Notice of Hearing

The Department of Natural Resources announces that it will hold a public hearing on a permanent rule to revise ch. NR 11, relating to marten protection closed areas, at the time and place shown below.

Hearing Information

Date: March 13, 2019

Time: 4:00 p.m.

Location: Conference Room 1, DNR Rhinelander Service Center, 107 Sutliff Ave.,

Rhinelander, WI 54501

Rule Information:

This hearing is on proposed rule WM-10-18. This proposal would create a third Marten Protection Area (MPA) to include the Apostle Islands that are included in the Apostle Islands National Lakeshore. It will also allow additional types of traps in a MPA that can be proven to not cause the incidental capture of marten.

Accessibility

Pursuant to the Americans with Disabilities Act, reasonable accommodations, including the provision of informational material in an alternative format, will be provided for qualified individuals with disabilities upon request. Please call Scott Karel at (608) 267-2452 with specific information on your request at least 10 days before the date of the scheduled hearing.

Appearances at the Hearing and Submittal of Written Comments

The public has the opportunity to testify at the hearing. Registration will take place at the hearing by completing a Hearing Appearance form, which will be provided. Comments on the proposed rule must be received on or before March 12, 2019. The Hearing Appearance form also can be used for submitting a written comment at the hearing. Written comments may be submitted by U.S. mail, fax, E-mail, or through the internet and will have the same weight and effect as oral statements presented at the public hearing. Written comments and any questions on the proposed rules should be submitted to:

Department of Natural Resources Attn: Scott Karel P.O. Box 7921 101 S. Webster Street, Madison. WI 53707-7921

The rule may be viewed at: https://dnr.wi.gov/news/input/ProposedPermanent.html

Comments can be made at: DNRAdministrativeRulesComments@wisconsin.gov

Initial Regulatory Flexibility Analysis: Based on our preliminary analysis, we do not anticipate an economic impact to individuals or groups. If there were to be any economic impact resulting from this rule, we anticipate that it would be very minimal. These rules are applicable to individual sportspersons and impose no compliance or reporting requirements for small business, nor are any design or operational standards contained in the rule.

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