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Comments

[NOTE: All citations to “Manual” in the comments below are to the Administrative Rules Procedures Manual, prepared by the Legislative Council Staff and the Legislative Reference Bureau, dated November 2020.]

2. Form, Style and Placement in Administrative Code

a. In SECTION 9 of the rule analysis, “(s)” at the end of “unit(s)” and “zone(s)” should be deleted. According to the Rules Manual, s. 1.05 (1) (c), “(s)” should not be used to indicate that the word may be singular or plural.

b. In s. NR 10.111, the section title should be in bold text.

c. The Note following s. NR 10.111 should be styled, “Note:”, rather than “(Note).”. [s. 1.12, Manual.]

4. Adequacy of References to Related Statutes, Rules and Forms

In the statutory authority section of the rule analysis, s. 29.335, Stats., feeding wild animals for nonhunting purposes, should be added.

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

a. SECTION 4 of the rule analysis states that, “[t]here are no currently active related administrative rules”. To increase clarity, the agency could instead consider providing a plain language explanation of what “currently active” means and also note that these rules include current open and closed seasons for elk in s. NR 10.01 (3) (i), elk hunting in s. NR 10.11, elk population management in s. NR 10.111, and elk management zones in s. NR 10.37.

b. In SECTION 10 of the rule analysis, “Department” should be changed to the lower case. Additionally, a period should be added to the last sentence of SECTION 8 of the rule analysis.

c. In s. NR 10.111 (2) (intro.), a comma should be added between “objectives” and “and”. In sub. (4), it appears that “those dates” should be changed to “that date”.

d. In s. NR 10.37 (3), a complete set of parentheses should be added to “3”. Additionally, “in subs. (1) and (2)” should be added after “hunting units 1-14”.