ORDINANCE NO. 140
COUNTY OF BUCKS, PENNSYLVANIA

AN ORDINANCE OF THE COUNTY OF BUCKS, PENNSYLVANIA, AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 95 ENACTED ON JULY 30, 1997, KNOWN AS THE “BUCKS COUNTY PARK RULES AND REGULATIONS” BY AMENDING THE PROVISIONS WITH REGARD TO FIREARMS.

WHEREAS, the County Commissioners of the County of Bucks enacted Ordinance No. 95 known as the “Bucks County Park Rules and Regulations” on July 30, 1997; and

WHEREAS, the County Commissioners desire to amend Ordinance No. 95 by amending Section 31.A. pertaining to firearms and deleting provisions that prohibit the carrying of firearms in or upon properties of the Bucks County Park system.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED AND ORDAINED by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Bucks, Pennsylvania, as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 31.A. of Ordinance No. 95 known as “Bucks County Park Rules and Regulations” is hereby amended by the deletion of Section 31.A. in its entirety. In its place, the following Section 31.A. shall be added:

SECTION 31. FIREARMS - HATCHETS and KNIVES, ETC.

No person shall,

A. Discharge or set off anywhere upon said properties, a revolver, pistol, shotgun, rifle, air rifle, air gun, water gun or any gun, rifle, firearm or bow or other weapon that discharges projectiles either by air, explosive substance or by any other force. Except that this section shall not apply to any deputy sheriff, police officer, peace officer, park ranger or other duly appointed law enforcement officer while carrying out the duties and responsibilities of his position nor to any person while on or in those areas which may from time to time be designated as hunting areas by the Department or while upon designated target ranges or areas.

SECTION 2. SEVERABILITY. The provisions of this Ordinance are severable. If any sentence, clause or section of this Ordinance is for any reason found to be unconstitutional, illegal or invalid, such unconstitutionally, illegality clauses or sections of this Ordinance, it is hereby declared to be the intention of the County Commissioners of the County of Bucks that this Ordinance would have been adopted had such unconstitutional, illegal or invalid sentence, clause or section not have been included herein.

SECTION 3. ORDINANCE REPEAL. All other provisions of said Ordinance No. 95, where the same are not inconsistent herewith, are ratified and confirmed.

This Ordinance shall become effective upon adoption.

ORDAINED AND ENACTED by the Board of Commissioners of the County of Bucks, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, this 18th day of May, 2011.

BUCKS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS:

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Attest:
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Lynn T. Bush
Chief Clerk