

Background Report
Notice of Change 68A-15.063
Agenda Item 18, B
February 9, 2012

FISH AND WILDLIFE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Division: Freshwater Fish and Wildlife

RULE NO.:68A-15.063

RULE TITLE: Specific Regulations for Wildlife Management
Areas – Northwest Region.

NOTICE OF CHANGE

Notice is hereby given that the following changes have been made to the proposed rule in accordance with Section 120.54(3)(d)1., F.S., published in Vol. 38, No.01, (January 6, 2012), issue of the Florida Administrative Weekly.

Proposed amendment to Rule 68A-15.063 has been changed to include the following subsection:

(1) through (27) No change.

(28) Beaverdam Creek Wildlife Management Area.

(a) Open season:

1. Archery – October 20 through November 18.

2. Small game – November 10-21, November 26 through December 7 and January 31 through March

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3. Family hunt – November 22-25.

4. Muzzleloading gun – December 1-3.

5. General gun – December 8 through January 30.

6. Archery and muzzleloading gun – January 31 through February 10.

7. Spring turkey – March 16-19 and 27-31.

8. Wild hog-dog – July 13-15, August 10-12 and September 14-16, 2012, and May 10-12 and June 14-16, 2013.

9. Duck, geese and coot – During the migratory game bird seasons as established by Rule 68A-13.003, F.A.C.

10. Fishing and frogging – Throughout the year.

(b) Legal to take: All legal game, fish, frogs and furbearers. During the family hunt, any deer except spotted fawns may be taken (limit one antlerless deer per person per day). During the muzzleloading gun season, any deer except spotted fawns may be taken (limit one antlerless deer per day). During the spring turkey season, the bag limit for turkey shall be one gobbler or bearded turkey per quota permit. During the wild hog-dog season, only wild hog may be taken.

(c) Camping: Prohibited, except at designated campsites (for no more than 14 consecutive days at a time) or by permit from Northwest Florida Water Management District.

(d) General regulations:

1. Vehicles may be operated on Harry Donar Road year round and on the area road extending from the boat ramp at the terminus of Harry Donar Road to the pipeline parking area during the period October 1 through April 30 and during each wild hog-dog hunt. Operation of vehicles on any other road is prohibited.

2. Taking or attempting to take deer or wild hog with the aid of dogs is prohibited, except that dogs may be used to take wild hog during the wild hog-dog hunts.

3. The use of all-terrain vehicles is prohibited.

4. Horses are allowed on named roads and designated horse trails only.

5. Boats may be launched and loaded only at the designated boat ramp.

6. During wild hog-dog hunts, wild hogs may be taken during the day or at night by the aid of a light with dogs and a firearm. The hunting of wild hogs under this provision by display or use of a light from a moving vehicle, boat or animal is prohibited.

7. Wild hog-dog hunts will begin at 12:01 AM on the first day of the hunt and end at 11:59 PM on the last day of the hunt.

No other changes were made to the rule amendments as proposed.