15A NCAC 10B.0503 is amended under emergency procedures as follows:

15A NCAC 10B.0503 SURVEILLANCE AREA

(a) Placement of bait, food, food product, minerals, or salt licks to purposefully congregate wildlife shall be prohibited from January 2 through August 31 each year inside a Surveillance Area, except that bird feeders and other activities specifically permitted by the Commission shall be allowed. Placement of bait, food, or food products for the purpose of hunting during the urban archery season shall be allowed within the established season in participating municipalities.

(b) It is unlawful to export a live cervid, cervid carcass, or carcass parts originating from inside a Surveillance Area except:

   (1) meat that has been boned out such that no pieces or fragments of bone remain;

   (2) caped hides with no part of the skull or spinal column attached;

   (3) antlers, antlers attached to cleaned skull plates, or skulls free from meat or brain tissue;

   (4) cleaned lower jawbones with teeth or cleaned teeth;

   (5) finished taxidermy products and tanned hides; and

   (6) carcass or carcass parts permitted by the Commission for disposal outside of the Surveillance Area.

(c) White-tailed deer fawn rehabilitation is prohibited in a Surveillance Area.

(d) White-tailed deer fawns originating from within a Surveillance Area shall not be transported outside the Surveillance area.

(e) No person shall possess or use any substance or material that contains or is labeled as containing any excretion collected from a cervid, including feces, urine, blood, gland oil, or other bodily fluid for the purposes of taking or attempting to take, attracting, or scouting wildlife. This prohibition shall not apply to the following substances:

   (1) Products containing synthetic analogs of cervid excretions and labeled as such.

   (2) Natural substances collected from facilities within North Carolina that have a valid Farmed Cervid License from the North Carolina Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services and are labeled as such.

   (3) Natural deer urine products containing excretions from facilities within North Carolina that have a valid Farmed Cervid License from the North Carolina Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services and are labeled as such.

   (4) Natural deer urine products containing excretions from facilities that meet all the following requirements and are labeled as such:

      (A) Determined to be free of chronic wasting disease (CWD) based on testing by an independent laboratory using a method that may help detect the presence of CWD prions.

      (B) Complies with a federally approved CWD herd certification program and any federal CWD protocols.
Participates in additional herd management requirements as specified by the
Wildlife Resources Commission.

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