

Approved Leaving Waterfowl Decoys Overnight Prohibited on WMAs and WRAs Regulation

Committee: Regulations

Date: September 25, 2013

Explanation:

This regulation proposal was presented at last month's meeting for consideration. After discussion of the boat site locations on the map it was decided to make a few changes. These changes have been made and routed to the appropriate agency staff for review. This regulation proposal is being presented at this month's meeting for approval.

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24.05 LEAVING WATERFOWL DECOYS OVERNIGHT PROHIBITED ON WMAs AND WRAs

09-13 It is unlawful to leave waterfowl decoys overnight on WMAs and WRAs.

EXCEPTION:

Decoys may be stored in slough boats kept at designated sites marked with yellow T- posts and signs. Decoys must be clearly labeled with the current vehicle license number of the owner. Waterfowl decoys and slough boats can only be stored overnight at the designated sites beginning on the opening day of the waterfowl season and must be permanently removed seven days after the last day of the regular waterfowl season.

PENALTY: Class 1

FINANCIAL / ECONOMIC IMPACT STATEMENT

PLEASE ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS COMPLETELY
(Attach additional pages if needed)

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SHORT TITLE OF THIS RULE: Leaving Waterfowl Decoys Overnight
Prohibited on WMAs and WRAs Proposal

1. Does this proposed, amended, or repealed rule or regulation have a financial impact?
Yes: No: x
2. Do you believe that the development of a financial impact statement is so speculative as to be cost prohibitive? Yes: No: X If "Yes", please explain:

3. If the purpose of this rule is to implement a **federal** rule or regulation, please give the incremental cost for implementing the regulation. Please indicate if the cost provided is the cost of the program.

Current Fiscal Year

General Revenue	\$ N/A
Federal Funds	\$ N/A
Cash Funds	\$ N/A
Special Revenue	\$ N/A
Other (Identify)	\$ N/A
Total	\$ N/A

Next Fiscal Year

General Revenue	\$ N/A
Federal Funds	\$ N/A
Cash Funds	\$ N/A
Special Revenue	\$ N/A
Other (Identify)	\$ N/A
Total	\$ N/A

4. What is the total estimated cost by fiscal year to any **party** subject to the proposed, amended, or repealed rule? (Estimated cost includes fees, administrative penalties, reporting, record keeping, equipment, construction, labor, professional services, revenue loss, or other costs associated with compliance.) Identify the **party** subject to the proposed rule, and explain how they are impacted.

Current Fiscal Year: \$ N/A

Next Fiscal Year: \$ N/A

Party Subject to Rule: Arkansas hunters

Effect on Party Subject to Rule: Allows leaving decoys in slough boats on Dave Donaldson Black River WMA

5. What is the total estimated cost by fiscal year to the **agency** to implement this rule? Explain the financial benefit to the agency from implementing this rule.

Current Fiscal Year: \$N/A

Next Fiscal Year: \$ N/A

Financial Benefit to Agency: N/A

6. Do alternative means exist for accomplishing the objectives of the rules that might be less burdensome to small business? Yes: No: X

Why were such alternatives not proposed: N/A

7. Compare this rule with federal and state counterparts: N/A