

STATE OF FLORIDA
FLORIDA FISH AND WILDLIFE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Executive Order Number: 19-02

**Operation Outdoor Freedom Deer Hunt on
Blackwater Wildlife Management Area**

The Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, pursuant to Article IV, Section 9, of Florida Constitution, and Rule 68A-15.004(16), Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C.), hereby authorizes the following special outdoor recreational opportunity to be administered by the Florida Forest Service (FFS) consistent with Section 589.19(4), Florida Statutes, on the closed to hunting portions of Blackwater Wildlife Management Area in Okaloosa and Santa Rosa counties, Florida.

OPEN SEASON

Special deer hunt – January 16-18, 2019.

LEGAL TO TAKE

Any deer (except spotted fawns), wild hog and coyote. The bag limit shall be two (2) antlered deer and two (2) antlerless deer per FFS permit. There is no bag limit for wild hog or coyote.

PERMITS

A FFS permit shall be required to hunt the area. A maximum of seven (7) permits shall be issued by the FFS for this hunt.

SPECIFIC AREA REGULATIONS

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in Rules 68A-15.004 and 68A-15.063(4), F.A.C., the following regulations shall apply:

- 1) Only the FFS permit holder may harvest wildlife.
- 2) Motorized vehicles may be operated only on named or numbered roads, except that the FFS may authorize additional vehicle access as necessary for accommodation purposes.
- 3) All other provisions of Rules 68A-15.004 and 68A-15.063(4), F.A.C., shall remain in effect.

This order shall take effect upon signing and shall remain in effect until 11:59 pm on January 18, 2019.

Specific Authority: Article IV, Section 9, Florida Constitution
Rule 68A-15.004(16), F.A.C

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND SEAL OF
THE FISH AND WILDLIFE CONSERVATION
COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA
THIS 10th DAY OF JANUARY, 2019.

Attest: *Kristen Butler*
Agency Clerk

Thomas H. Eason
Thomas H. Eason Ph.D.
Assistant Executive Director



APPROVED as to form and legality:

Bridget K. McDonnell
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