TRANSMITTAL SHEET FOR NOTICE OF INTENDED ACTION

Control No. 220 Department or Agency Conservation and Natural Resources Rule No.: 220-2-.151 Rule Title: Archery Range Regulation New x Amend Repeal (of Existing Rule) Adopt by Reference Would the absence of the proposed rule significantly harm or endanger the public health, welfare, or safety? YES Is there a reasonable relationship between the state's police power and the protection of the public health, safety, or welfare? YES Is there another, less restrictive method of regulation available that could adequately protect the public? NO Does the proposed rule have the effect of directly or indirectly increasing the costs of any goods or services involved and. if so, to what degree? NO Is the increase in cost, if any, more harmful to the public than the harm that might result from the absence of the rule? N/A Are all facets of the rulemaking process designed solely for the purpose of, and so they have, as their primary effect, the protection of the public? ************************************ Does the proposed rule have any economic impact? NO If the proposed rule has an economic impact, the proposed rule is required to be accompanied by a fiscal note prepared in accordance with subsection (f) of Section 41-22-23, Code of Alabama 1975 ************************************ Certification of Authorized Official I certify that the attached proposed rule has been proposed in full compliance with the requirements of Chapter 22, Title 41, Code of Alabama 1975 and that it conforms to all applicable filing requirements of the Alabama Administrative Procedure Division of the Legislative Reference Service. Signature of Certifying Officer Secretary of Administrative Procedure

Department of Conservation and Natural Resources Division of Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries

NOTICE OF INTENDED ACTION

AGENCY NAME:

Department of Conservation and Natural Resources

RULE NO. & TITLE:

220-2-.151 Archery Range Regulation

INTENDED ACTION:

Amendment.

<u>SUBSTANCE OF PROPOSED ACTION:</u> To omit the reference to the specific archery parks and provide that the rules are applicable to any range operated now or in the future by the Division of Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries. Also this amendment will add the word "either" to paragraph (1) in order to clarify that certain persons may use different forms of licenses to use the range.

TIME, PLACE, MANNER OF PRESENTING VIEWS: Interested persons may present their views in writing to the Director of the Division of Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries at any time during the period stated below, or orally if requested in writing 48 hours in advance to the Director of the Division of Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries, by personally appearing at Room 474, Folsom Administrative Building, 64 North Union Street, Montgomery, Alabama, at 10:00 a.m., Tuesday, July 5, 2016.

If ADA accommodations are needed, please contact Daisy Perry at (334) 242-3165 or daisy.perry@dcnr.alabama.gov. Requests should be made as soon as possible but at least seven days prior to the date of a personal appearance to present views regarding the proposed rules.

<u>FINAL DATE FOR COMMENT AND COMPLETION OF NOTICE:</u> July 5, 2016.

<u>CONTACT PERSON AT AGENCY:</u> Chuck Sykes, Director, Division of Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries, 5th Floor, 64 N. Union Street, Montgomery, Alabama 36130, 334-242-3465.

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Secretary of Administrative Procedure

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220-2-.151 Archery Range Regulation

- (1) It shall be unlawful to shoot any type of bow or crossbow on the Athens Community Archery Park, Cullman Community Archery Park, Decatur Community Archery Park, Demopolis Community Archery Park, Dothan Community Archery Park, Heflin Community Archery Park, Lincoln Community Archery Park, Ozark Community Archery Park, Tuscaloosa Community Archery Park, or any other archery range operated now or in the future by the Division of Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries, except in accordance with the following rules. All range users shall abide by the posted rules. Permits for excepted uses will be issued by the Hunter Education Coordinator or his designee. The range may be closed as necessary.
 - (a) The range is open during daylight hours only, except by permit.
 - (b) No alcoholic beverages allowed.
 - (c) Arrows may only be nocked onto the bowstring when standing on the shooting line preparing to shoot.
 - (d) Shooting allowed only from the shooting line and only into the designated targets.
 - (e) Shooters are allowed to bring and shoot at a paper face placed on an existing target as long as it is removed from the range once an individual has finished shooting. Personal targets are not allowed on range, except by permit.
 - (f) Bows must be hung on the bowhanger behind the shooting line when waiting to shoot or while archers are down range retrieving arrows. No shooting shall be allowed while anyone is down range.
 - (g) All persons are to remain behind the shooting line while shooting is taking place.
 - (h) Arrows from bows of 30 pound draw weight or more may only be shot into the targets on the adult range. Arrows from bows less than 30 pound draw weight may be shot into targets on the youth or adult range.
 - (i) Only arrows with field or target points may be used or possessed on range. No broadheads may be possessed on the range, except by permit.
 - (j) All individuals standing on or utilizing the elevated platform must wear a full body harness, including shoulder and leg straps, and attach themselves to the appropriate safety cable carabineer.
 - (k) All used paper target faces and other trash shall be placed in a trash receptacle or removed from the range.
 - (l) All Alabama residents 16 through 64 years of age are required to have <u>either</u> a valid state hunting license, a valid state wildlife management area license, or a valid wildlife heritage license to use the range. All non-residents 16 years of age and over are required to have <u>either</u> a valid state hunting license or a valid state wildlife management area license to use the range.
 - (m) Bows will only be drawn in such a manner as to prevent accidental or intentional loss of an arrow from range property. Arrows will only be released into designated targets.
 - (n) It shall be unlawful to violate any posted restriction.
- (2) The penalty for the violation of any of the provisions of this regulation shall be as provided by law.

Statutory Authority:

§§ 9-2-7, 9-2-8, and 9-2-12 <u>Code of Alabama 1975</u>

PENALTY: As provided by law. 4/21/2009; 10/15/2009; 11/17/2011; 9/25/2012.