

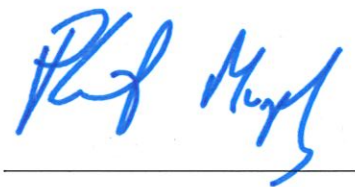
CERTIFICATION OF IMMINENT PERIL

The New Jersey Fish and Game Council has proposed the adoption of amendments to the Game Code, N.J.A.C. 7:25-5, and a 2022 Comprehensive Black Bear Management Plan (CBBMP) by emergency proceedings pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:14B-4(c) and N.J.A.C. 1:30-6.5. The text of this emergency adoption and the attached Statement of Imminent Peril, which includes a statement of reasons describing the imminent peril to the public health, safety, or welfare, have been submitted for my review and concurrence, along with the Commissioner of the Department of Environmental Protection's approval of the Comprehensive Black Bear Management Plan pursuant to N.J.S.A. 13:1B-28 and agreement with the Council's finding of imminent peril.

I hereby concur with the findings of the New Jersey Fish and Game Council and the Commissioner of the Department of Environmental Protection that an imminent peril exists warranting the above-described emergency adoption of amendments at N.J.A.C. 7:25-5 and the 2022 Comprehensive Black Bear Management Plan.

November 15, 2022

Date



Philip D. Murphy
Governor