

In accordance with Neb. Rev. Stat. 84-907, public hearings will be conducted by the Nebraska Game and Parks Commission on January 19, 2024, in the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor conference room at Nebraska Game and Parks Commission Headquarters 2200 N 33<sup>rd</sup> St. Lincoln, NE prior to consideration and/or enactment of the following:

Pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat. §§ 37-301 through 37-316, 37-353, 37-401, 37-403 through 37-406, 37-411, 37-412, 37-413, 37-414, 37-418, 37-426 through 37-429, 37-447 through 37-453, 37-457, 37-455 through 37-461, 37-463, 37-464, 37-477 through 37-479, 37-482.01, 37-497, 37-498, 37-501 through 37-503, 37-508, 37-509, 37-512, 37-514, 37-520, 37-525, 37-527, 37-529, 37-532, 37-534, 37-537, 37-540, 37-547, 37-560, 37-563, 37-701, 37-708, 37-802 through 37-811, a public hearing will be held at 8:15AM to consider amendments to Title 163, Nebraska Administrative Code, Chapter 4 Wildlife Regulations Section 001 General Regulations regarding Wildlife Species related to changes to allow for up to six people to submit a joint application for big game draw permits in accordance to the updates in statute 37-453 from LB 565 in the 2023 Legislative session, changes to checking requirements for deer harvested during the November firearm season, and to clarify the possession and sale of furbearers due to statute changes in 37-559 in LB565 during the 2023 Legislative Session.

Pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat. Sections §§ 37-301, 37-304, 37-308, 37-308.01, 37-314, 37-315, 37-317, 37-404, 37-406, 37-409, 37-447, 37-449, 37-450, 37-452, 37-453, 37-455, 37-455.01, 37-456, 37-456.01, 37-529, 37-701, 37-706, 37-708, a public hearing will be held at 8:30 AM to consider amendments to Title 163, Nebraska Administrative Code Chapter 4, Wildlife Regulations Section 003 Antelope, Deer, Elk to simplify the application and purchasing process for deer, elk, and antelope permits by collapsing eight purchasing periods to four and harmonizing application periods for elk and antelope landowner permits, and adding new draw units for non-resident deer.

Pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat. Sections §§ 37-301, 37-303 through 37-310, 37-312 through 37-314, 37-317, 37-330, 37-336, 37-447, 37-701, 37-703 through 37-709, 60-677, 60-678, 60-680, a public hearing will be at 8:45 AM to consider amendments to Title 163, Nebraska Administrative Code Chapter 4, Wildlife Regulations Section 019 Area Specific Regulations to allow for the addition of elk hunting on the Clear Creek WMA portion of the Garden County State Game Refuge and weapon restrictions on the Bur Oak WMA in Seward County.

Copies of the proposed regulations and the Fiscal Impact Statement shall be available for public inspection at the Game and Parks Commission office and the Office of the Secretary of State.

All interested persons may attend and testify orally or by written submission at the public hearing. Interested persons or organizations may submit written comments prior to the hearing, which will be entered into the hearing record if they: 1) include a request to be included as part of the hearing record; 2) include the name and address of the person or organization submitting the comments; and 3) are received by 1:00 p.m. CT January 17, 2024 by Sheri Henderson at the Lincoln office, 2200 North 33<sup>rd</sup> Street, Lincoln, NE 68503-0370.

Tim McCoy, Director