

## STATEMENT OF REASONS

### WYOMING GAME AND FISH COMMISSION

#### CHAPTER 25

#### FALCONRY AND RAPTOR PROPAGATION REGULATION

W.S. §23-1-302 (a)(i) directs and empowers the Commission to fix season and bag limits, open, shorten or close seasons on any species or sex of wildlife for any type of legal weapon, except predatory animals, predacious birds, protected animals and protected birds, in any specified locality of Wyoming, and to give notice thereof.

W.S. §23-1-302 (a)(xxii) provides the Commission the authority to promulgate such orders as the commission considers necessary to carry out the intent of this act.

Edits have been made through this regulation to update references to federal regulations and submission of necessary information to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service ePermit System.

Section 7, Raptor Capture Licenses. Edits have been incorporated to clarify that the allocation of golden eagles to be taken from designated depredation areas shall be in accordance with standards developed by the National Flyway Council and the adoption of Golden Eagle Allocation Procedures, which went into effect March 2019.

Minor grammatical and formatting edits have been incorporated to provide additional clarity but do not change the intent of the rules and regulations.