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Game Warden Chris Kernahan Wins SE Region Torch Award

SOCIAL CIRCLE - Recently, Game Warden Chris Kernahan, who is assigned to Barrow County, was named the winner of the Torch Award for the Southeast Region of the North American Wildlife Enforcement Officers Association (NAWEOA) at their annual meeting in Cheyenne, Wyoming.

Presented annually, to an officer from each of the seven NAWEOA regions, to encourage professional development of Game Wardens who have not have worked as a wildlife enforcement officer more than five years. The recipients must have demonstrated a genuine desire to protect the resource and develop professionally, demonstrated exceptional ability and initiative in the performance of his or her duties, including public education, and be respected by his/her peers and the public.

"Chris is an officer who takes the initiative and believes in pro-active law enforcement," said DNR Law Enforcement Director Colonel Eddie Henderson. "His efforts this past year have been outstanding and he is certainly deserving of this award."

Kernahan has been with the Georgia Department of Natural Resources since 2005.

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