

and welfare, marine fisheries, shellfisheries, wildlife, economic benefits, the protection of life and property from flood, hurricane, and any other natural disaster, and the public policy set forth in this title. In granting a permit the Secretary may impose conditions or limitations designed to carry out the public policy set forth in this title. He may require a bond in an amount and with surety and conditions satisfactory to him, to secure compliance with any condition or limitation in the permit. The Secretary may suspend or revoke a permit if he finds that the applicant has not complied with any condition or limitation in the permit or has exceeded the scope of the work as set forth in the application. The Secretary shall state on the record, his findings and reasons for any action taken under this subsection. He shall give notice of his order of issuance, denial, revocation, or suspension of a permit in a newspaper published within and having a general circulation in the county where the wetland lies.

(c) The Secretary or his designee shall [hold a public hearing] ISSUE PUBLIC NOTICE on the matter within 60 days after receipt of an application for a permit filed pursuant to this section. The Secretary shall render a decision within 30 days after the [hearing] PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD. Failure to act in conformance with either of these requirements is automatic approval of the application for permit as submitted.

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(A) WHENEVER THE DEPARTMENT BELIEVES A VIOLATION OF ANY PROVISION OF THIS SUBTITLE OR ANY RULE OR REGULATION HAS OCCURRED, IT SHALL CAUSE A WRITTEN COMPLAINT TO BE SERVED UPON THE ALLEGED VIOLATOR. THE COMPLAINT SHALL SPECIFY THE PROVISION OF LAW OR RULE OR REGULATION ALLEGEDLY VIOLATED AND THE ALLEGED FACT THAT CONSTITUTES THE VIOLATION. SUBSEQUENT TO OR CONCURRENT WITH SERVICE OF THE COMPLAINT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (C) OF THIS SECTION, THE DEPARTMENT MAY ISSUE AN ORDER REQUIRING NECESSARY CORRECTIVE ACTION BE TAKEN WITHIN THE TIME PRESCRIBED IN ITS ORDER.

(B) ANY PERSON NAMED IN THE ORDER MAY REQUEST IN WRITING A HEARING BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT NOT LATER THAN 10 DAYS AFTER THE DATE THE ORDER IS SERVED, IN WHICH CASE A HEARING SHALL BE SCHEDULED WITHIN 10 DAYS FROM RECEIPT OF THE REQUEST. A DECISION SHALL BE RENDERED WITHIN 30 DAYS FROM THE DATE OF THE HEARING. NOTICE OF A HEARING SHALL BE SERVED ON THE ALLEGED VIOLATOR IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF SUBSECTION (C) OF THIS SECTION NOT LESS THAN 10 DAYS BEFORE THE TIME SET FOR THE HEARING. THE ORDER SHALL BECOME EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY ACCORDING TO ITS TERMS UPON SERVICE.

(C) EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED, ANY NOTICE, ORDER, OR OTHER INSTRUMENT ISSUED BY OR UNDER AUTHORITY OF THE DEPARTMENT MAY SHALL BE SERVED PERSONALLY OR BY PUBLICATION ON ANY PERSON