

**Background Report
Draft Rule 68A-9.004
Agenda Item 10A
February 21, 2019**

DRAFT RULE

RULE NO.: 68A-9.004

RULE TITLE: Permits for Hunting or Other Recreational Use on Wildlife Management Areas

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The purpose of the proposed rule amendment is to revise regulations pertaining to the cost and total number available of Grove Park Wildlife Management Area recreational use permits. The effect of the proposed rule amendment will be to enable the agency to better manage fish and wildlife resources and public use on Wildlife Management Areas (WMAs).

SUMMARY: The proposed rule amendment would increase the total Grove Park WMA Recreational Use Permits (RUPs) available and the cost of the permits from 200 RUPs (\$475/each) to 235 RUPs (\$595/each) at the request of the landowner.

THE FULL TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE IS AS FOLLOWS:

68A-9.004 Permits for Hunting or Other Recreational Use on Wildlife Management Areas.

(1) In addition to other licenses, permits and stamps required by law, stamp requirements for hunting, camping, fishing, or other recreational uses on lands owned, leased or managed by the Commission or the State of Florida for the use and benefit of the Commission shall be as provided by Sections 379.354(8)(g) and (h), F.S.

(a) through (b) No change.

(c) The cost of recreational user permits as required for hunting on the following privately owned wildlife management areas as provided by Section 379.354(8)(h)1., F.S., shall be:

1. Flint Rock – \$206

2. No change.

3. Grove Park – ~~\$595~~ \$475

(d) The total number of permits available for each of the following privately owned wildlife management areas established pursuant to Section 379.354(8)(h)1., F.S., shall be:

1. Flint Rock – 450

2. No change.

3. Grove Park – ~~235~~ 200

(e) through (f) No change.

(2) through (3) No change.

PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATE: April 1, 2019

Rulemaking Authority Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const., 379.354 FS. Law Implemented Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const., 379.1025, 379.2223, 375.313, 379.354 FS. History—New 8-1-79, Amended 6-4-81, 6-21-82, Formerly 39-9.04, Amended 6-2-86, 11-1-89, 7-16-98, 5-13-99, Formerly 39-9.004, Amended 7-1-00, 5-29-01, 7-22-01, 6-2-02, 7-28-02, 5-1-03, 7-7-03, 10-12-03, 5-12-04, 7-15-04, 6-1-05, 4-3-08, 4-1-09, 7-20-09, 7-1-10, 5-5-11, 8-11-11, 5-2-12, 7-1-13, 9-9-13, 8-26-14, 4-1-16, 4-1-17, 4-1-19.