6212.1750 PERMITS FOR USE OF CONTRACEPTIVE CHEMICALS.

- Subpart 1. **Contraceptive chemicals defined.** "Contraceptive chemicals" are any drugs, vaccines, steroids, or other chemicals that, when administered to individual wild animals within a target species' population, produce a state of infertility or prevent the production of progeny, either temporarily or permanently.
- Subp. 2. **Application requirements.** Permits may be issued by the commissioner for the administration of contraceptive chemicals to noncaptive wild animals under the conditions in items A and B.
- A. Permits may only be issued to federal, state, or local government agencies, universities or colleges, or their agents.
- B. A written request for the permit must be submitted prior to the planned application of the contraceptive chemical treatment. The request must be accompanied by a proposed management plan or research proposal that:
 - (1) is approved by the landowner or land manager responsible for the site;
- (2) for a research proposal, is approved by the federal, state, or local government agency, university, or college responsible for the actions of the research investigator;
- (3) includes a clear statement of the objectives of the management or research project including population objectives for management projects;
- (4) includes an assessment of the anticipated effect of the chemical treatment on each target species' population on each site and on individual animals within each target population;
 - (5) documents potential impacts to nontarget wild animal populations;
 - (6) documents potential threats to human health and safety;
- (7) includes a description of all planned or completed management actions and an evaluation of the costs, efficiency, effectiveness, and safety of alternative methods for managing each target species' population on each site; and
- (8) includes a plan for monitoring short-term and long-term effects of the contraceptive chemical treatments on treated individual wild animals and each target species' population on each site.

The commissioner may request additional information if needed to determine the applicant's qualifications or to evaluate the proposed management plan or research proposal.

- Subp. 3. **Chemicals.** Contraceptive chemicals used must have all required federal and state licensing, registration, or approvals for use on each noncaptive wild animal species for each site requested.
- Subp. 4. **Permit conditions.** Authorized contraceptive chemicals, treatment methods, application devices and equipment, individual animal and population monitoring requirements, reporting requirements, and other applicable restrictions must be specified as conditions of the permit.

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