

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS  
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT  
PUBLIC NOTICE

Pursuant to the provisions of R.I. Gen. Laws Chapters 42-17.1, 20-1, 20-3, 20-11, 20-13, and 20-15 as amended, and consistent with the procedures set forth in the R.I. Administrative Procedures Act, R.I. Gen. Laws Chapter 42-35., the Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management hereby gives notice of its intention to hold a public hearing in order to afford the public an opportunity to offer oral and written comment concerning its intention to fulfill its annual obligation to promulgate the following rules and regulations:

RHODE ISLAND FISH AND WILDLIFE FALCONRY  
REGULATIONS FOR THE 2012-2013 SEASON

RHODE ISLAND FISH AND WILDLIFE HUNTING REGULATIONS  
FOR THE WATERFOWL SEASON 2012-2013

RHODE ISLAND FISH AND WILDLIFE RULES AND  
REGULATIONS GOVERNING NUISANCE WILDLIFE CONTROL  
SPECIALIST

Written comments will be accepted at the offices of the Division of Fish and Wildlife, Department of Environmental Management, 277 Great Neck Road, West Kingstown, Rhode Island 02892 on or before 12:00 p.m. on August 29, 2012. The public hearing will be held at the North Kingstown Community Center, 44 Beach Street, North Kingstown, Rhode Island 02852 commencing at 7:00 p.m. on August 29, 2012. The hearing room is accessible to the disabled. Interpreter services for the hearing impaired will be provided if such services are requested at least three (3) business days prior to the hearing. Requests for such services may be made in writing or by calling TTY (711) or (401) 222-5300. A tape recording of the hearing will be made, a copy of which shall be provided upon written request.

The Division has determined that small businesses should not be adversely impacted by the proposed regulations. The public hearing is being conducted to solicit comment on the proposals and to allow public input from small businesses or any cities or towns, which may nevertheless believe that they may be adversely affected. Small businesses are requested to comment on the proposed regulations on how such proposed action can be changed to minimize the impact on those small businesses affected.

A copy of the proposed regulations will be available for examination from July 31 through August 29, 2012 by mail or at the offices of the Fish and Wildlife, Department of Environmental Management which are located at 277 Great Neck Road, West Kingstown, Rhode Island 02892. Electronic copies of the proposed regulations will also be available on the DEM website at the following web address:

<http://www.dem.ri.gov/programs/bnatres/fishwild/pn082912.htm>

Signed this \_\_\_ day of July, 2012.

Janet L. Coit, Director