

Game Management Unit Boundaries

232-28-331 and 232-28-335

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Summary

Meeting dates: March 20-21, 2015

Agenda item: Game Management Unit Boundaries

Presenter: Jerry Nelson, Ph.D., Deer and Elk Section Manager, Wildlife Program

Background summary:

Staff will brief the Commission on proposed amendments to WAC 232-28-331 Game Management Boundary Descriptions Region 1, and WAC 232-28-335 Game Management Boundary Descriptions Region 5.

The proposed changes to the Game Management Boundary Descriptions Region 1 will better clarify the boundary between two GMUs which has proved to be problematic in recent history for hunters and Enforcement.

The proposed changes to the Game Management Boundary Descriptions Region 5 would help facilitate moving the Margaret unit (GMU 524) to a general elk season, and helps with the creation of a new Elk Area (Norway Pass) in which a new Quality special permit hunting opportunity is proposed. The proposed change would not incorporate areas deemed sensitive by the Mount St. Helens National Monument. This proposed change should not impact the level of grouse, deer, and bear hunting currently taking place on public land.

Policy issue(s) you are bringing to the Commission for consideration:

- Maximizing recreational hunting opportunity.
 - Managing wildlife conflict issues utilizing hunters.
 - Managing wildlife conflict issues by influencing the distribution of elk.
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Public involvement process used and what you learned:

The Department conducted an extensive public involvement process to develop the 2015-2017 hunting season recommendations. This summer, two online issue scoping surveys were made available to the public. The first survey laid out major issues of concern. The second survey was a follow-up based on the public response received from the first survey. The department also held six public meetings, three on each side of the state. Both the surveys and the meetings were publicized via news release, WDFW's website and an email to hunters from the last five years. Also, a request for comment was sent to over 9000 individuals and organizations through the rulemaking process. Additionally, these individuals and organizations were informed of the opportunity to provide verbal testimony at the March 20-21, 2015 Commission Meeting in Moses Lake.

Action requested:

Briefing and public hearing only.

Draft motion language:

Briefing and public hearing only.

Justification for Commission action:

- To provide opportunities to hunters, consistent with achieving management objectives.
- To address and prevent wildlife conflict problems.

Communications Plan:

WDFW Website
News Releases
Hunting Pamphlet

Form revised 12/5/12

AMENDATORY SECTION (Amending WSR 11-11-013, filed 5/6/11, effective 6/6/11)

WAC 232-28-331 Game management units (GMUs) boundary descriptions—Region one.

GMU 101-SHERMAN (Ferry and Okanogan counties):

Beginning at the Kettle River and the US-Canadian border near the Ferry Customs Office, north of the town of Toroda; E on the US-Canadian border to the Kettle River, east of the town of Laurier; S down the Kettle River (Ferry-Stevens county line) to the mouth of the Kettle River on Lake Roosevelt; S down the western shore of Lake Roosevelt to the northeastern corner of the Colville Indian reservation; W on the northern Colville Indian reservation boundary to State Route (SR) 21; N on SR 21 to SR 20 at the town of Republic; NW on SR 20 to Toroda Creek Rd at the town of Wauconda; NE on the Toroda Creek Rd to Toroda Creek at the town of Toroda; E along Toroda Creek to its mouth on the Kettle River; N up the Kettle River to the US-Canadian border near the Ferry Customs Office north of the town of Toroda and point of beginning.

GMU 105-KELLYHILL (Stevens County):

Beginning at the Kettle River (Ferry-Stevens county line) and the US-Canadian border east of the town of Laurier; E on the US-Canadian border to Lake Roosevelt (Columbia River); SW along the eastern shore of Lake Roosevelt to the US Hwy (US) 395 bridge; W on US 395 over the bridge to the western shore of Lake Roosevelt; N on the western shore of Lake Roosevelt to the mouth of the Kettle River; N up the Kettle River (Ferry-Stevens county line) to the US-Canadian border east of the town of Laurier and the point of beginning.

GMU 108-DOUGLAS (Stevens County):

Beginning at the junction of US Hwy (US) 395 and State Route (SR) 20 in the town of Colville; NW on US 395 (SR 20) to the bridge over Lake Roosevelt; N up the southeastern shore of Lake Roosevelt and Columbia River to the SR 25 bridge over the Columbia River at the town of Northport; S on SR 25 to Colville-Aladdin-Northport Rd in the town of Northport; SW on the Colville-Aladdin-Northport Rd to SR 20, E of the town of Colville; W on SR 20 to US 395 at the town of Colville and point of beginning.

GMU 111-ALADDIN (Stevens and Pend Oreille counties):

Beginning at the junction of the Colville-Aladdin-Northport Rd and State Route (SR) 20 on the east side of Colville; N on Aladdin Rd to SR 25 at the town of Northport; N on SR 25 to the bridge over the Co-

lumbia River; NE along the southeastern shoreline of the Columbia River to the US-Canadian border; E along the US-Canadian border to the Pend Oreille River; S along the western shoreline of the Pend Oreille River to Tiger East Rd, which is due east of the town of Tiger; W on the Tiger East Rd to SR 20 at the town of Tiger; W and S on SR 20 to the junction with the Aladdin Rd, E of the town of Colville and point of beginning.

GMU 113-SELKIRK (Pend Oreille County):

Beginning on the western shore of the Pend Oreille River at the US-Canadian border; E on the US-Canadian border to the Washington-Idaho state line; S on the Washington-Idaho state line to the southwestern shore of the Pend Oreille River at the town of Newport; NW along the southwestern shore of the Pend Oreille River to the US-Canadian border and the point of beginning.

GMU 117-49 DEGREES NORTH (Stevens and Pend Oreille counties):

Beginning at junction of State Route (SR) 20 and US Hwy (US) 395 at the town of Colville; E on SR 20 to Tiger East Rd at the town of Tiger; E on Tiger East Rd to western shore of the Pend Oreille River; S along the southwestern shore of the Pend Oreille River to the Washington-Idaho state line; S along the Washington-Idaho state line to US 2 in the town of Newport; SW and S on US 2 to the Deer Park-Milan Rd;

W on the Deer Park-Milan Rd to US 395 at the town of Deer Park; NW on US 395 to its junction with SR 20 at the town of Colville and the point of the beginning.

GMU 121-HUCKLEBERRY (Stevens County):

Beginning at the US Hwy (US) 395 bridge over Lake Roosevelt (Columbia River) NW of the town of Kettle Falls; SE on US 395 through Colville and Chewelah to State Route (SR) 292 at Loon Lake; W on SR 292 to SR 231 at the town of Springdale; S on SR 231 to the first tributary of Chamokane Creek intersecting SR 231 south of the northeast corner of the Spokane Indian reservation; SW on the said tributary to Chamokane Creek, the northern boundary of the Spokane Indian reservation; W along the northern border of the Spokane Indian Reservation border to eastern boundary of the Colville Indian reservation on the Ferry-Stevens county line on Lake Roosevelt; N along the Colville Indian reservation boundary to its northern corner on Lake Roosevelt; W along Colville Indian reservation boundary to the western shore of Lake Roosevelt; N along western shore of Lake Roosevelt to the US 395 bridge over Lake Roosevelt northwest of the town of Kettle Falls and the point of beginning.

GMU 124-MOUNT SPOKANE (Spokane, Stevens and Pend Oreille counties):

Beginning at the junction of State Route (SR) 231 and SR 292 at the town of Springdale; E on SR 292 to US Hwy (US) 395 at Loon Lake; SE on US 395 to the Deer Park-Milan Rd; E on the Deer Park-Milan Rd to US 2; N and NE on US 2 to the Washington-Idaho state line at the town of Newport; S on the Washington-Idaho state line to the Spokane River; W and NW down the north shore of Spokane River to Chamokane Creek (Spokane Indian reservation boundary); N along the Chamokane Creek to the last Chamokane Creek tributary before the northeastern corner of the Spokane Indian reservation; NE up said tributary to SR 231; N on SR 231 to SR 292 at the town of Springdale and the point of beginning.

GMU 127-MICA PEAK (Spokane County):

Beginning at the mouth of Latah Creek (Hangman Creek) on the Spokane River; E up the south shore of the Spokane River to the Maple Street Bridge; N across the Maple Street Bridge to the north shore of the Spokane River; E on the north shore of the Spokane River to the Washington-Idaho state line; S on the Washington-Idaho state line to State Route (SR) 274 at the town of Willard; SW on SR 274 to SR 27 at the town of Tekoa; NW on SR 27 to Fairbanks Rd; W on Fairbanks Rd to Spring Valley Rd; NW on Spring Valley Rd to Dunn Rd; SW on Dunn Rd to Merritt Rd; W on Merritt Rd to US Hwy (US) 195; N on US 195 to Inter-

state Hwy (I)-90; E on I-90 to Latah Creek; N down Latah Creek to the Spokane River and the point of the beginning.

GMU 130-CHENEY (Spokane and Lincoln counties):

Beginning on the Spokane River and State Route (SR) 231; E up the north shore of the Spokane River to the Maple Street Bridge; S on the Maple Street Bridge to the south shore of the Spokane River; W on the south shore of the Spokane River to Latah Creek (Hangman Creek) in Spokane; S up Latah Creek to Interstate Hwy (I)-90; W on I-90 to US Hwy (US) 195; S on US 195 to Rosalia exit and south to Gashous Rd in the town of Rosalia; W on Gashous Rd to Squaw Rd; NW on Squaw Rd to Blackman Rd; W on Blackman Rd to Texas Ferry Rd; S on Texas Ferry Rd to Siegel Rd; W on Siegel Rd to Belsby Rd; W on Belsby Rd to Henderson Rd; W on Henderson Rd to Mullinix Rd; N on Mullinix Rd to Reed Rd; W on Reed Rd to Spuler Rd; S on Spuler Rd to Dewey Rd; W on Dewey Rd to SR 23; NW along SR 23 to SR 231; N on SR 231 to US 2; E on US 2 to SR 231 at the town of Reardan; N along SR 231 to the Spokane River and to the point of beginning.

GMU 133-ROOSEVELT (Lincoln County):

Beginning at the east end of the Grand Coulee Dam at Lake Roosevelt; E along the Grant-Okanogan, Lincoln-Okanogan, Lincoln-Ferry county lines on Lake Roosevelt to the Spokane River; E up the Spokane River, fol-

lowing the Lincoln-Stevens county line, to State Route (SR) 231; S on SR 231 to US Hwy (US) 2 at the town of Reardan; W on US 2 to SR 21 at the town of Wilbur; N on SR 21 to SR 174; NW on SR 174 to SR 155 at the town of Grand Coulee; NE on SR 155 to the access road to the Grand Coulee Dam causeway (access restricted); E on the causeway access road to the east end of the Grand Coulee Dam at Lake Roosevelt and the point of the beginning.

GMU 136-HARRINGTON (Lincoln and Grant counties):

Beginning at the town of Grand Coulee at State Route (SR) 174 and Rd W NE (Grand Coulee Hill Rd); SE on SR 174 to US Hwy (US) 2 at the town of Wilbur; E on US 2 to SR 231; S on 231 to SR 23; S on SR 23 to Interstate Hwy (I)-90; SW on I-90 to Danekas Rd (Interstate Hwy Exit 231); W on Danekas Rd to Tokio Rd; W on Tokio Rd to Marcellus Rd; N on Marcellus Rd to Davis Rd; W on Davis Rd to Rd 12 NE; W on Rd 12 NE to Rd W NE; N on Rd W NE to Rd X NE at the town of Marlin; N on Rd X NE to Kiner Rd; NE, E, N, E, and N on Kiner Rd to US 2, east of the town of Almira; SW on US 2 to Main Rd; W on Main St to N 3rd St; N on 3rd St to Old Coulee Rd; N on Old Coulee Rd to Douglas Rd; W on Douglas Rd to Peterson Rd; N on Peterson Rd to 51 NE Rd; E on 51 NE Rd to Rd W NE; N on Rd W NE to Grand Coulee Hill Rd; N on Grand Coulee Hill Rd to SR 174 in the town of Grand Coulee and the point of the beginning.

GMU 139-STEPTOE (Lincoln, Whitman, and Spokane counties):

Beginning at the Washington-Idaho state line and State Route (SR) 274 at the town of Willard; W on SR 274 to SR 27 at the town of Tekoa; NW on SR 27 to Fairbanks Rd; Fairbanks Rd to Spring Valley Rd; NW on Spring Valley Rd to Dunn Rd; SW on Dunn Rd to Merritt Rd; W on Merritt Rd to the town of Rosalia; from Rosalia, W on Gashous Rd to Squaw Rd; NW on Squaw Rd to Blackman Rd; W on Blackman Rd to Texas Ferry Rd; S on Texas Ferry Rd to Siegel Rd; W on Siegel Rd to Belsby Rd; W on Belsby Rd to Henderson Rd; W on Henderson Rd to Mullinix Rd; N on Mullinix Rd to Reed Rd; W on Reed Rd to Spuler Rd; S on Spuler Rd to Dewey Rd; W on Dewey Rd to SR 23; N on SR 23 to Lamont Rd; SW on Lamont Rd to Revere Rd; S on Revere Rd to Jordan-Knott Rd; S on Jordan-Knott Rd to Rock Creek; S down Rock Creek to the Palouse River; S down the Palouse River to SR 26; E along SR 26 to US Hwy (US) 195 at the town of Colfax; S on US 195 to SR 270; E on SR 270 to Washington-Idaho state line; N on the Washington-Idaho state line to SR 274 at the town of Willard and the point of the beginning.

GMU 142-ALMOTA (Whitman County):

Beginning at US Hwy (US) 195 and State Route (SR) 26 at the town of Colfax; SE on US 195 to SR 270; E on SR 270, through the town of Pullman to the Washington-Idaho state line near Moscow, Idaho; S along the

Washington-Idaho state line to the Snake River (Asotin-Whitman county line), north of the town of Clarkston; W along the Snake River (Asotin-Whitman, Garfield-Whitman, and Columbia-Whitman county line) to the mouth of the Palouse River (Franklin-Whitman county line); N and E up the Palouse River (Franklin-Whitman and Whitman-Adams county lines) to SR 26, west of the town of Gordon; E on SR 26 (Washtucna-Lacrosse Hwy) to US 195 at the town of Colfax and the point of beginning.

GMU 145-MAYVIEW (Garfield and Asotin counties):

Beginning at the State Route (SR) 127 bridge crossing the Snake River (Whitman-Garfield county line) at Central Ferry; E along the Snake River (Whitman-Asotin and Whitman-Garfield county lines) to the mouth of Alpowa Creek; S up Alpowa Creek to the US Hwy (US) 12 bridge; W on US 12 to SR 127; N on SR 127 (Central Ferry Hwy) to the bridge crossing the Snake River (Garfield-Whitman county line) at Central Ferry and the point of beginning.

GMU 149-PRESCOTT (Walla Walla, Columbia, and Garfield counties):

Beginning on the Columbia River at the mouth of the Snake River (Benton-Franklin-Walla Walla county line); NE and E along the Snake River (Franklin-Walla Walla, Whitman-Columbia, and Whitman-Garfield county lines) to State Route (SR) 127 bridge at Central Ferry; S on SR 127 (Central Ferry Hwy) to US Hwy (US) 12 at Dodge Junction; SW on US 12,

through the towns of Dayton and Waitsburg, to SR 125 at the town of Walla Walla; S on SR 125 to the Washington-Oregon state line; W on the Washington-Oregon state line to the Columbia River (Benton-Walla Walla county line); N along the Columbia River (Benton-Walla Walla county line) to the mouth of the Snake River and the point of beginning.

GMU 154-BLUE CREEK (Walla Walla and Columbia counties):

Beginning on US Hwy (US) 12 at the town of Waitsburg; NE on US 12 to Lower Hogeye Rd at Long Station; E on Lower Hogeye Rd to Bowman Hill Rd; SW on Bowman Hill Rd to the Payne Hollow Rd; S on the Payne Hollow Rd to Jasper Mountain Rd; S on Jasper Mountain Rd to Mt. Pleasant Rd; S on Mt. Pleasant Rd to Dent Rd; S on Dent Rd to the Lewis Peak Rd; S on the Lewis Peak Rd to Lewis Peak Trail; SE on Lewis Peak Trail to US Forest Service (USFS) Trail 3211 (Mill Creek Watershed Intake Trail); SW on USFS Trail 3211 to the Washington-Oregon state line; W on the Washington-Oregon state line to State Route (SR) 125; N on SR 125 to US 12; NE on US 12 to the town of Waitsburg and the point of beginning.

GMU 157-MILL CREEK WATERSHED (Walla Walla and Columbia counties):

Beginning at US Forest Service (USFS) Trail 3211 (Mill Creek Watershed Intake Trail) at the Washington-Oregon state line; NE and E on USFS Trail 3211 to USFS Rd 64; S on the USFS Rd 64 to the Washington-Oregon

state line; W on the Washington-Oregon state line to USFS Trail 3211 and the point of beginning.

GMU 162-DAYTON (Walla Walla and Columbia counties):

Beginning at the junction of US Hwy (US) 12 and Patit Rd in the town of Dayton; E on the Patit Rd to the Hartsock Grade Rd-Maloney Mountain Rd intersection; S on Maloney Mountain Rd to US Forest Service (USFS) Rd 4625 (Maloney Mountain Rd); S and W on to USFS Rd 4625 to Skyline Drive Rd; SE on Skyline Drive Rd to USFS Rd 46 (Skyline Drive Rd); S on USFS Rd 46 to USFS Rd 64; S on USFS Rd 64 to USFS Trail 3211 (Mill Creek Watershed Intake Trail); W on USFS Trail 3211 to the Lewis Peak Trail; NW on the Lewis Peak Trail to Lewis Peak Rd; N on the Lewis Peak Rd to Dent Rd; N on Dent Rd to Mt. Pleasant Rd; N on the Mt. Pleasant Rd to the Jasper Mountain Rd; N on the Jasper Mountain Rd to Payne Hollow Rd; N on Payne Hollow Rd to Bowman Hill Rd; NE on Bowman Hill Rd to Lower Hogeye Rd; W on Lower Hogeye Rd to US 12 at Long Station; NE on US 12 to its junction with Patit Rd at the town of Dayton and the point of beginning.

GMU 163-MARENGO (Columbia and Garfield counties):

Beginning at the junction of US Hwy (US) 12 and Patit Rd in the town of Dayton; N and E on US 12 to the Tatman Mountain Rd at Zumwalt; SE on Tatman Mountain Rd to Linville Gulch Rd; S on the Linville Gulch Rd

to the Blind Grade Rd; SW on the Blind Grade Rd to the Tucannon Rd; N on the Tucannon Rd to the Hartsock Grade Rd; S on the Hartsock Grade Rd to the Patit Rd; W on the Patit Rd to US 12 in the town of Dayton and the point of beginning.

GMU 166-TUCANNON (Columbia and Garfield counties):

Beginning at the intersection of the Hartsock Grade Rd and the Tucannon Rd; SE on the Tucannon Rd to the elk drift fence at the northern boundary of the W.T. Wooten Wildlife Area; E and S along the elk drift fence to the US Forest Service (USFS) Rd 40 (Mountain Rd) at the Umatilla National Forest's northern boundary; S on the USFS Rd 40 to USFS Rd 4030 (Diamond Peak Rd); W on USFS Rd 4030 to USFS Trail 3113 (Diamond Peak Trail-Bullfrog Springs Trail-Oregon Butte Trail) at Diamond Peak; W on USFS Trail 3113 to USFS Trail 3136 (Teepee Trail); W along USFS Trail 3136 to USFS Rd 4608 (Teepee Rd) at Teepee Camp; W on the USFS Rd 4608 to USFS Rd 46 (Skyline Drive Rd); N on the USFS Rd 46 to Skyline Drive Rd; N on Skyline Drive Rd to the Maloney Mountain Rd; W on Maloney Mountain Rd to USFS Rd 4625 (Maloney Mountain Rd); E and N on the USFS Rd 4625 (Maloney Mountain Rd) to the Hartsock Grade Rd; N on the Hartsock Grade Rd to the Tucannon Rd and the point of the beginning.

GMU 169-WENAHA (Columbia, Garfield and Asotin counties):

Beginning on the Washington-Oregon state line at the US Forest Service (USFS) Rd 64; N on USFS Rd 64 to USFS Rd 46 (Skyline Dr); E on USFS Rd 46 to USFS Rd 4608 (Teepee Rd) at Godman Springs; E on USFS Rd 4608 to USFS Trail 3136 (Teepee Trail) at Teepee Camp; E on the USFS Trail 3136 to USFS Trail 3113 (Oregon Butte Trail-Bullfrog Springs Trail-Diamond Peak Trail); E on USFS Trail 3113 to USFS Rd 4030 (Diamond Peak Rd) at Diamond Peak; E on USFS Rd 4030 to USFS Rd 40 (Mountain Rd); S along USFS Rd 40 to USFS Rd 4039 (South Boundary Rd); SW along USFS Rd 4039 to USFS Trail 3133 (Three Forks Trail); NW on USFS Trail 3133 to USFS Trail 3100; S on USFS Trail 3100 to the Washington-Oregon state line; due W on the Washington-Oregon state line to USFS Rd 64 and the point of beginning.

GMU 172-MOUNTAIN VIEW (Garfield and Asotin counties):

Beginning on the Washington-Oregon state line at US Forest Service (USFS) Trail 3100; N on USFS Trail 3100 to USFS Trail 3133 (Three Forks Trail); SE on USFS Trail 3133 (Three Forks Trail) to USFS Rd 4039 (South Boundary Rd); NE on USFS Rd 4039 to USFS Rd 40 (Mountain Rd); N on USFS Rd 40 to USFS Rd 44 (Mount Misery-Big Butte Rd) at Misery junction; E on USFS Rd 44 to USFS Rd 43; E on USFS Rd 43 to USFS Rd 4304; E on USFS Rd 4304 to West Mountain Rd; NE on the West Mountain Rd to Bennett Ridge Rd; N on Bennett Ridge Rd to Mill Rd; E on

Mill Rd to State Route (SR) 129 at the town of Anatone; SW on SR 129 to the Washington-Oregon state line; due W on the Washington-Oregon state line to USFS Trail 3100 and the point of beginning.

GMU 175-LICK CREEK (Garfield and Asotin counties):

Beginning at the intersection of US Forest Service (USFS) Rd 40 (Mountain Rd) and the elk drift fence on the Umatilla National Forest's northern boundary; E along the elk drift fence to its end at the eastern border section line of Section 2, T9N, R43E; due S from the end to the elk drift fence on section line of Section 2, T9N, R43E to Charley Creek; E down Charley Creek to Asotin Creek; S down Asotin Creek to the South Fork Asotin Creek Rd; S up the South Fork Asotin Creek Rd to Campbell Grade Rd; E on the Campbell Grade Rd to Back Rd; (~~N and E~~) S on Back Rd to the Cloverland Rd; S on Cloverland Rd to its junction with the Umatilla National Forest's eastern boundary fence; E and S on the USFS boundary fence past Big Butte to USFS Rd 4303 (Big Butte Rd-Mount Misery Rd); W on USFS Rd 4304 to USFS Rd 43; W on USFS Rd 43 to USFS Rd 44; W on USFS Rd 44 to USFS Rd 40 (Mountain Rd) at Misery junction; NW on USFS Rd 40 (Mountain Rd) to the intersection with the elk drift fence on the Umatilla National Forest's northern boundary and the point of beginning.

GMU 178-PEOLA (Garfield and Asotin counties):

Beginning at the intersection of US Hwy (US) 12 and Tatman Mountain Rd at Zumwalt; E on US 12 to bridge near the mouth of Alpowa Creek; N down Alpowa Creek to the Snake River; E and S along the Snake River (Asotin-Whitman county line, Washington-Idaho state line) to the mouth of Asotin Creek; W along Asotin Creek to Charley Creek; W along Charley Creek to the unit boundary marker at the eastern border section line of Section 2, T9N, R43E; N on eastern border section line of Section 2, T9N, R43E to end of the elk drift fence; W along the elk drift fence to the boundary of the W.T. Wooten Wildlife Area; NW and W along the elk drift fence to the Tucannon Rd; N on the Tucannon Rd to Blind Grade Rd; NE up Blind Grade Rd to the Linville Gulch Rd; N on the Linville Gulch Rd to Tatman Mountain Rd; NW up Tatman Mountain Rd to US 12 at Zumwalt and the point of beginning.

GMU 181-COUSE (Asotin County):

Beginning at the mouth of Asotin Creek on the Snake River at the town of Asotin; S along the Snake River (Washington-Idaho state line) to the Grande Ronde River; W along the north shore of Grande Ronde River to State Route (SR) 129; NW on SR 129 to Mill Rd in the town of Anantone; W on Mill Rd to Bennett Ridge Rd; S and W on Bennett Ridge Rd to West Mountain Rd; SW on West Mountain Rd to Umatilla National Forest eastern boundary fence at Big Butte; N along the Umatilla National

Forest boundary fence to Cloverland Rd; NE on Cloverland Rd to the first, southernmost intersection with Back Rd; ((W and S)) N on Back Rd to Campbell Grade Rd; W on the Campbell Grade Rd to South Fork Asotin Creek Rd; NE on South Fork Asotin Creek Rd to Asotin Creek; NE down Asotin Creek to the Snake River at the town of Asotin and the point of beginning.

GMU 186-GRANDE RONDE (Asotin County):

Beginning on the Washington-Oregon state line and State Route (SR) 129; N on SR 129 to the Grande Ronde River; E along the north shore of the Grande Ronde River to the Snake River (Washington-Idaho state line); S along the Snake River (Washington-Idaho state line) to the Washington-Oregon state line; W on the Washington-Oregon state line to SR 129 and the point of beginning.

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AMENDATORY SECTION (Amending WSR 11-11-013, filed 5/6/11, effective 6/6/11)

WAC 232-28-335 Game management units (GMUs) boundary descriptions—Region five.

GMU 501-LINCOLN (Lewis, Thurston, Pacific, and Grays Harbor counties):

Beginning at the intersection of Interstate Hwy (I)-5 and State Route (SR) 6; W on SR 6 to Stevens Rd; NW on Stevens Rd to Elk Creek Rd at the town of Doty; W on Elk Creek Rd to Weyerhaeuser (Weyco) 7000 line; W and N on Weyco 7000 line to Weyco 7400 line; N on Weyco 7400 line to Weyco 7050 line; NE on Weyco 7050 line to Weyco 7000 line; NW and N on Weyco 7000 line to the Weyco 7800 line; N on Weyco 7800 line to Weyco 7800 F line; NE on Weyco 7800 F line to Weyco 720 line; E on Weyco 720 line to Weyco 723 line; NW on Weyco 723 line to the Weyco C line; NE on Weyco C line to Garrard Creek Rd; NE on Garrard Creek Rd to South Bank Rd; E on South Bank Rd to North State St; N on North State St to US Hwy (US) 12 at the town of Oakville; E on US 12 to I-5; S on I-5 to SR 6 and point of beginning.

GMU 503-RANDLE (Lewis County):

Beginning at the intersection of US Hwy (US) 12 and the Rayonier 100 Mainline (Kosmos Rd, Old Champion Haul Rd); E on US 12 to State Route

(SR) 131; S on SR 131 to US Forest Service (USFS) Rd 25; S on the USFS Rd 25 to the Cispus River; W on the Cispus River to Rayonier 271 line; S on the Rayonier 271 line to the Rayonier 300 line; W on the Rayonier 300 line to the Rayonier 100 line (Kosmos Haul Rd); N on the Rayonier 100 line to US 12 and the point of beginning.

GMU 504-STELLA (Cowlitz County):

Beginning at the mouth of the Cowlitz River on the Columbia River; W down the Columbia River to the mouth of Germany Creek (including all islands in the Columbia River which are both north of the Washington-Oregon state line and between the Cowlitz River and Germany Creek); N up Germany Creek to State Route (SR) 4; E on SR 4 to Germany Creek Rd; N on Germany Creek Rd to International Paper (IP) 1000 line; N on IP 1000 line to IP 1050 line; E on IP 1050 line to IP 2200 line; E and S on IP 2200 to Woodside Dr; NE on Woodside Dr to Delameter Rd; E on Delameter Rd to the three power lines; N along the three power lines to Weyerhaeuser (Weyco) 9312 line; E on Weyco 9312 line to Growlers Gulch Rd; E on Growlers Gulch Rd to Public Hwy (PH) 10 Rd; E along the Public Hwy (PH) 10 Rd to the A Street bridge over the Cowlitz River at the town of Castle Rock; S down the Cowlitz River to the Columbia River and point of beginning.

GMU 505-MOSSYROCK (Lewis County):

Beginning on Interstate Hwy (I)-5 and the Cowlitz River; NE up the Cowlitz River to the Mayfield Dam; NE along the south shore of Mayfield Lake to the US Hwy (US) 12 bridge; NE on US 12 to Winston Creek Rd; SE on Winston Creek Rd to Longbell Rd; E on Longbell Rd to Perkins Rd; NE on Perkins Rd to Green Mountain Rd; E on Green Mountain Rd to the outlet of Swofford Pond; E along the Swofford Pond outlet to Riffe Lake; E along the south shore of Riffe Lake to the Cowlitz River; up the Cowlitz River to the Rayonier 100 Mainline (Kosmos Haul Rd); N on the Rayonier 100 Mainline to US 12; W on US 12 to Davis Lake Rd; N and W on Davis Lake Rd to Main St at town of Morton; W on Main St to SR 508; W on SR 508 to Centralia-Alpha Rd; W and N on Centralia-Alpha Rd to Salzer Valley Rd; W on Salzer Valley Rd to Summa St at the town of Centralia; W on Summa St to Kresky Rd; N on Kresky Rd to Tower St; N on Tower St to SR 507; W on SR 507 (Cherry St, Alder St, and Mellen St) to I-5; S on I-5 to the Cowlitz River and point of beginning.

GMU 506-WILLAPA HILLS (Wahkiakum, Pacific and Lewis counties):

Beginning at State Route (SR) 6 and 3rd St S at the town of Pe Ell; S on 3rd St S to Muller Rd; S on Muller Rd to Weyerhaeuser (Weyco) 1000 line; S on Weyco 1000 line to Weyco 1800 line; S on Weyco 1800 line to Weyco 500 line; SE on Weyco 500 line to SR 407 (Elochoman Valley Rd) at Camp 2; S on SR 407 to the Elochoman River; down the Elochoman Riv-

er to Foster Rd; N on Foster Rd to Risk Rd; W and N along Risk Rd to SR 4; W on SR 4 to Skamokawa Creek; SW down Skamokawa Creek to the Columbia River; W along Columbia River to the mouth of the Deep River (including all islands in the Columbia River which are both north of the Washington state line and between Skamokawa Creek and Deep River); N along the Deep River to SR 4; NW on SR 4 to the Salmon Creek Rd; NE on Salmon Creek Rd to Weyco 5000 line; N on Weyco 5000 line to Weyco 5800 line; NE on Weyco 5800 line to power transmission line (Section 21, T11N, R8W); E, NE, then N on the power transmission line to the Trap Creek A Line; E and N on the Trap Creek A Line to SR 6; E on SR 6 to the town of Pe Ell and the point of beginning.

GMU 510-STORMKING (Lewis County):

Beginning on US Hwy (US) 12 at the Silver Creek bridge; N up Silver Creek to Silverbrook Rd; E on Silverbrook Rd to US Forest Service (USFS) Rd 47; N on USFS Rd 47 to USFS Rd 85; W and N on USFS Rd 85 to USFS Rd 52; N on USFS Rd 52 to the Nisqually River; W down the Nisqually River to State Route (SR) 7; S on SR 7 to Main St at town of Morton; E on Main St to Davis Lake Rd; E on Davis Lake Rd to US 12; E on US 12 to the Silver Creek bridge and point of beginning.

GMU 513-SOUTH RAINIER (Lewis County):

Beginning on US Hwy (US) 12 at the Silver Creek bridge; N up Silver Creek to Silverbrook Rd; E on Silverdale Rd to US Forest Service (USFS) Rd 47; N on USFS Rd 47 to USFS Rd 85; W and N on USFS Rd 85 to USFS Rd 52; W and N on USFS Rd 52 to the Nisqually River; E up the Nisqually River to the southern boundary of Mount Rainier National Park; E along the south park boundary to the USFS Trail 2000 (Pacific Crest National Scenic Trail); S along the USFS Trail 2000 to US 12; W on US 12 to the Silver Creek bridge and point of beginning.

GMU 516-PACKWOOD (Lewis and Skamania counties):

Beginning at US Hwy (US) 12 and US Forest Service (USFS) Trail 2000 (Pacific Crest National Scenic Trail) at White Pass; S on USFS Trail 2000 to the Yakama Indian Reservation border; S on the Yakama Indian Reservation border to USFS Trail 2000; S on USFS Trail 2000 to USFS Trail 98 at Sheep Lake; W on USFS Trail 98 to USFS Rd 2160 at Walupt Lake; W on USFS Rd 2160 to USFS Rd 21; S and W on USFS Rd 21 to USFS Rd 23; S on USFS Rd 23 to USFS Trail 263; S and W on USFS 263 to USFS Trail 261; S on USFS Trail 261 to USFS Trail 1; W on USFS Trail 1 to USFS Rd 99; W on USFS Rd 99 to USFS Rd 26; N on USFS Rd 26 to USFS Rd 2612; W on USFS Rd 2612 to USFS Trail 217; N and W on USFS Trail 217 to Weyerhaeuser (Weyco) 2600 line; W on Weyco 2600 line to Weyco 2658 line; N on Weyco 2658 line to Rayonier (Campbell Group) 430 line; N on

Rayonier 430 line to the Rayonier Mainline 400 line; N and E on Rayonier Mainline 400 line to Rayonier 300 line; E on Rayonier 300 line to Rayonier 271 line; N on Rayonier 271 line to the Cispus River; E on the Cispus River to USFS Rd 25; N on USFS Rd 25 to State Route (SR) 131; N on SR 131 to US 12; E on US 12 to the USFS Trail 2000 at White Pass and beginning.

GMU 520-WINSTON (Cowlitz, Lewis and Skamania counties):

Beginning at the bridge at intersection of Interstate Hwy (I)-5 and the Cowlitz River; S down the Cowlitz River to the Toutle River; E up the Toutle River to the South Fork Toutle River; SE up South Fork Toutle River to Johnson Creek; NE up Johnson Creek to Weyerhaeuser (Weyco) 4400 line; N along Weyco 4400 line to Weyco 2421 line; N along Weyco 2421 line to Weyco 2400 line; NW along Weyco 2400 line to Alder Creek; NW down Alder Creek to North Fork Toutle River; W down the North Fork Toutle River to the Green River; E up the Green River to US Forest Service (USFS) Rd 2612; E on USFS Rd 2612 to USFS Trail 217; N and W on USFS Trail 217 to Weyco 2600 line; W on Weyco 2600 line to Weyco 2658 line; N on Weyco 2658 line to Rayonier 430 line; N on Rayonier 430 line to Rayonier 400 Mainline; N and E on Rayonier 400 Mainline to Rayonier 100 Mainline; N on Rayonier 100 Mainline to Cowlitz River; W down the Cowlitz River to Riffe Lake; W along the south shore

to the Swofford Pond outlet; W along the Swofford Pond outlet to Green Mountain Rd; W on Green Mountain Rd to Perkins Rd; SW on Perkins Rd to Longbell Rd; W on Longbell Rd to Winston Creek Rd; NW on Winston Creek Rd to US Hwy (US) 12; SW on US 12 to the Mayfield Lake bridge at Mayfield Lake; SW down the south shore of Mayfield Lake to the Cowlitz River at Mayfield Dam; SW down the Cowlitz River to I-5 bridge crossing the Cowlitz River and point of beginning.

GMU 522-LOO-WIT (Cowlitz, Lewis, and Skamania counties):

Beginning on the North Fork Toutle River at the mouth of Hoffstadt Creek; SE up the North Fork Toutle River to Deer Creek; SE up Deer Creek to Weyerhaeuser (Weyco) 3020 line; NW along Weyco 3020 line to Weyco 3000 line; E along Weyco 3000 line to US Forest Service (USFS) Trail 216G; SE along USFS Trail 216G to USFS Trail 216; S on USFS Trail 216 to South Fork of the Toutle River; E along South Fork Toutle River to its headwaters and Mount St. Helens crater's southern edge; E along the Mt. St. Helens crater's southern edge to the headwaters of Ape Canyon Creek; NE down Ape Canyon Creek to USFS Trail 225 (Smith Creek Trail); N and NW on USFS Trail 225 to USFS Rd 99; NE along USFS Rd 99 to USFS Rd 26; N on USFS Rd 26 to USFS Trail 1 (Boundary Trail); W on USFS Trail 1 to USFS Trail 214 (Whittier Trail); N on USFS Trail 214 to USFS Trail 211 (Lakes Trail); W on USFS Trail 211 to USFS Trail

211, USFS Trail 230 (Coldwater Trail) junction; NE to Minnie Peak; W to the USFS property boundary in the SE ¼ of Section 20, T10N, R5E; W and S on USFS property boundary to State Route 504 near the center of Section 35, T10N, R4E; (~~Trail 1; W on USFS Trail 1 to USFS Trail 214; NW on USFS Trail 214 to USFS Trail 211; W on USFS Trail 211 to Coldwater Creek; W down Coldwater Creek to Coldwater Lake; SW along the northwest shore of Coldwater Lake to the outlet of Coldwater Lake; SW down the outlet stream from Coldwater Lake to State Route (SR) 504 bridge at mile post 45~~) Rd 2612; W on USFS Rd 2612 to the Green River; W down the Green River to the USFS property boundary in the SE 1/4 of Section 31, T11N, R5E; S and W on the USFS property boundary to State Route (SR) 504; W on SR 504 to Hoffstadt Creek Bridge on Hoffstadt Creek; S and W down Hoffstadt Creek to the North Fork Toutle River and point of beginning.

GMU 524-MARGARET (Cowlitz, Skamania and Lewis counties):

Beginning on the North Fork Toutle River at the mouth of the Green River; SE up the North Fork Toutle River to the mouth of Hoffstadt Creek; N and E up Hoffstadt Creek to the State Route (SR) 504 bridge over Hoffstadt Creek; E on SR 504 to (~~the bridge over the outlet to Coldwater Lake at mile post 45; NE up the outlet stream of Coldwater Lake to Coldwater Lake; NE along the northwest shoreline of Coldwater~~

~~Lake to Coldwater Creek inlet; E up Coldwater Creek to US Forest Service (USFS) Trail 211; NE on USFS Trail 211 to USFS Trail 214; SE on USFS Trail 214 to USFS Trail 1; E on USFS Trail 1 to USFS Rd 26; N on the USFS Rd 26 (Ryan Lake Rd) to USFS Rd 2612; W on USFS Rd 2612)) US Forest Service (USFS) property boundary near the center of Section 35,~~

T10N, R4E; E and N on USFS property boundary to [the USFS property boundary in the SE ¼ of Section 20, T10N, R5E; E to Minnie Peak; SW to USFS trail 211 \(Lakes Trail\) and USFS trail 230 \(Coldwater Trail\) junction; E on USFS Trail 211 \(Lakes Trail\) to USFS Trail 214 \(Whittier Trail\); S on USFS Trail 214 to USFS Trail 1 \(Boundary Trail\); E on USFS Trail 1 to USFS Rd 26; N on USFS Rd 26 to USFS Rd 2612; W on USFS Rd 2612 to](#) the Green River; W down the Green River to its mouth on the North Fork of the Toutle River and point of beginning.

GMU 530-RYDERWOOD (Cowlitz, Lewis and Wahkiakum counties):

Beginning at Stevens Rd and State Route (SR) 6, south of the town of Doty; E on SR 6 to Interstate Hwy (I)-5 at the town of Chehalis; S on I-5 to the Cowlitz River; S along the Cowlitz River to Public Hwy 10 on the A Street bridge at the town of Castle Rock; W on the Public Hwy 10 to Growler's Gulch Rd; W on Growler's Gulch Rd to Weyerhaeuser (Weyco) 9312 line; W on Weyco 9312 line to three power lines; S on the three power lines to Delameter Rd; SW on Delameter Rd to Woodside Dr;

SW on Woodside Dr to International Paper (IP) 2200 line; N and W on IP 2200 line to IP 1050 line; W on IP 1050 line to IP 1000 line; S on IP 1000 line to the Germany Creek Rd; S on the Germany Creek Rd to SR 4; W on SR 4 to Germany Creek; S along Germany Creek to its mouth at the Columbia River; W along the Columbia River to Skamokawa Creek (including all islands in the Columbia River which are both north of the Washington state line and between Skamokawa Creek and Germany Creek); NE up Skamokawa Creek to SR 4; E on SR 4 to Risk Rd; SE on Risk Rd to Foster Rd; S on Foster Rd to the Elochoman River; SE up the Elochoman River to SR 407 (Elochoman Valley Rd); NE on SR 407 to Weyco 500 line at Camp 2; NW on Weyco 500 line to Weyco 1800 line; N on Weyco 1800 line to Weyco 1000 line; N on Weyco 1000 line to Muller Rd; N on Muller Rd to 3rd St South in the town of Pe Ell; N on 3rd St South to SR 6 at the town of Pe Ell; N on SR 6 to Stevens Rd, south of the town of Doty, and the point of beginning.

GMU 550-COWEEMAN (Cowlitz County):

Beginning at the mouth of the Toutle River on the Cowlitz River; E along the Toutle River to the South Fork Toutle River; up the South Fork Toutle River to Weyerhaeuser (Weyco) 4100 line; E on Weyco 4100 line to Weyco 4950 line; S and E on Weyco 4950 line to Weyco 235 line; SE on Weyco 235 line to Weyco 200 line; W on Weyco 200 line to Weyco

240 line; SE on Weyco 240 line to Weyco 243 line; E on Weyco 243 line to Weyco 135A line; S on Weyco 135A line to Weyco 135 line; E on Weyco 135 line to Weyco 134 line; SW on Weyco 134 line to Weyco 133 line; SW on Weyco 133 line to Weyco 130 line; SW on Weyco 130 line to Weyco 1680 line; W on Weyco 1680 line to Weyco 1600 line; SE on Weyco 1600 line to Weyco 1400 line; W on Weyco 1400 line to Weyco 1420 line which is the Kalama/Coweeman Summit; SE on Weyco 1420 line to Weyco 1426 line; W on Weyco 1426 line to Weyco 1428 line; SW on Weyco 1428 line to Weyco 1429 line which turns into Weyco 6400 line; SW down Weyco 6400 line to Weyco 6000 line; E on Weyco 6000 line to Weyco 6450 line; SE for approximately one mile on Weyco 6450 line (crossing the Kalama River) to Weyco 6452 line; SE on Weyco 6452 line to Dubois Rd; SE on Dubois Rd to State Route (SR) 503; W on SR 503 to Cape Horn Creek; SE down Cape Horn Creek to Merwin Reservoir; SW along the north shore of Merwin Reservoir to the Lewis River; SW down the Lewis River to the power transmission lines in Section 4, T5N, R2E; NW along the power transmission lines to Northwest Natural Gas Pipeline located east of the town of Kalama, approximately 1/2 mile east of China Gardens Rd; N up the Natural Gas Pipeline right of way to Ostrander Creek; W down Ostrander Creek to the Cowlitz River; N on the Cowlitz River to the Toutle River and point of beginning.

GMU 554-YALE (Cowlitz and Clark counties):

Beginning on State Route (SR) 503 at its crossing of Cape Horn Creek; E on SR 503 to Weyerhaeuser (Weyco) 6600 line (Rock Creek Rd); NE on Weyco 6600 line to Weyco 6690 Rd; N and E on Weyco 6690 line to West Fork Speelyai Creek; SE down West Fork Speelyai Creek to the main stem of the Speelyai Creek; SW and SE down Speelyai Creek to SR 503; NE on SR 503 to Dog Creek; S down Dog Creek to Yale Reservoir; S and W along western shore of Reservoir to Yale Dam and the North Fork Lewis River; W along the northern shore of the North Fork Lewis River to SR 503 bridge crossing; S and W along SR 503 to NE 221st Ave; N about 1/4 mile on NE 221st Ave to NE Cedar Creek Rd; W along NE Cedar Creek Rd to NE Pup Creek Rd; N on NE Pup Creek Rd to NE Buncombe Hollow Rd; N about 1/4 mile on NE Buncombe Hollow Rd to power transmission line; S and W on the power transmission line to the north shore of the North Fork Lewis River; NE along the north shore of the North Fork Lewis River to Merwin Reservoir at the Merwin Dam; NE along the north shore of Merwin Reservoir to Cape Horn Creek; NW up Cape Horn Creek to SR 503 and the point of beginning.

GMU 556-TOUTLE (Cowlitz County):

Beginning on the intersection of State Route (SR) 503 (Lewis River Rd) and US Forest Service (USFS) Rd 81 (Merrill Lake Rd); N on USFS Rd 81

to Weyerhaeuser (Weyco) 7200 line; NW on Weyco 7200 line to Weyco 7400 line; N on Weyco 7400 line to Weyco 5500 line; E and N on Weyco 5500 line to Weyco 5670 line; N and E on Weyco 5670 line to Weyco 5660 line; N on Weyco 5660 line about a 1/4 mile to the South Fork Toutle River; E on the South Fork Toutle River to USFS Trail 216; N on USFS Trail 216 to USFS Trail 216G; NW on USFS Trail 216G to Weyco 3000 line; W on Weyco 3000 line to Weyco 3020 line; SE on Weyco 3020 line to Deer Creek; NW down Deer Creek to the North Fork Toutle River; down the North Fork Toutle River to Alder Creek; up Alder Creek to Weyco 2400 line; S on Weyco 2400 line to Weyco 2421 line; S on Weyco 2421 line to Weyco 4400 line; S and W along Weyco 4400 line to Johnson Creek; S along Johnson Creek to the South Fork Toutle River; SE up the South Fork Toutle River to Weyco 4100 line; E on Weyco 4100 line to the Weyco 4950 line; S and E on Weyco 4950 line to Weyco 235 line; SE on Weyco 235 line to Weyco 200 line; W on Weyco 200 line to Weyco 240 line; SE on Weyco 240 line to Weyco 243 line; E on Weyco 243 line to Weyco 135A line; S on Weyco 135A line to Weyco 135 line; E on Weyco 135 line to Weyco 134 line; SW on Weyco 134 line to Weyco 133 line; SW on Weyco 133 line to Weyco 130 line; SW on Weyco 130 line to Weyco 1680 line; W on Weyco 1680 line to Weyco 1600 line; SE on Weyco 1600 line to Weyco 1400 line; W on Weyco 1400 line to Weyco 1420 line which

is the Kalama/Coweeman Summit; SE on Weyco 1420 line to Weyco 1426 line; W on Weyco 1426 line to Weyco 1428 line; SW on Weyco 1428 line to Weyco 1429 line; SW on Weyco 1429 line to Weyco 6400 line; SW on Weyco 6400 line to Weyco 6000 line; E on Weyco 6000 line to Weyco 6450 line; SE for approximately one mile on Weyco 6450 line (crossing the Kalama River) to Weyco 6452 line; SE on Weyco 6452 line to Dubois Rd; SE on Dubois Rd to SR 503; E on SR 503 to Weyco 6600 line (Rock Creek Rd); NE on Weyco 6600 line to Weyco 6690 line; N and E on Weyco 6690 line to West Fork Speelyai Creek; SE down West Fork Speelyai Creek to the main stem of Speelyai Creek; SW and SE down Speelyai Creek to SR 503; NE on SR 503 to USFS Rd 81 and point of beginning.

GMU 560-LEWIS RIVER (Cowlitz, Skamania, Klickitat, Yakima, and Lewis counties):

Beginning on State Route (SR) 141 and Mount Adams Recreational Area Rd at the town of Trout Lake; N on the Mount Adams Recreational Area Rd to US Forest Service (USFS) Rd 82 (Mount Adams Recreational Area Rd); N on USFS Road 82 to Yakama Indian Reservation boundary (Section 16, T7N, R11E); N along the Yakama Indian reservation boundary (Cascade Mountain Range Crest) to USFS Trail 2000 (Pacific Crest National Scenic Trail) in Section 3, T11N, R11E; S on USFS Trail 2000 to USFS Trail 98 at Sheep Lake; W on USFS Trail 98 to USFS Rd 2160 at Walupt

Lake; W on USFS Rd 2160 to USFS Rd 21; S and W on USFS Rd 21 to USFS Rd 23; S on USFS Rd 23 to USFS Trail 263; S and W on USFS Trail 263 to USFS Trail 261; S on USFS Trail 261 to USFS Trail 1; W on USFS Trail 1 to USFS Rd 99; S and W on USFS Rd 99 to USFS Trail 225 (Smith Creek Trail); S on USFS Trail 225 to Ape Canyon Creek; S and W up Ape Canyon Creek to Mt. St. Helens crater's eastern edge; W along Mt. St. Helens crater's southern edge to headwaters of S Fork Toutle River; W along S Fork Toutle River to Weyerhaeuser (Weyco) 5660 line; S along Weyco 5660 line to Weyco 5670 line; S and W on Weyco 5670 line to Weyco 5500 line; S and W on Weyco 5500 line to Weyco 7400 line; S and E on Weyco 7400 line to Weyco 7200 line; S and E on Weyco 7200 line to USFS Rd 81; S on USFS Rd 81 to SR 503; N and E on SR 503 to Dog Creek; S down Dog Creek to the N shore of Yale Reservoir; E along N shore of Yale Reservoir to N Fork Lewis River; E up the Lewis River to Swift Dam and Swift Reservoir; E along the N shore of Swift Reservoir to N Fork Lewis River; E up N Fork Lewis River to USFS Rd 90 Bridge (Eagle Cliff); E on USFS Rd 90 to USFS Rd 51 (Curly Creek Rd); SE on USFS Rd 51 to USFS Rd 30; NE on USFS Rd 30 to USFS Rd 24; SE on USFS Rd 24 to SR 141; NE on SR 141 to Mount Adams Recreational Area Rd, at the town of Trout Lake and point of beginning.

GMU 564-BATTLE GROUND (Clark, Skamania, and Cowlitz counties):

Beginning at the mouth of Ostrander Creek on the Cowlitz River; E up Ostrander Creek approximately 1 1/2 miles to the second Northwest Natural Gas Pipeline right of way crossing Ostrander Creek, east of the railroad crossing; S along the Northwest Natural Gas Pipeline right of way to the power transmission lines right of way located east of the town of Kalama, approximately 1/2 mile east of China Garden Rd; SE along the power transmission lines right of way across the north fork of the Lewis River in the northeast corner of Section 4, T5N, R2E to NE Buncombe Hollow Rd; S on NE Buncombe Hollow Rd to NE Pup Creek Rd; S on NE Pup Creek Rd to NE Cedar Creek Rd; E on NE Cedar Creek Rd to NE 221st Ave; S along NE 221st Ave to SR 503, to NE Amboy Rd; S on NE Amboy Rd to W Yacolt Rd; E on W Yacolt Rd to N Railroad Ave; SE on N Railroad Ave, which becomes S Railroad Ave; SE on S Railroad Ave which becomes NE Railroad Ave; SE on NE Railroad Ave to Lucia Falls Rd; W on Lucia Falls Rd to Hantwick Rd; SE on Hantwick Rd to Basket Flats Rd; W on Basket Flats Rd to NE 197th Ave; S on NE 197th Ave to NE 279th St; W on NE 279th St to NE 182nd Ave; S on NE 182nd Ave to NE 259th St; E on NE 259th St to NE 220th Ave; S on NE 220th Ave which turns into NE Cresap Rd; SE on NE Cresap Rd which turns into NE 222nd Ave; S on NE 222nd Ave to NE Allworth Rd; E on NE Allworth Rd to NE 232nd Ave; S on NE 232nd Ave to NE 237th St; E on NE 237th St which turns into NE

240th Ave; S on NE 240th Ave to NE Berry Rd; NE on NE Berry Rd to the DNR L-1410 Rd; SE on DNR L-1410 Rd to the DNR L-1400 Rd; W on DNR L-1400 Rd which turns into NE Rawson Rd; W on NE Rawson Rd to NE Powell Rd; SW on NE Powell Rd to NE 212th Ave; S on NE 212th Ave to NE 109th St; E on NE 109th St to NE 222nd Ave; S on NE 222nd Ave to NE 83rd St; W on NE 83rd St to NE 217th Ave; S on NE 217th Ave to NE 68th St; E on NE 68th St to NE 232nd Ave; S on NE 232nd Ave to NE 54th St; E on NE 54th St to NE 237th Ave; S on NE 237th Ave to NE 53rd St; E on NE 53rd St which turns into NE Bradford Rd then back into NE 53rd St to NE 292nd Ave; S on NE 292nd Ave to NE Ireland Rd; E on NE Ireland Rd to NE Stauffer Rd; E then SW on NE Stauffer Rd to NE 292nd Ave; S on NE 292nd Ave which turns into NE Reilly Rd; SW on NE Reilly Rd to NE Blair Rd; SE on NE Blair Rd to NE Zeek Rd; E on NE Zeek Rd which turns into NE 10th St; E on NE 10th St which turns into NE 312th Ave; S on NE 312th Ave to NE 9th St; E on NE 9th St to NE 322nd Ave; N on NE 322nd Ave which turns into NE Ammeter Rd; NE on NE Ammeter Rd approximately 1/8 mile to the power transmission lines; E along the northern margin of the power transmission lines to NE Hughes Rd; N on NE Hughes Rd which turns into NE 392nd Ave; N on NE 392nd Ave to NE 28th St; E on NE 28th St to NE Miller Rd; NE on NE Miller Rd which turns into NE 39th St; E on NE 39th St to Skye Rd; SE on Skye Rd to Washougal River

Rd; S on Washougal River Rd to Canyon Creek Rd; SE on Canyon Creek Rd to Salmon Falls Rd; S on Salmon Falls Rd to State Route (SR) 14; E on SR 14 to Cape Horn Rd; S on Cape Horn Rd to Columbia River; W down the Columbia River to the Cowlitz River (including all islands in the Columbia River which are both on the Washington side of the state line and between Cape Horn Rd and the Cowlitz River); N along Cowlitz River to Ostrander Creek and point of beginning.

GMU 568-WASHOUGAL (Clark and Skamania counties):

Beginning on the Lewis River at State Route (SR) 503; E on Lewis River (Cowlitz-Clark County line) to Canyon Creek; SE up Canyon Creek to NE Healy Rd; E on NE Healy Rd to US Forest Service (USFS) Rd 54; E on USFS Rd 54 to USFS Rd 53; S on USFS Rd 53 to USFS Rd 4205 (Gumboot Rd); S on USFS Rd 4205 to USFS Rd 42 (Green Fork Rd); SW on USFS Rd 42 to USFS Rd 41 at Sunset Falls; E on USFS Rd 41 to Hemlock Rd; E on Hemlock Rd to the Hemlock Rd bridge over the Wind River; SE down the Wind River to the Columbia River; W down the Columbia River to the Cape Horn Rd (including all islands in the Columbia River which are both on the Washington side of the state line and between Cape Horn Rd and the Wind River); N on Cape Horn Rd to SR 14; W on SR 14 to Salmon Falls Rd; N on Salmon Falls Rd to Canyon Creek Rd; NW on Canyon Creek Rd to Washougal River Rd; E on Washougal River Rd to Skye Rd; NW on

Skye Rd to NE 39th St; W on NE 39th St which turns into NE Miller Rd; SW on NE Miller Rd to NE 28th St; W on NE 28th St to NE 392nd Ave; S on NE 392nd Ave which turns into NE Hughes Rd; S on NE Hughes Rd approximately 1/8 mile to the power transmission lines; W along the northern margin of the power transmission lines to NE Ammeter Rd; SW on NE Ammeter Rd which turns into NE 322nd Ave; S on NE 322nd Ave to NE 9th St; W on NE 9th St to NE 312th Ave; N on NE 312th Ave which turns into NE 10th St; W on NE 10th St which turns into NE Zeek Rd; W on NE Zeek Rd to NE Blair Rd; NW on NE Blair Rd to NE Reilly Rd; NE on NE Reilly Rd (~~(with which)~~) which turns into NE 292nd Ave; E on NE 292nd Ave to NE Stauffer Rd; NE then NW on NE Stauffer Rd to NE Ireland Rd; W on NE Ireland Rd to NE 292nd Ave; N on NE 292nd Ave to NE 53rd St; W on NE 53rd St which turns into NE Bradford Rd then turns into NE 53rd St again to NE 237th Ave; N on 237th Ave to NE 232nd Ave; N on NE 232nd Ave to NE 68th St; W on NE 68th St to NE 217th Ave; N on NE 217th Ave to NE 83rd St; E on NE 83rd St to NE 222nd Ave; N on NE 222nd Ave to NE 109th St; W on NE 109th St to NE 212th Ave; N on NE 212th Ave to NE Powell Rd; NE on NE Powell Rd to NE Rawson Rd; E on Rawson Rd to DNR L-1400 Rd; E on DNR L-1400 Rd to DNR L-1410 Rd; NW on DNR L-1410 Rd to NE Berry Rd; W then SW on NE Berry Rd to NE 240th Ave; N on NE 240th Ave which turns into NE 237th St; W on NE 237th St

to NE 232nd Ave; N on NE 232nd Ave to NE Allworth Rd; W on NE Allworth Rd to NE 222nd Ave; N on NE 222nd Ave which turns into NE Cresap Rd which turns into NE 220th Ave to NE 259th St; W on NE 259th St to NE 182nd Ave; N on NE 182nd Ave to NE 279th St; E on NE 279th St to NE 197th Ave; N on NE 197th Ave to NE Basket Flats Rd; E on NE Basket Flats Rd to NE Hantwick Rd; N then NW on NE Hantwick Rd to Lucia Falls Rd; E on Lucia Falls Rd to NE Railroad Ave; NW on NE Railroad Ave, which turns into S Railroad Ave then N Railroad Ave in the town of Yacolt, to W Yacolt Rd; W on W Yacolt Rd to NE Amboy Rd; N on NE Amboy Rd to NE 221st Ave; N on 221st Ave to SR 503; NE along SR 503 to the Lewis River and point of beginning.

GMU 572-SIOUXON (Skamania and Clark counties):

Beginning at the Yale Dam at Yale Lake; N then E along the shore of Yale Lake to the Lewis River; NE along the Lewis River to Swift Reservoir; E along the north shore Swift Reservoir to US Forest Service (USFS) Rd 90 at the Eagle Cliff bridge; E on USFS Rd 90 to USFS Rd 51 (Curly Creek Rd); SE on USFS Rd 51 to USFS Rd 30 (Wind River Rd); N on USFS Rd 30 to USFS Rd 24 (Twin Butte Rd); S on USFS Rd 24 to USFS Rd 60 (Carson Guler Rd); SW on USFS Rd 60 to USFS Rd 65; SW on USFS Rd 65 to USFS Rd 6517 (Warren Gap Rd); W on USFS Rd 6517 to the Wind River Rd; S on the Wind River Rd to Hemlock Rd at the town of Stabler; W on

Hemlock Rd to USFS Rd 41 (Sunset-Hemlock Rd); W on the USFS Rd 41 to USFS Road 42 (Green Fork Rd) at Sunset Falls; NE on USFS Rd 42 to USFS Rd 4205 (Gumboot Rd); N on USFS Rd 4205 to USFS Rd 53; NW on USFS Rd 53 to USFS Rd 54 (NE Healy Rd); W on USFS Rd 54 to Canyon Creek; N down Canyon Creek to the Lewis River; NE up the Lewis River to the Yale Dam and the point of beginning.

GMU 574-WIND RIVER (Skamania and Klickitat counties):

Beginning at the town of Trout Lake; S on State Route (SR) 141 to the SR 141 bridge over the White Salmon River Bridge at Husum; S on the White Salmon River to the Columbia River; W down the Columbia River to the mouth of Wind River (including all islands in the Columbia River that are both north of the Washington state line and between the White Salmon River and Wind River); NW up the Wind River to the Hemlock Rd bridge; E on Hemlock Rd to Wind River Rd; N on Wind River Rd to US Forest Service (USFS) Rd 6517 (Warren Gap Rd); E on USFS Rd 6517 to USFS Rd 65 (Panther Creek Rd); N on USFS Rd 65 to USFS Rd 60; NE on USFS Rd 60 to USFS Rd 24 (also called Carson-Gular Rd); E on USFS Rd 24 to SR 141; NE on SR 141 to the town of Trout Lake and the point of beginning.

GMU 578-WEST KLICKITAT (Klickitat and Yakima counties):

Beginning at the mouth of the White Salmon River on the Columbia River; N up the White Salmon River to the State Route (SR) 141 bridge over the White Salmon River at Husum; N on SR 141 to Mount Adams Recreation Area Road, at the town of Trout Lake; N on the Mount Adams Recreational Area Rd to US Forest Service (USFS) Rd 82 (Mount Adams Recreational Area Rd); N on USFS Rd 82 to Yakama Indian Reservation boundary (Section 16, T7N, R11E); S along the Yakama Indian Reservation boundary to the Reservation's SW corner at King Mountain (Section 27, T7N, R11E); E along the Yakama Indian Reservation boundary to the end of King Mountain Rd, about 1 mile; N along the Yakama Indian Reservation boundary to its corner in Section 2, T7N, R11E; E along the Yakama Indian Reservation boundary to the NE corner of Section 4, T7N, R12E; SE along the Yakama Indian Reservation boundary to the Klickitat River; S and SW down the Klickitat River to the Columbia River; W down the Columbia River to the mouth of the White Salmon River and the point of beginning (including all islands in the Columbia River which are both north of the Washington state line and between the Klickitat River and the White Salmon River).

[Statutory Authority: RCW 77.12.047. WSR 11-11-013 (Order 11-86), § 232-28-335, filed 5/6/11, effective 6/6/11. Statutory Authority: RCW 77.12.047, 77.12.020, 77.12.570, 77.12.210, 77.12.150, 77.12.240. WSR

09-09-083 (Order 09-53), § 232-28-335, filed 4/15/09, effective 5/16/09. Statutory Authority: RCW 77.12.047, 77.12.020, 77.12.570, 77.12.210. WSR 07-11-017 (Order 07-62), § 232-28-335, filed 5/3/07, effective 6/3/07. Statutory Authority: RCW 77.12.047. WSR 06-11-032 (Order 06-92), § 232-28-335, filed 5/8/06, effective 6/8/06; WSR 06-02-063 (Order 05-271), § 232-28-335, filed 1/3/06, effective 2/3/06; WSR 05-11-022 (Order 05-89), § 232-28-335, filed 5/10/05, effective 6/10/05. Statutory Authority: RCW 77.12.047 and 77.12.020. WSR 04-11-036 (Order 04-98), § 232-28-335, filed 5/12/04, effective 6/12/04. Statutory Authority: RCW 77.12.047. WSR 03-16-087 (Order 03-175), § 232-28-335, filed 8/5/03, effective 9/5/03; WSR 03-06-110 (Order 03-23), § 232-28-335, filed 3/5/03, effective 4/5/03.]

RECOMMENDED ADJUSTMENTS

The following adjustments are proposed since the Code Reviser (CR 102) filing and are already included in your notebook.

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- Under GMU 522-Loo-Wit:
 - This proposed change helps facilitate moving the neighboring Margaret unit (524) to a general elk season and also discourages the use of areas deemed sensitive by the Mount St. Helens National Monument. Modify the legal boundary description to read as follows:

GMU 522-LOO-WIT (Cowlitz and Skamania counties):

- Beginning on the North Fork Toutle River at the mouth of Hoffstadt Creek; SE up the North Fork Toutle River to Deer Creek; SE up Deer Creek to Weyerhaeuser (Weyco) 3020 line; NW along Weyco 3020 line to Weyco 3000 line; E along Weyco 3000 line to US Forest Service (USFS) Trail 216G; SE along USFS Trail 216G to USFS Trail 216; S on USFS Trail 216 to South Fork of the Toutle River; E along South Fork Toutle River to its headwaters and Mount St. Helens crater's southern edge; E along the Mt. St. Helens crater's southern edge to the headwaters of Ape Canyon Creek; NE down Ape Canyon Creek to USFS Trail 225 (Smith Creek Trail); N and NW on USFS Trail 225 to USFS Rd 99; NE along USFS Rd 99 to USFS Rd 26; N on USFS Rd 26 to USFS Trail 1 (Boundary Trail); W on USFS Trail 1 to USFS Trail 214 (Whittier Trail); N on USFS Trail 214 to USFS Trail 211 (Lakes Trail); W on USFS Trail 211 to USFS Trail 211, USFS Trail 230 (Coldwater Trail) junction; NE to Minnie Peak; W to the USFS property boundary in the SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 20, T10N, R5E; W and S on USFS property boundary to State Route 504 near the center of Section 35, T10N, R4E; ~~((Trail 1; W on USFS Trail 1 to USFS Trail 214; NW on USFS Trail 214 to USFS Trail 211; W on USFS Trail 211 to Coldwater Creek; W~~

~~down Coldwater Creek to Coldwater Lake; SW along the northwest shore of Coldwater Lake to the outlet of Coldwater Lake; SW down the outlet stream from Coldwater Lake to State Route (SR) 504 bridge at mile post 45)) W on SR 504 to Hoffstadt Creek Bridge on Hoffstadt Creek; S and W down Hoffstadt Creek to the North Fork Toutle River and point of beginning.~~

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- Under GMU 524 Margaret:
 - This proposed change helps facilitate moving the Margaret unit (GMU 524) to a general elk season, and helps with the creation of a new Elk Area (Norway Pass) in which a new Quality special permit hunting opportunity is proposed. The change does not incorporate areas deemed sensitive by the Mount St. Helens National Monument. This proposed change should not impact the level of grouse, deer, and bear hunting currently taking place on public land. Modify the legal boundary description to read as follows:

GMU 524-MARGARET (Cowlitz, Skamania and Lewis counties):

- Beginning on the North Fork Toutle River at the mouth of the Green River; SE up the North Fork Toutle River to the mouth of Hoffstadt Creek; N and E up Hoffstadt Creek to the State Route (SR) 504 bridge over Hoffstadt Creek; E on SR 504 to ~~((the bridge over the outlet to Coldwater Lake at mile post 45; NE up the outlet stream of Coldwater Lake to Coldwater Lake; NE along the northwest shoreline of Coldwater Lake to Coldwater Creek inlet; E up Coldwater Creek to US Forest Service (USFS) Trail 211; NE on USFS Trail 211 to USFS Trail 214; SE on USFS Trail 214 to USFS Trail 1; E on USFS Trail 1 to USFS Rd 26; N on the USFS Rd 26 (Ryan Lake Rd) to USFS Rd 2612; W on USFS Rd 2612))~~ US Forest Service (USFS) property boundary near the center of Section 35, T10N, R4E; E and N on USFS property boundary to the USFS property boundary in the SE ¼ of Section 20, T10N, R5E; E to Minnie Peak; SW to USFS trail 211 (Lakes Trail) and USFS trail 230 (Coldwater Trail) junction; E on USFS

Trail 211 (Lakes Trail) to USFS Trail 214 (Whittier Trail);
S on USFS Trail 214 to USFS Trail 1 (Boundary Trail); E on
USFS Trail 1 to USFS Rd 26; N on USFS Rd 26 to USFS Rd
2612; W on USFS Rd 2612 to the Green River; W down the
Green River to its mouth on the North Fork of the Toutle
River and point of beginning.



PROPOSED RULE MAKING

CR-102 (June 2012)

(Implements RCW 34.05.320)

Do NOT use for expedited rule making

Agency: Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife

- Preproposal Statement of Inquiry was filed as WSR 14-24-118 filed 12/3/14; or
- Expedited Rule Making--Proposed notice was filed as WSR _____; or
- Proposal is exempt under RCW 34.05.310(4) or 34.05.330(1).

- Original Notice
- Supplemental Notice to WSR _____
- Continuance of WSR _____

Title of rule and other identifying information:

WAC 232-12-052 Crossbow requirements
 WAC 232-12-047 Unlawful methods for hunting
 WAC 232-12-054 Archery requirements – Archery special use permits
 WAC 232-28-331 Game management units (GMUs) boundary descriptions—Region one
 WAC 232-28-335 Game management units (GMUs) boundary descriptions—Region five
 WAC 232-12-021 Importation and retention of dead nonresident wildlife

Hearing location(s):

Civic Center
 411 South Balsam Street
 Moses Lake, WA 98837

Date: March 20-21, 2015 Time: 8:00 AM

Submit written comments to:

Name: Wildlife Program Commission Meeting Public Comments
 Address: 600 Capitol Way North
 Olympia, WA 98501
 e-mail wildthing@dfw.wa.gov
 fax (360) 902-2162 by (date) 2/24/15

Assistance for persons with disabilities: Contact

Tami Lininger by March 1, 2015

TTY (800) 833-6388 or (360) 902-2267

Date of intended adoption: On or after April 9, 2015

(Note: This is NOT the effective date)

Purpose of the proposal and its anticipated effects, including any changes in existing rules:

See attachment A

Reasons supporting proposal:

See attachment A

Statutory authority for adoption: RCW 77.04.012, 77.04.055, 77.12.047, 77.12.150 and 77.12.240.

Statute being implemented: RCW 77.04.012, 77.04.055, 77.12.047, 77.12.150 and 77.12.240.

Is rule necessary because of a:

- Federal Law? Yes No
 - Federal Court Decision? Yes No
 - State Court Decision? Yes No
- If yes, CITATION:

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Agency comments or recommendations, if any, as to statutory language, implementation, enforcement, and fiscal matters:

When filing the permanent rule-making order (CR-103P), the WAC sections containing rule amendments will be consolidated into two or three Order Typing Service (OTS) documents.

Name of proponent: (person or organization) Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife

- Private
- Public
- Governmental

Name of agency personnel responsible for:

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Enforcement..... Steven Crown	Natural Resource Building	(360) 902-2373

Has a small business economic impact statement been prepared under chapter 19.85 RCW or has a school district fiscal impact statement been prepared under section 1, chapter 210, Laws of 2012?

Yes. Attach copy of small business economic impact statement or school district fiscal impact statement.

A copy of the statement may be obtained by contacting:

Name:

Address:

phone () _____

fax () _____

e-mail _____

No. Explain why no statement was prepared.

These rules apply to recreational hunting and do not affect small business.

Is a cost-benefit analysis required under RCW 34.05.328?

Yes A preliminary cost-benefit analysis may be obtained by contacting:

Name:

Address:

phone () _____

fax () _____

e-mail _____

No: Please explain: This proposal does not involve hydraulics.

ATTACHMENT A

Title of rule and other identifying information:

Amendment to WAC 232-12 047, Unlawful methods for hunting
New Section WAC 232-12-052, Crossbow requirements
Amendment to WAC 232-12-054, Archery requirements
Amendment to WAC 232-12-021, Importation and retention of dead nonresident wildlife
Amendment to 232-28-331, Game Management Unit Boundary Descriptions, Region 1
Amendment to 232-28-335, Game Management Unit Boundary Descriptions, Region 6

(WAC 232-12 047 Unlawful methods for hunting)

Purpose of the proposal and its anticipated effects, including any changes in existing rules:

The purposes of these proposals are five-fold. They remove language pertaining to archery and crossbow requirements that were in a modern firearm WAC. They consolidate the archery requirements in the existing archery requirements WAC. They remove crossbow requirements from the archery and modern firearm WACS and consolidate those requirements in a new crossbow requirement WAC. They allow the hunting of big game and turkeys with a crossbow. They remove the mechanical broadhead restriction from the archery requirement WAC.

Reasons supporting proposal:

Most of the proposal language is rule clarification and consolidation.

In addition, allowing crossbows for big game and turkey and allowing mechanical broadheads are not seen by the Department as a natural resource issue but rather an equipment selection choice by hunters. Restricting those choices doesn't seem to be necessary to sustain hunting seasons and sustain the wildlife populations in question.

(WAC 232-12-052 Crossbow requirements)

Purpose of the proposal and its anticipated effects, including any changes in existing rules:

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(WAC 232-12-054 Archery requirements)

Purpose of the proposal and its anticipated effects, including any changes in existing rules:

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Reasons supporting proposal:

Most of the proposal language is rule clarification and consolidation.

In addition, allowing crossbows for big game and turkey and allowing mechanical broadheads are not seen by the Department as a natural resource issue but rather an equipment selection choice by hunters. Restricting those choices doesn't seem to be necessary to sustain hunting seasons and sustain the wildlife populations in question.

(WAC 232-12-021 Importation and retention of dead nonresident wildlife.)

Purpose of the proposal and its anticipated effects, including any changes in existing rules:

The purpose of the proposal would add Iowa to the list of states and provinces requiring additional processing of deer, elk, and moose carcasses before they can be brought into Washington. The states and provinces listed in the WAC have confirmed chronic wasting disease (CWD) in their wild, free-ranging populations of cervids.

Reasons supporting proposal:

The proposal reduces the risk of CWD being imported into Washington state via carcasses of animals harvested in other states. Reducing disease risk helps in sustaining deer, elk, and moose populations and hunting opportunities in Washington.

(232-28-331 Game Management Unit Boundary Descriptions, Region 1)

Purpose of the proposal and its anticipated effects, including any changes in existing rules:

The proposed changes to the Game Management Unit Boundary Descriptions Region 1 will better clarify the boundary between two GMUs which has proved to be problematic in recent history for hunters and Enforcement.

Reasons supporting proposal:

The reasons for supporting the proposal are to provide opportunities to hunters, consistent with achieving management objectives and to address and prevent wildlife conflict problems using hunters. An additional reason to support the proposal is to avoid unintended confusion over GMU boundaries.

(232-28-335 Game Management Unit Boundary Descriptions, Region 6)

Purpose of the proposal and its anticipated effects, including any changes in existing rules:

The proposed changes to the Game Management Unit Boundary Descriptions in Region 5 are related to the new Elk Area proposed in GMU 522 which creates a new Quality elk opportunity. The boundary between GMU 522 and GMU 524 needs to be adjusted to accommodate the addition of the new Elk Area.

Reasons supporting proposal:

The reasons for supporting the proposal are to provide opportunities to hunters, consistent with achieving management objectives and to address and prevent wildlife conflict problems using hunters.