Report From Agency

REPORT TO LEGISLATURE

NR 10, Wis. Adm. Code

Board Order No. WM-01-19 Clearinghouse Rule No. 19-133

Basis and Purpose of the Proposed Rule

The proposed rule implements changes related to bear management and hunting regulations that have emerged from the Department's 2019-2029 Bear Management Plan which was approved by the Natural Resource Board in May of 2019. Specifically, the rule adjusts the bear management zone boundaries, creates new bear management zones, and changes how harvest quota decisions are made

Summary of Public Comments

One written comment was received during the open comment period which closed on November 21, 2019. This comment was from the WIB Agri-Business Coalition and was in support of the rule proposal.

Modifications Made

No modifications were made to the rule as a result of public comments since no modifications were requested.

Appearances at the Public Hearing

One public hearing was held regarding WM-01-19 on November 19, 2019 in Wausau with no people attending.

Changes to Rule Analysis and Fiscal Estimate

No changes were made to the rule analysis or fiscal estimate through the public comment process, as no public comments on either were received.

Response to Legislative Council Rules Clearinghouse Report

The Legislative Council Rules Clearinghouse submitted comments on November 8, 2019. The LCRC provided comments on the form, style and placement in administrative code and on clarity, grammar punctuation, and use of plain language. All suggested changes by LCRC were made to the rule.

Final Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

These rules, and the legislation which grants the department rule making authority, do not have a significant fiscal effect on the private sector or small businesses. 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. Therefore, under s. 227.19 (3m) Stats., a final regulatory flexibility analysis is not required.