

Agenda Item 18

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Fall black bear seasons and regulations

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Spring Black Bear Seasons and Regulations

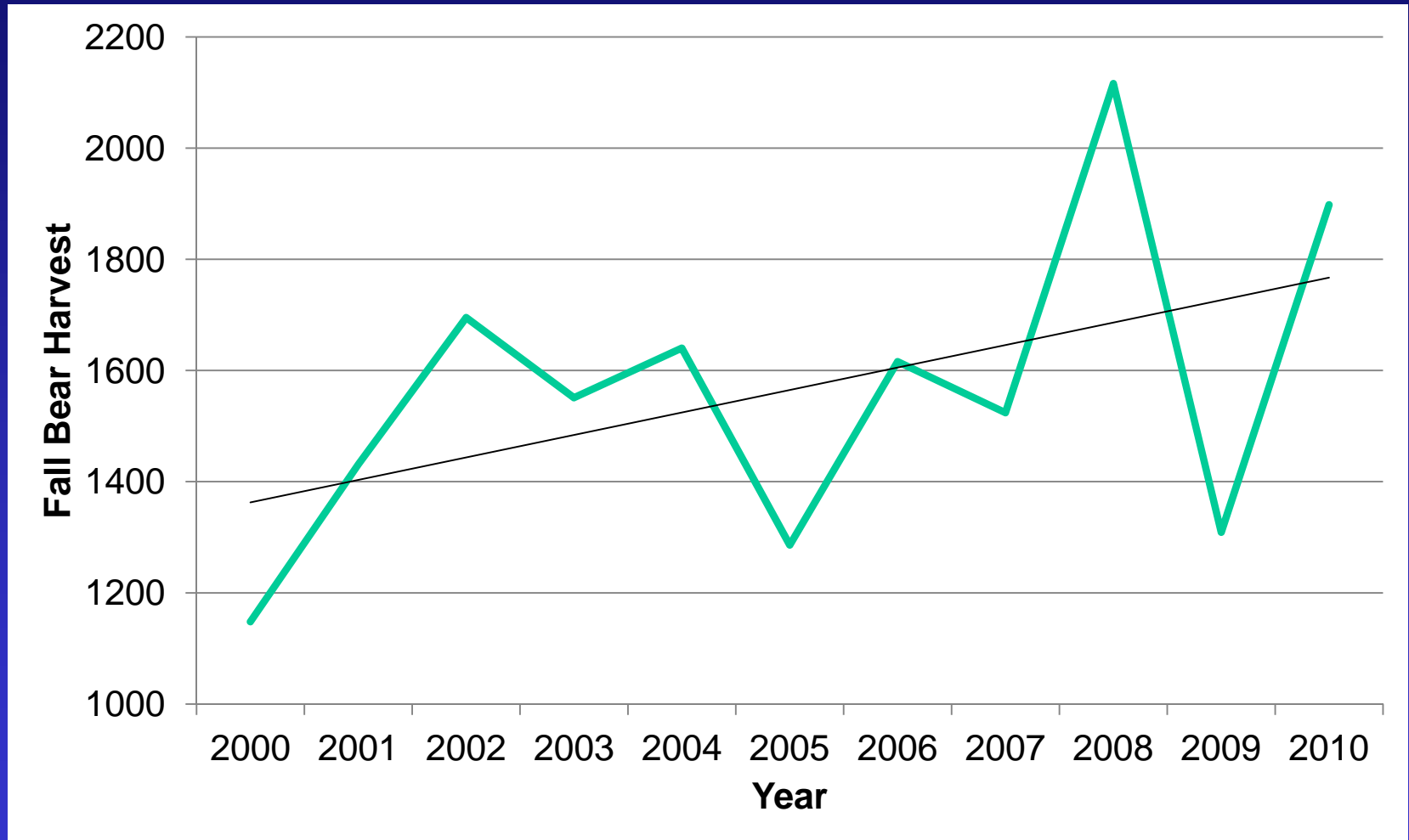
Game Management Plan

Objective 58

- Provide recreational hunting opportunities to annually harvest at least 800-1,200 bears statewide, while at the same time maintaining a sustainable bear population in each BBMU

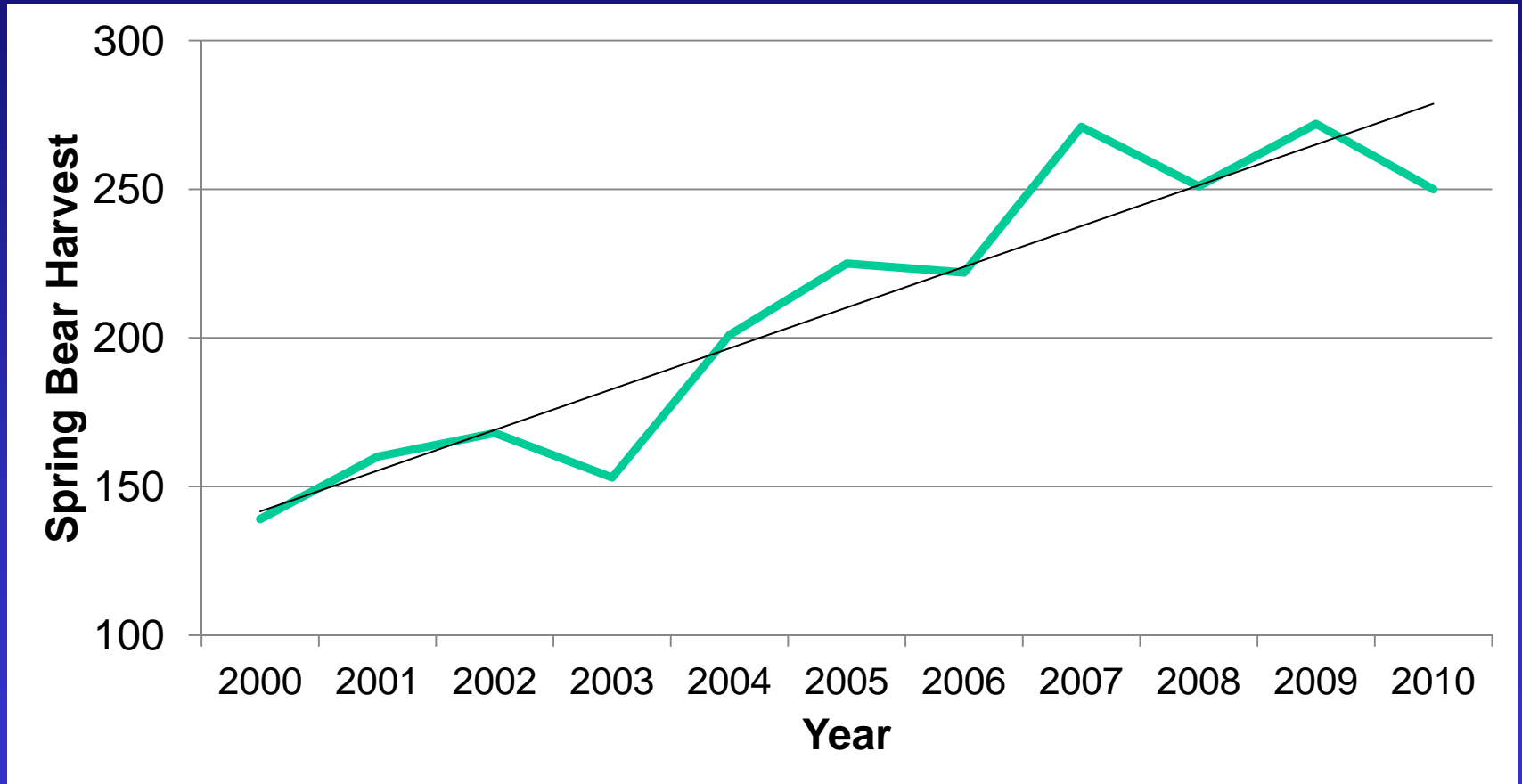
Parameter	Harvest		
	Liberalize	Acceptable	Restrict
% Females in harvest	< 35%	35-39%	> 39%
Median age of harvested females	> 6 years	5-6 years	< 5 years
Median age of harvested males	> 4 years	2-4 years	< 2 years

Statewide Fall Bear Harvest

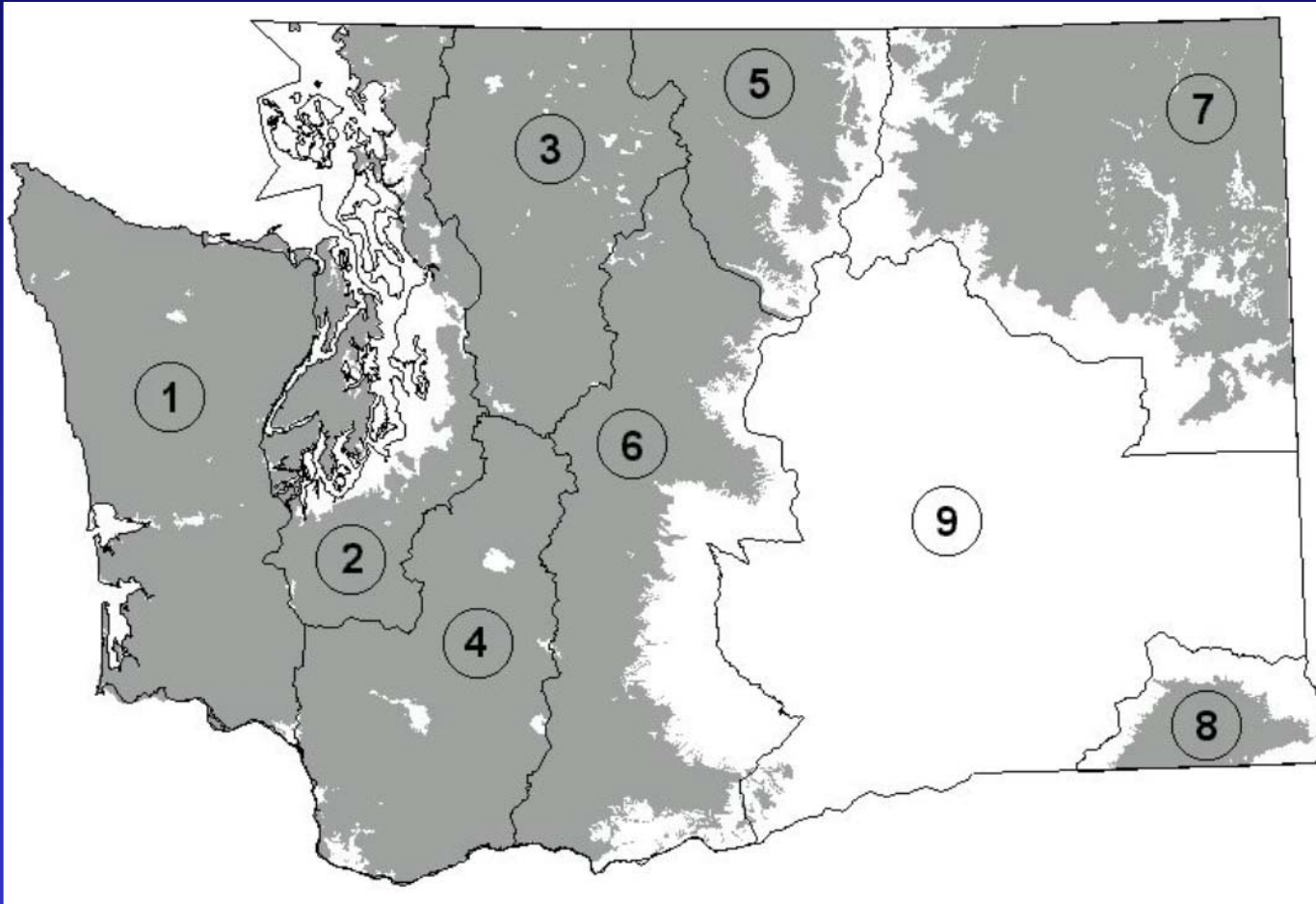


Statewide Spring Bear Harvest

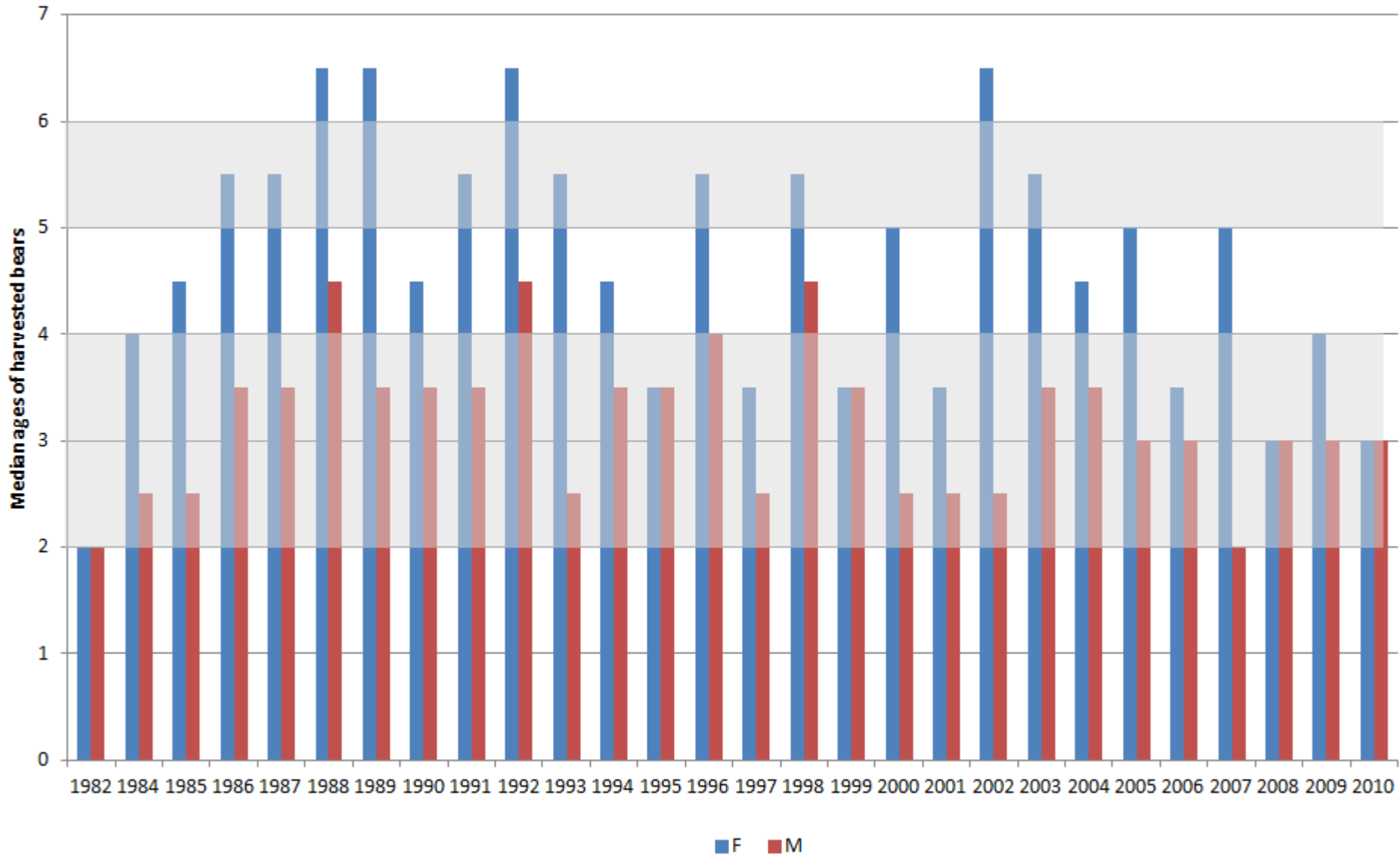
Spring Seasons and Tree Depredation Kills



Black bear Management Units



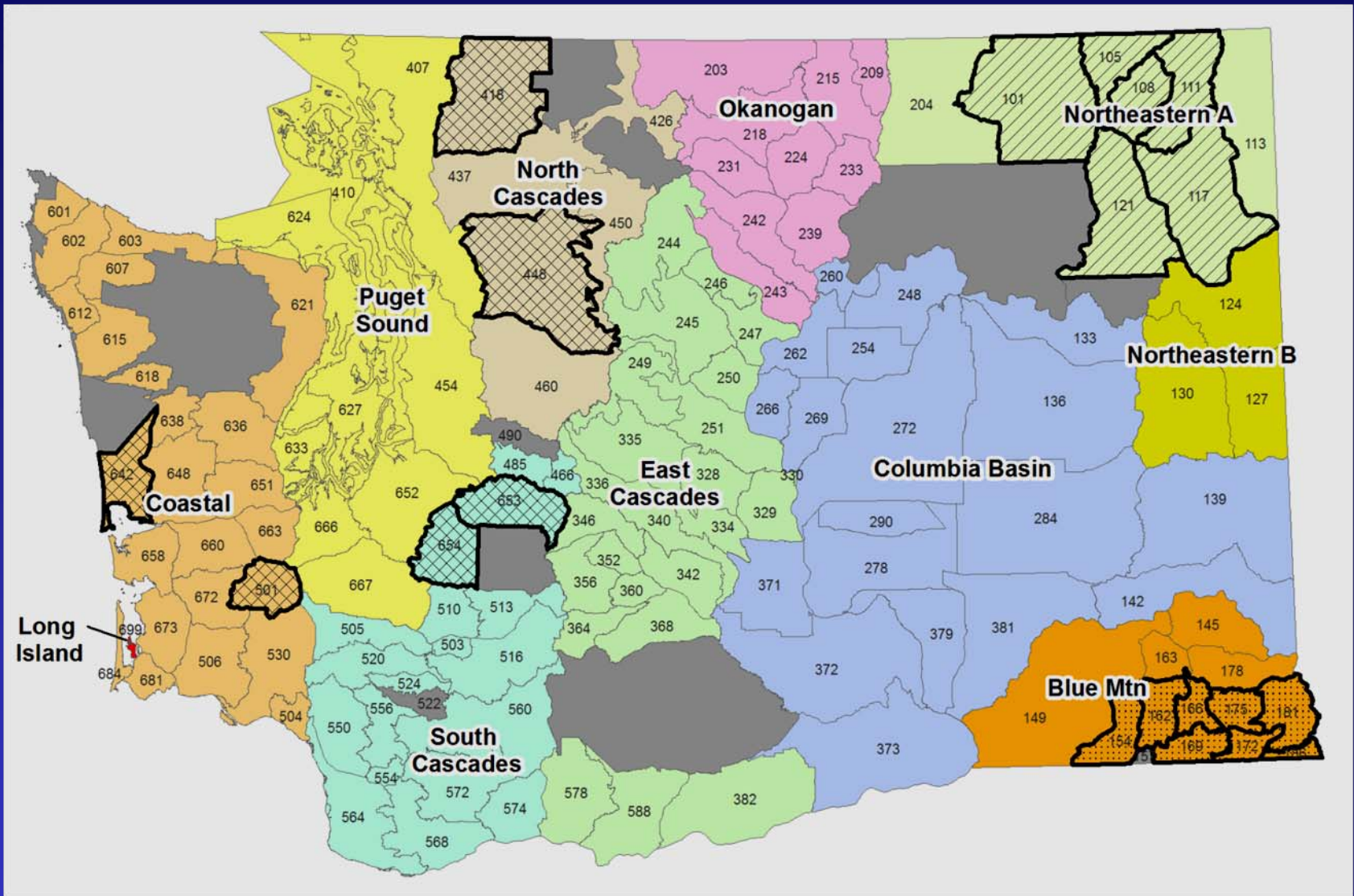
Northeastern BMMU



Recommendation

Status quo (except calendar date change)

Hunt Zone	Hunt Dates	Hunt Area GMUs
Coastal	Aug. 1-Nov. 15	GMUs 501, 504, 506, 530, 601, 602, 603, 607-621, 636-651, 658-663, 672-684
Puget Sound	Aug. 1-Nov. 15	GMUs 407, 410, 454, 624, 627, 633, 652, 666, 667
North Cascades	Aug. 1-Nov. 15	GMUs 418-450, 460
South Cascades	Aug. <u>15</u> -Nov. 15	GMUs 466, 485*, 503, 505, 510-520, 524, 550-574, 653, 654
Okanogan	Aug. <u>15</u> -Nov. 15	GMUs 203, 209-243
East Cascades	Aug. 1-Nov. 15	GMUs 244-247, 249-251, 328, 329-368, 382, 388, 578
Northeastern A	Sept. 1-Nov. 15	GMUs 101-121, 204
Northeastern B	Aug. <u>15</u> -Nov. 15	GMUs 124-130
Blue Mountains	Sept. 1-Nov. 15	GMUs 145-154, 162-186
Columbia Basin	Aug. 1-Nov. 15	GMUs 133, 136, 139, 142, 248, 254, 260-290, 371-381
Long Island	Sept. 1-Nov. 15	GMU 699**



Spring Bear Permits and Harvest

Eastern Washington only

Year	Permits	Eastside	Success
2004	105	14	13%
2005	105	13	12%
2006	105	17	16%
2007	225	40	18%
2008	225	--	--
2009	225	42	19%
2010	185	31	17%
2011	209	33	16%
2012	264	--	--

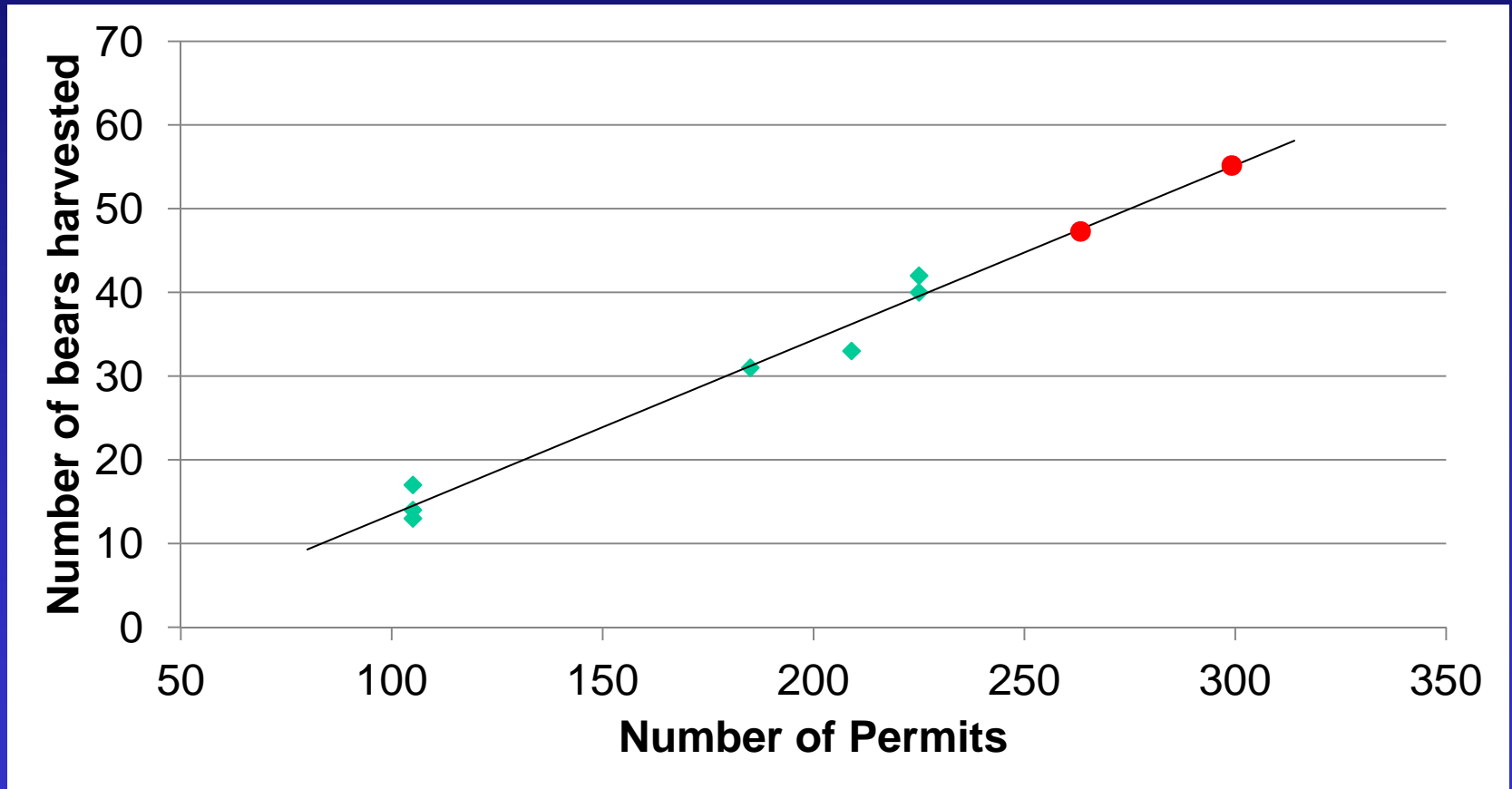
Hunt Choice	Hunt Name	Hunt Area	2013 Hunt Dates ^b	Permits	2012 Apps/ Avg Pts
7000	Sherman	GMU 101	April 1-June 15	25	445 / 4
7001	Kelly Hill	GMU 105	April 1-June 15	25	264 / 4
7002	Douglas	GMU 108	April 1-June 15	20	204 / 3
7003	Aladdin	GMU 111	April 1-June 15	25	236 / 2
7004	49 Degrees North	GMU 117	April 1-June 15	25	143 / 4
7005	Huckleberry	GMU 121	April 1-June 15	25	366 / 3
7006	Blue Creek	GMU 154	April 15-May 31	15	352 / 4
7007	Dayton	GMU 162	April 15-May 31	15	624 / 5
7008	Tucannon	GMU 166	April 15-May 31	5	376 / 4
7009	Wenaha	GMU 169	April 15-June 15	45	488 / 4
7010	Mt. View	GMU 172	April 15-May 31	15	190 / 3
7011	Lick Creek	GMU 175	April 15 - May 31	15	267 / 4
7012	Couse	GMU 181	April 15-May 31	4	37 / 3
7013	Grande Ronde	GMU 186	April 15-May 31	5	49 / 2
7014	North Skagit ^a	That portion of GMU 418 that is designated as the hunt area by DNR, Sierra Pacific, and Grandy Lake Timber company.	April 15-May 31	20	327 / 3
7015	Monroe ^a	That portion of GMU 448 that is designated as the hunt area by DNR, <u>Campbell Group</u> , and Longview Timber Lands.	April 15-May 31	25	334 / 3
7016	Copalis ^a	That portion of GMU 642 that is designated as the hunt area by Rayonier Timber Company.	April 15-June 15	100	255 / 2
7017	Kapowsin ^a	That portion of GMUs 653 and/or 654 that is designated as the hunt area by Hancock Forest Management and International Forestry.	April 15-June 15	150	480 / 2
7018	<u>Lincoln</u> ^a	<u>That portion of GMU 501 that is designated by Weyerhaeuser Company and other participating commercial timber landowners as the hunt area.</u>	<u>April 15-June 15</u>	<u>78</u>	<u>395 / 2</u>

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Questions