

**571—17.2(461A) Definitions.** For the purposes of this chapter, the following definitions apply:

“*Commission*” means the natural resource commission.

“*Deadman*” means an anchor buried in the upland adjacent to a fleeting area.

“*Department*” means the department of natural resources.

“*Director*” means the director of the department of natural resources or the director’s designee.

“*Dolphins*” means a closely grouped cluster of piles driven into the bed of a waterway and tied together so the group acts as a unit to withstand lateral forces from vessels or other floating objects.

“*Fleeting area*” means an area within defined boundaries used to provide barge mooring service and to accommodate ancillary harbor towing under care of a fleet operator. The term does not include momentary anchoring or tying off of tows in transit and under care of the line haul towboat.

“*Lease*” means a lease as authorized under Iowa Code section 461A.25.

“*Material*” means any size particle of sand, gravel, or stone.

“*Mooring barge*” means a barge held in place by anchors or spuds and used to moor other barges during their stay in the fleeting area.

“*Mooring cell*” means a sheet pile structure, usually filled with earth, stone, or concrete, used to hold barges or other vessels in place.

“*Permit*” means an agreement authorized under Iowa Code section 461A.53.

“*Person*” means any individual, firm, partnership, joint venture, joint stock company, association, public or private corporation, municipality, cooperative, estate, trust, receiver, executor, administrator, or fiduciary and any representative appointed by order of any court or otherwise acting on behalf of others.

“*Riparian rights*” means the legal rights that assure the owner of land abutting a stream or lake access to or use of the water.

“*State-owned lands and waters*” means lands and waters acquired by the state by fee title and sovereign lands and waters.

“*Watercraft*” means any vessel that through the buoyant force of water floats upon the water and is capable of carrying one or more persons.

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