This map is your permit to hunt deer during the gun stalk deer hunts and all other game in accordance with the seasons, rules, and regulations listed hereon. In addition to a valid permit, a hunting license and a wildlife management area license are required. This permit must be signed and in your possession to be valid.

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Signed

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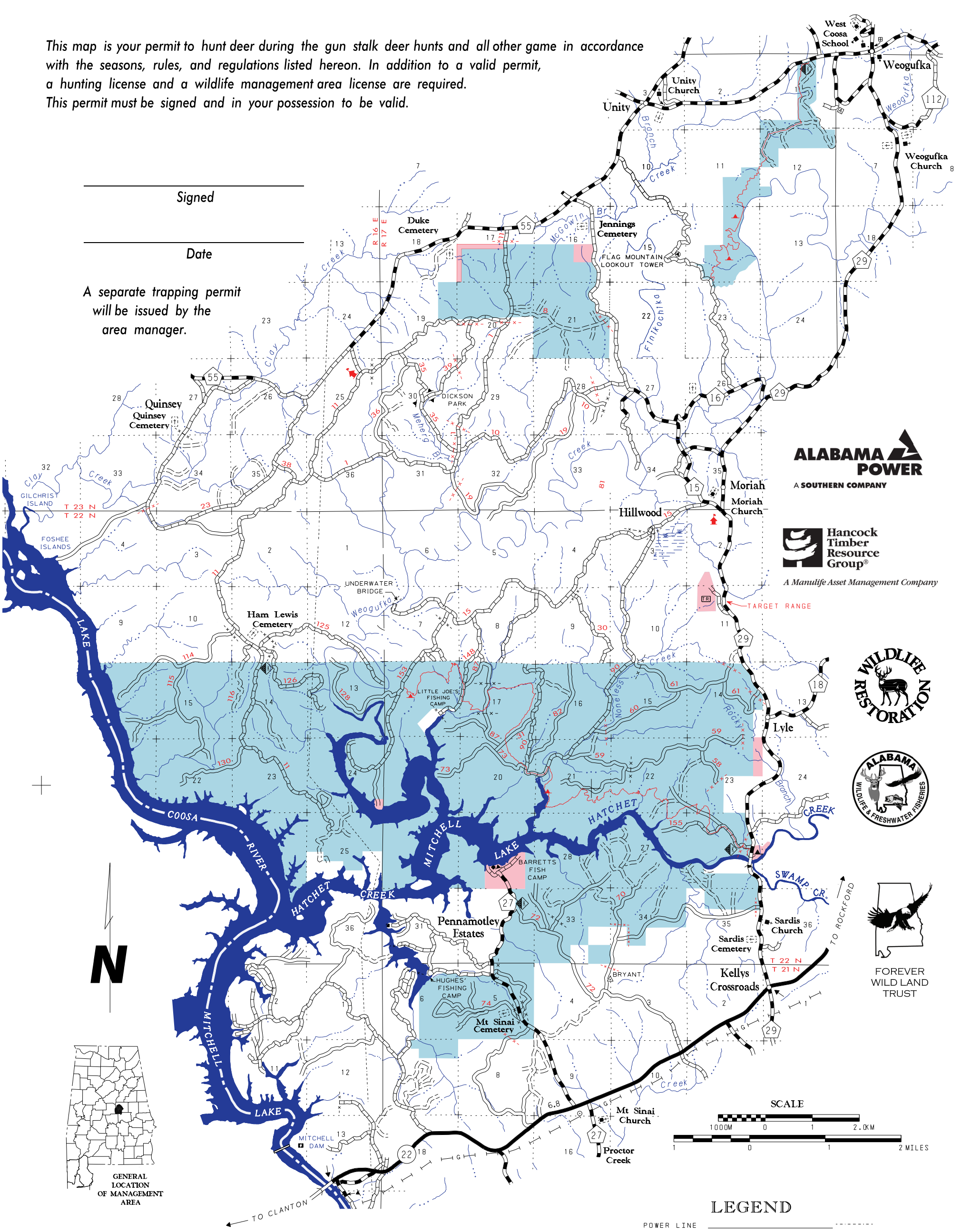
Date

A separate trapping permit will be issued by the area manager.



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- POWER LINE
- PRIMITIVE ROAD / TRAIL
- UNIMPROVED ROAD
- GRADED AND DRAINED ROAD
- GRAVEL, STONE OR SOIL ROAD
- PAVED STATE ROUTE
- OTHER PAVED ROADS
- CATTLE GUARD
- MARSH AREA
- SAFETY ZONE (NO HUNTING)
- MANAGEMENT AREA BOUNDARY
- DATA KIOSK AND/OR PARKING
- CAMP OR LODGE
- WALK-IN CAMPSITE
- HIKING TRAIL
- CHECKING STATION (HEADQUARTERS)
- GATE ACROSS ROAD (SEASONAL)
- POWER PLANT
- AREA RD NUMBER
- PERMANENTLY BLOCKED ROAD
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COOSA WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA

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COOSA WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA
(Coosa County)
ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION AND NATURAL RESOURCES
DIVISION OF WILDLIFE AND FRESHWATER FISHERIES
Hunting Regulations – September 2016 – August 2017

Permits: Season map/permits will be used for all gun deer hunts. **All deer harvested on mandatory check-in dates MUST be checked at the check station**. **Deer harvested on other dates MUST be recorded on data forms at the Mt. Moriah Church check station or a kiosk**. Check station is located across from Mt. Moriah Church approximately 7 miles south of Weogufka off of 29 (see map). Season map/permits will be used for all other hunting seasons listed. These season map/permits may be obtained at Kelley's Cross Roads Grocery, intersection of Hwy 29 and Hwy 22; The Fishing Hole on Hwy.22 in Clanton, and Toodlum's off Hwy. 231 in Hanover or online at www.outdooralabama.com (both pages of the internet map/permit must be in possession to be valid) and at the Wildlife & Freshwater Fisheries office, 4101 AL Hwy 21 N Jacksonville, AL 36265 between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Monday-Friday. Trapping permits may be obtained from the Area Biologist.

NOTE:
- **A State Hunting License, Wildlife Management Area (WMA) License and a wildlife management area permit are required when hunting deer, turkey, or waterfowl on a wildlife management area. For residents, a State hunting license or Wildlife Heritage License (residents only) and WMA permit are required for hunting small game, except waterfowl on wildlife management areas. Nonresidents must possess a wildlife management area license in addition to a hunting license and WMA permit to hunt big game and small game.**
- **Youth hunters on youth deer and turkey hunts must be less than 16 years of age. Supervisors must be 21 years old or older, or a parent, and must be properly licensed. Youth must remain within 30 feet of supervisors at all times.**
- **Statewide antlered buck season bag limit applies to all WMAs.**
- **Administrators of the hunt shall have the right to distribute the hunters and to inspect all vehicles or other equipment while on the areas. The Department of Conservation and Natural Resources and landowners, who are making the hunting possible, hereby serves notice that each hunter hunts at their own risk and the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources and such landowners shall not be responsible for any accidents or injuries that may occur.**

HUNTERS USE MAP PERMITS FOR ALL HUNTS:
All harvest (Big and small game) must be recorded at check station (across from Mt. Moriah Church) or kiosks at entrance to Weogufka Tract off county road 56, WMA boundary on road 11, Double Bridges on county road 29 and intersection of county road 27 and WMA road 72.

HUNTING DATES:

DEER:	*(Youth)*	Stalk Hunting Hunters' Choice (except spotted fawns): **Nov. 12-13**. One deer per day - one unantlered deer or one antlered buck.
	(Gun)	Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice (except spotted fawns): **Nov. 19-20**. One deer per day - one unantlered deer or one antlered buck. All deer harvested MUST be checked in. Stalk Hunting Antlered Bucks Only: **Dec. 3-5, Dec. 17-19, Jan. 6-8, Jan. 14-15, Jan. 28-29 and Feb. 4.** One Antlered Buck per day. **All deer harvested MUST be checked in on open check station days and at check station or kiosk when check station is closed. Deer check station schedule. Mandatory deer check in required. Nov. 19-20; Dec. 3 & 17; Jan 7, 14 & 28; Feb. 4. An additional check station (open Nov. 19-20) will be located on WMA Road 11 (see map). Hours 7:00 am – 6:00 pm.**
	(Primitive Weapons)	Stalk Hunting Hunters' Choice (except spotted fawns): **Nov. 14-18**. One deer per day - one unantlered deer or one antlered buck. **HUNTERS MUST RECORD ALL HARVESTS AT CHECK STATION OR KIOSK.**
	(Archery)	Stalk Hunting Hunters' Choice (except spotted fawns): **Oct. 15–Feb.10.** One deer per day - one unantlered deer or one antlered buck. Must harvest antlered buck only on days of antlered buck only gun hunts. No hunting on days of youth deer hunt. **MUST RECORD ALL HARVESTS AT CHECK STATION OR KIOSK.** Archery hunters must abide by gun deer hunt regulations on days of gun hunts.
TURKEY:	*(Youth)*	**Mar. 11-12.** (Daylight until 1:00 pm). Gobblers only.
	(Physically disabled)	**Mar. 14.** (Daylight until 1:00 pm). Gobblers only.
	(Regular)	**Mar. 15 – Apr. 30.** (Daylight until 1:00 pm). Gobblers only. **Turkey hunters must record all harvests at the check station or kiosk.**
DOVE:		***State Season*** (12:00 noon until sunset opening day, then ½ hour before sunrise to sunset). Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday only. No hunting on days of gun, youth, and primitive weapon deer hunts.
QUAIL:		**Nov. 5 - Feb. 28**. No hunting on days of scheduled youth, gun and primitive weapons deer hunts.
RABBIT & SQUIRREL:		**Sep. 15-Mar. 5.** No hunting on days of scheduled youth, gun, and primitive weapons deer hunts. Fox Squirrel season closed during Feb. and Mar.
CROW		**Sep. 10– Mar.5.** No hunting on days of scheduled youth, gun and primitive weapons deer hunts.
RACCOON, OPOSSUM, & FOX:		**Sep. 1 – March 5**. No hunting on nights of or nights preceding or following youth, primitive weapons, and gun deer hunts. Fox hunting – Dogs only. No weapons.
BOBCAT, COYOTE, FERAL SWINE & FOX:		Open during any other scheduled WMA hunting season using weapons and ammunition approved for those hunts. No dogs allowed. Daylight hours only. One fox per day.
WOODCOCK & SNIPE		**Dec.16 – Jan. 29.** No hunting on days of scheduled gun and primitive weapons deer hunts.
WATERFOWL:		***State Season*. No hunting on days of scheduled gun and primitive weapons deer hunts.**
FERAL SWINE: (Special Hunt)		**March 1 – 9.** Permitted firearms and archery equipment and hunter orange requirements same as for gun deer hunts on the WMA. No buckshot. No dogs allowed. Daylight hours only.
FURBEARER TRAPPING: (excluding feral swine)		**Nov. 5 – Feb. 28.** All trappers must wear hunter's orange while trapping on days of gun deer hunts.

BAG LIMITS:
Deer - Antlered bucks only hunts – One antlered buck per day; Hunters' Choice (except spotted fawns), one deer per day - One unantlered deer or one antlered buck; Primitive Weapons (except spotted fawns) - one deer per day – one unantlered deer or one antlered buck; Archery Hunts (either sex except spotted fawns) –One deer per day. One unantlered deer or one antlered buck. Turkey (Gobblers only) - 1 a day (5 per season); Squirrel - 8 a day; Quail - 8 a day; Woodcock - 3 a day; Snipe - 8 a day; Rabbit - 8 a day; Raccoon & Opossum - No Limit; Dove - 15 a day; Fox - 1 a day; Ducks - State Limit; Feral Swine – No bag limit. Falconers may take migratory game birds (not more than 3 per day in aggregate combination) and resident game birds and animals following the bag limits listed above for firearms and archery.

PERMITTED FIREARMS, BOW AND ARROW, & FALCONRY:

Deer:	*Stalk Hunts:*	As defined in Alabama Regulations legal arms and ammunition in 220-2-.02(2), (excluding buckshot) and archery equipment in 220-2-.03.
	Primitive Weapons:	Using only muzzle loading rifles (.40 caliber or larger), muzzle loading shotguns, air-powered guns (.30 caliber or larger) or archery equipment as defined in 220-2-.03.
Turkey:		As defined in 220-2-.02(3), except no center-fire pistols or crossbows allowed.
Special Feral Swine Hunts:		**Same as Stalk Deer Hunts** (Hunter Orange Requirements Apply)**.**
Remainder of Seasons:		Legal arms and ammunition as defined in 220-2-.02 and archery equipment in 220-2-.03.
Trapping:		As Defined in 220-2-.30(1), except no .22 magnums are allowed.

Falconry will be legal on all AREA scheduled hunts for legally permitted falconers; following the dates those seasons are open on each AREA.

IT SHALL BE UNLAWFUL:
1. To hunt, trap, use dogs, possess firearms, ammunition, traps or bow and arrow, or crossbows without a valid permit. A permit is valid only during scheduled management and refuge area seasons during legal hunting hours and only with weapons and ammunition permitted for hunting the wildlife listed on permit. **See (21) below.**
2. To use dogs for stalk hunting of deer or for turkey hunting.
3. To use dogs for hunting, training or any purpose from March 6 to August 31.
4. For any person under 16 years of age to hunt on the management area unless accompanied by a licensed hunter at all times.
5. For any person to carry firearms in or on vehicle with ammunition in the magazine, breech or clip attached to firearms, or black powder weapons with primer, cap or flash powder in place, or cocked crossbows. See **(21) below.**
6. To camp in the management area except in designated sites. Individuals or groups may camp on the management area for a period not to exceed nine (9) days in any 30 day period. Campfires must be extinguished before departing. No warming fires shall be permitted away from camping area.
7. To kill or willfully molest any species of wildlife except those designated for hunting. However, this regulation shall not apply to bobcat, fox, feral swine and coyote which may be killed during all scheduled management area hunts, during daylight hours only, when possessing a valid permit and using weapons and ammunition that are legal for such designated hunts. Only one (1) fox per day may be harvested.
8. To discharge fireworks at any time.
9. To discharge firearms for target practice.
10. To hunt or discharge firearms within 150 yards of any camping area, dwelling, dam or timber operation, or within 100 yards of any public road, highway, or within a posted safety zone, or within one-half mile of a church on Sunday or from within the right-of-way on any developed road open to vehicular traffic.
11. To use fire to smoke out game. To transport deer killed during the gun and primitive weapons hunts from the management area before being examined at the checking station for scientific data.
12. For any unauthorized person at any time to **possess and/or operate ANY UNLICENSED MOTOR DRIVEN VEHICLE** on Coosa WMA. For any unauthorized person at any time to operate any motor driven vehicle on power line right of ways; behind, under or around any locked gate, barricaded road or sign which prohibits vehicular traffic. For any unauthorized person at any time to operate any motor driven vehicle on any wildlife management area (WMA) except on regularly used roads open for public use by four wheel vehicle traffic. For any person to ride or possess horses except on roads designated for four wheel motorized vehicles. Horses are not permitted in the campgrounds from October 1 to April 30. **A valid License and a valid WMA Permit are required to ride or possess horses on Coosa WMA.**
13. For any person to hunt deer or feral swine on days of scheduled gun or primitive weapons hunts without wearing an outer garment above the waist with a minimum 144 square inches of hunter orange color, or either a full size hunter orange hat or cap. The hunter orange must be of solid color, except for a small logo on the front of the cap, and visible from any angle.
14. For any person except authorized personnel to block or otherwise stop traffic on any road by parking a vehicle in such a way that passage around the vehicle is impossible.
15. To deposit, distribute or scatter grain, salt, litter, or any other materials on any WMA without receiving prior approval from the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources.
16. For any person to damage or remove any trees, crops or other plants, dirt, gravel or sod from management area without legal authorization.
17. To erect or use a permanent tree stand or scaffold on management area without written permission from the landowners.
18. For any person to carry firearms in boats with ammunition in the magazine, breech or clip attached to firearms except when legally hunting waterfowl in a stationary boat.
19. To hunt from an elevated stand or platform without attaching themselves to the tree or platform with a **full body safety harness** capable of supporting their weight.
20. **To possess or use alcoholic beverages on the Coosa Area.**
21. Nothing in this regulation prohibits or requires a wildlife management area permit for the possession of handguns by lawfully licensed persons for personal protection, provided the handguns are not used to hunt or take or to attempt to take wildlife except as otherwise provided by this regulation.
22. **Users should refer to WMA Regulation 220-2-.55 for the complete list of WMA specific regulations.**

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