TRANSMITTAL SHEET FOR NOTICE OF INTENDED ACTION

Control No. 220 Department or Agency Conservation and Natural Resources
Rule No.: 220-2-.10 The Possession of Firearms by Bow Hunters Prohibited

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?	<u>YES</u>
Is there another, less restrictive method of regulation available that could adequately protect the public?	<u>NO</u>
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?	<u>NO</u>
Is the increase in cost, if any, more harmful to the public than the harm that might result from the absence of the rule?	<u>N/A</u>
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?	<u>YES</u>

Does the proposed rule have any economic impact? If the proposed rule has an economic impact, the proposed rule is required to be accompanied by fiscal note prepared in accordance with subsection (f) of Section 41-22-23, Code of Alabama 197 ***********************************	75
Certification of Authorized Official	_
I certify that the attached proposed rule has been proposed in full compliance with the requireme Chapter 22, Title 41, Code of Alabama 1975 and that it conforms to all applicable filing requirementhe Alabama Administrative Procedure Division of the Legislative Reference Service. Signature of Certifying Officer	nts of nents of
Date 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: (1) 220-2-.55 Wildlife Management Areas, Community Hunting Areas, Public Hunting Areas, and Refuges of Alabama; (2) 220-2-.10 The Possession of Firearms by Bow Hunters Prohibited; (3) 220-2-.21 Possession of Firearms or Bow and Arrow in Any Wildlife Management Area, Refuge or Sanctuary Prohibited.

INTENDED ACTION: Amendments.

SUBSTANCE OF PROPOSED ACTION: (1)220-2-.55 -To further provide for the regulation of conduct on such areas; and to further provide for certain limited exceptions to the prohibition of possession of certain firearms. (2) 220-2-.10 - To further provide for the regulation of the possession of firearms by bow hunters, so as to provide for certain limited exceptions; and (3) 220-2-.21- To further provide for the regulation of the possession of certain firearms and bows, and to further provide for certain exceptions.

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 advance by personally appearing at Room 469, Folsom Administrative Building, 64 North Union Street, Montgomery, Alabama, at 10:00 a.m., Monday, November 7, 2011.

FINAL DATE FOR COMMENT AND COMPLETION OF NOTICE:

Monday, November 7, 2011.

CONTACT PERSON AT AGENCY: M. N. "Corky" Pugh, Director, Division of Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries, 5th Floor, 64 N. Union Street, Montgomery, Alabama 36130, 334-242-3465.

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220-2-.10 The Possession of Firearms by Bow Hunters Prohibited

It shall be unlawful for any person to possess both gun and bow while hunting any species of game, bird or animal, except during and in areas of the either sex gun deer season. This prohibition shall not apply to the possession of handguns by lawfully authorized persons for their personal protection, provided the handguns are not used to hunt or take or to attempt to take wildlife except as otherwise provided by law or regulation.

Statutory Authority:

§§ 9-2-7, 9-2-8, and 9-2-12

Code of Alabama 1975

PENALTY: As provided by law.

9/30/82; 8/21/2002; 9/19/2011(ER);