

Background Report
68A-15.006
Agenda Item C5
July 22, 2020

PROPOSED FINAL RULE LANGUAGE

RULE NO: 68A-15.006

RULE TITLE: Regulations Relating to Miscellaneous Areas.

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The purpose of the proposed rule amendment is to establish or revise general regulations related to Miscellaneous Areas (MAs). The effect of the proposed rule amendment will be to enable the agency to better manage fish and wildlife resources and public use on MAs.

SUMMARY: The proposed rule amendment would maintain the status quo regarding electric bicycle use on MAs following recent changes to Section 316.003, F.S.

THE FULL TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE IS AS FOLLOWS:

68A-15.006 Regulations Relating to Miscellaneous Areas.

(1) No Change.

(2) Kissimmee River Public Use Area.

(a) through (b) No Change.

(c) General regulations:

1. through 9. No Change.

10. Electric bicycles may be operated only on named or numbered roads. Unless otherwise prohibited by specific area rule, Class 1 electric bicycles (as defined in 316.003, F.S.) are exempt from this restriction and may be used pursuant to regulations relating to bicycles.

(3) Babcock Ranch Preserve.

(a) through (c) No Change.

(d) Regulations controlling activities in the Tier II hunt areas:

1. through 12. No Change.

13. Electric bicycles may be operated only on named or numbered roads. Unless otherwise prohibited by specific area rule, Class 1 electric bicycles (as defined in 316.003, F.S.) are exempt from this restriction and may be used pursuant to regulations relating to bicycles.

(e) through (f) No Change.

(4) Kissimmee Chain of Lakes Area.

(a) through (b) No Change.

(c) General regulations:

1. through 13. No Change.

14. Electric bicycles may be operated only on named or numbered roads. Unless otherwise prohibited by specific area rule, Class 1 electric bicycles (as defined in 316.003, F.S.) are exempt from this restriction and may be used pursuant to regulations relating to bicycles.

(5) No Change.

PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATE: As soon as possible following Commission action.