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**MARK WILLIAMS**  
COMMISSIONER

May 22, 2019

**MEMORANDUM**

TO: INTERESTED PERSONS AND ORGANIZATIONS  
FROM: Walter Rabon  
SUBJECT: **NOTICE AND SYNOPSIS OF PROPOSED RULE MAKING**

Notice is hereby given that, pursuant to authority contained in O.C.G.A. Chapter 6A, Title 12, the Board of Natural Resources proposes to amend Department of Natural Resources rules governing State and Federal Grants Programs. The proposed rule (copy attached hereto), when adopted, will promulgate 391-5-13-.11, Georgia Outdoor Stewardship Program.

**SYNOPSIS AND MAIN FEATURES**

The purpose of Proposed Rule 391-5-13-.11 is to promulgate rules and regulations necessary to implement the Georgia Outdoor Stewardship Program, as authorized by O.C.G.A. 12-6A-11. The purpose of the Georgia Outdoor Stewardship Program is to provide grant and loan funds to eligible applicants for stewardship for state parks, state lands, and wildlife management areas; to support local parks and trails; and to protect critical conservation lands. The proposed rule establishes key provisions, eligible applicants, eligible use of funds, eligible project types, general terms and conditions, application process, timeline and instructions, and project evaluation criteria for the Georgia Outdoor Stewardship Program.

This notice and synopsis of the proposed rule, together with an exact copy of the proposed rule, are being sent electronically to all persons who have requested that they be placed on the mailing list. Copies of all these documents are also available for review on the DNR website ([www.gadnr.org](http://www.gadnr.org)). Please call Rob Stokes (404) 463-8570 to request a copy.

Members of the general public will have an opportunity to present data, make a statement or comment, or offer a viewpoint or argument, by email to Rob Stokes ([robert.stokes@dnr.ga.gov](mailto:robert.stokes@dnr.ga.gov)), by telephone (404) 463-8570, or by submitting written statements, before close of business on June 21, 2019.



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Written statements should be mailed to the attention of Rob Stokes at:

Department of Natural Resources  
Grants Unit  
2 Martin Luther King, Jr. Drive, S.E.  
Suite 1370 East  
Atlanta, Georgia 30334

A public meeting will be held on Thursday, May 30, 2019 at Panola Mountain State Park at 6:30 pm. At this meeting DNR Staff will review and discuss the proposed rule. Interested parties are encouraged to attend.

The Board of Natural Resources will consider the proposed rules and any comments received on Tuesday, June 25, 2019 at 9:00 a.m. at 2 Martin Luther King, Jr. Drive, S.E., Suite 1252 East, Atlanta, Georgia 30334. Please bring this notice to the attention of interested acquaintances.

WR/tb

Attachment: Proposed Regulations