| 1  | Note: The Wildl      | ife Resources Commission requests the addition of a new section to Subchapter 10B of Chapter 10 of |
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| 2  | Title 15A of the     | Administrative Code to be titled as follows: Section .0500 Chronic Wasting Disease Management.     |
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| 4  | 15A NCAC 10B         | 3.0501 is adopted under temporary procedures as follows:   |
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| 6  | 15A NCAC 10E         | 3 .0501 DEFINITIONS AND GENERAL REQUIREMENTS   |
| 7  | (a) The rules in     | this Section apply to any area of the State where Chronic Wasting Disease (CWD) has been detected, |
| 8  | as determined by     | y the Commission.  |
| 9  | (b) The followin     | g definitions shall apply to rules in this Section:  |
| 10 | <u>(1)</u>           | "Cervid" means all animals in the Family Cervidae not otherwise regulated by the NC Department     |
| 11 |                      | of Agriculture and Consumer Services.  |
| 12 | <u>(2)</u>           | "Cervid Health Cooperator" means an individual authorized to collect CWD samples on behalf of      |
| 13 |                      | the Commission.  |
| 14 | <u>(3)</u>           | "Chronic Wasting Disease" or "CWD" means the transmissible spongiform encephalopathy prion         |
| 15 |                      | disease affecting species within the deer (Cervidae) Family.                                       |
| 16 | <u>(4)</u>           | "CWD Management Area" means the area delineated by the Commission where CWD has been               |
| 17 |                      | determined to be endemic and the rules of this Section apply.                                      |
| 18 | <u>(5)</u>           | "Index location" means the approximate location where a new CWD detection has been identified.     |
| 19 | <u>(6)</u>           | "Primary Surveillance Area" or "PSA" means an area within an approximate five-mile radius          |
| 20 |                      | around an index location as delineated by the Commission for CWD surveillance.                     |
| 21 | <u>(7)</u>           | "Sample" means [tissue from a cervid suitable for CWD testing.] the cervid head and at least three |
| 22 |                      | inches of the neck.  |
| 23 | <u>(8)</u>           | "Secondary Surveillance Area" or "SSA" means an area within an approximate five- to 30-mile        |
| 24 |                      | radius around an index location delineated by the Commission for CWD surveillance.                 |
| 25 | <u>(9)</u>           | "Surveillance Area" means the PSA and SSA collectively.  |
| 26 |                      |  |
| 27 | <u>History Note:</u> | Authority G.S. 113-134; 113-306  |
| 28 |                      | Temporary Adoption Eff. July 1, 2022.  |
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| 1  | 15A NCAC 10B          | .0502 is adopted under temporary procedures as follows:                                      |
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| 3  | 15A NCAC 10           | B .0502 CWD SURVEILLANCE AREAS DEFINED   |
| 4  |                       |  |
| 5  | The following S       | Surveillance Area is established around the Yadkin County index location:                    |
| 6  | <u>(1)</u>            | Surry County East of US 601, South of NC 268 and West of Quaker Church Road and the          |
| 7  |                       | Ararat River; and Yadkin County East of US 601, North of NC 67, West of Shoals Road          |
| 8  |                       | to the intersection with Shady Grove Church Road and West of Fairground Road are             |
| 9  |                       | delineated as the PSA.   |
| 10 | <u>(2)</u>            | Surry County, Yadkin County, Davie County, Forsyth County, Stokes County, all portions       |
| 11 |                       | of Alleghany County East of US 21 from the Virginia state line to the junction of [and] NC   |
| 12 |                       | [18] 18 and thereafter all portions South and East of NC 18 to the Wilkes County line, all   |
| 13 |                       | portions of Wilkes County East of NC 18 from the Alleghany County line to the junction of NC |
| 14 |                       | and thereafter all portions East of NC [115,] 115 to the Iredell County line, and Iredell    |
| 15 |                       | County [East of NC 115 and] North of I 40 are delineated as the SSA.                         |
| 16 |                       |  |
| 17 | <u> History Note:</u> | Authority G.S. 113-134; 113-306  |
| 18 |                       | Temporary Adoption Eff. July 1, 2022.  |
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| I  | 15A NCAC 101   | 3 .0503 is adopted under temporary procedures as follows:  |
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| 3  | 15A NCAC 101   | B .0503 SURVEILLANCE AREA  |
| 4  | (a) Placement o  | f bait, food, food product, [mineral,] minerals, or salt licks to purposefully congregate wildlife shall |
| 5  | be prohibited fr   | om January 2 through August 31 each year inside [the] a Surveillance Area, except that bird feeders      |
| 6  | and other activities specifically permitted by the Commission shall be allowed. Placement of bait, food, or food   |  |
| 7  | products for the purpose of hunting during the urban archery season shall be allowed within the established season |  |
| 8  | in participating   | municipalities.  |
| 9  | (b) It is unlawfu  | ıl to export a live cervid, cervid [eareass] carcass, or carcass parts originating from inside a         |
| 10 | Surveillance Ar  | ea except:   |
| 11 | <u>(1)</u>   | meat that has been boned out such that no pieces or fragments of bone remain;                            |
| 12 | <u>(2)</u>   | caped hides with no part of the skull or spinal column attached;   |
| 13 | <u>(3)</u>   | antlers, antlers attached to cleaned skull plates, or skulls free from meat or brain tissue;             |
| 14 | <u>(4)</u>   | cleaned lower jawbones with teeth or cleaned teeth;  |
| 15 | <u>(5)</u>   | finished taxidermy products and tanned hides; and  |
| 16 | <u>(6)</u>   | carcass or carcass parts permitted by the Commission for disposal outside of the Surveillance Area       |
| 17 | (c) White-tailed   | deer fawn rehabilitation is prohibited in a Surveillance Area.   |
| 18 | (d) White-tailed   | deer fawns originating from within [the] a Surveillance Area shall not be transported outside the        |
| 19 | Surveillance are   | ea.  |
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| 21 | <u>History Note:</u>   | Authority G.S. 113-134; 113-306  |
| 22 |  | Temporary Adoption Eff. July 1, 2022.  |

| 1  | 15A NCAC 10B .0504 is adopted under temporary procedures as follows:   |
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| 3  | 15A NCAC 10B .0504 PRIMARY SURVEILLANCE AREA   |
| 4  | (a) Any hunter who harvests a cervid in the PSA during the blackpowder or all lawful weapons season shall submit a   |
| 5  | sample to the Commission for CWD testing.  |
| 6  | (b) No cervid carcass or carcass part originating from inside a PSA shall be transported outside the PSA unless      |
| 7  | double bagged and taken directly to a Cervid Health Cooperator in a county included in the PSA, or the carcass parts |
| 8  | comply with Rule 10B .0503(b), or as [permitted] authorized by the Commission.                                       |
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| 10 | History Note: Authority G.S. 113-134; 113-306  |
| 11 | Temporary Adoption Eff. July 1, 2022.  |

| 1  | 15A NCAC 10B .0505 is adopted under temporary procedures as follows:  |
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| 3  | 15A NCAC 10B .0505 SECONDARY SURVEILLANCE AREA  |
| 4  | (a) Any hunter who harvests a cervid in the SSA during the blackpowder season and from opening day through the        |
| 5  | second Sunday of all lawful weapons season shall submit a sample to the Commission for CWD testing.                   |
| 6  | (b) Cervid carcass and carcass parts originating from inside an SSA may be transported to the PSA within the same     |
| 7  | Surveillance Area.  |
| 8  | (c) Except as provided in 10B .0503(b), cervid carcasses or carcass parts shall not be transported outside of the SSA |
| 9  | [without a permit from] unless authorized by the Commission.  |
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| 11 | <u>History Note:</u> <u>Authority G.S. 113-134; 113-306</u>   |
| 12 | Temporary Adoption Eff. July 1, 2022.   |

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