

Regulatory Language

Section 550, Title 14, CCR is amended to read:

~~§550. Regulations for General Public Use Activities on All State Wildlife Areas Listed Below.~~

~~(a) State Wildlife Areas:~~

- ~~(1) Antelope Valley Wildlife Area (Sierra County) (Type C);~~
- ~~(2) Ash Creek Wildlife Area (Lassen and Modoc counties) (Type B);~~
- ~~(3) Bass Hill Wildlife Area (Lassen County), including the Egan Management Unit (Type C);~~
- ~~(4) Battle Creek Wildlife Area (Shasta and Tehama counties);~~
- ~~(5) Big Lagoon Wildlife Area (Humboldt County) (Type C);~~
- ~~(6) Big Sandy Wildlife Area (Monterey and San Luis Obispo counties) (Type C);~~
- ~~(7) Biscar Wildlife Area (Lassen County) (Type C);~~
- ~~(8) Buttermilk Country Wildlife Area (Inyo County) (Type C);~~
- ~~(9) Butte Valley Wildlife Area (Siskiyou County) (Type B);~~
- ~~(10) Cache Creek Wildlife Area (Lake County), including the North Fork Cache Creek and Harley Gulch management units (Type C);~~
- ~~(11) Camp Cady Wildlife Area (San Bernardino County) (Type C);~~
- ~~(12) Cantara/Ney Springs Wildlife Area (Siskiyou County) (Type C);~~
- ~~(13) Cartago Wildlife Area, Inyo County (Type C);~~
- ~~(14) Cedar Roughts Wildlife Area (Napa County) (Type C);~~
- ~~(15) Cinder Flats Wildlife Area (Shasta County) (Type C);~~
- ~~(16) Clear Lake Wildlife Area (Lake County), including the Rodman Slough Unit (Type C);~~
- ~~(17) Collins Eddy Wildlife Area (Sutter and Yolo counties) (Type C);~~
- ~~(18) Colusa Bypass Wildlife Area (Colusa County) (Type C);~~
- ~~(19) Coon Hollow Wildlife Area (Butte County) (Type C);~~
- ~~(20) Cottonwood Creek Wildlife Area (Merced County), including the Upper Cottonwood and Lower Cottonwood management units (Type C);~~
- ~~(21) Crescent City Marsh Wildlife Area (Del Norte County);~~
- ~~(22) Crocker Meadow Wildlife Area (Plumas County) (Type C);~~
- ~~(23) Daugherty Hill Wildlife Area (Yuba County) (Type C);~~
- ~~(24) Decker Island Wildlife Area (Solano County) (Type C);~~
- ~~(25) Doyle Wildlife Area (Lassen County) (Type C);~~
- ~~(26) Dutch Flat Wildlife Area (Modoc County) (Type C);~~
- ~~(27) East Walker River Wildlife Area (Mono County) (Type C);~~
- ~~(28) Eel River Wildlife Area (Humboldt County) (Type C);~~
- ~~(29) Elk Creek Wetlands Wildlife Area (Del Norte County);~~
- ~~(30) Elk River Wildlife Area (Humboldt County) (Type C);~~
- ~~(31) Fay Canyon Wildlife Area (Alpine County) (Type C);~~
- ~~(32) Fay Slough Wildlife Area (Humboldt County) (Type C);~~
- ~~(33) Feather River Wildlife Area (Sutter and Yuba counties), including the Abbott Lake, Lake of the Woods, Marysville, Morse Road, Nelson Slough, O'Connor Lakes, Shanghai Bend, and Star Bend management units (Type C);~~
- ~~(34) Fitzhugh Creek Wildlife Area (Modoc County) (Type C);~~

- ~~(35) Fremont Weir Wildlife Area (Yolo County) (Type C);~~
- ~~(36) French Valley Wildlife Area (Riverside County) (Type C);~~
- ~~(37) Grass Lake Wildlife Area (Siskiyou County) (Type C);~~
- ~~(38) Gray Lodge Wildlife Area (Butte and Sutter counties) (Type A);~~
- ~~(39) Green Creek Wildlife Area (Mono County) (Type C);~~
- ~~(40) Grizzly Island Wildlife Area (Solano County), including the Garibaldi Crescent (Type A), Gold Hills (Type B), Goodyear Slough (Type B), Grey Goose (Type C), Grizzly Island (Type A), Island Slough (Type B), Joice Island (Type A), West Family (Type B) and Montezuma Slough management units;~~
- ~~(41) Hallelujah Junction Wildlife Area (Lassen and Sierra counties) (Type C);~~
- ~~(42) Heenan Lake Wildlife Area (Alpine County) (Type C);~~
- ~~(43) Hill Slough Wildlife Area (Solano County);~~
- ~~(44) Hollenbeck Canyon Wildlife Area (San Diego County) (Type C);~~
- ~~(45) Honey Lake Wildlife Area (Lassen County) (Type B);~~
- ~~(46) Hope Valley Wildlife Area (Alpine County) (Type C);~~
- ~~(47) Horseshoe Ranch Wildlife Area (Siskiyou County) (Type C);~~
- ~~(48) Imperial Wildlife Area (Imperial County), including the Wister Management Unit (Type A) and Finney Ramer Management Units (Type C);~~
- ~~(49) Indian Valley Wildlife Area (Lake County) (Type C);~~
- ~~(50) Kelso Peak and Old Dad Mountains Wildlife Area (San Bernardino County) (Type C);~~
- ~~(51) Kinsman Flat Wildlife Area (Madera County) (Type C);~~
- ~~(52) Knoxville Wildlife Area (Napa and Yolo counties) (Type C);~~
- ~~(53) Laguna Wildlife Area (Sonoma County) (Type C);~~
- ~~(54) Lake Berryessa Wildlife Area (Napa County) (Type C);~~
- ~~(55) Lake Earl Wildlife Area (Del Norte County) (Type C);~~
- ~~(56) Lake Sonoma Wildlife Area (Sonoma County) (Type C);~~
- ~~(57) Little Panoche Reservoir Wildlife Area (Fresno County) (Type C);~~
- ~~(58) Los Banos Wildlife Area (Merced County) (Type A);~~
- ~~(59) Lower Sherman Island Wildlife Area (Sacramento County) (Type C);~~
- ~~(60) Mad River Slough Wildlife Area (Humboldt County) (Type C);~~
- ~~(61) Marble Mountains Wildlife Area (San Bernardino County) (Type C);~~
- ~~(62) Mendota Wildlife Area (Fresno County) (Type A);~~
- ~~(63) Merrill's Landing Wildlife Area (Tehama County) (Type C);~~
- ~~(64) Miner Slough Wildlife Area (Solano County) (Type C);~~
- ~~(65) Monache Meadows Wildlife Area (Tulare County) (Type C);~~
- ~~(66) Morro Bay Wildlife Area (San Luis Obispo County) (Type C);~~
- ~~(67) Moss Landing Wildlife Area (Monterey County) (Type C);~~
- ~~(68) Mouth of Cottonwood Creek Wildlife Area (Shasta and Tehama counties) (Type C);~~
- ~~(69) Mud Lake Wildlife Area (Siskiyou County) (Type C);~~
- ~~(70) Napa-Sonoma Marshes Wildlife Area (Solano, Napa, and Sonoma counties), including the American Canyon, Coon Island, Dutchman Slough, Huichica Creek, Napa River, Ringstrom Bay, Sonoma Creek, Tolay Creek, and Wingo management units (Type C); and Green Island, Southern Crossing, and White Slough management units;~~
- ~~(71) North Grasslands Wildlife Area (Merced and Stanislaus counties), including the China Island, Gadwall, and Salt Slough management units (Type A);~~

- (72) O'Neill Forebay Wildlife Area (Merced County) (Type C);
 - (73) Oroville Wildlife Area (Butte County), including the Thermalito Afterbay Management Unit (Type C);
 - (74) Petaluma Marsh Wildlife Area (Marin and Sonoma counties), including the Black John Slough, Burdell, and Petaluma River management units (Type C); and Bahia, Day Island, Green Point, Novato Creek, Point Sonoma, and Rush Creek management units;
 - (75) Pickel Meadow Wildlife Area (Mono County) (Type C);
 - (76) Pine Creek Wildlife Area (Modoc County) (Type C);
 - (77) Point Edith Wildlife Area (Contra Costa County) (Type C);
 - (78) Putah Creek Wildlife Area (Solano County) (Type C);
 - (79) Rector Reservoir Wildlife Area (Napa County) (Type C);
 - (80) Red Lake Wildlife Area (Alpine County) (Type C);
 - (81) Rhode Island Wildlife Area Contra Costa County (Type C);
 - (82) Sacramento Bypass Wildlife Area (Yolo County) (Type C);
 - (83) Sacramento River Wildlife Area (Butte, Colusa, and Glenn counties) (Type C);
 - (84) San Felipe Valley Wildlife Area (San Diego County) (Type C);
 - (85) San Jacinto Wildlife Area (Riverside County) including the Davis Road Unit, and the Potrero Unit (Type A);
 - (86) San Luis Obispo Wildlife Area (San Luis Obispo County);
 - (87) San Luis Reservoir Wildlife Area (Merced County) (Type C);
 - (88) San Pablo Bay Wildlife Area (Marin and Sonoma counties) (Type C);
 - (89) Santa Rosa Wildlife Area (Riverside County) (Type C);
 - (90) Shasta Valley Wildlife Area (Siskiyou County) (Type B);
 - (91) Sheepy Ridge Wildlife Area (Siskiyou County) (Type C);
 - (92) Silver Creek Wildlife Area (Lassen County) (Type C);
 - (93) Slinkard-Little Antelope Wildlife Area (Mono County) (Type C);
 - (94) Smithneck Creek Wildlife Area (Sierra County) (Type C);
 - (95) South Fork Wildlife Area (Kern County) (Type C);
 - (96) South Spit Wildlife Area (Humboldt County) (Type C);
 - (97) Spenceville Wildlife Area (Yuba and Nevada counties) (Type C);
 - (98) Surprise Valley Wildlife Area (Modoc County) (Type C);
 - (99) Sutter Bypass Wildlife Area (Sutter County) (Type C);
 - (100) Tehama Wildlife Area (Tehama County) (Type C);
 - (101) Truckee River Wildlife Area (Placer and Nevada counties), including the Boca, Polaris, Union Ice, and West River management units (Type C);
 - (102) Upper Butte Basin Wildlife Area (Butte and Glenn counties), including the Howard Slough, Little Dry Creek, and Llano Seco management units (Type A);
 - (103) Volta Wildlife Area (Merced County) (Type A);
 - (104) Waukell Creek Wildlife Area (Del Norte County) (Type C);
 - (105) Warner Valley Wildlife Area (Plumas County) (Type C);
 - (106) West Hilmar Wildlife Area (Merced and Stanislaus counties) (Type C);
 - (107) West Walker River Wildlife Area (Mono County) (Type C);
 - (108) White Slough Wildlife Area (San Joaquin County) (Type C);
 - (109) Willow Creek Wildlife Area (Lassen County) (Type B);
 - (110) Yolo Bypass Wildlife Area (Yolo County).
- (b) Area Regulations:

~~(1) Regional Manager's Authority: The regional manager shall have the authority to regulate public use of State wildlife areas where such use is not provided for in these regulations or in sections 551 and 552 of this title.~~

~~(2) Entry Restrictions. The department may limit the number of persons entering any area listed in section 550 or 551 of this title during any period for safety reasons, to reduce crowding, to provide for the limited take of a species, or may close portions of areas or close areas entirely to public entry or to specific activities. No person shall enter an area that has been closed to the public, except by written permission of the regional manager. On wildlife areas where entry and exit sites are designated by the department, no person shall enter or leave except at designated sites.~~

~~(3) Procedures for Issuing Entry Permits. In the event that the department elects to limit the number of hunters, trappers, or other users, entry permits will be issued on a first-come, first-served basis, or by a drawing to be held at a designated department office. The department shall inform the commission in writing and the public via the news media of any implementation of the provisions of this subsection, when limits imposed under this subsection differ substantially for a specific area from the prior year. Such notification shall include: the State wildlife area affected, the time period, the reason for the limitation or closure, the number of entry permits to be issued, and the method of issuance.~~

~~(4) Permit Requirements. No person shall enter any State wildlife area or portion thereof where the department has limited public entry without a valid entry permit in their immediate possession. [See subsections 551(f), (g), and (h) for regulations regarding general requirements and costs for individual entry permits. See subsection 551(q) for entry permit requirements for specific areas.] Upon leaving the State wildlife area, the permit must be completed and returned to the checking station, or drop box.~~

~~(5) Use Permits for Organized Events. Any person organizing an event or gathering to be conducted on a State wildlife area shall obtain a use permit from the appropriate regional manager. Such events or gatherings shall be compatible with wildlife area objectives.~~

~~(6) Motor Driven Vehicles.~~

~~(A) No person shall drive, operate, leave, place, or stop any motor driven vehicle or trailer on any State wildlife area except on public or established roads or on designated jeep trails and such other areas as designated by the department. No person shall park or leave any motor driven vehicle or trailer in any area where signs prohibiting parking are posted. Unless noted in subsections 551(q) or 552(a) the use of off highway vehicles (OHV's) and all terrain vehicles (ATV's) is prohibited on areas owned and/or managed by the department. The department may designate the parking lot where a person must park a vehicle while on the wildlife area.~~

~~(B) No person shall drive a vehicle carelessly in willful disregard of the rights or safety of others, or without due caution or at a speed or in a manner likely to endanger any person, property, or wildlife.~~

~~(7) Signs, Traffic and Road Closures.~~

~~(A) Drivers of motor driven vehicles operated within the wildlife areas shall comply with the directions of traffic signs posted in the area by the department.~~

~~(B) No person shall damage, remove, or destroy any barrier, sign, signpost, or signboard on any wildlife area.~~

~~(8) Boats.~~

~~(A) The department may restrict the use and operation of boats on State wildlife areas, department administered national wildlife refuges, and State recreation areas to protect natural resources or provide for the orderly operation of hunting and fishing programs on these areas. Boating restrictions may include, but not be limited to, limiting boat speeds, limiting motor size and type, or prohibiting the use of motors. During the times waterfowl are present, the provisions of Section 251 of this Title will also apply.~~

~~(B) Except as prohibited in subsection 551(q), boats may be used under the following regulations on State wildlife areas, department administered national wildlife refuges, and State recreation areas.~~

~~1. When launch sites are designated by the department, all boats must be launched and removed from those sites.~~

~~2. All persons shall remove their boats from the waters or beach when instructed to do so by an employee of the department. Any peace officer may remove the boat of any person who has been instructed to remove their boat from the waters or beach, and fails to comply with the instruction of the employee of the department.~~

~~3. The use of boats may be restricted to certain zones designated by the department.~~

~~4. Boat speed shall not exceed five miles per hour unless otherwise noted in subsection 551(q).~~

~~5. Any peace officer may remove any boat that is left unattended in the waters or on the beach in excess of 72 hours.~~

~~(9) Vandalism and Litter.~~

~~(A) No person shall tamper with, damage, or remove any property not his own when such property is located within a State wildlife area.~~

~~(B) No person shall leave, deposit, drop, bury, or scatter bottles, broken glass, feathers, hides, wastepaper, cans, sewage, or other rubbish in any State wildlife area except in a receptacle or area designated for that purpose, and no person shall import and deposit any rubbish or toxic substance into State wildlife areas from other places. Where no designated receptacles are provided, any refuse resulting from a person's use of the area must be removed from the area by such person.~~

~~(10) Trees and Minerals.~~

~~(A) No person shall dig up, cut, damage, or remove from a wildlife area any trees, shrubs, vines, plants or wood, except that vegetation may be cut and used for the purpose of building blinds, unless otherwise directed by the area manager.~~

~~(B) No person shall dig up or remove any humus, soil, sand, gravel, or rock.~~

~~(11) Bottles and Artifact Collecting. No person shall collect or remove bottles or artifacts, or dig or otherwise disturb the soil to locate or remove bottles or artifacts, from any Wildlife Area.~~

~~(12) Camping and Unattended Personal Property. No person shall camp, including on a boat, in any part of a State wildlife area except in areas designated by the department. (See subsection 551(q) for additional camping restrictions on specific areas). Camping on wildlife areas shall be limited to not more than seven consecutive days, and not more than 14 days total in any calendar year, except by written permission of the Regional Manager. Personal property may not be left on State wildlife areas for camping or other purposes, except at authorized locations. Decoys may not be left in the field overnight,~~

~~except as provided in subsection 551(q). Any hunting blinds on wildlife areas shall be available on a first-come, first-served basis.~~

~~(13) Fires. From April 30 through October 30 on Type C areas, and during the entire year on Type A and B areas, no person shall build or maintain fires except in portable gas stoves, in charcoal briquette barbecues, or in fireplaces at sites developed by the department. No fire shall be left unattended and all fires shall be extinguished with water before leaving. (See subsection 551(q) for additional fire restrictions.)~~

~~(14) Use of Dogs and Field Trials. The department may prohibit or restrict the use of dogs on any State wildlife area (see subsection 551(q)). Except as further prohibited in subsection 551(q), dogs are allowed only for hunting or when under immediate control. Dogs must be leashed at designated campsites and checking station areas. Special permits are required for field trials. Dog training is allowed only in areas designated by the department.~~

~~(15) Pesticides Use. No person, other than authorized federal, state, or local employees conducting a pest control program approved by the department, shall apply any pesticide in any State wildlife area.~~

~~(16) Livestock. No person shall permit livestock, including but not limited to cattle, horses, sheep, goats, and hogs, to browse, graze, bed, cross, or otherwise trespass on any State wildlife area except under an authorized grazing permit issued by the department. The recreational use of horses is allowed, except as designated in subsection 551(q). Persons who fail to remove their livestock from any State wildlife area within 48 hours after receiving official notice of trespass by the regional manager through certified mail, shall be in violation of this section.~~

~~(17) Fish and Frogs. Fish and frogs may not be taken for commercial purposes (see subsection 551(q) for specific area regulations).~~

~~(18) Hunting and Trapping. Hunting and trapping shall be allowed on State wildlife areas during the regular open seasons subject to subsection 550(b)(19), 551(b), and 551(q), and such other area use regulations as specified by the regional manager.~~

~~(19) Areas where hunting and possession of firearms and archery equipment are prohibited. No person, except authorized personnel, shall possess or discharge a firearm, bow and arrow, air or gas gun, spear gun, or other propulsive device of any kind in the following areas: Battle Creek, Crescent City Marsh, Elk Creek Wetlands, Eureka Slough, and Hill Slough wildlife areas; Cordelia Slough and Montezuma Slough management units of Grizzly Island Wildlife Area; White Slough Unit of Napa-Sonoma Marshes Wildlife Area; and Bahia, Day Island, Green Point, Novato Creek, Point Sonoma, and Rush Creek units of the Petaluma Marsh Wildlife Area.~~

~~(20) Fireworks / Explosives - No person shall possess or light fireworks or other explosive or incendiary devices on any state owned or managed wildlife area, except by written permission of the area manager or as provided for in Sections 551(b) or 551(q).~~

~~(21) Possession and use of Alcohol or other Controlled Substances. No person shall possess or use alcohol or other controlled substances while in the field hunting or engaged in other authorized recreational activities on any State wildlife area or Federal wildlife refuge. For the purpose of this section, "in the field" is defined as all areas except checking stations and designated parking areas. The possession and/or use of controlled substances pursuant to 11550 of the Health and Safety Code are prohibited on all areas managed and/or controlled by the department.~~

~~(22) Ejection. The department may eject any person from a State wildlife area for violation of any of these rules or regulations or for disorderly conduct, intoxication, or when a department employee determines that the general safety or welfare of the area or persons thereon is endangered. The decision, in such respect, of any department employee assigned management or enforcement responsibilities for the area shall be final.~~

~~(23) User Responsibility for Knowing Regulations. All wildlife area users shall be responsible for area-specific regulations listed under subsection 551(q). Failure to comply with any of the area-specific regulations shall be a violation of this subsection. Note: Authority cited: Sections 200, 202, 203, 355, 713, 1050, 1526, 1528, 1530, 1570-1572, 1765 and 10504, Fish and Game Code. Reference: Sections 355, 711, 713, 1050, 1055.3, 1526, 1528, 1530, 1570-1572, 1585, 1764, 1765, and 10504, Fish and Game Code.~~

§550. General Regulations for Public Use on All Department of Fish and Game Lands.

(a) Opening department lands to compatible visitor uses or activities is subject to applicable laws and upon a determination by the Fish and Game Commission that opening an area to such visitor use is compatible with statutory requirements and the purpose of the property. Except as provided in the sections below in sections 550(b) ~~(c)~~ or in sections 550.5, 551, 552, or 630 of Title 14, all department administered lands are closed to visitor access and use until and unless the area is opened for a use or uses through designation of the land by the commission.

(b) Definitions

(1) "Department land" is defined as:

(A) any real property in which the department owns fee title and maintains management authority;

(B) any real property over which the department has management authority through a current Memorandum of Understanding, Management Agreement, or similar document with another entity;

(C) real property designated by the commission as a Wildlife Area (section 551)

(D) real property designated by the commission as an Ecological Reserve (section 630)

(E) real property acquired by the department as a Fishing Access

(F) real property acquired by the department as a Public Access

(G) real property designated by the commission as a Public Shooting Area

(2) "Compatible activities or uses" are defined as hunting, fishing, wildlife viewing, wildlife photography, environmental education, and/or environmental research. Each activity or use is subject to review by the department pursuant to state and federal regulatory requirements prior to being authorized. Activities that do not meet the following criteria or are not otherwise authorized in Sections 550, 551, and 630 shall require written authorization from the department; typically in the form of a Special Use Permit (see subsection 550.5(d)). ~~and will be evaluated based on the following criteria:~~

(A) they are included in the approved acquisition documents and/or management plan for a subject property, on file with the department.

~~(B) they will not conflict with uses described in the acquisition documents.~~

~~(C) they will not result in impacts to conflict with the wildlife, plant or habitat conservation purposes for which the property was acquired, or department activities necessary to achieve those purposes.~~

~~(D) Activities that do not meet these criteria shall require written authorization from the department, typically in the form of a Special Use Permit (see subsection 550.5(d)).~~

(3) "Environmental education" is defined as:

(A) department administered or sponsored interpretive programs offered to the public;
or

(B) organized youth or school groups whose primary purpose is to increase awareness and knowledge of the natural environment.

(4) "Environmental research" is defined as the field study of biological, physical, or cultural processes or values with the primary purpose of improving the understanding of the natural environment.

(5) "Visitors" are defined as the general public, users, or any person, other than department employees or their designees performing official duties, who enters department lands.

(6) "Entry Permits" are defined as permits which allow entry to a specified property for compatible activities where general access is restricted per subsection 550(c)(2)(D). Entry permits may require a fee.

(7) "Special Uses" are defined as activities, events, or gatherings which do not meet the definition of compatible activities or uses; are not currently authorized elsewhere in this Title; or meet the criteria in subsection 550(b)(2) but are may not be in conflict with the management purposes of the department land upon review and approval by the department when conducted in compliance with the conditions of a special use permit.

(8) "Reservations" are defined as randomly drawn applications that assure entry onto a wildlife area, when presented with the appropriate daily entry fee, if applicable. Reservation holders do not necessarily have priority for use of the area over other users.

(9) "Fishing" for the purposes of department lands, is defined as angling per section 1.05 of this Title 14 and also includes the use of bow and arrows for the taking of fish.

(10) "Hunting" for the purposes of department lands, is defined as the legal take (take is defined in Section 86, Fish and Game Code) of wildlife species authorized on department lands subject to the regulations listed in sections 550, 550.5, 551, 552, and 630 in addition to the general regulations governing hunting seasons and method of take elsewhere in Title 14. The regulations listed in sections 550, 550.5, 551, 552, and 630 shall have precedence over general hunting regulations on department lands where there may be differences.

(11) "Camping" for the purposes of department lands, is defined as an overnight or after hours visitor stay which may include a vehicle, trailer, motor home, boat, tent, or any other type of vehicle or shelter.

(12) "Wildlife viewing" for the purposes of department lands is defined as walking, hiking, or using visitor or interpretive facilities on department lands when and where authorized.

(13) "Dog training" for the purposes of department lands, is an allowable activity only within department designated and authorized training areas and is defined as the noncommercial act of an individual person training a hunting dog within a department

designated and authorized training area to improve the dog's performance in hunting migratory or upland game birds, and enhance the hunting experience and retrieval of downed game.

(14) "Dog Trial" for the purposes of department lands, is defined as an organized competitive or scored event for testing hunting dog performance.

(4415) "Upland game birds" for the purpose of department lands are game birds as defined in Section 3683, Fish and Game Code.

(c) Visitor Entry and Responsibilities

(1) All department regulations pertaining to fishing, hunting, and use of department lands carry with them strict liability; all visitors on department lands are responsible for knowing these regulations prior to entering department lands. These regulations are incorporated by reference into and become a condition of entry and/or permits. Failure to comply with any of the regulations is a violation of this subsection.

(2) Visitor entry onto department lands is at the discretion of the department to manage and protect fish, wildlife, native plants, habitats and natural resources, and may require an Entry Permit and fee.

(A) Visitor entry, where authorized or designated, is for compatible activities. All other visitor activities are prohibited unless specifically permitted by the department.

(B) All visitors shall present and show valid permits, season or annual passes, licenses, and all fish and game taken on the area at the checking station or upon the request of any department employee. Visitors shall return all permits to the checking station or point of entry upon leaving the area.

(C) Visitor entry is authorized only from sunrise to sunset except during department authorized hunting or fishing opportunities when access to hunting and fishing sites at other times may be permitted.

(D) The department may close all or portions of its lands to visitors entirely, seasonally, or to specific activities or uses, and may limit the number of visitors entering an area for safety reasons, to reduce crowding, to reduce environmental disturbance, to limit the take of species, or to protect natural or cultural resources. Designated closures and entry restrictions are listed in subsections ~~551(n)~~, ~~551(o)~~, ~~551(p)~~, ~~551(q)~~, ~~551(w)~~, 552, 630(~~c~~), 630(e), and 630(h).

1. Any department land, or portion thereof, and any adjoining lands under control of the department may be closed without notice to any or all visitor use or access by the department by posting such closures or lands.

2. No person(s) other than department employees or their designees in the performance of official department duties or persons possessing written authorization from the department shall enter or access any department land or portion thereof which is closed to visitors, including areas posted with closed signs and seasonally closed areas.

(E) On department lands where entry and exit sites are designated by the department, no visitor shall enter or leave the lands except at those designated sites.

(F) No visitor shall enter any department land or portion thereof where the department has restricted visitor entry without a valid entry permit (550.5(c)).

1. Where required, entry permits are only available and issued by the department at the area checking station, point of entry, or by mail for successful special drawing applicants.

2. Where fees are required for entry permits, passes must be purchased through the department's Automated License Data System and presented at the area with a photo identification for issuance of an entry permit.

(3) Daily Entry Permit Revocations, Refusals, and Ejections. Employees of the department are authorized to refuse entry or issuance of entry permits, revoke permits and/or eject any visitor from department lands (as defined in subsection 550(b)(1)) for violation of any rules, drug or alcohol intoxication, disorderly conduct, or for any reason when it appears that the general safety or welfare of the property or persons thereon is affected. The decision and duration of revocation, in such respect, of any department employee assigned management or enforcement responsibilities for the area shall be final.

(A) Visitors found to violate any such revocation may be cited and fined.

(4) Penalties.

(A) Failure to comply with any of the regulations is a violation of this subsection and may result in any or all of the following:

1. denial of permission to enter department lands;

2. revocation of any permit already issued;

3. ejection from the department land for up to one calendar year from the date of discovery;

4. citation or arrest under the applicable provisions of the Fish and Game Code or Title 14 of the California Code of Regulations;

5. a proceeding under any of the above shall not preclude the invocation of any other remedy.

(d) Special Use Permits. Any person or entity who wishes to ~~request conduct~~ a special use as defined in subsection 550(b)(7) on any department land shall submit an application and fee pursuant to subsection 550.5(d) for a Special Use Permit to the department for review. Department review and issuance is dependent upon staffing availability. If the department determines the requested use or activity can be conducted in a manner that is not in conflict with current uses, management, or the purposes for which the property was acquired, it may issue a special use permit. The department will charge fees to recover costs related to the review and issuance of permits. Conditions of issuance of the permit may also include reimbursement for any staff time or other department costs resulting from the activity. All permittees shall adhere to all State and Federal requirements, terms, and conditions. The permit must be approved in writing by the department and in possession of the permittee prior to entering, and during the use of, department lands.

(e) Environmental Education. Youth or school group environmental educational activities on department lands shall be conducted under written authorization from the regional manager or designee and coordinated with the area manager for the purpose of tracking use, maintaining public safety and ensuring that activities are consistent with current management and the purpose for which the property was acquired.

(f) Research. The department may authorize, in writing from the regional manager or designee, environmental research on department lands if the research and the associated activities are determined by the department to be compatible with current management and the purpose for which the property was acquired and not in conflict with existing visitor uses. Conditions of approval may include, but are not limited to:

- (1) proof of all necessary collecting permits;
 - (2) written progress reports submitted to the department;
 - (3) a schedule of activities and deliverables;
 - (4) electronic copies of geospatial and all other field data and reports in a digital format specified by the department; and
 - (5) copies of Natural Diversity Database field data forms for species tracked by the department
- (g) Protection of Resources. Except for the take of fish and/or wildlife in compliance with general and site specific hunting and fishing regulations adopted by the commission, or under permit from the department to conduct research or educational activities, no visitor shall mine or disturb geological formations, archeological, cultural or anthropological artifacts, structures, or resources, nor shall they take or disturb any bird or nest, or eggs thereof, cut, saw, trim, remove, or disturb any plant, mammal, fish, mollusk, crustacean, amphibian, reptile, soil, sand, gravel, rock, mineral, or any other form of plant or animal life on department lands. No visitor shall construct or build any type of structure, including those made of vegetation or any other types of materials, on department lands except as may be authorized by a special use permit.
- (h) Fishing. Fishing as defined in subsection 550(b)(9) shall be allowed, unless otherwise noted in subsection 551(yaa) or 630(e), or when the area is specifically closed. Fishing shall be conducted in accordance with general fishing regulations except the method of taking fish shall be limited to the shore except where boating facilities and/or areas for boats or other floating devices are designated. No person shall take fish (as defined in Section 45, FGC) for commercial purposes from department lands.
- (i) Regional Manager's Authority. The regional manager or his designee shall have the authority to place temporary restrictions on public use of department lands for the purposes of protecting public health and safety or natural resources when circumstances warrant additional restrictions, and where such restrictions are not provided for in these regulations or in sections 550.5, 551, 552, 630, or 632 of this Title 14.
- (j) Wildlife viewing, hiking, and photography are allowed except when the area is specifically closed.
- (1) Photography, videography, or filming of any type for commercial (profit and sale) purposes on or of department lands requires a special use permit from the department and a permit from the California Film Commission, pursuant to Section 14998.8 et seq., Government Code. The department will not authorize and permit any commercial photography, videography, or filming or any type without a valid permit from the California Film Commission. Failure to do so may result in a citation and fine.
- (k) Introduction of Species. Visitors are prohibited from releasing, introducing, or transplanting animal or plant species, including domestic or domesticated species, onto or within department lands or waters without a permit issued by the department.
- (l) Feeding of Wildlife. Visitors are prohibited from feeding fish or wildlife except as part of an otherwise legal method or activity, such as fishing in compliance with state fishing regulations.
- (m) Pets. Pets, including, but not limited to, dogs and cats are prohibited from entering department lands except on a leash of less than ten feet or inside a motor vehicle

unless otherwise prohibited ~~except when the area is specifically closed~~ in subsections 551(p) or 630(h), or by prohibitions ~~are posted on lands~~ areas. Dogs may be used for hunting during an open season for an authorized species, unless otherwise prohibited. Dogs shall be restricted on department lands pursuant to Section 265.

(n) Use of Dogs and Field Trials. The department may prohibit or restrict dog training, dog trials, or the use of dogs for any purpose on any department lands. Dogs must be leashed while not hunting or training. Dogs for hunting mammals, training, and trialing shall be restricted on department lands pursuant to Section 265.

(1) Dog training is allowed only on department lands with designated dog training areas as identified in subsections 551(~~jk~~) and 630(i) and may require a ~~special use~~ permit pursuant to subsection 551(i).

(2) Field Trials may be allowed only on department lands with designated training areas as identified in subsections 551(~~jk~~) and 630(i) and require a special use permit (550(d)) per application instructions in subsection 550.5(d).

(3) The use of dogs for hunting mammals on department lands is subject to the regulations of sections 265 and may be prohibited per subsection 551(~~zbb~~) of this Title 14.

(o) Horses, Pack Stock, and Horseback Riding. Recreational use of horses is generally allowed on department lands designated as wildlife areas except when the area is specifically closed or as specified in 551(~~km~~). The recreational use of horses is prohibited on all other department lands except those lands with department designated horse trails or areas identified in subsection 630(g).

(p) Camping, Motorhomes, and Camp Trailers.

(1) No visitor shall camp, including on a boat, on any department land except on those areas or portions of areas where the department has designated campsites or camping areas (see subsections 551(~~ln~~), and 552). Camping shall occur only within department designated camping areas. Camping, where authorized, on a single department property may be conducted for up to seven consecutive nights and for no more than fourteen nights per year. The department may provide written authorization to camp outside of designated camping areas for authorized research, monitoring or management purposes. Written permission shall be in immediate possession.

(2) Camp trailers and motorhomes are prohibited on department lands except on properties with department designated camp trailer or motorhome accessible camping or parking areas.

(A) Camp trailers or motorhomes must register at the checking station or appropriate office and are limited to one per person in the parking area. Utility or cargo trailers are prohibited in the designated motorhome or camp trailer parking areas except as authorized under a special use permit.

(B) Parking areas are for visitor use only. The person responsible for the camp trailer or motorhome (registered at the checking station) must show proof of use of the area within the previous seven days upon request. Failure to do so may result in citation and removal of the trailer or motorhome at the owner's expense.

(C) Camp trailers or motorhomes over 30 feet in length are prohibited on all department lands.

(D) Tow vehicles for trailers must be stowed in designated vehicle parking lots.

(3) Camping is prohibited on all lands designated as ecological reserves.

(q) Fires.

(1) Except as further restricted in subsection 551(m), fires are restricted to portable gas stoves, charcoal briquette barbecues, or fireplaces or pits developed by the department for visitor use on lands designated as wildlife areas where camping sites are designated.

(2) Visitors are prohibited from using all forms of fire on all other department lands, including those designated as ecological reserves.

(3) No fire shall be left unattended and all fires shall be completely extinguished by the visitor before leaving the site.

(r) No visitor shall apply any pesticide, herbicide, or hazardous material on department lands.

(s) Unauthorized farming or grazing (including but not limited to cattle, horses, sheep, goats, and hogs), and associated activities on department lands are prohibited.

(t) Vandalism: No visitor shall tamper with, damage, destroy or remove any property not their own when such property is located within department lands.

(u) Signs and Markers: No visitor shall damage, remove, or destroy any barrier, sign, signpost, trail marker, or signboard on department lands. No visitor shall place signage, flagging, or marking on department lands without prior written authorization from the department.

(v) Litter: No person shall leave, deposit, drop, dump, bury, or scatter bottles, broken glass, feathers, hides, carcasses, targets, shells, casings, vegetation, earth, rock, wastepaper, cans, sewage, cigarettes, cigars, or other debris or trash on any department lands except in a receptacle or area designated for that purpose. Where no designated receptacles are provided, visitors must remove all refuse from the area.

(1) All personal equipment and belongings shall be removed from the area daily. Failure to do so shall result in it being deemed litter and disposed of.

(w) Fireworks/Explosives: No person shall import, possess or use fireworks, explosives or incendiary devices of any type on department lands unless authorized under permit by the department for management purposes.

(x) Possession and Use of Alcohol, Marijuana, and Controlled Substances:

(1) No visitor shall possess, use, or be under the influence of alcohol while in the field hunting. For the purpose of this section, "in the field" is defined as all areas except designated parking and camping areas. Persons under the influence of alcohol to a level determined to be unsafe may be cited and ejected per subsection 550(c)(3).

(2) No visitor shall possess, use, or be under the influence of marijuana on any department land. Persons in possession of medical marijuana cards and/or other legal authorization to possess marijuana for medical purposes (per Health and Safety Code 11362.7 to 11362.83) may only possess marijuana in that person's transport vehicle. Persons with authorization to possess marijuana may not consume it or be under its influence on department lands. Persons determined to be under the influence of marijuana may be cited and ejected per subsection 550(c)(3).

(3) No person shall possess, use, or be under the influence of any illicit controlled substance on any department land. Persons found in possession and/or under the influence of any illicit controlled substance on any department land will be cited and ejected per subsection 550(c)(3). Illicit substances for this regulation are those

substances where no medical authorization exists and no legal authorization allows possession for legitimate use of the substance.

(y) Motor Vehicles

(1) Visitors are prohibited from driving or operating any motor vehicle or trailer on department lands except on designated roads.

(2) Visitors are prohibited from stopping any motor vehicles between designated parking areas to drop off passengers or hunting equipment.

(3) On areas where auto tour routes are provided, visitors ~~are~~ shall use any pullouts or wide spots along the route to stop and view wildlife rather than block the road for other visitors.

(4) Designated parking areas are for visitor use only. Parking motor vehicles and trailers outside of designated parking areas is prohibited except for special use or research permittees who may be authorized otherwise. Utility, flatbed, cargo, or similar trailers are prohibited on department lands except as authorized under a special use permit.

(5) No person shall operate a motor vehicle carelessly in willful disregard of the rights or safety of others, or without due caution, or at a speed or in a manner likely to endanger any person, property, or wildlife on department lands.

(6) Operators of motor vehicles shall not exceed 15 mph, unless otherwise posted, and comply with traffic and other signs posted on department lands.

(7) The use of off highway vehicles (OHV's), all terrain vehicles (ATV's), motorcycles, and snowmobiles is prohibited except where authorized and designated in sections 551(j), and 552.

(A) Visitor use of OHV's, ATV's, motorcycles, and snowmobiles, is prohibited on all lands designated as ecological reserves.

(z) Boats and Swimming

(1) The department may restrict the use and operation of boats, boat motors, and floating devices on department lands to protect natural resources or provide for the orderly operation of compatible uses on these areas. Boating restrictions may include, but are not limited to, prohibitions, limiting boat speeds or motor size and type if allowed. During the times waterfowl are present, the provisions of Section 251, Title 14 also apply which prohibit pursuit or shooting of birds or mammals from a motor driven vehicle (including but not limited to motorboats, airboats, or sailboats).

(2) Boats and floating devices are generally prohibited except as provided for in subsections 551(j), 552, and 630(f). Where boats and/or floating devices are allowed, they may be used under the following regulations on department lands, department administered national wildlife refuges, and department administered hunting programs on state recreation areas:

(A) no person shall operate a vessel carelessly in willful disregard of the rights or safety of others, or without due caution, or at a speed or in a manner likely to endanger any person, property, or wildlife on department lands;

(B) when launch sites are designated by the department, all boats must be launched and removed from those sites;

(C) any boat trailers shall remain attached to the tow vehicle and stowed in the designated parking areas;

(D) all persons shall remove their boats from the waters or beach when instructed to do so by an employee of the department. Any peace officer may remove the boat of any person who has been instructed to remove their boat from the waters or beach, and fails to comply with the instruction of the employee of the department;

(E) the use of boats or other floating devices may be restricted to certain zones designated by the department;

(F) boat speed shall not exceed five miles per hour unless otherwise posted; and

(G) any peace officer may remove any boat that is left unattended in the waters or on land in excess of 72 hours.

(3) Swimming is prohibited on department lands except where designated and authorized in subsection 630(f).

(aa) Aircraft. No person shall operate any aircraft, hovercraft, or hot air balloon within department lands except as authorized by special use permit issued by the department.

(bb) Bicycles and bike riding are prohibited on department lands except where authorized and designated in sections 551(j), 552, and 630(g).

(1) On lands where trails or roads have been designated for bicycles, no visitors shall ride, operate, leave, or park a bicycle except on those designated areas.

(cc) Firearms, Archery, and Other Propulsive Equipment:

(1) Possession, discharge, and use of firearms or archery equipment is prohibited on department lands except where the department has designated hunting areas or shooting sites or with a special use permit. This includes air or gas operated devices or guns and any other propulsive devices.

(2) General (Non Hunting) Uses

(A) Except on department lands with designated shooting sites (i.e., ranges) in subsection 551(v*) and 630(j), possession and use of firearms, archery equipment, or other propulsive devices is prohibited.

(B) The use of glass or porcelain targets is prohibited on all department lands. Clay targets shall be used only at designated shooting sites where their use is permitted.

(C) Designated shooting sites are open daily from sunrise to sunset unless otherwise listed in subsection 551(v*) or 630(j).

(3) Hunting Method of Take. Where hunting is allowed, it shall be in accordance with general hunting regulations and subject to sections 550, 550.5, 551, 552, and 630 of this Title 14.

(A) Possession of shotguns larger than twelve gauge is prohibited on all department lands.

(B) Except as otherwise provided, no rifles, pellet or BB guns, combination rifle-shotguns, pistols, archery equipment, or revolvers shall be possessed in the field or discharged on any Type A or Type B wildlife areas. All legal firearms and archery equipment may be used on Type C wildlife areas unless prohibited in subsection 551(r*). Firearms and archery equipment may be used on Ecological Reserves where hunting is authorized in subsection 630(d) subject to any restrictions therein.

(C) The use or possession of shot size larger than T in steel or BB in lead or non-toxic (other than steel) shot is prohibited on all department lands and national wildlife refuges. On those areas where big game species may be hunted, shotguns with slugs may be used.

(D) A hunter shall not possess more than 25 shot shells while in the field on Type A wildlife areas. Only those persons possessing a valid hunting permit for that day may possess ammunition in the field.

(E) At Grizzly Island Wildlife Area, the portion of the Tolay Creek Unit Napa-Sonoma Marshes Wildlife Area south of Highway 37, and on all national wildlife refuges, only steel or other non-toxic shot approved by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service may be used or possessed.

(F) Archery equipment shall not be used during the waterfowl and pheasant seasons on Type A and B wildlife areas, unless provided for in subsection 551(u~~w~~).

(G) Loaded firearms, as defined in Section 2006 of the Fish and Game Code or Section 12031 of the Penal Code, are prohibited in parking lots, visitor areas, checking stations, or any other facility on department lands.

(dd) Falconry:

(1) On Ecological Reserves, falconry is prohibited.

(2~~H~~) On Type C wildlife areas, raptors may be used to take legal game in accordance with general hunting and falconry regulations.

(3~~I~~) On Type A and B state wildlife areas, raptors may be used to take legal game only from the first Saturday following the end of the waterfowl season through the end of the falconry pheasant season. Raptors may be used only on Saturdays, Sundays, and Wednesdays.

Note: Authority cited: Sections 200, 202, 203, 355, 710, 710.5, 710.7, 713, 1050, 1526, 1528, 1530, ~~1570, 1571, 1572~~, 1580, 1581, 1583, 1761, 1764, 1765, 1907, 2118, 2190, and 10504, Fish and Game Code. Reference: Sections 355, 711, 713, 1050, 1055.3, 1526, 1528, 1530, 1570, 1571, 1572, 1580, 1581, 1582, 1583, 1584, 1585, 1590, 1591, 1764, 1765, 2006, and 10504, Fish and Game Code.