



Certification Page Regular and Emergency Rules

1. General Information			
a. Agency/Board Name <i>See attached list for references</i> Animal Damage Management Board			
b. Agency/Board Address 2219 Carey Avenue	c. Agency/Board City Cheyenne	d. Agency/Board Zip Code 82002	
e. Name of Contact Person Kent Drake	f. Contact Telephone Number 307-777-6781		
g. Contact Email Address kent.drake@wyo.gov	h. Adoption Date: January 22, 2013		
i. Program(s) <i>See attached list for references</i> general agency, board or commission rules			
2. Rule Type and Information			
a. These rules are: <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Rules (<i>After completing all of Section 2, proceed to Section 5 below</i>) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Regular Rules			
b. Choose all that apply: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> New Rules* <input type="checkbox"/> Amended Rules <input type="checkbox"/> Repealed Rules			
<small>* "New" rules means the first set of regular rules to be promulgated by the Agency after the Legislature adopted a new statutory provision or significantly amended an existing statute.</small>			
If "New," provide the Enrolled Act number and year enacted: SEA0026 2012			
c. Provide the Chapter Number, and Short Title of Each Chapter being Created/Amended/Repealed (<i>if more than 5 chapters are being created/amended/repealed, please use the Additional Rule Information form and attach it to this certification</i>)			
Chapter Number: 2	Short Title: Regulations governing the granting of wolf mgmt. program funds		
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d. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Statement of Reasons is attached to this certification.			
e. If applicable, describe the emergency which requires promulgation of these rules without providing notice or an opportunity for a public hearing:			
3. State Government Notice of Intended Rulemaking			
a. Date on which the Notice of Intent containing all of the information required by W.S. 16-3-103(a) was filed with the Secretary of State:			
			12-3-2012
b. Date on which the Notice of Intent and proposed rules in strike and underscore format were provided to the Legislative Service Office:			
			12-3-2012
c. Date on which the Notice of Intent and proposed rules in strike and underscore format were provided to the Attorney General:			
			12-3-2012

4. Public Notice of Intended Rulemaking

a. Notice was mailed 45 days in advance to all persons who made a timely request for advance notice. Yes No N/A

b. A public hearing was held on the proposed rules. Yes No

If "Yes:"	Date:	Time:	City:	Location:
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5. Final Filing of Rules

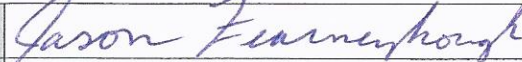
a. Date on which the Certification Page with original signatures and final rules were sent to the **Attorney General's Office** for the Governor's signature: 1-22-2012

b. Date on which final rules were sent to the **Legislative Service Office**: 1-22-2012

c. Date on which a PDF of the final rules was electronically sent to the **Secretary of State**: 1-22-2012

6. Agency/Board Certification

The undersigned certifies that the foregoing information is correct.

Signature of Authorized Individual	
Printed Name of Signatory	Jason Fearneyhough
Signatory Title	Co-chair ADMB, Director Dept. of Agriculture
Date of Signature	1-22-2012

7. Governor's Certification

I have reviewed these rules and determined that they:

1. Are within the scope of the statutory authority delegated to the adopting agency;
2. Appear to be within the scope of the legislative purpose of the statutory authority; and, if emergency rules,
3. Are necessary and that I concur in the finding that they are an emergency.

Therefore, I approve the same.

Governor's Signature	
Date of Signature	

Distribution List:

Attorney General

1. Statement of Reasons;
2. Original Certification Page;
3. Summary of Comments (regular rules);
4. Hard copy of rules: clean and strike/underscore; and
5. Memo to Governor documenting emergency (emergency rules).

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1. Statement of Reasons;
2. Copy of Certification Page;
3. Summary of Comments (regular rules);
4. Hard copy of rules: clean and strike/underscore;
5. Electronic copy of rules: clean and strike/underscore; and
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1. PDF of clean copy of rules; and
2. Hard copy of Certification Page as delivered by the AG.

Regulations Governing the Granting of Wolf Management Program Funds

Principal Reasons: The Wyoming Animal Damage Management Board (ADMB) has developed these rules to clarify the amount of funds, the actions needed to qualify for funding, and the distribution for the funds for wolf management in the predator zone of Wyoming. This action was taken by the 2012 legislature and Governor in Act SEA0026. These funds were given to the ADMB through a line item in the Department of Agriculture budget.

Wyoming Animal Damage Management Board

Chapter 2

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Section 1. **Authority.** Pursuant to authority vested in the Animal Damage Management Board by W.S. § 11-6-304, the following regulations are hereby promulgated and adopted.

Section 2. **Regulation.** The Wyoming Animal Damage Management Board (ADMB) adopts the following regulation governing the distribution of funding appropriated by the Wyoming state legislature for emergency wolf management for the control of gray wolves in Wyoming where designated as a predatory animal. The gray wolf is designated as a predatory animal as defined in W.S. § 11-6-302(a)(ix)(B) and W.S. § 23-1-101(a)(viii)(B) except in:

- (a) Those areas where gray wolves are designated as trophy game animals by W.S. § 23-1-101 (a)(xii)(B)(I) and (II), and
- (b) Yellowstone National Park; and,
- (c) The Wind River Reservation, except on non-Indian owned fee titled lands.

Section 3. **Definitions.** For the purpose of this regulation, the definitions set forth in Title 11 of the Wyoming Statutes apply unless the context or subject matter clearly requires a different interpretation. The following definitions are adopted:

- (a) “District” means a predator management district created under W.S. § 11-6-201(a).
- (b) “District Board” means the board of directors of a district created under W.S. § 11-6-202.
- (c) “USDA/APHIS/Wildlife Services or WS” means the federal agency that provides predator management in Wyoming.
- (d) “WDA” means the Wyoming Department of Agriculture
- (e) "Director" means the Director of the Department of Agriculture for the state of Wyoming or his designated representative
- (f) “Qualified agent or agent” means an individual, company, or organization that can provide necessary service and equipment for managing gray wolves.

Section 4. **Applicability of Rules.** These rules shall apply to all Districts in Wyoming, whether or not they solicit or receive grant funding from the WDA under any other program. These rules do not preclude any District from performing wolf management work, using its existing personnel at the district's expense.

Section 5. **Qualifications for Funding.** To qualify for funding under these rules,

(a) A livestock owner, whose livestock has been injured or killed in an area in Wyoming where the gray wolf is designated as a predatory animal, and who suspects the injury or kill is from a gray wolf must:

(i) Contact USDA/APHIS/Wildlife Services (WS), or another qualified agent approved by the Director, to verify that the livestock loss or injury was due to wolf depredation; and

(ii) If the livestock loss or injury is due to wolf depredation, contact the WDA Predator Management Coordinator to request assistance in managing the depredating wolf problem.

(b) The WDA Predator Management Coordinator will then contact WS, or another qualified agent approved by the Director, for assistance in managing the depredating wolf problem. The WDA Predator Management Coordinator will also contact the Predator Management District President or Vice President to notify them of wolf activity in their district.

(c) Through an established Memorandum of Understanding (agreement) between the ADMB and WS, or contract between the ADMB and another qualified agent approved by the Director, WS or the agent will assist the livestock owner, for a reasonable amount of time as agreed upon between WS, or the agent and the livestock owner at the time when WS, or the agent's, assistance is requested. WS or the agent will provide an invoice to the WDA for the services provided to the livestock owner.

(d) Assistance in wolf management may be requested for human health and safety issues and the Director may grant funding for such assistance at his discretion.

Section 6. **Funding Distribution.** An invoice from WS or agent providing wolf management assistance shall be submitted to the WDA to request wolf management funds.

(a) Initial funding shall be available for payments for wolf management. Any balance left over after the first year shall roll forward into the second year.

(b) Thereafter, the WDA may annually establish a budget amount that shall be provided to reimburse, WS or approved agents of wolf management service.

Section 7. **Authority to Determine Funding Amounts.** In all cases, the WDA retains the authority to allocate funding to providers of wolf management assistance in the amount determined by the WDA.

Section 8. **Savings Clause.** If any provision of this regulation shall be held to be illegal or unconstitutional, such a ruling shall not affect other provisions of this regulation which can be given effect without that provision; and, to this end, the provisions of this regulation shall be severable.