

Agenda Item 24

Fall and Spring Black Bear Seasons and Regulations



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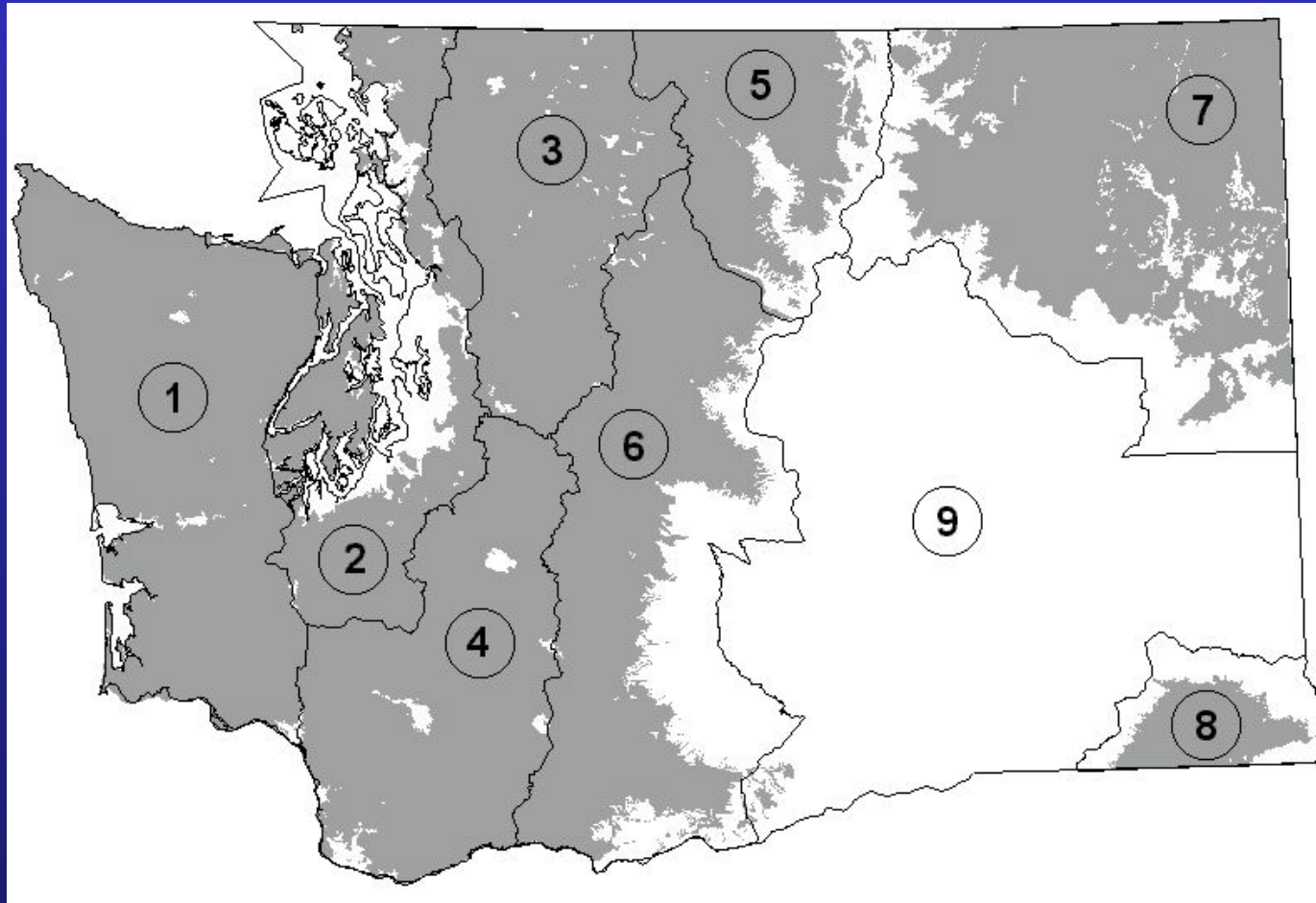
Game Management Plan

Objective 88

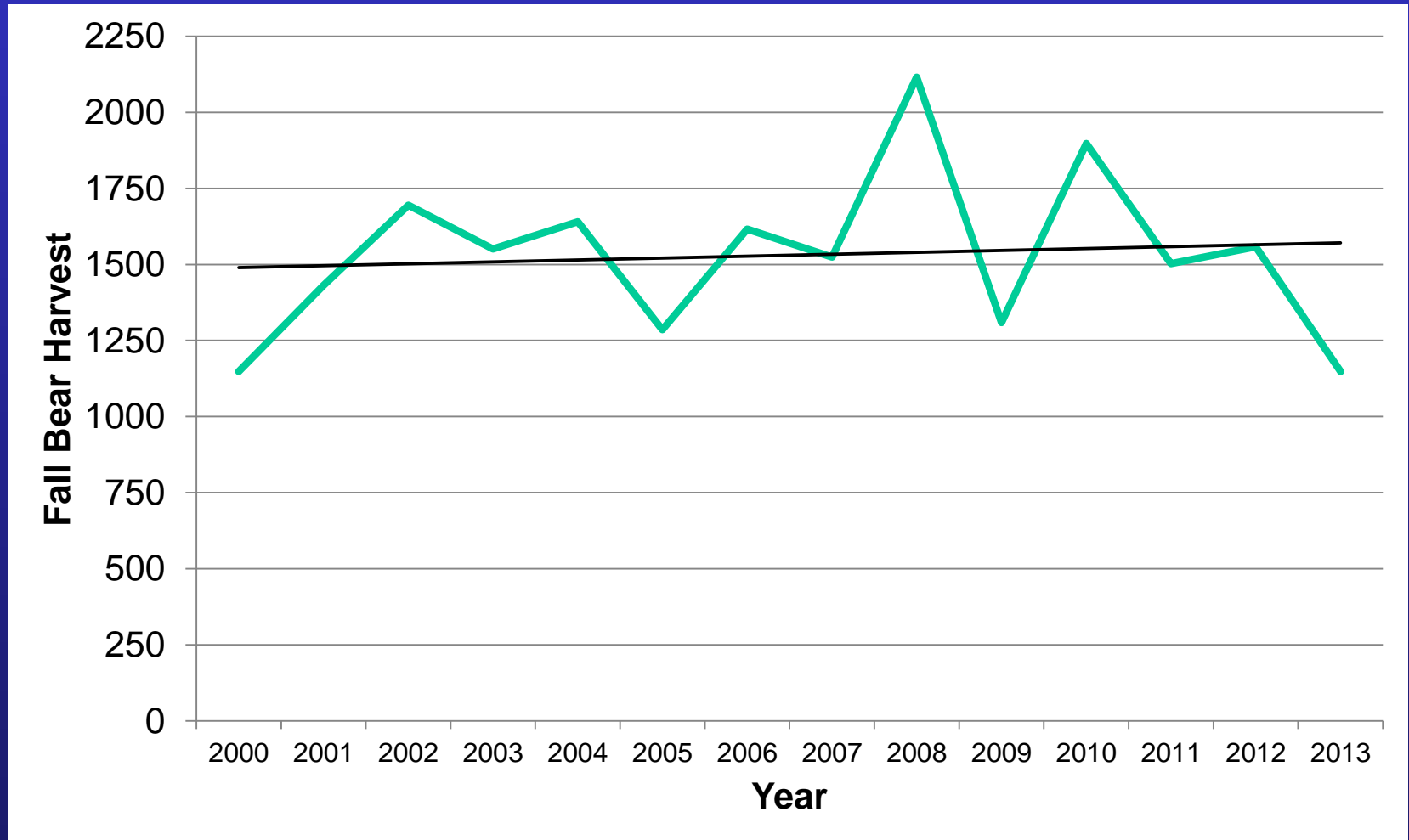
- Provide recreational hunting while at the same time maintaining a sustainable bear population in each BBMU

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

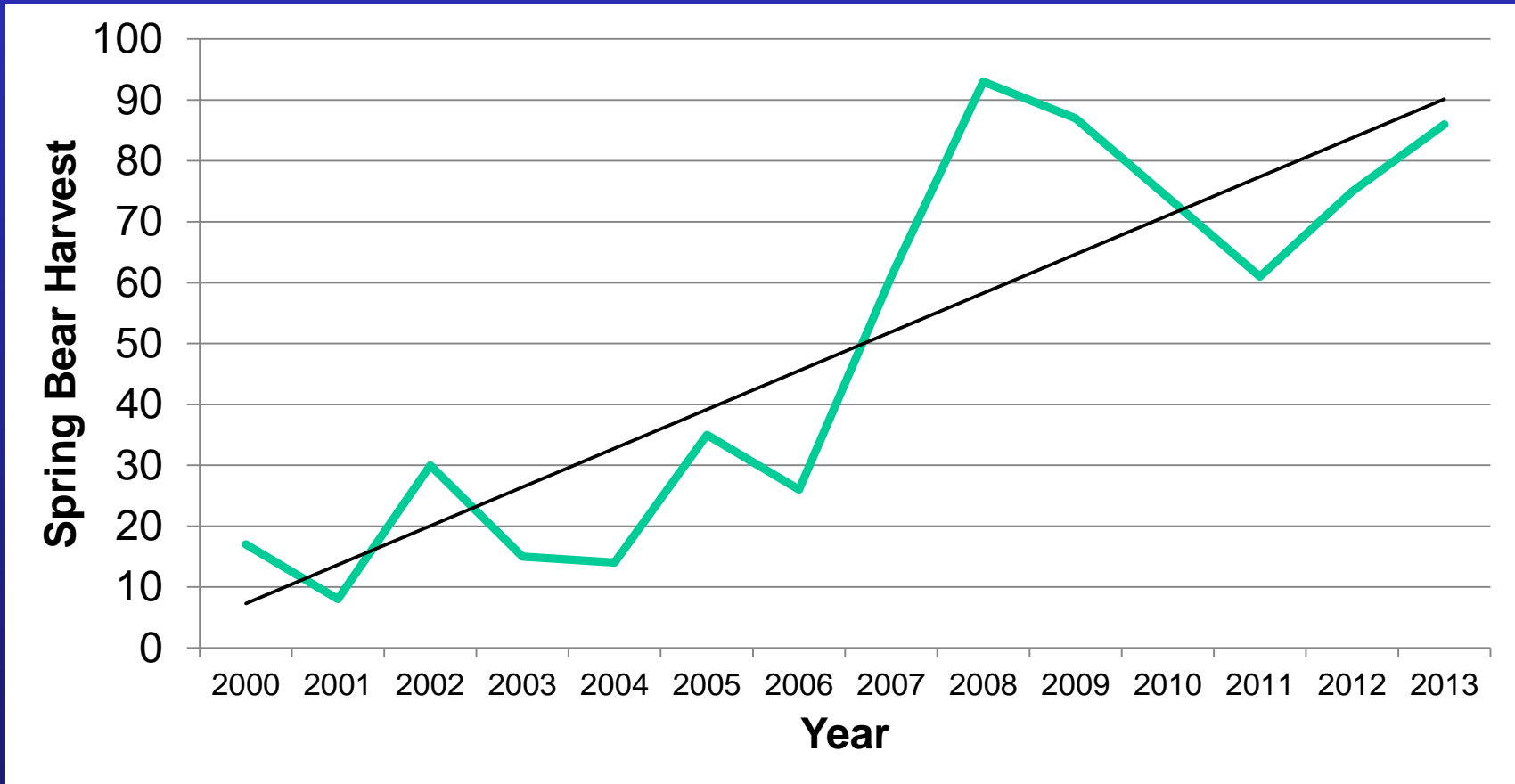
Black Bear Management Units



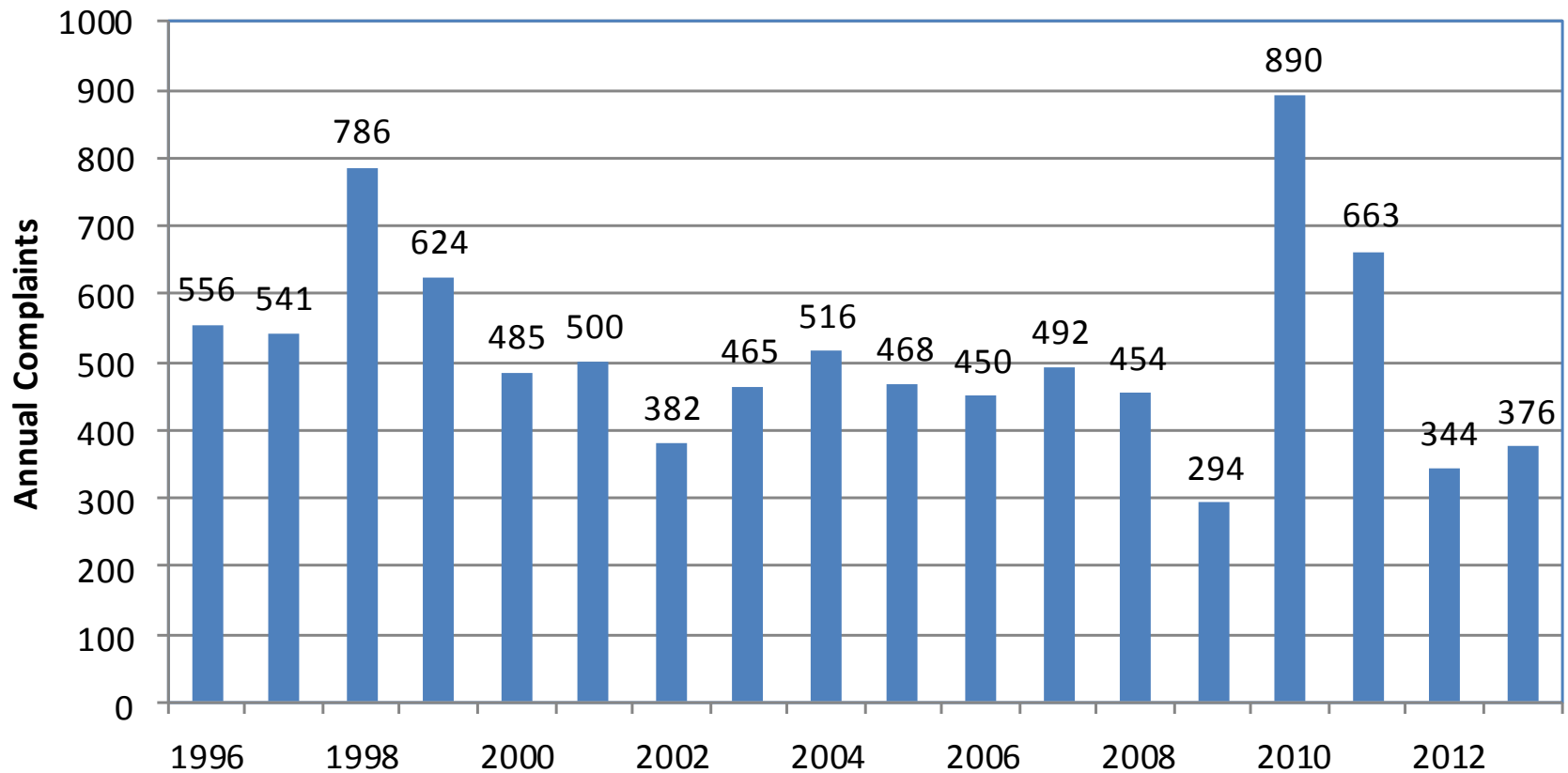
Statewide Fall Bear Harvest



Statewide Spring Bear Harvest



Statewide Confirmed Bear Complaints



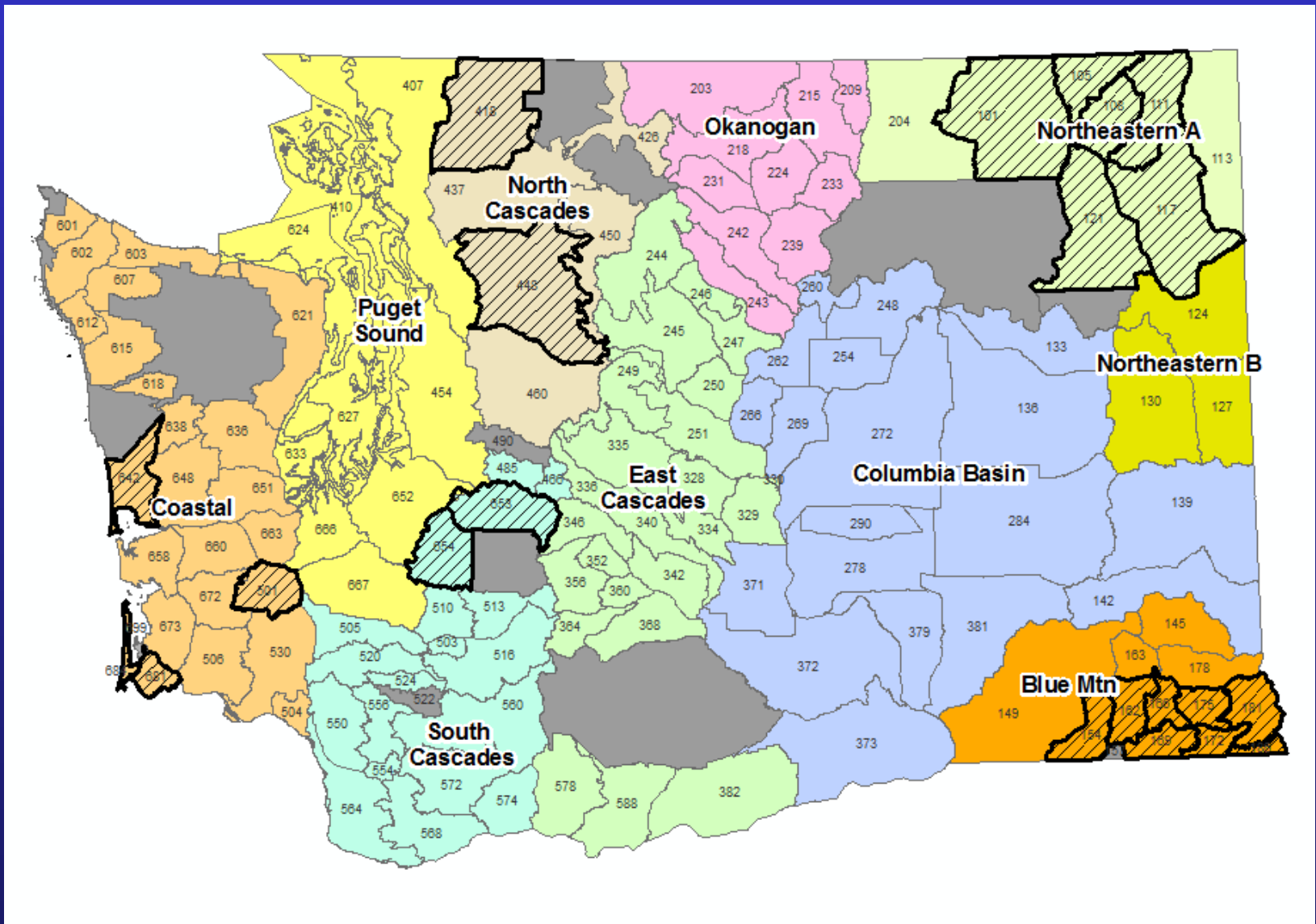
Percent Female in Harvest

Year	SPRING			FALL			SPRING + FALL	
	Total harvest	Number hunters	Spring % female	Fall % Female	Number hunters	Total harvest	Total harvest	% harvest in spring
2013	86	437	34%	31%	21,052	1,148	1,234	7%
2012	76	411	32%	32%	21,245	1,558	1,634	5%
2011	61	302	31%	--	21,550	1,503	1,564	4%
2010	74	330	36%	36%	23,788	1,898	1,972	4%
2009	87	286	38%	33%	23,481	1,309	1,396	6%
2008	93	291	34%	34%	26,056	2,115	2,208	4%
2007	61	199	28%	31%	23,468	1,524	1,585	4%
2006	26	101	19%	36%	21,700	1,616	1,642	2%
2005	35	166	29%	30%	20,558	1,298	1,333	3%
2004	14	72	36%	34%	21,573	1,640	1,654	1%
2003	15	57	13%	37%	22,510	1,551	1,566	1%
2002	30	72	40%	34%	24,844	1,695	1,725	2%
2001	8	47	38%	36%	25,141	1,431	1,439	1%
Sum	690					22,540	23,230	
Average	46	193	30%	33%	24760	1503	1549	3%

Recommendation – Status Quo

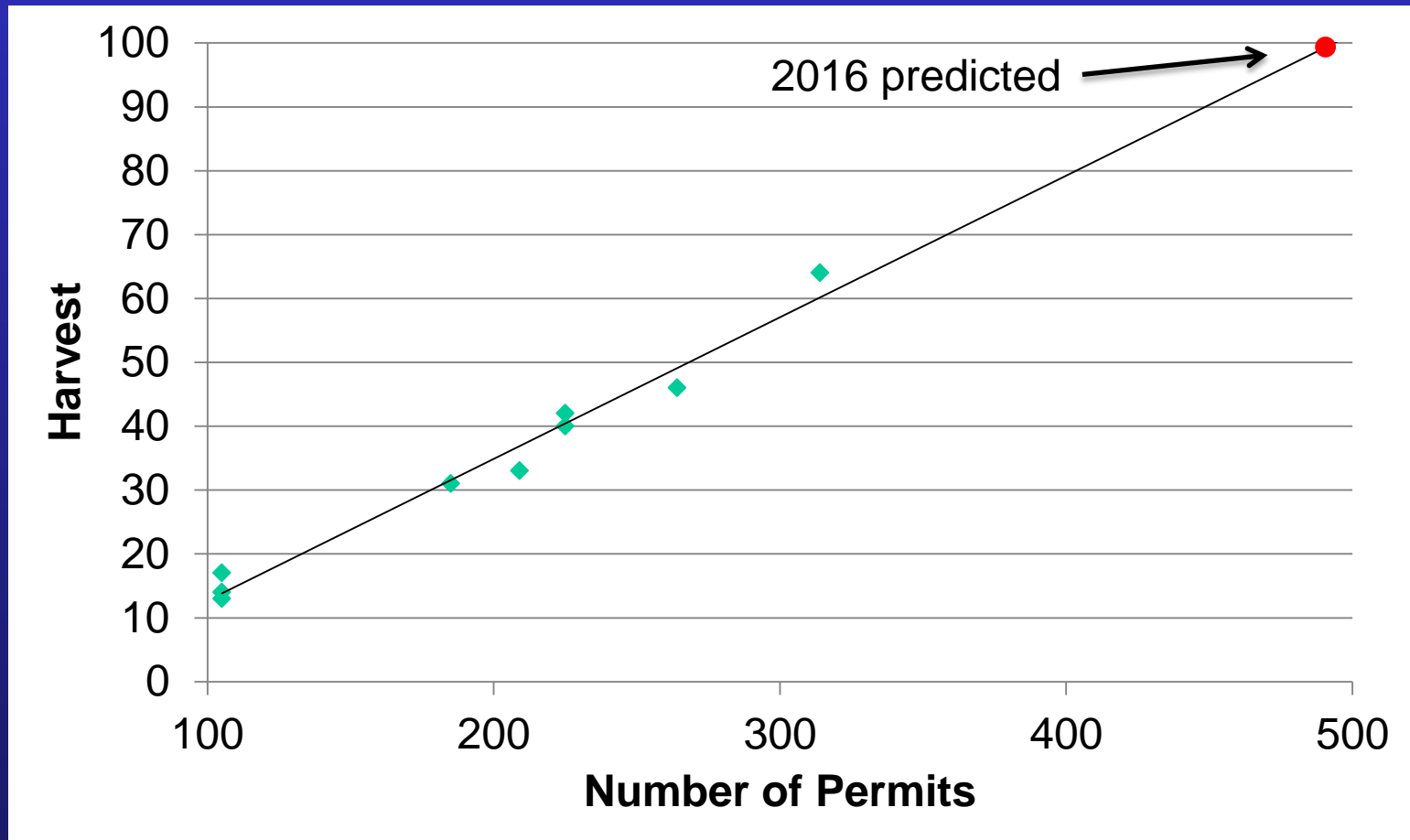
Fall Black Bear		
Hunt Zone	Hunt Dates	Hunt Area GMUs
Coastal	Aug. 1-Nov. 15	GMUs 501, 504, 506, 530, 601, 602, 603, 607-621, 636-651, 658-663, 672-684
Puget Sound	Aug. 1-Nov. 15	GMUs 407, 410, 454, 624, 627, 633, 652, 666, 667
North Cascades	Aug. 1-Nov. 15	GMUs 418-450, 460
South Cascades	Aug. 15-Nov. 15	GMUs 466, 485*, 503, 505, 510-520, 524, 550-574, 653, 654
Okanogan	Aug. 15-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. 15-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 Hunt Areas



Hunt Name	Hunt Area	Permits	Season Dates ^b
Sherman	GMU 101	25 (50)	April 1 - June 15
Kelly Hill	GMU 105	25 (50)	April 1 - June 15
Douglas	GMU 108	20 (40)	April 1 - June 15
Aladdin	GMU 111	25 (50)	April 1 - June 15
49 Degrees North	GMU 117	50 (100)	April 1 - June 15
Huckleberry	GMU 121	50 (100)	April 1 - June 15
Blue Creek	GMU 154	15	April 15 - May 31
Dayton	GMU 162	15	April 15 - May 31
Tucannon	GMU 166	5	April 15 - May 31
Wenaha	GMU 169	45	April 15 - June 15
Mt. View	GMU 172	15	April 15 - May 31
Lick Creek	GMU 175	15	April 15 - May 31
Couse	GMU 181	4	April 15 - May 31
Grande Ronde	GMU 186	5	April 15 - May 31
<u>Bear River</u>	<u>GMU 681</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>April 15- May 31</u>
<u>Long Beach</u>	<u>GMU 684</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>April 15 - May 31</u>
North Skagit	That portion of GMU 418 that is designated as the hunt area by DNR, Sierra Pacific, Longview Timber Lands, and Grandy Lake Timber company.	30	April 15 - June 15
Monroe	That portion of GMU 448 that is designated as the hunt area by DNR, Campbell Group, and Longview Timber Lands.	25	April 15 - June 15
Copalis ^a	That portion of GMU 642 that is designated as the hunt area by Rayonier Timber Company.	100	April 15 - June 15
Kapowsin ^a	That portion of GMUs 653 and/or 654 that is designated as the hunt area by Hancock Forest Management and International Forestry.	150	April 15 - June 15
Lincolna	That portion of GMU 501 that is designated as the hunt area by participating commercial timber landowners.	75	April 15 - June 15

Spring Bear Permits and Harvest Eastern Washington only



Questions