Executive Order Number: 15-41

**Operation Outdoor Freedom Deer Hunt on Blackwater Wildlife Management Area**

The Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, pursuant to Article IV, Section 9, of Florida Constitution, and Rule 68A-15.004(16), F.A.C, hereby authorizes the following special outdoor recreational opportunity to be administered by the Florida Forest Service (FFS) consistent with 589.19(4), Florida Statutes on the closed to hunting portions of Blackwater Wildlife Management Area in Okaloosa and Santa Rosa counties, Florida.

**OPEN SEASON**


**LEGAL TO TAKE**

Any deer (except spotted fawns), wild hog and coyote. The bag limit for deer shall be 2 antlered deer and 2 antlerless deer per Florida Forest Service permit. All other statewide bag limits apply.

**PERMITS**

A Florida Forest Service permit shall be required to hunt the area. A maximum of seven (7) permits shall be issued by the Florida Forest Service for this hunt.

**SPECIFIC AREA REGULATIONS**

In addition to the regulations contained in Rules 68A-15.004 and 68A-15.063(4), F.A.C. the following regulations shall apply:

1) Only the Florida Forest Service permit holder may harvest wildlife.

2) Motorized vehicles may be operated only on named or numbered roads, except that the Florida Forest Service may authorize additional vehicle access as necessary for accommodation purposes.

3) Any provisions of Rules 68A-15.004 and 68A-15.063(4), F.A.C., which are inconsistent herewith, are hereby superseded.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 pm on 15 January 2016.
Specific Authority: Article IV, Section 9, Florida Constitution
Rule 68A-15.004(16), F.A.C


Eric Sutton
Assistant Executive Director

Attest: [Signature]
Agency Clerk