

DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY

Department of Wildlife and Fisheries Wildlife and Fisheries Commission

Deer—Area 5 Amended Season

In accordance with the provisions of R.S. 49:953(H) and under the authority of R.S. 56:115 and 116, the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission hereby adopts the following Emergency Rule:

Due to anticipated impacts from the 2019 summer flood, the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission is recommending a reduction in the number of either-sex deer days for the 2019-2020 season. The reduction in either-sex deer days is intended to mitigate the anticipated reduction in lactation and subsequent recruitment.

Either-sex harvest will be amended to bucks only during primitive firearm season November 9-15, modern firearm November 16-17, December 14-15, and December 21-22. Either-sex hunting is allowed during the modern firearm season November 29-December 1; during the youth week October 26-November 1; and during archery season, except when bucks only is in progress. Either-sex deer may be harvested any day of the deer season on property enrolled in DMAP, provided that a DMAP tag is possessed by the hunter at the time of harvest.

This Declaration of Emergency shall become effective October 16, 2019, and remain in effect for the duration of the 2019-2020 deer-hunting season. The secretary of the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries is authorized to take any necessary steps on behalf of the commission to promulgate and effectuate this Declaration of Emergency.

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