The Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, acting under the authority of Art. IV, Section 9, Florida Constitution, and acting through its Executive Director under Delegation of Authority Paragraph 22, and due to the prolonged natural dewatering and imminent mortality of all fish species in Lake Jackson, hereby alters Rule 68A-23.005, F.A.C., the established minimum size limit for black bass and alters the general methods of taking freshwater fish Rule 68A-23.002 in Lake Jackson in township 2N Range 1W, Leon County, in accordance with the following:

1. Notwithstanding the provisions of Rule 68A-23.005(7)(e), F.A.C., size limits for black bass are hereby removed for Lake Jackson, Leon County, for the term of this order.

2. Notwithstanding the provisions of Rule 68A-23.002, F.A.C., general methods of taking freshwater fish on Lake Jackson, Leon County are modified to allow the following methods: dip net, and by hand (exclusive of any device) for the term of this order.

3. This order shall not have the effect of authorizing the illegal possession or transportation of freshwater game fish in excess of the recreational bag limit or of commercial quantities of freshwater game fish in violation of 372.9903, Florida Statutes.

4. All persons taking freshwater fish shall be required to possess a valid Florida freshwater fishing license unless exempt under 372.561 or 372.57, Florida Statutes.

5. This order shall take effect at 12:01 AM June 19, 2012 and shall expire when repealed by subsequent order.

Given under my hand and seal of the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission on this 18th day of June, 2012.

Nick Wiley
Executive Director

Attest: 
Agency Clerk