

DIVISION OF FISHERIES & WILDLIFE

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS DIVISION OF FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

321 CMR 3.02

In accordance with the Mass. Gen. Laws, Ch. 131, Sec. 5, and Ch. 30A, Sec. 2, NOTICE is hereby given that the Division of Fisheries and Wildlife will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, April 26, 2023, 1:30 p.m., at the S.O. Conte Anadromous Fish Research Laboratory, 1 Migratory Way, Turners Falls, MA, on proposed regulatory amendments to 321 CMR 3.02 Migratory Game Bird Regulations in Massachusetts. The proposed amendments will set the dates and bag limits for the 2023-2024 migratory game bird seasons.

The proposed regulatory amendments relative to 321 CMR 3.02 are posted at Mass.gov/MassWildlife-Public-Hearings, so that interested persons can review them and provide written comments prior to the hearing and oral comments during the public-comment portion of the public hearing. Written public comments will be accepted until Tuesday, April 25, 2023, 5:00 p.m.

Please note: If you have a disability or medical condition and would like to request special accommodation or will require language interpretation services, please contact Susan Sacco via email at your earliest convenience: susan.sacco@mass.gov.

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Small Business Impact Statement CMR No: 321 CMR 3.00: Hunting 321 CMR 3.02(2): Migratory Game Bird Regulations Estimate of the Number of Small Businesses Impacted by the Regulation: 0 **Select Yes or No and Briefly Explain** Yes No Will small businesses have to create, file, or issue additional reports? \bowtie П Yes No Will small businesses have to implement additional recordkeeping procedures? П \boxtimes Yes No Will small businesses have to provide additional administrative oversight? \boxtimes Yes No Will small businesses have to hire additional employees in order to comply with the proposed \Box \bowtie regulation? Yes No Does compliance with the regulation require small businesses to hire other professionals (e.g. a lawyer, \boxtimes accountant, engineer, etc.)? Yes No Does the regulation require small businesses to purchase a product or make any other capital \boxtimes investments in order to comply with the regulation? Yes No Are performance standards more appropriate than design/operational standards to accomplish the \boxtimes regulatory objective? (Performance standards express requirements in terms of outcomes, giving the regulated party flexibility to achieve regulatory objectives and design/operational standards specify exactly what actions regulated parties must take.) Yes No Do any other regulations duplicate or conflict with the proposed regulation? \boxtimes Yes No Does the regulation require small businesses to cooperate with audits, inspections or other regulatory П \boxtimes enforcement activities? Yes No Does the regulation require small businesses to provide educational services to keep up to date with \boxtimes regulatory requirements?

Yes	No	Is the regulation likely to <i>deter</i> the formation of small businesses in Massachusetts?
Yes	No 🖂	Is the regulation likely to <i>encourage</i> the formation of small businesses in Massachusetts?
Yes	No 🖂	Does the regulation provide for less stringent compliance or reporting requirements for small businesses?
Yes	No 🖂	Does the regulation establish less stringent schedules or deadlines for compliance or reporting requirements for small businesses?
Yes	No	Did the agency consolidate or simplify compliance or reporting requirements for small businesses?
Yes	No 🖾	Can performance standards for small businesses replace design or operational standards without hindering delivery of the regulatory objective?
Yes	No	Are there alternative regulatory methods that would minimize the adverse impact on small businesses?