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MICHIGAN NATURAL RESOURCES COMMISSION
(ASSISTANT TO THE COMMISSION)

MEMORANDUM TO THE NATURAL RESOURCES COMMISSION

Subject: Deer Management Assistance Permit Discount Technical Change
Wildlife Conservation Order Amendment No. 13 of 2014

Authority:

The Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act, 1994 PA 451, authorizes the Director and the Commission to issue orders to manage wild animals in this state.

Discussion and Background:

Currently, the Wildlife Conservation Order (WCO) lists the fee to purchase a deer management assistance permit (DMAP) as the same price as an antlerless deer license. However, the passage of Public Act 108 of 2013 created a new fee structure for hunting and fishing licenses. As part of the Department's planned implementation of the updated license structure, a discounted fee was recommended for DMAPs. Accordingly, license package literature and public information has been distributed with the DMAP fee as \$10, and a technical change should be made to WCO for consistency.

Biological

The Department does not expect any biological impact to the species in regards to discounting DMAP prices. The process for applying, issuing, and purchasing DMAPs will remain unchanged.

Social

The Department has communicated through license package literature and public information that the price for DMAPs would be reduced to \$10 with the implementation of the license restructure. Accordingly, this order is a technical change to formalize the price within the director's authority.

Economic

The Department does not expect the proposed change to have any significant budgetary or personnel implications.

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Recommendation:

The Department recommends discounting the DMAP fee per a recent director's letter and to align with license package literature and public information. This order was submitted for information on August 14, 2014, at the Natural Resources Commission Meeting. This item appeared on the Department's August 2014 calendar and may be eligible for approval on September 11, 2014.



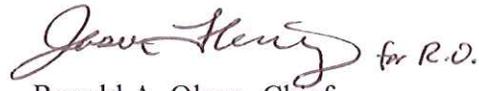
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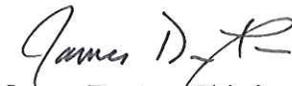
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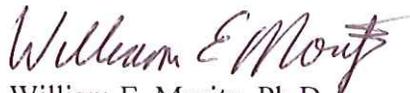
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William E. Moritz, Ph.D.
Natural Resources Deputy

I have analyzed and discussed these recommendations with staff and concur as to matters over which the Director has authority.

Keith Creagh, Director

Date

WILDLIFE CONSERVATION ORDER

Amendment No. 13 of 2014

By authority conferred on the Natural Resources Commission and the Director of the Department of Natural Resources by sections 40107, 40113a, 43521, and 43527b of 1994 PA 451, MCL 324.40107, 324.40113a, 324.43521, and 324.43527b it is ordered that effective September 12, 2014, the following section(s) of the Wildlife Conservation Order shall read as follows:

5.110 Special permits; fees; disposition.

Sec. 5.110 The following fees are established for permits issued by the director:

(1) A fee of \$100 shall be collected for each taxidermy permit issued. Taxidermy specimen identification tags shall be \$10 per fifty.

(2) A fee equivalent to the fee charged for a resident antlerless deer hunting license shall be collected for each managed deer hunting permit.

(3) An annual fee of \$200 shall be collected for a site permit to participate in the capture and holding of Canada geese, as specified in section 5.51b of this order, except as follows:

(a) An annual fee for a single family residence shall be \$100.

(4) An annual fee of \$300 shall be collected for a site permit to participate in the transport of Canada geese as specified in section 5.51b of this order.

(5) An annual fee of \$200 shall be collected from a nuisance animal control business, public nuisance animal control agency, or non-profit nuisance animal control organization to participate in the following, as specified in section 5.52b of this order:

(a) Capture, holding or killing of Canada geese.

(b) Destruction of Canada goose nests and eggs.

(6) An annual fee of \$300 shall be collected from a nuisance animal control business, public nuisance animal control agency, or non-profit nuisance animal control organization to participate in the transport of Canada geese as specified in section 5.52b of this order.

(7) Effective January 1, 2011, a fee of \$100.00 shall be collected for each falconry permit issued as described in section 10.3(7) of this order.

(8) A fee of \$10 shall be collected for each deer management assistance permit purchased by a permittee.

(9) All moneys received from the sale of permits and licenses as provided in this section shall be turned over to the state treasurer and credited to the game and fish protection fund.

(10) No fee shall be collected for any of the following permits:

(a) Highway killed deer/bear permit.

(b) Deer damage shooting permit.

(c) Damage and nuisance animal control permit, except as noted in section 5.110(3) and section 5.110(4) of this order, including disease control and disease control replacement permits.

(d) Rehabilitation permit.

- (e) Permit to take game with a crossbow.
- (f) Permit to hunt from a standing vehicle.
- (g) Permit to hunt using a laser sighting device.

Issued on this 11th day of September, 2014.

Approved as to matters over which the Natural Resources Commission has authority.

J. R. Richardson, Chairman
Natural Resources Commission

Approved as to matters over which the Director has authority.

Keith Creagh
Director