

ADMINISTRATIVE RULES FISCAL ESTIMATE AND ECONOMIC IMPACT ANALYSIS

Type of Estimate and Analysis

Original Updated Corrected

Administrative Rule Chapter, Title and Number

Board Order WM 05-14 (E) modifying Ch.'s NR 10 Game and Hunting, 11 Closed Areas, 12 Wildlife Damage and Nuisance Control, 15 Game Refuges, and 45 Use of Department Properties.

Subject

Establishing a season for hunting deer with crossbows-only and remedial revisions.

Fund Sources Affected

GPR FED PRO PRS SEG SEG-S

Chapter 20 , Stats. Appropriations Affected

None

Fiscal Effect of Implementing the Rule

No Fiscal Effect
 Indeterminate

Increase Existing Revenues
 Decrease Existing Revenues

Increase Costs
 Could Absorb Within Agency's Budget
 Decrease Costs

The Rule Will Impact the Following (Check All That Apply)

State's Economy
 Local Government Units

Specific Businesses/Sectors
 Public Utility Rate Payers

Would Implementation and Compliance Costs Be Greater Than \$20 million?

Yes No

Policy Problem Addressed by the Rule

The department is directed, in the non-statutory provisions of 2013 ACT 61, to promulgate emergency rules that establish hunting seasons where the use of crossbows is allowed.

Summary of Rule's Economic and Fiscal Impact on Specific Businesses, Business Sectors, Public Utility Rate Payers, Local Governmental Units and the State's Economy as a Whole (Include Implementation and Compliance Costs Expected to be Incurred)

Because these are emergency rules the department is not required to offer a comment period on this economic analysis. The department will hold a comment period pursuant to Governor's Executive Order 50, Section IV, when permanent rules are promulgated. Fiscal impacts on the department are also summarized in this analysis.

Economic Impact

The department is directed by 2013 ACT 61 to promulgate emergency rules establishing deer hunting seasons in 2014 and 2015 where the use of crossbows is allowed. Under the Act, the crossbow season must be identical to the archery season. Other substantive provisions of this rule, such as the allowable uses of carcass tags, are also written as directed by the ACT. For this emergency rule, the department has limited discretion in drafting and any potential economic impacts would be a result of the ACT and not these rules.

Fiscal Impact

The department anticipates no fiscal impact resulting from these rules. Substantive provisions of this rule are written as directed by the ACT. For this emergency rule, the department has limited discretion in drafting and any potential economic impacts would be a result of the ACT and not these rules. The department has invested significant resources to update automated license systems in preparation of the 2014 crossbow season.

Benefits of Implementing the Rule and Alternative(s) to Implementing the Rule
The department is required to implement these rules.
Long Range Implications of Implementing the Rule
These emergency rules will only be in place for the 2014 and 2015 deer hunting seasons and long range implications are not anticipated.
Compare With Approaches Being Used by Federal Government
Federal regulations allow states to manage the wildlife resources located within their boundaries provided they do not conflict with regulations established in the Federal Register. None of these rule changes violate or conflict with the provisions established in the Federal Code of Regulations.
Compare With Approaches Being Used by Neighboring States (Illinois, Iowa, Michigan and Minnesota)
<p>In Illinois, Iowa and Minnesota, a doctor must certify that a person is unable to hunt by archery methods because of a physical disability before the use of a crossbow is authorized for deer during the archery deer seasons. An exception in Illinois is that anyone may use a crossbow for deer hunting during the later portion of the archery deer season beginning on the second Monday following the Thanksgiving holiday.</p> <p>In Michigan, anyone who is 10 years old or older may use a crossbow throughout the archery deer season in the Lower Peninsula and during the early archery deer season in the Upper Peninsula.</p>
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