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United States Department of the Interior



FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE Washington, D.C. 20240

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State Fish and Wildlife Agencies

Secretary, Department of Natural Resources of the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico

Governor of Guam

Governor of the U.S. Virgin Islands

Governor of American Samoa

Governor of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands

Mayor of the District of Columbia

Enclosed is the audit schedule for the next 5-year cycle of the mandatory audits of State fish and wildlife agencies that participate in the Wildlife and Sport Fish Restoration Program (WSFR). The current audit cycle ends September 30, 2011. The next 5-year audit cycle (FY2012 through FY2016) will begin October 1, 2011. The U.S. Department of the Interior, Office of Inspector General (OIG) will continue to perform the audits.

There are 64 states, territories, and district agencies that we will audit in the upcoming cycle. We will audit about 13 agencies each year of the cycle. We developed the audit schedule by evaluating several criteria such as years since the last audit and estimated work load. On the enclosed schedule, the agencies are grouped by year to be audited. OIG managers will arrange with each agency the timing of the agency's audit. The OIG will do its best to work with the agency's staff to ensure dates of fieldwork are acceptable and will provide an assessment of time expected requirements.

Thank you for your continued cooperation in the audit process. Our experiences and the feedback from the audits continue to be positive. We strive to maintain open lines of communication among the auditors, agencies, and WSFR. We welcome all comments and suggestions on our audit program.

If you have any questions or need technical advice regarding the audit process, please contact the WSFR Chief in the WSFR Regional Office for your State or Steve Barton, Chief, Division of Administration and Information Management in the Washington Office at, (703) 358-2156.

Sincerely,

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Wildlife and Sport Fish Restoration Program

Enclosure



Wildlife and Sport Fish Restoration Program

Schedule of Audits of State Fish and Wildlife Agencies FY 2012 - 2016

| FY 2012 | | FY 2013 | | FY 2014 | | FY 2015 | | FY 2016 | |
|-------------|---------------|----------------------|---------------|----------------|---------------|----------------------|---------------|----------------|---------------|
| State | Agency | State | Agency | State | Agency | State | Agency | State | Agency |
| Mississippi | Wildlife/Fish | Illinois | Wildlife/Fish | New Hampshire | Wildlife/Fish | Nevada | Wildlife/Fish | Michigan | Wildlife/Fish |
| Mississippi | Marine | Indiana | Wildlife/Fish | New Mexico | Wildlife/Fish | Texas | Wildlife/Fish | Arizona | Wildlife/Fish |
| Guam | Wildlife/Fish | Washington | Wildlife/Fish | Rhode Island | Wildlife/Fish | Utah | Wildlife/Fish | Delaware | Wildlife/Fish |
| California | Wildlife/Fish | Tennessee | Wildlife/Fish | Arkansas | Wildlife/Fish | Massachusetts | Marine | Georgia | Wildlife/Fish |
| Ohio | Wildlife/Fish | Wyoming | Wildlife/Fish | Colorado | Wildlife/Fish | Massachusetts | Wildlife/Fish | Maine | Marine |
| New York | Wildlife/Fish | Vermont | Wildlife/Fish | Kansas | Wildlife/Fish | Virginia | Marine | Maine | Wildlife/Fish |
| Connecticut | Wildlife/Fish | Montana | Wildlife/Fish | American Samoa | Wildlife/Fish | Virginia | Wildlife/Fish | Missouri | Wildlife/Fish |
| Alaska | Wildlife/Fish | Idaho | Wildlife/Fish | Pennsylvania | Fish/Boat | Kentucky | Wildlife/Fish | North Dakota | Wildlife/Fish |
| Florida | Wildlife/Fish | North Carolina | Wildlife/Fish | Pennsylvania | Game | Northern Mariana IS. | Wildlife/Fish | Hawaii | Wildlife/Fish |
| Nebraska | Wildlife/Fish | North Carolina | Marine | Minnesota | Wildlife/Fish | Alabama | Marine | South Carolina | Wildlife/Fish |
| New Jersey | Wildlife/Fish | Oregon | Wildlife/Fish | Puerto Rico | Wildlife/Fish | Alabama | Wildlife/Fish | South Carolina | Marine |
| Iowa | Wildlife/Fish | South Dakota | Wildlife/Fish | West Virginia | Wildlife/Fish | Oklahoma | Wildlife/Fish | Virgin Islands | Wildlife/Fish |
| Louisiana | Wildlife/Fish | District of Columbia | Wildlife/Fish | Wisconsin | Wildlife/Fish | Maryland | Wildlife/Fish | | |
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Please note that the State agencies are grouped by the year in which the audit will be started. The actual order of the audits will be determined by the OIG working in conjunction with the State agencies and WSFR. The audit schedule may be revised during the cycle to accommodate the needs of the OIG, State agencies or WSFR, but all agencies must be audited within the cycle.