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CLEARINGHOUSE RULE 98-023

Comments

[NOTE: All citations to “Manual” in the comments below are to the Administrative Rules Procedures Manual, prepared by the Revisor of Statutes Bureau and the Legislative Council Staff, dated October 1994.]

2. Form, Style and Placement in Administrative Code

- a. The first several SECTIONS of the rule are out of order: SECTION 1 should follow SECTION 5; SECTION 2 should follow SECTION 5g; and SECTION 6 should follow SECTION 7.
- b. In SECTION 2, the notation “[“Troll” or “Trolling”]” should be deleted.
- c. At the end of s. NR 20.015 (7g), the term “cty. hwy.” should be spelled out.
- d. In s. NR 20.02 (1) (d) 1., a period should be inserted after the material in the daily bag limit column in order to accurately reflect the current text of the rule.
- e. In s. NR 25.10 (2) (i), the first sentence establishes the legal requirements of that provision while the second and third sentences are more explanatory in nature. It might be more appropriate to place the second and third sentences in a note. Also, the word “grid” in the second sentence is undefined. Is the grid system referred to here a universally understood system or is it specific to a particular cartographer’s work? The grid system that is referred to should be identified.
- f. In s. NR 26.02 (3), since two or more subunits are not created, a paragraph title should not be used. Instead, the title of the subsection could read “BARRON COUNTY; RICE CREEK.”

5. Clarity, Grammar, Punctuation and Use of Plain Language

- a. The syntax of the second sentence of s. NR 20.03 (8) (cm) is confusing. That sentence should state simply that: “The department shall open the season pursuant to par. (d) 2., if the department determines”

b. Section NR 26.02 (3) should read: “That portion of Rice Creek from 100 feet north of state highway 8 to 100 feet south of state highway 8.” The same comment applies to s. NR 26.09 (3) (am).