DRAFT RULE

RULE NO: 68A-17.004  RULE TITLE: General Regulations Relating to Wildlife and Environmental Areas.

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The purpose of the proposed rule amendment is to revise shooting hours during spring turkey seasons on Wildlife and Environmental Areas (WEAs).

SUMMARY: The proposed rule amendment would extend shooting hours for all spring turkey seasons on WEAs from one-half hour before sunrise until sunset, unless otherwise provided by specific area regulation.

Additionally, the proposed rule amendment would provide non-substantive technical changes, such as grammatical corrections, language standardization, or clarification of an existing rule.

THE FULL TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE IS AS FOLLOWS:

68A-17.004 General Regulations Relating to Wildlife and Environmental Areas.
(1) through (3) No change.
(4) Legal to Hunt: Legal game shall be only those game species identified in specific area regulations.
(a) through (b) No change.
(c) The hours in which the hunting of gobblers or bearded turkeys is permitted during the spring season shall be from one-half hour before sunrise until 1:00 p.m., unless otherwise provided by specific area regulation.
(d) through (g) renumbered (c) through (f) No change.
(5) through (17) No change.

PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2019

Rulemaking Authority Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const. Law Implemented Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const., 379.354, 375.313 FS. History–New 4-12-98, Amended 12-28-98, Formerly 39-17.004, Amended 7-1-00, 7-1-04, 7-1-05, 7-1-06, 7-29-07, 7-1-08, 7-1-09, 7-1-10, 1-1-11, 3-25-12, 4-9-13, 7-1-14, 7-1-15, 7-1-16, 7-1-18, 7-1-19.