Executive Order Number: EO 14-25

Operation Outdoor Freedom Dove Hunt on Blackwater Wildlife Management Area – Hutton Unit

The Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, pursuant to Article IV, Section 9, of Florida Constitution, and Rule 68A-15.004, F.A.C., hereby authorizes the following special outdoor recreational opportunity to be administered by the Florida Forest Service (FFS) on Blackwater Wildlife Management Area – Hutton Unit consistent with 589.19, Florida Statutes.

OPEN SEASON

Special dove hunt: October 4, 2014.

LEGAL TO TAKE

Mourning dove, Eurasian collared dove, white-winged dove, and rock dove only.

PERMITS

A Florida Forest Service permit shall be required to hunt the area consistent with 589.19, Florida Statutes. A maximum of eight (8) permits shall be issued to eligible veterans and service members by the Florida Forest Service for this hunt.

SPECIFIC AREA REGULATIONS

In addition to the regulations contained in Rules 68A-13.008, 68A-15.004 and 68A-15.063(5), F.A.C., the following regulations shall apply:

1) Hunting by OOF participants is allowed on FFS designated dove fields only.

2) Florida Forest Service permit holders may be accompanied by non-hunting assistants.

3) Only the Florida Forest Service permit holder may harvest doves.

4) Florida Forest Service permit holders may use all-terrain vehicles throughout the area during the special dove hunt as necessary for mobility-impaired accommodation purposes.

5) Florida Forest Service permit holders and their non-hunting assistants are required to operate vehicles on named or numbered roads, except for mobility-impaired accommodation purposes.

6) Any provisions of Rules 68A-15.004 and 68A-15.063(5), F.A.C., which are inconsistent herewith, are hereby superseded.

This order shall take effect upon signing and shall remain in effect until 11:59 p.m. on 4 October 2014.

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

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND SEAL OF THE FISH AND WILDLIFE CONSERVATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA THIS 19 DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2014.

Eric Sutton
Assistant Executive Director

Attest: Kristina Butler
Agency Clerk