

**Proposed Administrative Rules Change**

**NOTICE OF INTENT TO**  
**ADOPT AND AMEND ADMINISTRATIVE RULES RELATING TO**  
**N.D.A.C. CHAPTER 30-03-06**  
**AQUATIC NUISANCE SPECIES**

TAKE NOTICE that the North Dakota Game and Fish Department will hold a public hearing to address proposed rule changes to North Dakota Administrative Code Chapter 30-03-06, at 1:15 P.M. on Tues., Jan. 12, 2016 at the North Dakota Game and Fish Department's auditorium located at 100 N. Bismarck Expressway, Bismarck, ND. The purpose of the proposed rule change is to implement statutes. The proposed rules changes are not expected to have an impact on the regulated community in excess of \$50,000.

The purpose and an explanation of the proposed rule change follows:

Chapter 30-03-06-05 – Currently all drain plugs must be removed from all watercraft and recreational, commercial, and construction equipment bilges and confined spaces when entering the state or leaving the Red River. To reduce the threat of transport of aquatic nuisance species, it is proposed the current administrative rule be extended statewide, requiring all drain plugs be removed, and water draining devices be open, on all watercraft and recreational, commercial, and construction equipment bilges and confined spaces, during any out-of-water transport.

The proposed rules may be reviewed at the ND Game and Fish Department's office, 100 North Bismarck Expressway, Bismarck, ND 58501-5095 or on the Department's website at <http://gf.nd.gov/>. A copy of the proposed rules may be requested in writing from the above address, or by calling 701-328-6305, or emailing [ndgf@nd.gov](mailto:ndgf@nd.gov). Written or oral comments on the proposed rules sent to the above mailing or email address, or telephone number and received by Jan. 22, 2016 will be fully considered.

If you plan to attend the public hearing and will need special facilities or assistance relating to a disability, please contact the Department at the above address or phone number at least seven (7) days before the public hearing.

Dated this 8<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2015.

/s/ Terry Steinwand  
Terry Steinwand  
Director