

## KENTUCKY DEPARTMENT OF FISH & WILDLIFE RESOURCES

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## AUTHORIZATION REGARDING HUNTING AND FEEDING OF DEER PURSUANT TO KRS 150.025 AND 301 KAR 3:040

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Whereas Chronic Wasting Disease has been detected in free-ranging deer in Pulaski County, KY, thus activating the department's CWD Response Plan;

I do hereby authorize the following restrictions be lifted from 301 KAR 2:172 and 301 KAR 2:015 pertaining to the CWD Surveillance Zones Requirements in the Kentucky Counties of Casey, Laurel, Lincoln, McCreary, Pulaski, Rockcastle, Russell, Wayne, and Whitely Counties:

1. Prohibition on baiting and feeding of all wildlife by means of any grain, salt, mineral, or other attractants intended to be ingested.

I do hereby authorize the following restrictions be implemented in the CWD Surveillance Zones Requirements for the Kentucky Counties of Casey, Laurel, Lincoln, McCreary, Pulaski, Rockcastle, Russell, Wayne, and Whitley Counties:

1. Baiting will now be allowed under the authority established in this authorization, except contact style feeders (e.g., troughs, funnels, gravity feeders without spreading capabilities, etc.) are prohibited.

This authorization is effective immediately until the end of the 2025 – 2026 deer season.

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