. Caire
Michael J. Caire, M.D.

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Sir:

I thank you for your attention to my discussion of the status of the Louisiana Bear and the advantages of endangered species status of this important game animal.

I hope you can support the enclosed resolution at the next meeting of the Wildlife Commission.

Please read the attached discussion of the resolution, and feel free to contact me at any time on this subject.

Sincerely yours,

Michael J. Caire, M.D.

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Enclosures (2)

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- Whereas, The Louisiana Bear (*Ursus americanus luteolus*) is an important game animal of the bottomlands of Louisiana and adjacent states
- Whereas, The Louisiana Bear has a poorly documented population status and distribution
- Whereas, The Louisiana Bear has unresolved complex taxonomic questions
- Whereas, The Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries is presently studying the Louisiana Bear in Southern Louisiana through the Louisiana Cooperative Wildlife Research Unit
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Discussion of Proposed Resolution

The Louisiana Bear (*Ursus americanus luteolus*) is presently listed a potential candidate under the Endangered Species Act. This status called Category 2 has been the official status of the Louisiana Bear since the 1970's. There has been a fair amount of talk regarding the Louisiana Bear yet there has been very little scientific evaluation of the present status of this important animal. This point is especially true of the U.S. Department of Interior.

First a cursory review of the Louisiana Bear (*luteolus*). This bear once ranged in Texas, South Arkansas, all of Louisiana and Mississippi. The bear is now extinct in Texas, *luteolus* is extinct in Arkansas, rare in Mississippi and by no means common in Louisiana. This bear is also the swamp bear of William Faulkner and also the animal from which the Teddy Bear arose. President T. R. Roosevelt hunted this bear in the Tensas Basin of Louisiana and across the river in Mississippi. It is of some significance that President Theodore Roosevelt created the first bird refuges and in a sense fathered the entire National Wildlife Refuge System. Though management of the Louisiana Bear must be based on scientific facts, these cultural and historical facts should not be forgotten. The status of *luteolus* is confused by the fact that the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries transported bears from Minnesota in the 1960's to restock a dwindling local population. The bears from Minnesota were of a different subspecies (*Ursus americanus americanus*). If significant inbreeding of Minnesota Bears took place with Louisiana Bears throughout Louisiana then the Louisiana Bear would be ineligible for endangered species status. This point is not a point that can be debated in verbal argument. The inbreeding status can easily be shown to be present or not by hard scientific facts. There is no other way. This is not a point to talk about it is something that needs to be acted on. Proper study of the bear will determine the facts.

If the bear proves to be an endangered species it should be managed to speedily return the animal to unendangered status throughout its critical range. If the bear proves to be unqualified under the endangered species program, it still should receive the proper wildlife management that it deserves. Neither of these two management plans can be carried out without proper baseline data.

The Louisiana Bear's major range in Northeast Louisiana is the 50,000 acre Tensas National Wildlife Refuge and adjacent Big Lake Wildlife management area and neighboring privately owned woods. This bear is an important part of the fauna of this refuge complex, whether or not the bear is a federally endangered species; yet, no significant effort to study the status of bear in the area has been undertaken by Federal Refuge Management. Thus at least two major divisions of the U.S. Fish

and Wildlife Service (the Office of Endangered Species and the Office of Refuges), seemingly should have an active interest in obtaining scientific knowledge to properly manage this important animal.

Enclosed is a U.S. Department of Interior memorandum dated March 3rd, 1986. Note the last sentence. There will be no expenditure of federal funds to study the Louisiana Bear "because of uncertainty about ... subspecific taxonomy". Talk about a Catch 22. The Feds won't study the issue because they don't know what the study will show. Note, there is enough money to spend nearly \$75,000 studying crayfish, clams and minnows but not one penny for the Louisiana Bear!

At this time Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries is conducting studies of the Louisiana Bear through the Louisiana Cooperative Wildlife Research Unit at L.S.U. The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service is also planning to study the Northeast Louisiana population through the Louisiana Cooperative Wildlife Research Unit. However, the adequacy of the funding of this study is uncertain at this time. I hope we can all support sufficient funding to completely study the Louisiana Bear by the Federal Government in Northeast Louisiana including skeletal taxonomy and even serum protein studies.

The Louisiana Bear deserves the best.



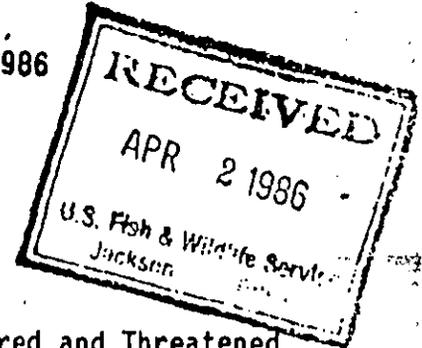
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In Reply Refer To:
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Memorandum

To: Regional Director, Region 4 (ARD/FA)
From: Associate Director - Federal Assistance
Subject: Status Survey Proposals on Candidate Endangered and Threatened Species

The following Region 4 status survey proposals for FY 86 have been approved for funding:

PDA No.	Subject	Amount
85-046	Elk river darter	\$8,000
86-121	3 pitcher plant subspecies	\$1,000
85-051	4 Micco area mammals	\$11,600
85-014	<u>Allium speculae</u> & <u>Sagittaria secundifolia</u>	\$5,100
85-050	3 Anastasia Island mammals	\$5,800
85-045	Whiteline topminnow	\$6,400
85-047	2 Florida seaside sparrows	\$6,800
85-011	<u>Lampsilis streckeri</u> (a clam)	\$5,600
84-055	<u>Big South Fork & Chickamauga</u> crayfish	\$7,600
86-111	2 Carolina clams	\$10,500
85-009	Wheeler's pearly mussel	\$5,000

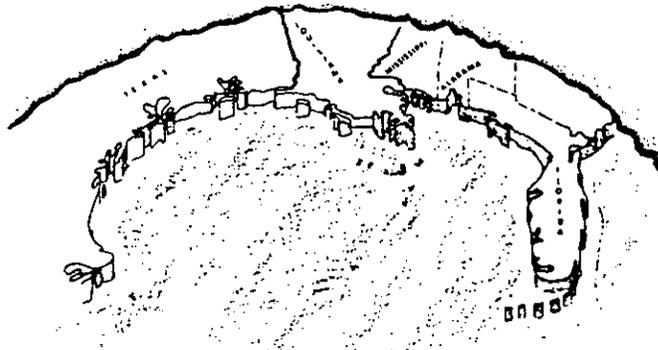
The proposal on alligator snapping turtle surveying techniques (85-035) has been disapproved because it is not clear if there would be any application of the results to habitat in the remainder of the species' range, which is much different from the Santa Fe River site of the proposed work. The cost is also very high, especially for a preliminary study.

The proposals on 7 Apalachicola plants (86-107) and Polygonella macrophylla (86-108) have both been disapproved because they contain insufficient information to support the need for the work and justify the costs.

~~The proposal on the Louisiana black bear has been disapproved because of uncertainty about whether the subspecific taxonomy of black bears can be resolved.~~

Gulf States Marine Fisheries Commission

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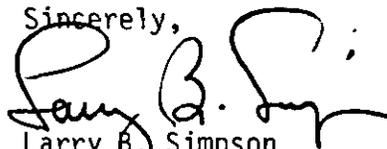
Mr. J. Burton Angelle
Louisiana Department of Wildlife
and Fisheries
P.O. Box 15570
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70895

Dear Burt:

The Gulf State-Federal Fisheries Management Board and the Gulf States Marine Fisheries Commission met recently for the annual October meeting. The Board and Commission, upon recommendation of the Menhaden Advisory Committee, voted unanimously to request the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries to reevaluate their administrative code for the menhaden season in Louisiana and change it so menhaden can be landed only within the set season. This change would allow for better management and enforcement activities for the largest fishery not only in Louisiana but the nation.

I understand a small amount of menhaden is landed from federal waters off Louisiana beyond the set season which could disrupt the management and enforcement your agency has so ably provided this fishery. If you require additional information I would be pleased to assist. Thank you for consideration of this request.

Sincerely,


Larry B. Simpson
Executive Director

cc: William "Corky" Perret
Gulf State-Federal Fisheries Management Board
Menhaden Advisory Committee
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HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, Wildlife and Fisheries Commission, LR 2:219 (July 1976).

§305. Closing Grand Isle Waters

A. Whereas, the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission is charged with enforcing the law, and

Whereas, the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission in open meeting held in New Orleans, Louisiana, September 29, 1979, and acting under authority of Act 282 of 1979, Title 56, Section 22, Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, the waters of the State of Louisiana on the south side of Grand Isle from Caminada Pass to Barataria Pass, in Jefferson Parish, from the southeast side of Caminada Bridge to the northwest side of Barataria Pass at Fort Livingston, extending from the beach side of Grand Isle to a distant of five hundred feet beyond the shoreline into the Gulf of Mexico from the said Grand Isle are hereby designated as closed zones, and

Whereas, for the purpose of preventing a public health problem or measure because of undesirable fish (such as small cat fish) or other aquatic or marine life being left on the beach of Grand Isle to rot or deteriorate, the said above waters are closed to the taking of fish with salt water netting, trawls, and seines of any type from May 1 to September 15, both dates inclusive, and beginning May 1, 1979, and each year thereafter during this period, until further action on the part of the commission,

B. Now therefore be it resolved, that the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries properly enforce the area described.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 56:6.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, Wildlife and Fisheries Commission, LR 5:329 (October 1979).

§307. Menhaden Season

A. 1. Whereas, the Menhaden Advisory Council of Louisiana, which serves as a vehicle for coordinating industry-wide projects, has requested that consideration be given to a limited season on the taking of menhaden from the waters of the State of Louisiana, as well as the processing of menhaden, and

Whereas, the Gulf-wide State-Federal Board, upon the request and action of the Menhaden Advisory and Implementation Committees, has unanimously recommended that the menhaden season be adjusted from a present closing date of the second Tuesday in October to the following Friday, and

Whereas, by having a uniform opening and closing date, it will eliminate unnecessary early plant startups, it will increase the chances of the industry maintaining a healthy and continuing source of fish, and

Whereas, an examination of several preceding years' catch records indicates that the best quality fish will be available, and

Whereas, there is total agreement among the menhaden operators that the starting date should be the third Monday in April and the closing date shall be changed to Friday immediately following the second Tuesday in October.

2. Therefore be it resolved that the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission directs, by executive order, that there shall be a limited season on the taking of menhaden from the waters of the State of Louisiana, as well as the processing of menhaden.

Be it further resolved that the starting date for the taking of menhaden from the waters of the State of Louisiana, as well as the processing of menhaden, shall be the third Monday in April and the closing date shall be the Friday immediately following the second Tuesday in October.

B. 1. Whereas, the menhaden fishing management plan by the State-Federal Board determined that a coordinated menhaden season be established in the northern Gulf; and

Whereas, the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission did develop regulations concerning menhaden seasons and areas opened and closed to fishing; and

Whereas, the three-year limitation on such commission action will expire.

2. Therefore be it resolved, that the regular menhaden season in Louisiana and areas open to fishing shall be as follows:

The menhaden season shall be from the third Monday in April through the Friday following the second Tuesday in October. It shall apply to all areas in the territorial sea outside of the inside-outside waters line as described in Paragraph 495, Title 56, of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950. During the open season, menhaden fishing is also permitted in Chandeleur and Breton Sounds. All other inside waters and passes are permanently closed to menhaden fishing.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 56:313.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, Wildlife and Fisheries Commission, LR 5:329 (October 1979).



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November 5, 1986

Mr. William (Corky) Perret
Assistant Secretary
Louisiana Department of
Wildlife and Fisheries
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Baton Rouge, LA 70895

Dear Corky:

Thanks for the opportunity to comment on the proposed extension of the menhaden season. I do not think that an extension of the current menhaden season would be in the best interest of the resource at this time. My arguments are briefly detailed below but are based on spawner-recruit overfishing, yield-per-recruit overfishing, and coordinated gulf-wide management considerations.

Spawner-recruit overfishing. Vaughan et al. (1986) states that:

The Gulf (menhaden) fishery is currently fully exploited and appears to be reasonably stable in view of the age composition, life span, and effects of environmental factors. Annual production, fishing effort, and fleet size appear reasonably balanced. ... Increases in effort could lead to problems in sustained yield from the population.

In other words, the fishery is operating at maximum harvest and is stable because of the current management regime. An increase in effort, such as an extension of the season, could disrupt this pattern and result in an impact on the ability of the resource to replenish itself.

Yield-per-recruit overfishing. According to Nelson and Ahrenholz (1986) yield of gulf menhaden is maximized when the fish are harvested around an age of 1.5 years. (Harvest in the current fishery predominates on the first and second year classes.) An extension of the current season would likely result in a decline in overall yield since it would likely impact the 0-year class fish, which begin their migration to the offshore waters in August and September (Suttkus 1956).

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Mr. William "Corky" Perret
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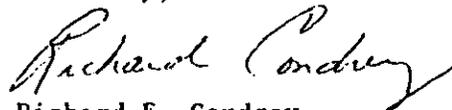
Coordinated Management. While the State of Louisiana is responsible for management for her menhaden resources, she is an active participant in the development of coordinated fishery management plans through her role in the Gulf States Marine Fisheries Commission. The Menhaden Advisory Committee is one of the Commission's most active groups. It meets regularly and openly twice a year; has developed and revised a menhaden management plan (Christmas and Etzold 1977; Christmas et al. 1983); and has an active program for stimulating, supporting and reviewing research on menhaden and the coastal environment.

The section on "Season Schedules" in the Commission's Menhaden Plan (Christmas et al. 1983) states:

As a result of recommendations made by the Gulf State-Federal Management Board the menhaden fishery opens and closes with the exception of Florida on the same date in all Gulf States. The Menhaden Advisory Committee has considered and, until the present time, rejected proposed season change.

In summary, then, I strongly suggest that Louisiana not engage in any unilateral action on an extension of its menhaden season until it has discussed the potential benefits and impacts with the Menhaden Advisory Committee. To do otherwise might needlessly jeopardize the resource and management regime which supports the nation's largest fishery harvest.

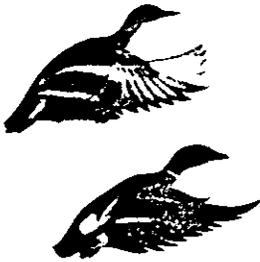
Sincerely,



Richard E. Condrey
Assistant Professor

REC:dmd

cc: Dr. Gilbert Bane
Dr. Jack Van Lopik
Dr. John Merriner



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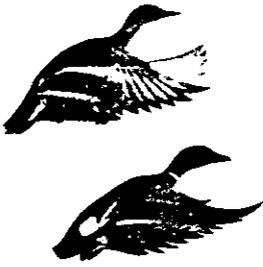
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We will give ENF case report

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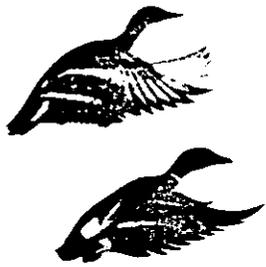
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- ① Survey Report
- ② Discussion of collection of fishery dependent data
- ③ RECIPROCAL SHIMP LICENSE AGREEMENT WITH ALABAMA
- ④ PARTIAL CLOSURE OF CRAB SEASON EAST OF MISSISSIPPI RIVER
- ⑤ Discussion of Muskaden season

Paula

as per your request.

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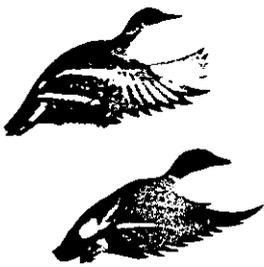
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for WMA's
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- 3) Guess ?



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*Please ask Mr. Angelle if he would like
me to bring the Commission on the
300 Rods & reels measurement and the
Aquatic Education. ? If so please
put on agenda.*

Johns

Pat Dennis

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~~*part of list under other business?*~~
Surfing on Aquatic Education Program



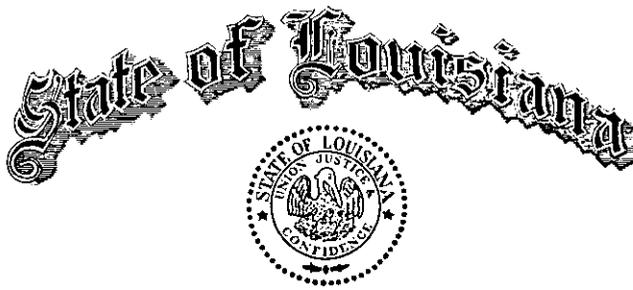
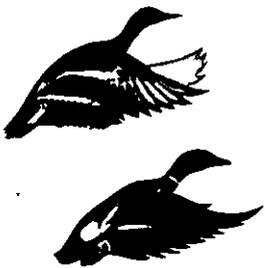
Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission
Regulations on
Mandatory Hunter Education Program

Whereas the 1984 Legislature has mandated the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission to adopt rules to regulate the mandatory firearms and hunter education program,

Therefore it be resolved that the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission adopt the following regulations.

1. The Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission shall be the sole authority for establishing minimum requirements for certification of students and volunteer instructors and for the overall administration of the hunter education program.
2. The Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries shall maintain a computer register of all students and instructors who have successfully met all requirements for certification.
3. Requirements for student certification shall be as follows:
 - a) A minimum age requirement of 10 years at time of certification.
 - b) A minimum of ten (10) hours classroom instruction.
 - c) Pass a written exam prepared by the Department.
 - d) Demonstration of proficiency of hunting firearms under field conditions.
- 3) Upon successful completion of the requirements, students shall receive permanent credentials.
4. Requirements for volunteer instructor certification shall be as follows:
 - a) A minimum of twelve (12) hours classroom instruction.
 - b) Pass a written exam prepared by the Department.
 - c) Demonstration of Proficiency of firearms through a field shooting exercise.
 - d) Upon successful completion, candidates as volunteers shall be certified for a one year period. Recertification shall be based on continued participation in the Louisiana Firearms and Hunter Education Program.

5. Upon determination that the holder of any hunting license or permit obtained other than in accordance with this part shall have all said licenses revoked.



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NOTICE OF INTENT
LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES
LOUISIANA WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES COMMISSION

In accordance with the provisions of the Administrative Procedure Act (R. S. 49.950 et. seq.) the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission gives notice that it proposes minor changes/clarification to the Louisiana Administrative Code -- Title 76, Part V, Chapter 1, 103 (Field Trials on Wildlife Management Areas). The proposed action simply omits some unnecessary regulations, liberalizes the season framework, and states more clearly other procedural responsibilities required by the LDWF of bird dog clubs utilizing a WMA for a field trial. The Department of Wildlife and Fisheries requested that the Commission authorize these changes at the 5 November 1987 Commission meeting held at the Baton Rouge Office.

The proposed changes are attached.

Interested parties may submit their views in writing to Hugh A. Bateman, Chief, Game Division, Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, P. O. Box 15570, Baton Rouge, LA 70895.

RESOLUTION

LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES
LOUISIANA WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES COMMISSION

WHEREAS, the availability of bird dog field trial grounds has greatly decreased since the mid-1970's, and

WHEREAS, the number of requests for bird dog field trial to be held on LDWF Wildlife Management Areas has increased and will no doubt continue to increase in the future particularly with the acquisition of Sandy Hollow, and

WHEREAS, the LDWF recognizes bird dog field trials as a legitimate public use of WMA's, and

WHEREAS, the LDWF has always taken the lead in the development of sound wildlife management practices on its lands,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the attached regulations' governing bird dog field trials on wildlife management areas be adopted by the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission to supercede those currently approved in the Louisiana Administrative Code under Title 76, Part V, Chapter 1, 103;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the accompanying pen-reared bobwhite health certification procedures also be adopted.