

Deer General Seasons and Deer Special Permits

WAC 220-415-020 and WAC 220-415-030

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Summary Sheet

Meeting dates: April 13-14, 2018

Agenda item: Deer General Seasons and Deer Special Permits – **Decision**

Presenter(s): Jerry Nelson, Ph.D., Deer and Elk Section Manager, Game Division, Wildlife Program

Background summary:

Staff briefed the Fish and Wildlife Commission at the March Commission meeting in Wenatchee regarding the proposed amendments to WAC 220-415-020 2018-2020 Deer general seasons and definitions, and WAC 220-415-030 2018 Deer special permits. The proposed deer hunting seasons represent the culmination of the 2018-2020 three-year hunting season package process.

Staff recommendation:

Proposed amendments for deer general seasons:

- Retain the two weekends under the modern firearm youth/disabled opportunity for white-tailed deer in GMUs 101-121.
- Extend modern firearm youth/senior/disabled opportunity for white-tailed deer in GMU 124 rather than restricting to the three defunct Deer Areas surrounding Spokane.
- Remove early archery, antlerless opportunity for mule deer in GMU 101.
- Add early and late archery, antlerless opportunity for white-tailed deer in GMUs 101-121.
- Add early archery, antlerless opportunity for mule deer in GMU 284.
- Add early archery, antlerless opportunity for black-tailed deer in GMU 530.
- Add early muzzleloader, antlerless opportunity for white-tailed deer in GMUs 101-121.
- Add early muzzleloader, antlered opportunity for black-tailed deer in GMUs 633 and 651.
- Add late muzzleloader, either sex opportunity for white-tailed deer in GMU 142.
- Remove late muzzleloader, antlerless opportunity for mule deer in GMU 381.

Proposed amendments for deer special permit seasons:

- Add modern firearm, antlerless, white-tailed deer special permits in GMUs 101-121.
 - Shift modern firearm, antlerless, white-tailed deer special permits from three defunct Deer Areas used in the past to all of GMU 124.
 - Combine modern firearm, antlerless, deer special permits into one hunt that includes GMUs 139, 142, 284, and 381.
 - Shift archery, antlerless, white-tailed deer special permits from two Deer Areas used in the past to all of GMU 124.
 - Shift muzzleloader, antlerless, white-tailed deer special permits from one Deer Area used in the past to all of GMU 124.
 - Establish a new youth, modern firearm, any deer, hunt that includes GMUs 139, 142, 284, and 381.
 - Add senior 65+, modern firearm, antlerless, white-tailed deer special permits in GMUs 101-121.
 - Establish a senior 65+ and hunters with disabilities, modern firearm, any-deer, hunts that include GMUs 139, 142, 284, and 381.
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Policy issue(s) and expected outcome:

- Maximize recreational deer hunting opportunity.
- Continue sustainable hunting seasons for deer.
- Address wildlife conflict issues by using recreational hunters when possible.

Fiscal impacts of agency implementation:

No fiscal impacts beyond the status quo.

Public involvement process used and what you learned:

The department conducted an extensive public involvement process to develop the 2018-2020 hunting season proposals. Six open house, public meetings were conducted throughout the state in July and August of 2017, to discuss a variety of issues with constituents. Concurrently, the public was asked to provide input on hunting seasons via the department website for a 6-week time period. The department emailed over 119,000 hunters notifying them of the website survey and encouraging them to participate. The department received over 3,900 responses related to deer and elk hunting seasons. Using that information, the department determined which recommendations would move forward.

In preparation for this meeting, notification was made to approximately 12,000 individuals and organizations informing them of the opportunity to provide comment on the proposed regulation amendments. Additionally, these individuals and organizations were informed of the opportunity to provide verbal testimony at the March 16-17, 2018 Commission meeting in Wenatchee.

Action requested and/or proposed next steps:

Amend WAC 220-415-020 and WAC 220-415-030 as presented.

Draft motion language:

Motion: I move to amend WAC 220-415-020 and WAC 220-415-030 as presented by staff.

Is there a "second"?

If so, then motion maker discusses basis for motion; other Commissioners discuss views on motion; amendments, if any, proposed and addressed.

Post decision communications plan:

WDFW Website

News Release

Hunting Regulations Pamphlet

Form revised 2-15-18

WAC 220-415-020 ((2015-2017)) 2018-2020 Deer general seasons and definitions. It is unlawful to fail to comply with the bag, possession, and season limits described below. Violations of this section are punishable under RCW 77.15.410 Unlawful hunting of big game—Penalty.

Bag Limit: One (1) deer per hunter during the license year except where otherwise permitted by department rule.

Hunting Method: Hunters must select one of the hunting methods: Modern firearm, archery, or muzzleloader.

Any Buck Deer Seasons: Open only to the taking of deer with visible antlers (buck fawns illegal).

Antler Point: To qualify as an antler point, the point must be at least one inch long, measured on the longest side.

Antler Restrictions: APPLIES TO ALL HUNTERS DURING ANY GENERAL SEASON AND DESIGNATED SPECIAL PERMIT SEASONS. Buck deer taken in antler restricted game management units (GMUs) must meet minimum antler point requirements. Minimum antler point requirements are antler points on one side only. Eye guards are antler points when they are at least one inch long.

3-point Minimum GMUs: All mule deer in 100, 200, and 300 series GMUs; white-tailed deer in GMUs 127, 130, 133, 136, 139, 142, 145, 149, 154, 162, 163, 166, 169, 172, 175, 178, 181, 186, and black-tailed deer in GMU 578.

Permit-only Units: The following GMUs require a special permit to hunt deer: 157 (Mill Creek Watershed), 290 (Desert), 329 (Quilomene), 371 (Alkali), and 485 (Green River).

GMUs Closed to Deer Hunting: 490 (Cedar River) and 522 (Loo-wit).

Types of deer that a person may legally hunt in Washington:

Black-tailed Deer: Any member of black-tailed/mule deer (species *Odocoileus hemionus*) found west of a line drawn from the Canadian border south on the Pacific Crest Trail and along the Yakama Indian Reservation boundary in Yakima County to the Klickitat River; south down Klickitat River to the Columbia River.

Mule Deer: Any member of black-tailed/mule deer (species *Odocoileus hemionus*) found east of a line drawn from the Canadian border south on the Pacific Crest Trail and along the Yakama Indian Reservation boundary in Yakima County to the Klickitat River; south down Klickitat River to the Columbia River.

White-tailed Deer: Any white-tailed deer (member of the species *Odocoileus virginianus*), except the Columbian whitetail deer (species *Odocoileus virginianus leucurus*).

MODERN FIREARM DEER SEASONS

License Required: A valid big game hunting license, which includes a deer species option.

Tag Required: A valid modern firearm deer tag for the area hunted.

Hunting Method: Modern firearm deer tag hunters may use rifle, hand-gun, shotgun, bow, crossbow, or muzzleloader, but only during modern firearm seasons.

Hunt Season	((2015)) 2018 Dates	((2016)) 2019 Dates	((2017)) 2020 Dates	Game Management Units (GMUs)	Legal Deer
HIGH BUCK HUNTS					
	Sept. 15-25	Sept. 15-25	Sept. 15-25	Alpine Lakes, Mount Baker, Glacier Peak, Pasayten, Olympic Peninsula, and Henry Jackson Wilderness Areas and Lake Chelan Recreation Area	3 pt. min.
GENERAL SEASON					
((Western Washington Black-tailed Deer	Oct. 17-31	Oct. 15-31	Oct. 14-31	407, 418, 426, 437, 448, 450, 454, 460, 466, 501 through 520, 524 through 556, 560, 568, 572, 574, 601 through 621, 624 (except Deer Area 6020), 627 through 654, 658 through 699	Any buck
				410, 411, 412, 413, 414, 415, 416, 417, 419, 420, 421, 422, 564, 655, Deer Area 6020	Any deer
				578	3 pt. min.))
Eastern Washington White-tailed Deer	Oct. ((17-30)) 13-26	Oct. ((15-28)) 12-25	Oct. ((14-27)) 17-30	101, 105, 108, 111, 113, 117, 121, 124	Any white-tailed buck
	Oct. ((17-27)) 13-23	Oct. ((15-25)) 12-22	Oct. ((14-24)) 17-27	203 through 284	Any white-tailed buck
	Oct. ((17-27)) 13-23	Oct. ((15-25)) 12-22	Oct. ((14-24)) 17-27	127 through 154, 162 through 186 (except Deer Area 1040)	White-tailed, 3 pt. min.
	Oct. ((17-27)) 13-23	Oct. ((15-25)) 12-22	Oct. ((14-24)) 17-27	373, 379, 381	Any white-tailed deer
((Eastern Washington White-tailed Deer in GMUs 117 and 121	Oct. 17-30	Oct. 15-28	Oct. 14-27	117, 121	Any white-tailed buck))
Eastern Washington Mule Deer	Oct. ((17-27)) 13-23	Oct. ((15-25)) 12-22	Oct. ((14-24)) 17-27	101 through 154, 162 through 169, 172 (except Deer Area 1040), 175 through 186, 203 through 284, 328, 330 through 368, 372, 373, 379, 381, 382 (except closed in Deer Area 5382), 388	Mule deer, 3 pt. min.
Western Washington Black-tailed Deer	Oct. 13-31	Oct. 12-31	Oct. 17 - Nov. 1	407, 418, 426, 437, 448, 450, 454, 460, 466, 501 through 520, 524 through 556, 560, 568, 572, 574, 601 through 621, 624 (except Deer Area 6020), 627 through 654, 658 through 699	Any buck
				410, 411, 412, 413, 414, 415, 416, 417, 419, 420, 421, 422, 564, 655, Deer Area 6020	Any deer
				578	3 pt. min
LATE GENERAL SEASON					
Western Washington Black-tailed Deer	Nov. ((19-22)) 15-18	Nov. ((17-20)) 14-17	Nov. ((16-19)) 19-22	407, 454, 466, 501 through 520, 524 through 560, 568, 572, 601 through 621, 624 (except Deer Area 6020), 627 through 654, 658 through 699	Any buck
	Nov. ((19-22)) 15-18	Nov. ((17-20)) 14-17	Nov. ((16-19)) 19-22	410, 411, 412, 413, 414, 415, 416, 417, 419, 420, 421, 422, 564, 655, Deer Area 6020	Any deer
Eastern Washington White-tailed Deer	Nov. ((7-19)) 10-19	Nov. ((5-19)) 9-19	Nov. ((11-19)) 7-19	105, 108, 111, 113, 117, 121, 124	Any white-tailed buck
((Eastern Washington White-tailed Deer in GMUs 117 and 121	Nov. 7-19	Nov. 5-19	Nov. 11-19	117, 121	Any white-tailed buck))
HUNTERS 65 AND OVER, DISABLED, AND YOUTH GENERAL SEASONS					

Hunt Season	((2015)) 2018 Dates	((2016)) 2019 Dates	((2017)) 2020 Dates	Game Management Units (GMUs)	Legal Deer
Eastern Washington White-tailed Deer	Oct. ((17-30)) 13-26 and Nov. 10-19	Oct. ((15-28)) 12-25 and Nov. 9-19	Oct. ((14-27)) 17-30 and Nov. 7-19	124	Any white-tailed deer
	((Nov. 7-19))	Nov. 5-19	Nov. 11-19	Deer Area 1050	Any white-tailed deer
	Nov. 7-19	Nov. 5-19	Nov. 11-19	Deer Areas 1060, 1070, 1080	White-tailed, antlerless-only))
	Oct. ((17-27)) 13-23	Oct. ((15-25)) 12-22	Oct. ((14-24)) 17-27	127 through 142, 145, 149, 154, Deer Area 1010, and 178	White-tailed, 3 pt. min. or antlerless
DISABLED AND YOUTH GENERAL SEASONS					
Eastern Washington White-tailed Deer	Oct. 13-14 and Oct. 20-21	Oct. 12-13 and Oct. 19-20	Oct. ((14-15)) 17-18 and Oct. ((21-22)) 24-25	101, 105, 108, 111, 113, 117, 121	Any white-tailed deer

ARCHERY DEER SEASONS

License Required: A valid big game hunting license, which includes a deer species option.

Tag Required: A valid archery deer tag for the area hunted.

Special Notes: Archery tag holders can only hunt during archery seasons with archery equipment (WAC 220-414-070).

Hunt Area	((2015)) 2018 Dates	((2016)) 2019 Dates	((2017)) 2020 Dates	Game Management Units (GMUs)	Legal Deer
EARLY ARCHERY GENERAL DEER SEASONS					
Western Washington Black-tailed Deer	Sept. ((1-30)) 1-28	Sept. ((1-30)) 1-27	Sept. ((1-29)) 1-25	407 through 426, 437, 448, 450, 454, 466, 501, 504, 505, ((524,)) 554, 564, 568, 621 through 636, 648 through 652, 654 through 673, 684	Any deer
				460, 503, 574, 601 through 618, 638, 642, 653, 681 and 699	Any buck
				578	3 pt. min.
	Sept. ((1-27)) 1-23	Sept. ((1-25)) 1-22	Sept. ((1-24)) 1-20	510, 513, 516, 520, 524, 530, 556	Any deer
				506, ((530,)) 550, 560, 572	Any buck
Eastern Washington Mule Deer	Sept. ((1-30)) 1-28	Sept. ((1-30)) 1-27	Sept. ((1-29)) 1-25	((405)) 101 through 121, 166, 169, 172 (except Deer Area 1040), 175, 181, 243, 334	3 pt. min.
				124 through 142, 145, 149, 186, 244 through 247, 249, 250, 260, 372, 284, 373, 379, 381, 382 (except closed in Deer Area 5382), 388, Deer Area 3334	3 pt. min. or antlerless
	Sept. ((1-27)) 1-23	Sept. ((1-25)) 1-22	Sept. ((1-24)) 1-20	154, 162, 163, 178	3 pt. min. or antlerless
	Sept. ((1-27)) 1-23	Sept. ((1-25)) 1-22	Sept. ((1-24)) 1-20	251, 328, 335, 336, 340, 346, 352, 356, 360, 364, 368	3 pt. min.
	Sept. 1-15	Sept. 1-15	Sept. 1-15	((401,)) 204 through 242, 248, 254, 262, 266, 269, 272, 278 ((,-284))	3 pt. min.
Sept. ((16-30)) 16-28	Sept. ((16-30)) 16-27	Sept. ((16-29)) 16-25	((401,)) 204 through 242, 248, 254, 262, 266, 269, 272, 278 ((,-284))	3 pt. min. or antlerless	
Eastern Washington White-tailed Deer	((Sept. 1-30))	Sept. 1-30	Sept. 1-29	401, 405, 108, 111, 113, 117, 121	White-tailed, any buck))
	Sept. ((1-30)) 1-28	Sept. ((1-30)) 1-27	Sept. ((1-29)) 1-25	101 through 124, 204 through 250, 254 through 284, 373, 379, 381	Any white-tailed deer
	Sept. ((1-30)) 1-28	Sept. ((1-30)) 1-27	Sept. ((1-29)) 1-25	127 through 149, 166, 172 (except Deer Area 1040), 181, 186	White-tailed, 3 pt. min. or antlerless
	Sept. ((1-27)) 1-23	Sept. ((1-25)) 1-22	Sept. ((1-24)) 1-20	154, 162, 163, 178	White-tailed, 3 pt. min. or antlerless
Sept. ((1-27)) 1-23	Sept. ((1-25)) 1-22	Sept. ((1-24)) 1-20	169, 175	White-tailed, 3 pt. min.	
LATE ARCHERY GENERAL DEER SEASONS					
Western Washington Black-tailed Deer	Nov. ((25)) 21 - Dec. 15	Nov. ((23)) 27 - Dec. 15	Nov. ((22)) 25 - Dec. 15	437, 466, 510 through 520, 524	Any deer

Hunt Area	<u>((2015)) 2018</u> Dates	<u>((2016)) 2019</u> Dates	<u>((2017)) 2020</u> Dates	Game Management Units (GMUs)	Legal Deer
	Nov. ((25)) 21 - Dec. 15	Nov. ((23)) 27 - Dec. 15	Nov. ((22)) 25 - Dec. 15	448, 460, 506, 530, 560, 572, 601, 603 through 618, 638, 642, 681, and 699	Any buck
	Nov. ((25)) 21 - Dec. 31	Nov. ((23)) 27 - Dec. 31	Nov. ((22)) 25 - Dec. 31	407, 410, 411, 412, 413, 414, 415, 416, 417, 419, 420, 421, 422, 454, 505, 564, 624, 627, 636, 648, 652, 654, 655, 660 through 672	Any deer
Eastern Washington Mule Deer	Nov. 21-30	Nov. 21-30	Nov. 21-30	209, 215, 233, 243, 250	3 pt. min.
	Nov. ((25)) 21 - Dec. 8	Nov. ((23)) 27 - Dec. 8	Nov. ((22)) 25 - Dec. 8	336, 342, 346, 352, 364, 388, Deer Area 3682	3 pt. min.
	Nov. 20 - Dec. 8	Nov. 20 - Dec. 8	Nov. 20 - Dec. 8	145, 163, 178, 272, 278, 373, Deer Area 3372	3 pt. min. or antlerless
	Dec. 9-31	Dec. 9-31	Dec. 9-31	Deer Area 1021	Antlerless only
Eastern Washington White-tailed Deer	Nov. 10 - Dec. 15	Nov. 10 - Dec. 15	Nov. 10 - Dec. 15	101	((White-tailed, any buck)) Any white-tailed deer
	Nov. 25 - Dec. 15	Nov. 25 - Dec. 15	Nov. 25 - Dec. 15	105, 108, 117, 121, 124	Any white-tailed deer
	Nov. 25 - Dec. 15	Nov. 25 - Dec. 15	Nov. 25 - Dec. 15	127	White-tailed, 3 pt. min. or antlerless
	Nov. 20 - Dec. 8	Nov. 20 - Dec. 8	Nov. 20 - Dec. 8	145, 163, 178, 272, 278	White-tailed, 3 pt. min. or antlerless
	Nov. ((25)) 21 - Dec. 15	Nov. ((23)) 27 - Dec. 15	Nov. ((22)) 25 - Dec. 15	204, 209, 215, 233, 243, 373((-204, 209))	Any white-tailed deer
		((Nov. 23 - Dec. 9	Nov. 22 - Dec. 15	105, 108, 117, 121	White-tailed, any buck))

MUZZLELOADER DEER SEASONS

License Required: A valid big game hunting license, which includes a deer species option.

Tag Required: A valid muzzleloader deer tag for the area hunted.

Hunting Method: Muzzleloader only.

Special Notes: Muzzleloader tag holders can only hunt during muzzleloader seasons and must hunt with muzzleloader equipment (WAC 220-414-060) or archery equipment (WAC 220-414-070).

Hunt Area	<u>((2015)) 2018</u> Dates	<u>((2016)) 2019</u> Dates	<u>((2017)) 2020</u> Dates	Game Management Units (GMUs)	Legal Deer
High Buck Hunts	Sept. 15-25	Sept. 15-25	Sept. 15-25	Alpine Lakes, Glacier Peak, Pasayten, Mount Baker, Olympic Peninsula, and Henry Jackson Wilderness areas, and Lake Chelan Recreation Area	3 pt. min.
EARLY MUZZLELOADER GENERAL DEER SEASONS					
Western Washington Black-tailed Deer	((Oct. 3-11)) Sept. 29 - Oct. 7	((Oct. 1-9)) Sept. 28 - Oct. 6	((Sept. 30 - Oct. 8)) Sept. 26 - Oct. 4	407, 418, 426, 437, 448, 450, 501, 503, 504, 505, 506, 510, 513, 516, 520, 530, 550, 554, 560, 568, 572, 574, 603, 607, 612, 615, 624 (except Deer Area 6020), ((636, 638, 642, 648)) 633 through 651, 660, 663, 672, 673	Any buck
				410, 411, 412, 413, 414, 415, 416, 417, 419, 420, 421, 422, 454, 564, 627, 652, 655, 666, 684, and Deer Area 6020	Any deer
				578	3 pt. min.
Eastern Washington White-tailed Deer	((Oct. 3-11)) Sept. 29 - Oct. 7	((Oct. 1-9)) Sept. 28 - Oct. 6	((Sept. 30 - Oct. 8)) Sept. 26 - Oct. 4	((101, 105, 108, 111, 113, 117, 121,)) 203, 204, 209, 215, 231, 233, 239, 242, 243, 244, 245, 246, 248, 250, 251, 260, 272, 278, 284	White-tailed, any buck
				101 through 124	Any white-tailed deer
				127, 142, 145, 149	White-tailed, 3 pt. min. or antlerless

Hunt Area	(2015) 2018 Dates	(2016) 2019 Dates	(2017) 2020 Dates	Game Management Units (GMUs)	Legal Deer
				130, 133, 136, 139, 175, 181, 186	White-tailed, 3 pt. min.
				373, 379	Any white-tailed deer
Eastern Washington Mule Deer	((Oct. 3-11)) Sept. 29 - Oct. 7	((Oct. 1-9)) Sept. 28 - Oct. 6	((Sept. 30-Oct. 8)) Sept. 26 - Oct. 4	101 through 149, 175, 181, 186, 203, 204, 209, 215, 231, 233, 239, 242, 243, 244, 245, 246, 248, 250, 251, 254, 260, 262, 266, 269, 272, 278, 284, 328, 330 through 342, 352 through 368, 373, 379	Mule deer, 3 pt. min.
Eastern Washington Mule Deer	((Oct. 3-11)) Sept. 29 - Oct. 7	((Oct. 1-9)) Sept. 28 - Oct. 6	((Sept. 30-Oct. 8)) Sept. 26 - Oct. 4	Deer Areas 3334 and 3372	3 pt. min. or antlerless
LATE MUZZLELOADER GENERAL DEER SEASONS					
Western Washington Black-tailed Deer	Nov. ((25)) 21 - Dec. 15	Nov. ((23)) 27 - Dec. 15	Nov. ((22)) 25 - Dec. 15	407, 410, 411, 412, 413, 414, 415, 416, 417, 419, 420, 421, 422, 454, 504, 564, 633, 666, 684, and Deer Area 6020	Any deer
				448, 460, 501, 602, 621, 651, 654, 658, 667, and 673	Any buck
Eastern Washington White-tailed Deer	Nov. ((25)) 21 - Dec. 8	Nov. ((23)) 27 - Dec. 8	Nov. ((22)) 25 - Dec. 8	113	Any white-tailed buck
	Nov. 25 - Dec. 8	Nov. 25 - Dec. 8	Nov. 25 - Dec. 8	130, 133, 136, 139, 142	White-tailed, 3 pt. min. or antlerless
	Nov. 20 - Dec. 8	Nov. 20 - Dec. 8	Nov. 20 - Dec. 8	172 (except Deer Area 1040), 181	White-tailed, 3 pt. min. or antlerless
	Nov. ((20-30)) 25 - Dec. 8	Nov. ((20-30)) 25 - Dec. 8	Nov. ((20-30)) 25 - Dec. 8	379, 381	Any white-tailed deer
Eastern Washington Mule Deer	Nov. 25 - Dec. 8	Nov. 25 - Dec. 8	Nov. 25 - Dec. 8	130	Antlerless
	((Nov. 20-30))	Nov. 20-30	Nov. 20-30	381, Deer Area 3372	3 pt. min. or antlerless))
	Nov. 25 - Dec. 8	Nov. 25 - Dec. 8	Nov. 25 - Dec. 8	379, 381	3 pt. min.
	Nov. 20-30	Nov. 20-30	Nov. 20-30	((379,)) 382 (except closed in Deer Area 5382)	3 pt. min.

Summary of Public Comments Received During the Official Comment Period and WDFW Response:

WAC 220-415-020 2018-2020 Deer general seasons and definitions.

Supporting Comments:

There were 38 comments in support of the proposal. There was a wide variety of supporting comments with no common theme.

Opposing, Neutral, and Other Comments:

There were 61 comments in opposition to the proposal. One common theme seemed to be a misunderstanding by archers that many of the season start and stop dates are influenced by calendar date adjustments. The dates are further influenced by the other seasons occurring before and after an existing season. An example of this is the early archery deer season being influenced by the quality, modern firearm, deer special permits, and the early, general, muzzleloader, deer seasons. These calendar adjustments may be perceived as days that are being reduced for no reason. On those years when the 7-year cycle of the calendar adjustments appear to be adding days to the season, we don't receive those complaints and nobody seems to notice.

There were six (6) comments that were opposed to adding antlerless white-tailed deer opportunity in northeast Washington and were also in favor of a 4 pt. antler restriction.

The rest of the opposition comments thought seasons were too long or too short; that the timing of seasons needed to be changed; that certain user groups were receiving preferential treatment; and that overall season structures were way too liberal or way too conservative; or they expressed concerns about the management of species other than deer.

There were 26 comments that were neutral. Despite taking a neutral stance, all of the commenters expressed preferences for something other than what was proposed. There was no common theme and the comments were similar to those listed in the previous paragraph.

Direction and Rationale:

The main theme of the comments centered on the misconception that hunting season lengths were being reduced for no reason. Those criticisms typically spring from a misunderstanding of the calendar date adjustments that influence the seasons' timing and length, and how tightly scheduled all of the deer and elk seasons are. The remainder of the comments are similar to the type routinely received by the department as we go through each rule-making process. Field staff are making hunting season recommendations they feel will maximize hunting opportunity without having a negative impact on the deer populations. The department will move forward with the recommendations, which include the recommended adjustments, to the Fish and Wildlife Commission.

AMENDATORY SECTION (Amending WSR 17-10-076, filed 5/3/17, effective 6/3/17)

WAC 220-415-030 ((2017)) 2018 Deer special permits. It is unlawful to fail to comply with the bag, possession, and season limits described below. A violation of this section is punishable under RCW 77.15.410 Unlawful hunting of big game—Penalty.

Deer Special Permit Hunting Seasons (Open to Permit Holders Only)

Hunters must purchase a deer hunting license prior to purchasing a permit application. Hunters may only apply for permits consistent with the tag required for the hunt choice; however, Multiple Season Permit holders may apply for archery, muzzleloader, or modern firearm permit hunts. Hunters drawn for a special permit hunt must comply with weapon restrictions, dates, and other conditions listed for the hunt. Hunters drawn for a special permit designated **"Any tag"** under the **"Weapon/Tag"** restriction must use equipment consistent with the requirements of their transport tag and license.

Quality						
Hunt Name	Weapon/Tag	Hunters	Hunt Dates	Special Restrictions	Boundary	Permits
Kelly Hill White-tailed Buck	Modern	Any	((Oct. 21 – Nov. 22)) Oct. 20 - Nov. 21	White-tailed, Any buck	GMU 105	5
Kelly Hill Mule Deer Buck	Modern	Any	Nov. ((4-22)) 3-21	Mule deer, 3 pt. min.	GMU 105	1
Douglas White-tailed Buck	Modern	Any	((Oct. 21 – Nov. 22)) Oct. 20 - Nov. 21	White-tailed, Any buck	GMU 108	5
Douglas Mule Deer Buck	Modern	Any	Nov. ((4-22)) 3-21	Mule deer, 3 pt. min.	GMU 108	1
Aladdin White-tailed Buck	Modern	Any	((Oct. 21 – Nov. 22)) Oct. 20 - Nov. 21	White-tailed, Any buck	GMU 111	5
Aladdin Mule Deer Buck	Modern	Any	Nov. ((4-22)) 3-21	Mule deer, 3 pt. min.	GMU 111	1

Quality						
Hunt Name	Weapon/Tag	Hunters	Hunt Dates	Special Restrictions	Boundary	Permits
Selkirk Mule Deer Buck	Modern	Any	Nov. ((4-22)) <u>3-21</u>	Mule deer, 3 pt. min.	GMU 113	1
49 Degrees North White-tailed Buck	Modern	Any	((Oct. 21 - Nov. 22)) Oct. 20 - Nov. 21	White-tailed, Any buck	GMU 117	5
49 Degrees North Mule Deer Buck	Modern	Any	Nov. ((4-22)) <u>3-21</u>	Mule deer, 3 pt. min.	GMU 117	1
Huckleberry White-tailed Buck	Modern	Any	((Oct. 21 - Nov. 22)) Oct. 20 - Nov. 21	White-tailed, Any buck	GMU 121	5
Huckleberry Mule Deer Buck	Modern	Any	Nov. ((4-22)) <u>3-21</u>	Mule deer, 3 pt. min.	GMU 121	1
Mt. Spokane	Modern	Any	Nov. 20-24	Any buck	GMU 124	5
Mica Peak	Modern	Any	Nov. 20-24	3 pt. min.	GMU 127	5
Cheney	Modern	Any	Nov. 20-24	3 pt. min.	GMU 130	5
Roosevelt	Modern	Any	Nov. 20-24	3 pt. min.	GMU 133	5
Step toe	Modern	Any	Nov. 20-24	3 pt. min.	GMU 139	5
Almota	Modern	Any	Nov. 20-24	3 pt. min.	GMU 142	5
Dayton	Modern	Any	Nov. 20-24	3 pt. min.	GMU 162	5
Tucannon	Modern	Any	Nov. 20-24	3 pt. min.	GMU 166	2
Wenaha West	Modern	Any	Nov. 7-14	Mule deer, 3 pt. min.	((Deer)) Deer Area 1008	2
Wenaha East	Modern	Any	Nov. 7-14	Mule deer, 3 pt. min.	Deer Area 1009	5
((Lick Creek	Modern	Any	Nov. 20-24	3 pt. min.	GMU 175	4))
Ten-Forty	Modern	Any	Nov. ((7-14)) <u>5-11</u>	White-tailed deer, 3 pt. min.	Deer Area 1040	2
Grande Ronde	Modern	Any	Nov. 20-24	3 pt. min.	GMU 186	1
East Okanogan	Modern	Any	Nov. 1-20	Any buck	GMU 204	10
Sinlahekin	Modern	Any	Nov. 1-20	Any buck	GMU 215	10
Chewuch	Modern	Any	Nov. 1-20	Any buck	GMU 218	20
Pearrygin	Modern	Any	Nov. 1-20	Any buck	GMU 224	15
Gardner	Modern	Any	Nov. 1-20	Any buck	GMU 231	15
Pogue	Modern	Any	Nov. 1-20	Any buck	GMU 233	15
Alta	Modern	Any	Nov. 1-20	Any buck	GMU 242	((40)) <u>15</u>
Manson	Modern	Any	Nov. 1-20	Any buck	GMU 243	7
Chiwawa	Modern	Any	Nov. 1-20	Any buck	GMU 245	19 <u>20</u>
Slide Ridge	Modern	Any	Nov. 1-20	Any buck	GMU 246	7 <u>8</u>
Entiat	Modern	Any	Nov. 1-20	Any buck	GMU 247	18
Swakane	Modern	Any	Nov. 1-20	Any buck	GMU 250	11
Mission	Modern	Any	Nov. 1-20	Any buck	GMU 251	7
Desert	Modern	Any	Oct. ((21-29)) <u>20-28</u>	Any buck	GMU 290	14 <u>18</u>
Desert	Modern	Any	Nov. ((11-19)) <u>10-18</u>	Any buck	GMU 290	5
Naneum	Modern	Any	Nov. ((13-19)) <u>12-18</u>	Any buck	GMU 328	14
Quilomene	Modern	Any	Nov. ((6-19)) <u>5-18</u>	Any buck	GMU 329	13 <u>17</u>
Teanaway	Modern	Any	Nov. ((13-19)) <u>12-18</u>	Any buck	GMU 335	24 <u>24</u>
L.T. Murray	Modern	Any	Nov. ((13-19)) <u>12-18</u>	Any buck	GMUs 336, 340	5
Bethel	Modern	Any	Nov. ((6-19)) <u>5-18</u>	Any buck	GMU 360	5
Cowiche	Modern	Any	Nov. ((6-19)) <u>5-18</u>	Any buck	GMU 368	10
Alkali	Modern	Any	Nov. ((4-19)) <u>3-18</u>	Any buck	GMU 371	4 <u>5</u>
((Kahlotus	Modern	Any	Nov. 8-17	Any buck	GMU 381	10
Simeee	Modern	Any	Oct. 14-24	3 pt. min.	Deer Area 5382	3))
Grayback	Modern	Any	Nov. ((6-21)) <u>5-20</u>	3 pt. min.	GMU 388	40
Nooksack	Modern	Any	Nov. ((11-16)) <u>1-14</u>	Any buck	GMU 418	25
Skagit	Modern	Any	Nov. ((11-16)) <u>1-14</u>	Any buck	GMU 426	10
Sauk	Modern	Any	Nov. ((11-16)) <u>1-14</u>	Any buck	GMU 437	25
Stillaguamish	Modern	Any	Nov. ((11-16)) <u>1-19</u>	Any buck	GMU 448	((40)) <u>12</u>
Snoqualmie	Modern	Any	Nov. ((11-16)) <u>1-19</u>	Any buck	GMU 460	10
Green River	Any tag	Any	((Nov. 4-10)) Oct. 20-26	Any buck	GMU 485	5
Lincoln	Modern	Any	Nov. ((1-15)) <u>1-14</u>	Any buck	GMU 501	4

Quality						
Hunt Name	Weapon/Tag	Hunters	Hunt Dates	Special Restrictions	Boundary	Permits
Mossyrock	Modern	Any	Nov. ((4-15)) 1-14	Any buck	GMU 505	4
Willapa Hills	Modern	Any	Nov. ((4-15)) 1-14	Any buck	GMU 506	4
Stormking	Modern	Any	Nov. ((4-15)) 1-14	Any buck	GMU 510	1
South Rainier	Modern	Any	Nov. ((4-15)) 1-14	Any buck	GMU 513	1
Packwood	Modern	Any	Nov. ((4-15)) 1-14	Any buck	GMU 516	1
Winston	Modern	Any	Nov. ((4-15)) 1-14	Any buck	GMU 520	4
Ryderwood	Modern	Any	Nov. ((4-15)) 1-14	Any buck	GMU 530	4
Coweeman	Modern	Any	Nov. ((4-15)) 1-14	Any buck	GMU 550	4
Toutle	Modern	Any	Nov. ((4-15)) 1-14	Any buck	GMU 556	1
Lewis River	Modern	Any	Nov. ((4-15)) 1-14	Any buck	GMU 560	1
Washougal	Modern	Any	Nov. ((4-15)) 1-14	Any buck	GMU 568	2
Siouxon	Modern	Any	Nov. ((4-15)) 1-14	Any buck	GMU 572	1
Wind River	Modern	Any	Nov. ((46-24)) 12-20	Any buck	GMU 574	40
West Klickitat	Modern	Any	Nov. ((46-22)) 12-20	3 pt. min.	GMU 578	25
Mason	Modern	Any	Nov. ((4-15)) 1-14	Any buck	GMU 633	10
Wynoochee	Modern	Any	Nov. ((4-15)) 1-14	Any buck	GMU 648	((40)) 8
Satsop	Modern	Any	Nov. ((4-15)) 1-14	Any buck	GMU 651	10
White River	Modern	Any	Nov. ((4-15)) 1-14	Any buck	GMU 653	10
Mashel	Modern	Any	Nov. ((4-15)) 1-14	Any buck	GMU 654	10
Minot Peak	Modern	Any	Nov. 1-14	Any buck	GMU 660	4
Capitol Peak	Modern	Any	Nov. ((4-15)) 1-14	Any buck	GMU 663	((40)) 7
Skookumchuck	Modern	Any	Nov. ((4-15)) 1-14	Any buck	GMU 667	10
Fall River	Modern	Any	Nov. 1-14	Any buck	GMU 672	4
Chiliwist	Archery	Any	Nov. 21-30	Any buck	GMU 239	((45)) 10
Chiwawa	Archery	Any	Dec. 1-8	Any buck	GMU 245	7 8
Slide Ridge	Archery	Any	Dec. 1-8	Any buck	GMU 246	2
Entiat	Archery	Any	Nov. 21-30	Any buck	GMU 247	35
Desert	Archery	Any	Sept. 1 - Oct. ((7)) 5	Any buck	GMU 290	12 10
Desert	Archery	Any	((Nov. 25 - Dec. 10)) Nov. 24 - Dec. 9	Any buck	GMU 290	12 10
Naneum	Archery	Any	Nov. ((20)) 21 - Dec. 8	Any buck	GMU 328	8 7
Quilomene	Archery	Any	Nov. ((20)) 21 - Dec. 8	Any buck	GMU 329	6 9
Teanaway	Archery	Any	Nov. ((20)) 21 - Dec. 8	Any buck	GMU 335	10
((Simeoe	Archery	Any	Sept. 1-29	3 pt. min.	Dear Area 5382	3
West Klickitat	Archery	Any	Nov. 23-29	3 pt. min.	GMU 578	40))
Kitsap	Archery	Any	Nov. ((4-15)) 1-14	Any buck	GMU 627	10
Skokomish	Archery	Any	Nov. ((4-15)) 1-14	Any buck	GMU 636	10
Blue Mtns. Foothills	Muzzleloader	Any	Nov. 20 - Dec. 8	White-tailed, 3 pt. min.	GMUs 149, 154, 162, 166	70
Alta	Muzzleloader	Any	Nov. 21-30	Any buck	GMU 242	15
Chiwawa	Muzzleloader	Any	Nov. 25-30	Any buck	GMU 245	2
Slide Ridge	Muzzleloader	Any	Nov. 25-30	Any buck	GMU 246	1
Mission	Muzzleloader	Any	Nov. 25-30	Any buck	GMU 251	11
Desert	Muzzleloader	Any	Oct. ((7-15)) 6-14	Any buck	GMU 290	2
Teanaway	Muzzleloader	Any	Nov. ((6-12)) 5-11	Any buck	GMU 335	3 5
L.T. Murray	Muzzleloader	Any	Nov. ((6-12)) 5-11	Any buck	GMUs 336, 340	1
Bald Mountain	Muzzleloader	Any	Nov. ((6-19)) 5-18	Any buck	GMUs 342, 346	2
Naneum	Muzzleloader	Any	Nov. ((6-12)) 5-11	Any buck	GMU 328	1
Quilomene	Muzzleloader	Any	((Sept. 30 - Oct. 8)) Sept. 29 - Oct. 7	Any buck	GMU 329	4 2
((Simeoe	Muzzleloader	Any	Nov. 20-30	3 pt. min.	Dear Area 5382	3
West Klickitat	Muzzleloader	Any	Nov. 30 - Dec. 6	3 pt. min.	GMU 578	40))
Olympic	Muzzleloader	Any	Nov. ((4-15)) 1-14	Any buck	GMU 621	10

Bucks						
Hunt Name	Weapon/Tag	Hunters	Hunt Dates	Special Restrictions	Boundary	Permits
Palouse	Modern	Any	Nov. 11-19	White-tailed, 3 pt. min.	GMUs 127-142	750
Blue Mtns. Foothills West	Modern	Any	Nov. 9-19	White-tailed, 3 pt. min.	GMUs 149, 154, 162(-), 163 , 166	110
Blue Mtns. Foothills East	Modern	Any	Nov. 9-19	White-tailed, 3 pt. min.	GMUs 145, 172 (except Deer Area 1040)(-), 178 , 181	50
Mayview	Any tag	Any	Nov. 16-19	3 pt. min.	GMU 145	25
Ten Forty	Modern	Any	Oct. ((14-22)) <u>13-21</u>	3 pt. min.	Deer Area 1040	2
Lick Creek	<u>Modern</u>	<u>Any</u>	<u>Nov. 20-24</u>	<u>3 pt. min.</u>	<u>GMU 175</u>	<u>1</u>
East Okanogan	Modern	Any	Nov. 1-20	Any white-tailed deer	GMU 204	40
Sinlahekin	Modern	Any	Nov. 1-20	Any white-tailed deer	GMU 215	50
Chewuch	Modern	Any	Nov. 1-20	Any white-tailed deer	GMU 218	15
Pearygin	Modern	Any	Nov. 1-20	Any white-tailed deer	GMU 224	15
Gardner	Modern	Any	Nov. 1-20	Any white-tailed deer	GMU 231	15
Pogue	Modern	Any	Nov. 1-20	Any white-tailed deer	GMU 233	15
Chiliwist	Modern	Any	Nov. 1-20	Any white-tailed deer	GMU 239	15
Alta	Modern	Any	Nov. 1-20	Any white-tailed deer	GMU 242	15
Ritzville	Modern	Any	Nov. 1-20	Any buck	GMU 284	9 <u>7</u>
Simcoe	<u>Modern</u>	<u>Any</u>	<u>Oct. 13-23</u>	<u>3 pt. min.</u>	<u>Deer Area 5382</u>	<u>3</u>
Hoko	Modern	Any	Nov. ((1-15)) <u>1-14</u>	Any buck	GMU 601	5
Sol Duc	Modern	Any	Nov. ((1-15)) <u>1-14</u>	Any buck	GMU 607	5
Goodman	Modern	Any	Nov. ((1-15)) <u>1-14</u>	Any buck	GMU 612	5
Clearwater	Modern	Any	Nov. ((1-15)) <u>1-14</u>	Any buck	GMU 615	5
Quinault Ridge	Modern	Any	Nov. ((1-15)) <u>1-14</u>	Any buck	GMU 638	((5)) <u>2</u>
North River	Modern	Any	Nov. ((1-15)) <u>1-14</u>	Any buck	GMU 658	((40)) <u>5</u>
Williams Creek	Modern	Any	Nov. ((1-15)) <u>1-14</u>	Any buck	GMU 673	((40)) <u>7</u>
Bear River-Long Beach	Modern	Any	Nov. ((1-15)) <u>1-14</u>	Any buck	GMUs 681, 684	((5)) <u>2</u>
Parker Lake	Archery	Any	Sept. 1-30 and Nov. ((20)) <u>19</u> - Dec. ((2)) <u>1</u>	Any white-tailed deer	Deer Area 1031	5
Ten Forty	Archery	Any	Sept. 1-14	3 pt. min.	Deer Area 1040	2
Big Bend	Archery	Any	Dec. 1-8	Any buck	GMU 248	10
Ritzville	Archery	Any	Dec. 1-8	Any buck	GMU 284	24 <u>22</u>
Alkali	Archery	Any	Sept. ((1-24)) <u>1-23</u>	Any buck	GMU 371	23 <u>3</u>
Whitcomb	Archery	Any	Oct. 1-10	Any buck	Deer Area 3071	10
Paterson	Archery	Any	Oct. 1-10	Any buck	Deer Area 3072	10
Simcoe	<u>Archery</u>	<u>Any</u>	<u>Sept. 1-28</u>	<u>3 pt. min.</u>	<u>Deer Area 5382</u>	<u>3</u>
West Klickitat	<u>Archery</u>	<u>Any</u>	<u>Nov. 21-29</u>	<u>3 pt. min.</u>	<u>GMU 578</u>	<u>40</u>
Whitcomb	Muzzleloader	Any	Nov. 19-27	Any buck	Deer Area 3071	5
Paterson	Muzzleloader	Any	Nov. 19-27	Any buck	Deer Area 3072	5
Parker Lake	Muzzleloader	Any	Oct. 1-31 and Dec. ((3-15)) <u>2-14</u>	Any white-tailed deer	Deer Area 1031	5
((Roosevelt	Muzzleloader	Any	Sept. 30 - Oct. 13	ONLY 2 pt. x 2 pt. mule deer bucks	GMU 133	25
Harrington	Muzzleloader	Any	Sept. 30 - Oct. 13	ONLY 2 pt. x 2 pt. mule deer bucks	GMU 136	25
Step toe	Muzzleloader	Any	Sept. 30 - Oct. 13	ONLY 2 pt. x 2 pt. mule deer bucks	GMU 139	25
Almota	Muzzleloader	Any	Sept. 30 - Oct. 13	ONLY 2 pt. x 2 pt. mule deer bucks	GMU 142	25))
Dayton	Muzzleloader	Any	((Sept. 30 - Oct. 8)) Sept. 29 - Oct. 7	3 pt. min.	GMU 162	25
Tucannon	Muzzleloader	Any	((Sept. 30 - Oct. 8)) Sept. 29 - Oct. 7	3 pt. min.	GMU 166	10
Wenaha	Muzzleloader	Any	((Sept. 30 - Oct. 8)) Sept. 29 - Oct. 7	3 pt. min.	GMU 169	((45)) <u>20</u>
Mountain View	Muzzleloader	Any	((Sept. 30 - Oct. 8)) Sept. 29 - Oct. 7	3 pt. min.	GMU 172 (except Deer Area 1040)	15

Bucks						
Hunt Name	Weapon/Tag	Hunters	Hunt Dates	Special Restrictions	Boundary	Permits
Ten Forty	Muzzleloader	Any	((Sept. 30 - Oct. 8)) Sept. 29 - Oct. 7	3 pt. min.	Deer Area 1040	2
Peola	Muzzleloader	Any	Sept. 29 - Oct. 7	3 pt. min.	GMU 178	10
Ritzville	Muzzleloader	Any	Nov. ((25-30)) 24-30	Any buck	GMU 284	1
Alkali	Muzzleloader	Any	((Sept. 25 - Oct. 15)) Sept. 24 - Oct. 14	Any buck	GMU 371	1
Kahlotus	Muzzleloader	Any	((Sept. 30 - Oct. 8)) Sept. 29 - Oct. 7	Any buck	GMU 381	20
Simcoe	Muzzleloader	Any	Nov. 20-30	3 pt. min.	Deer Area 5382	3
West Klickitat	Muzzleloader	Any	Nov. 30 - Dec. 8	3 pt. min.	GMU 578	40
Dickey	Muzzleloader	Any	Nov. ((4-15)) 1-14	Any buck	GMU 602	5
Copalis-Matheny	Muzzleloader	Any	Nov. ((4-15)) 1-14	Any buck	GMUs 618, 642	5

Antlerless						
Hunt Name	Weapon/Tag	Hunters	Hunt Dates	Special Restrictions	Boundary	Permits
Sherman	Modern	Any	Oct. 13-26	White-tailed, antlerless	GMU 101	10
Kelly Hill	Modern	Any	Oct. 13-26	White-tailed, antlerless	GMU 105	30
Douglas	Modern	Any	Oct. 13-26	White-tailed, antlerless	GMU 108	40
Aladdin	Modern	Any	Oct. 13-26	White-tailed, antlerless	GMU 111	50
Selkirk	Modern	Any	Oct. 13-26	White-tailed, antlerless	GMU 113	50
49 Degrees North	Modern	Any	Oct. 13-26	White-tailed, antlerless	GMU 117	100
Huckleberry	Modern	Any	Oct. 13-26	White-tailed, antlerless	GMU 121	225
Mayview	Modern	Any	Nov. 1-12	Antlerless	GMU 145	((50)) 40
Mayview	Modern	Any	Nov. 1-12	White-tailed, antlerless	GMU 145	25
Prescott	Modern	Any	Nov. 1-12	Antlerless	GMU 149	((80)) 70
Prescott	Modern	Any	Nov. 1-12	White-tailed, antlerless	GMU 149	20
Blue Creek	Modern	Any	Nov. 9-19	White-tailed, antlerless	GMU 154	50
Dayton	Modern	Any	Nov. 9-19	White-tailed, antlerless	GMU 162	100
Ten Ten	Modern	Any	Nov. 9-19	Antlerless	Deer Area 1010	30
Marengo	Modern	Any	Nov. 1-12	White-tailed, antlerless	GMU 163	50
Marengo	Modern	Any	Nov. 1-12	Antlerless	GMU 163	((40)) 30
Peola	Modern	Any	Nov. 1-12	Antlerless	GMU 178	((75)) 50
Couse	Modern	Any	Nov. 1-12	Antlerless	GMU 181	25
East Klickitat	Modern	Any	Oct. ((44-24)) 13-23	Antlerless	GMU 382 (except ((Deer)) CLOSED in Deer Area 5382)	5
((Grayback	Modern	Any	Oct. 14-24	Antlerless	GMU 388	5))
Lincoln	Modern	Any	Oct. ((44-31)) 13-31	Antlerless	GMU 501	15
Stella	Modern	Any	Oct. ((44-31)) 13-31	Antlerless	GMU 504	15
Mossyrock	Modern	Any	Oct. ((44-31)) 13-31	Antlerless	GMU 505	30
South Rainier	Modern	Any	Oct. ((44-31)) 13-31	Antlerless	GMU 513	10
Winston	Modern	Any	Oct. ((44-31)) 13-31	Antlerless	GMU 520	20
Ryderwood	Modern	Any	Oct. ((44-31)) 13-31	Antlerless	GMU 530	10
Lewis River	Modern	Any	Oct. ((44-31)) 13-31	Antlerless	GMU 560	3
Siouxon	Modern	Any	Oct. ((44-31)) 13-31	Antlerless	GMU 572	3
Wind River	Modern	Any	Oct. ((44-31)) 13-31	Antlerless	GMU 574	3
West Klickitat	Modern	Any	Oct. ((44-31)) 13-31	Antlerless	GMU 578	5
Olympic	Modern	Any	Oct. ((44-31)) 13-31	Antlerless	GMU 621	((40)) 15
Coyle	Modern	Any	Oct. ((44-31)) 13-31	Antlerless	GMU 624	20
Kitsap	Modern	Any	Oct. ((44-31)) 13-31	Antlerless	GMU 627	15
Mason	Modern	Any	Oct. ((44-31)) 13-31	Antlerless	GMU 633	((35)) 15
Skokomish	Modern	Any	Oct. ((44-31)) 13-31	Antlerless	GMU 636	((20)) 5
Wynoochee	Modern	Any	Oct. ((44-31)) 13-31	Antlerless	GMU 648	20

Antlerless						
Hunt Name	Weapon/Tag	Hunters	Hunt Dates	Special Restrictions	Boundary	Permits
Satsop	Modern	Any	Oct. ((14-31)) 13-31	Antlerless	GMU 651	((20)) 15
Mashel	Modern	Any	Oct. ((14-31)) 13-31	Antlerless	GMU 654	30
North River	Modern	Any	Oct. ((14-31)) 13-31	Antlerless	GMU 658	15
Minot Peak	Modern	Any	Oct. ((14-31)) 13-31	Antlerless	GMU 660	((20)) 15
Capitol Peak	Modern	Any	Oct. ((14-31)) 13-31	Antlerless	GMU 663	((15)) 12
Skookumchuck	Modern	Any	Oct. ((14-31)) 13-31	Antlerless	GMU 667	30
Williams Creek	Modern	Any	Oct. ((14-31)) 13-31	Antlerless	GMU 673	5
Whitcomb	Archery	Any	Oct. 20-30	Antlerless	Deer Area 3071	10
Paterson	Archery	Any	Oct. 20-30	Antlerless	Deer Area 3072	10
((Grayback	Archery	Any	Nov. 22 - Dec. 8	Antlerless	GMU 388	75))
Whitcomb	Muzzleloader	Any	Nov. 29 - Dec. 5	Antlerless	Deer Area 3071	10
Paterson	Muzzleloader	Any	Nov. 29 - Dec. 5	Antlerless	Deer Area 3072	10
Selkirk	Muzzleloader	Any	Nov. 25 - Dec. 8	White-tailed, antlerless	GMU 113	15
Washtucna	Muzzleloader	Any	Nov. 25 - Dec. 8	Antlerless	GMUs 139, 142, 284, 381	200
Prescott	Muzzleloader	Any	((Sept. 30 - Oct. 8)) Sept. 29 - Oct. 7	Antlerless	GMU 149	((35)) 25
Blue Creek	Muzzleloader	Any	((Sept. 30 - Oct. 8)) Sept. 29 - Oct. 7	Antlerless	GMU 154	20
Mossyrock	Muzzleloader	Any	((Sept. 30 - Oct. 8)) Sept. 29 - Oct. 7	Antlerless	GMU 505	10
Stormking	Muzzleloader	Any	((Sept. 30 - Oct. 8)) Sept. 29 - Oct. 7	Antlerless	GMU 510	5
South Rainier	Muzzleloader	Any	((Sept. 30 - Oct. 8)) Sept. 29 - Oct. 7	Antlerless	GMU 513	5
Packwood	Muzzleloader	Any	((Sept. 30 - Oct. 8)) Sept. 29 - Oct. 7	Antlerless	GMU 516	5
Winston	Muzzleloader	Any	((Sept. 30 - Oct. 8)) Sept. 29 - Oct. 7	Antlerless	GMU 520	5
Ryderwood	Muzzleloader	Any	((Sept. 30 - Oct. 8)) Sept. 29 - Oct. 7	Antlerless	GMU 530	10
Coweeman	Muzzleloader	Any	((Sept. 30 - Oct. 8)) Sept. 29 - Oct. 7	Antlerless	GMU 550	10
Yale	Muzzleloader	Any	((Sept. 30 - Oct. 8)) Sept. 29 - Oct. 7	Antlerless	GMU 554	2
West Klickitat	Muzzleloader	Any	((Sept. 30 - Oct. 8)) Sept. 29 - Oct. 7	Antlerless	GMU 578	5
Olympic	Muzzleloader	Any	((Sept. 30 - Oct. 8)) Sept. 29 - Oct. 7	Antlerless	GMU 621	((40)) 20
Coyle	Muzzleloader	Any	((Sept. 30 - Oct. 8)) Sept. 29 - Oct. 7	Antlerless	GMU 624	((25)) 20
Kitsap	Muzzleloader	Any	((Sept. 30 - Oct. 8)) Sept. 29 - Oct. 7	Antlerless	GMU 627	((15)) 20
Mason	Muzzleloader	Any	((Sept. 30 - Oct. 8)) Sept. 29 - Oct. 7	Antlerless	GMU 633	((35)) 20
Skokomish	Muzzleloader	Any	((Sept. 30 - Oct. 8)) Sept. 29 - Oct. 7	Antlerless	GMU 636	((20)) 5
Wynoochee	Muzzleloader	Any	((Sept. 30 - Oct. 8)) Sept. 29 - Oct. 7	Antlerless	GMU 648	15
Satsop	Muzzleloader	Any	((Sept. 30 - Oct. 8)) Sept. 29 - Oct. 7	Antlerless	GMU 651	((25)) 15
Mashel	Muzzleloader	Any	((Sept. 30 - Oct. 8)) Sept. 29 - Oct. 7	Antlerless	GMU 654	35
North River	Muzzleloader	Any	((Sept. 30 - Oct. 8)) Sept. 29 - Oct. 7	Antlerless	GMU 658	15
Minot Peak	Muzzleloader	Any	((Sept. 30 - Oct. 8)) Sept. 29 - Oct. 7	Antlerless	GMU 660	5
Capitol Peak	Muzzleloader	Any	((Sept. 30 - Oct. 8)) Sept. 29 - Oct. 7	Antlerless	GMU 663	((20)) 18
Williams Creek	Muzzleloader	Any	((Sept. 30 - Oct. 8)) Sept. 29 - Oct. 7	Antlerless	GMU 673	5

2nd Deer

Second deer permits are only valid with the purchase of a second deer license. The second deer license must be for the same tag type as the first deer license.

Hunt Name	Weapon/Tag	Hunters	Hunt Dates	Special Restrictions	Boundary	Permits
Colville River	Any	Any	Sept. 1 - Dec. 31	White-tailed, antlerless	Deer Area 1035	25
Benge	Any	Any	Dec. 9-31	Antlerless	Deer Area 2010	30
Lakeview	Any	Any	Jan. 1-30, ((2018)) 2019	Antlerless	Deer Area 2011	15
Methow	Any	Any	((Sept. 7 - Oct. 8)) Sept. 4 - Oct. 7	Antlerless	Deer Area 2012	((45)) 10
North Okanogan	Any	Any	((Sept. 7 - Oct. 8)) Sept. 4 - Oct. 7	Antlerless	Deer Area 2013	((20)) 15
Central Okanogan	Any	Any	((Sept. 7 - Oct. 8)) Sept. 4 - Oct. 7	Antlerless	Deer Area 2014	((20)) 15
Omak	Any	Any	((Sept. 7 - Oct. 8)) Sept. 4 - Oct. 7	Antlerless	Deer Area 2015	15
Conconully	Any	Any	((Sept. 7 - Oct. 8)) Sept. 4 - Oct. 7	Antlerless	Deer Area 2016	15
Lake Chelan North	Any	Any	Aug. 1-31	Antlerless	Deer Area 2017	45
North Issaquah	Any	Any	Oct. 13-31 and Nov. 15-18	Antlerless	Deer Area 4541	10
Mt. Spokane	Modern	Any	Oct. ((14-27)) 13-26 and Nov. ((11-19)) 10-19	Antlerless	GMU 124	((50)) 350
((Spokane-North	Modern	Any	Oct. 14-27 and Nov. 11-19	Antlerless	Deer Area 1050	350))
Mica Peak	Modern	Any	Oct. ((14-24)) 13-23	Antlerless	GMU 127	((25)) 100
((Spokane-South	Modern	Any	Oct. 14-24	Antlerless	Deer Area 1060	75))
Cheney	Modern	Any	Oct. ((14-24)) 13-23	Antlerless	GMU 130	((100)) 150
((Spokane-West	Modern	Any	Oct. 14-24	Antlerless	Deer Area 1070	100))
Roosevelt	Modern	Any	Oct. ((14-24)) 13-23	Antlerless	GMU 133	150
Harrington	Modern	Any	Oct. ((14-24)) 13-23	Antlerless	GMU 136	150
((Steptoe	Modern	Any	Oct. 14-24	Antlerless	GMU 139	200
Colfax	Modern	Any	Oct. 14-24	Antlerless	Deer Area 1080	150
Almota	Modern	Any	Oct. 14-24	Antlerless	GMU 142	150))
Washtucna	Modern	Any	Oct. 13-23	Antlerless	GMUs 139, 142, 284, 381	350
Mayview	Modern	Any	Nov. 1-12	Antlerless	GMU 145	((35)) 15
Blue Creek	Modern	Any	Nov. 9-19	White-tailed, antlerless	GMU 154	30
Ten Ten	Modern	Any	Nov. 9-19	White-tailed, antlerless	Deer Area 1010	30
East Okanogan	Modern	Any	Oct. ((14-24)) 13-23	White-tailed, antlerless	GMU 204	((100)) 60
Sinlahekin	Modern	Any	Oct. ((14-24)) 13-23	White-tailed, antlerless	GMU 215	((60)) 40
Chewuch	Modern	Any	Oct. ((14-24)) 13-23	White-tailed, antlerless	GMU 218	((45)) 10
Pearrygin	Modern	Any	Oct. ((14-24)) 13-23	White-tailed, antlerless	GMU 224	((45)) 10
Gardner	Modern	Any	Oct. ((14-24)) 13-23	White-tailed, antlerless	GMU 231	((45)) 10
Pogue	Modern	Any	Oct. ((14-24)) 13-23	White-tailed, antlerless	GMU 233	((30)) 10
Chiliwist	Modern	Any	Oct. ((14-24)) 13-23	White-tailed, antlerless	GMU 239	((20)) 10
Alta	Modern	Any	Oct. ((14-24)) 13-23	White-tailed, antlerless	GMU 242	((45)) 10
Big Bend	Modern	Any	Oct. ((14-24)) 13-23	Antlerless	GMU 248	((35)) 25
St. Andrews	Modern	Any	Oct. ((14-24)) 13-23	Antlerless	GMU 254	((20)) 15
Foster Creek	Modern	Any	Oct. ((14-24)) 13-23	Antlerless	GMU 260	((20)) 15
Withrow	Modern	Any	Oct. ((14-24)) 13-23	Antlerless	GMU 262	((20)) 15
Badger	Modern	Any	Oct. ((14-24)) 13-23	Antlerless	GMU 266	15
Desert	Modern	Any	Dec. ((11-25)) 10-25	Antlerless	GMU 290	25

2nd Deer						
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Hunt Name	Weapon/Tag	Hunters	Hunt Dates	Special Restrictions	Boundary	Permits
Kahlotus	Modern	Any	Dec. ((1-9)) 9-17	Antlerless	GMU 381	((20)) 10
Orcas	Modern	Any	Oct. ((14-31)) 13-31 and Nov. ((16-19)) 15-18	Antlerless	GMU 411	((40)) 60
Shaw	Modern	Any	Oct. ((14-31)) 13-31 and Nov. ((16-19)) 15-18	Antlerless	GMU 412	((20)) 30
San Juan	Modern	Any	Oct. ((14-31)) 13-31 and Nov. ((16-19)) 15-18	Antlerless	GMU 413	((40)) 50
Lopez	Modern	Any	Oct. ((14-31)) 13-31 and Nov. ((16-19)) 15-18	Antlerless	GMU 414	((40)) 60
Blakely	Modern	Any	Oct. ((14-31)) 13-31 and Nov. ((16-19)) 15-18	Antlerless	GMU 415	30
Decatur	Modern	Any	Oct. ((14-31)) 13-31 and Nov. ((16-19)) 15-18	Antlerless	GMU 416	5
Cypress	Modern	Any	Oct. ((14-31)) 13-31 and Nov. ((16-19)) 15-18	Antlerless	GMU 417	30
Guemes	Modern	Any	Oct. ((14-31)) 13-31 and Nov. ((16-19)) 15-18	Antlerless	GMU 419	20
Whidbey	Modern	Any	Oct. ((14-31)) 13-31 and Nov. ((16-19)) 15-18	Antlerless	GMU 420	((100)) 120
Camano	Modern	Any	Oct. ((14-31)) 13-31 and Nov. ((16-19)) 15-18	Antlerless	GMU 421	30
Vashon-Maury	(Modern) Any	Any	((Oct. 14-31 and Nov. 16-19)) Aug. 1 - Dec. 31	Antlerless	GMU 422	((100)) 200
Anderson	Modern	Any	Oct. ((14-31)) 13-31 and Nov. ((16-19)) 15-18	Antlerless	GMU 655	40
Deschutes	Modern	Any	Oct. ((14-31)) 13-31	Antlerless	GMU 666	40
Mt. Spokane	Archery	Any	Sept. ((1-29)) 1-28 and Nov. 25 - Dec. 15	Antlerless	GMU 124	((25)) 100
((Spokane North	Archery	Any	Sept. 1-29 and Nov. 25 - Dec. 15	Antlerless	Deer Area 1050	75))
Mica Peak	Archery	Any	Sept. ((1-29)) 1-28 and Nov. 25 - Dec. 15	Antlerless	GMU 127	((25)) 75
((Spokane South	Archery	Any	Sept. 1-29 and Nov. 25 - Dec. 15	Antlerless	Deer Area 1060	75))
Clarkston	Archery	Any	Nov. 20 - Dec. 31	Antlerless	Deer Area 1021	((30)) 20
Orcas	Archery	Any	Sept. ((1-29)) 1-28 and Nov. ((22)) 21 - Dec. 31	Antlerless	GMU 411	((25)) 40
Shaw	Archery	Any	Sept. ((1-29)) 1-28 and Nov. ((22)) 21 - Dec. 31	Antlerless	GMU 412	20
San Juan	Archery	Any	Sept. ((1-29)) 1-28 and Nov. ((22)) 21 - Dec. 31	Antlerless	GMU 413	((20)) 30
Lopez	Archery	Any	Sept. ((1-29)) 1-28 and Nov. ((22)) 21 - Dec. 31	Antlerless	GMU 414	((20)) 30
Blakely	Archery	Any	Sept. ((1-29)) 1-28 and Nov. ((22)) 21 - Dec. 31	Antlerless	GMU 415	((10)) 20
Decatur	Archery	Any	Sept. ((1-29)) 1-28 and Nov. ((22)) 21 - Dec. 31	Antlerless	GMU 416	5
Cypress	Archery	Any	Sept. ((1-29)) 1-28 and Nov. ((22)) 21 - Dec. 31	Antlerless	GMU 417	20

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Second deer permits are only valid with the purchase of a second deer license. The second deer license must be for the same tag type as the first deer license.						
Hunt Name	Weapon/Tag	Hunters	Hunt Dates	Special Restrictions	Boundary	Permits
Guemes	Archery	Any	Sept. ((1-29)) 1-28 and Nov. ((22)) 21 - Dec. 31	Antlerless	GMU 419	10
Whidbey	Archery	Any	Sept. ((1-29)) 1-28 and Nov. ((22)) 21 - Dec. 31	Antlerless	GMU 420	((30)) 50
Camano	Archery	Any	Sept. ((1-29)) 1-28 and Nov. ((22)) 21 - Dec. 31	Antlerless	GMU 421	25
((Washon-Maury	Archery	Any	Sept. 1-29 and Nov. 22-Dec. 31	Antlerless	GMU 422	30))
Miller	Archery	Any	Dec. ((15-31)) 16-31	Antlerless	Deer Area 6020	40
Anderson	Archery	Any	Sept. ((1-29)) 1-28 and Dec. 19-31	Antlerless	GMU 655	10
Mt. Spokane	Muzzleloader	Any	Sept. ((30-Oct-8)) 29 - Oct. 7	Antlerless	GMU 124	((25)) 125
((Spokane North	Muzzleloader	Any	Sept. 30-Oct. 8 and Dec. 9-31	Antlerless	Deer Area 1050	100))
Cheney	Muzzleloader	Any	Sept. ((30)) 29 - Oct. ((8)) 7 and Nov. 25 - Dec. 8	Antlerless	GMU 130	25
Roosevelt	Muzzleloader	Any	Sept. ((30)) 29 - Oct. ((8)) 7 and Nov. 25 - Dec. 8	Antlerless	GMU 133	25
Harrington	Muzzleloader	Any	Sept. ((30)) 29 - Oct. ((8)) 7 and Nov. 25 - Dec. 8	Antlerless	GMU 136	25
((Colfax	Muzzleloader	Any	Sept. 30-Oct. 8 and Nov. 25-Dec. 8	Antlerless	Deer Area 1080	50))
Mayview	Muzzleloader	Any	Sept. ((30-Oct. 30)) 29 - Oct. 7	Antlerless	GMU 145	((30)) 10
Foster Creek	Muzzleloader	Any	Sept. ((30-Oct. 30)) 29 - Oct. 7	Antlerless	GMU 260	10
Moses Coulee	Muzzleloader	Any	Sept. ((30-Oct. 30)) 29 - Oct. 7	Antlerless	GMU 269	10
Lakeview	Muzzleloader	Any	Nov. 1-18	Antlerless	Deer Area 2011	5
Orcas	Muzzleloader	Any	Sept. ((30)) 29 - Oct. ((8)) 7 and Nov. ((22)) 21 - Dec. 15	Antlerless	GMU 411	20
Shaw	Muzzleloader	Any	Sept. ((30)) 29 - Oct. ((8)) 7 and Nov. ((22)) 21 - Dec. 15	Antlerless	GMU 412	20
San Juan	Muzzleloader	Any	Sept. ((30)) 29 - Oct. ((8)) 7 and Nov. ((22)) 21 - Dec. 15	Antlerless	GMU 413	20
Lopez	Muzzleloader	Any	Sept. ((30)) 29 - Oct. ((8)) 7 and Nov. ((22)) 21 - Dec. 15	Antlerless	GMU 414	20
Blakely	Muzzleloader	Any	Sept. ((30)) 29 - Oct. ((8)) 7 and Nov. ((22)) 21 - Dec. 15	Antlerless	GMU 415	((5)) 10
Decatur	Muzzleloader	Any	Sept. ((30)) 29 - Oct. ((8)) 7 and Nov. ((22)) 21 - Dec. 15	Antlerless	GMU 416	5
Cypress	Muzzleloader	Any	Sept. ((30)) 29 - Oct. ((8)) 7 and Nov. ((22)) 21 - Dec. 15	Antlerless	GMU 417	20
Guemes	Muzzleloader	Any	Sept. ((30)) 29 - Oct. ((8)) 7 and Nov. ((22)) 21 - Dec. 15	Antlerless	GMU 419	10
Whidbey	Muzzleloader	Any	Sept. ((30)) 29 - Oct. ((8)) 7 and Nov. ((22)) 21 - Dec. 15	Antlerless	GMU 420	20
Camano	Muzzleloader	Any	Sept. ((30)) 29 - Oct. ((8)) 7 and Nov. ((22)) 21 - Dec. 15	Antlerless	GMU 421	20
((Washon-Maury	Muzzleloader	Any	Sept. 30-Oct. 8 and Nov. 22-Dec. 15	Antlerless	GMU 422	20))

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Hunt Name	Weapon/Tag	Hunters	Hunt Dates	Special Restrictions	Boundary	Permits
Anderson	Muzzleloader	Any	Sept. ((30)) 29 - Oct. ((8)) 7 and Nov. ((22)) 21 - Dec. 15	Antlerless	GMU 655	5

Youth						
Hunt Name	Weapon/Tag	Hunters	Hunt Dates	Special Restrictions	Boundary	Permits
Washtucna	Modern	Youth	Oct. 13-23	Any deer	GMUs 139, 142, 284, 381	100
Blue Mtns. Foothills West	Modern	Youth	Oct. ((14-24)) 13-23	Antlerless	GMUs 149, 154, 163, Deer Area 1010	60
Blue Mtns. Foothills East	Modern	Youth	Oct. ((14-24)) 13-23	Antlerless	GMUs 145, 172 (except Deer Area 1040)(-), 178, 181	40
Mayview	Modern	Youth	Oct. ((14-24)) 13-23	Any deer	GMU 145	15
Prescott	Modern	Youth	Oct. ((14-24)) 13-23	Any deer	GMU 149	20
Peola	Modern	Youth	Oct. ((14-24)) 13-23	Any deer	GMU 178	20
Tucannon	Modern	Youth	Oct. ((14-24)) 13-23	White-tailed, antlerless	GMU 166	10
Ten Forty	Modern	Youth	Oct. ((14-22)) 13-21	Antlerless	Deer Area 1040	5
Couse	Modern	Youth	Oct. ((14-24)) 13-23	Antlerless	GMU 181	15
Couse	Modern	Youth	Oct. ((14-24)) 13-23	Any deer	GMU 181	5
East Okanogan	Modern	Youth	Oct. ((14-24)) 13-23	Antlerless	GMU 204	((60)) 20
Wannacut	Modern	Youth	Oct. ((14-24)) 13-23	Antlerless	GMU 209	10
Sinlahekin	Modern	Youth	Oct. ((14-24)) 13-23	Antlerless	GMU 215	((30)) 10
Chewuch	Modern	Youth	Oct. ((14-24)) 13-23	Antlerless	GMU 218	10
Pearrygin	Modern	Youth	Oct. ((14-24)) 13-23	Antlerless	GMU 224	((20)) 10
Gardner	Modern	Youth	Oct. ((14-24)) 13-23	Antlerless	GMU 231	10
Pogue	Modern	Youth	Oct. ((14-24)) 13-23	Antlerless	GMU 233	((30)) 10
Chiliwist	Modern	Youth	Oct. ((14-24)) 13-23	Antlerless	GMU 239	((20)) 10
Alta	Modern	Youth	Oct. ((14-24)) 13-23	Antlerless	GMU 242	((20)) 10
Chiwawa	Modern	Youth	Oct. ((14-24)) 13-23	Antlerless	GMU 245	5
Entiat	Modern	Youth	Oct. ((14-24)) 13-23	Antlerless	GMU 247	5
Swakane	Modern	Youth	Oct. ((14-24)) 13-23	Antlerless	GMU 250	3
Mission	Modern	Youth	Oct. ((14-24)) 13-23	Antlerless	GMU 251	8
Bridgeport	Modern	Youth	Oct. ((14-24)) 13-23	Antlerless	GMUs 248, 260	20
Palisades	Modern	Youth	Oct. ((14-24)) 13-23	Antlerless	GMUs 266, 269	20
Beezley	Modern	Youth	Oct. ((14-24)) 13-23	((Antlerless)) Any deer	GMU 272	50
((Ritzville	Modern	Youth	Oct. 14-24	Antlerless	GMU 284	50))
Benge	Modern	Youth	Oct. ((30)) 27 - Nov. ((7)) 4	Antlerless	Deer Area 2010	30
Desert	Modern	Youth	Dec. ((9-24)) 9-23	Antlerless	GMU 290	5
Horse Heaven Hills	Modern	Youth	Oct. ((14-24)) 13-23	Antlerless	GMU 373	10
Ringold	Modern	Youth	Oct. ((14-24)) 13-23	Antlerless	GMU 379	10
((Kahlotus	Modern	Youth	Oct. 14-24	Antlerless	GMU 381	40))
Simcoe	Modern	Youth	Oct. ((14-24)) 13-23	Antlerless Any deer	Deer Area 5382	2
East Klickitat	Modern	Youth	Oct. ((14-24)) 13-23	Any buck	GMU 382 (except CLOSED in Deer Area 5382)	5
East Klickitat	Modern	Youth	Oct. ((14-24)) 13-23	Antlerless	GMU 382 (except CLOSED in Deer Area 5382)	10
((East Klickitat	Modern	Youth	Dec. 16 - Jan. 1, 2018	Antlerless	GMU 382 (except Deer Area 5382)	40
East Klickitat	Modern	Youth	Jan. 13-28, 2018	Antlerless	GMU 382 (except Deer Area 5382)	40))
Grayback	Modern	Youth	Oct. ((14-24)) 13-23	Any buck	GMU 388	5

Youth						
Hunt Name	Weapon/Tag	Hunters	Hunt Dates	Special Restrictions	Boundary	Permits
Grayback	Modern	Youth	Oct. ((14-24)) 13-23	Antlerless	GMU 388	10
((Green River	Modern	Youth	Nov. 4-10	Any Buck	GMU 485	5))
Lincoln	Modern	Youth	Oct. ((14-31)) 13-31	Antlerless	GMU 501	10
Randle	Modern	Youth	Oct. ((14-31)) 13-31	Antlerless	GMU 503	5
Stella	Modern	Youth	Oct. ((14-31)) 13-31	Antlerless	GMU 504	10
Mossyrock	Modern	Youth	Oct. ((14-31)) 13-31	Antlerless	GMU 505	10
Stormking	Modern	Youth	Oct. ((14-31)) 13-31	Antlerless	GMU 510	10
South Rainier	Modern	Youth	Oct. ((14-31)) 13-31	Antlerless	GMU 513	10
Packwood	Modern	Youth	Oct. ((14-31)) 13-31	Antlerless	GMU 516	10
Winston	Modern	Youth	Oct. ((14-31)) 13-31	Antlerless	GMU 520	10
Ryderwood	Modern	Youth	Oct. ((14-31)) 13-31	Antlerless	GMU 530	10
Coweeman	Modern	Youth	Oct. ((14-31)) 13-31	Antlerless	GMU 550	10
Yale	Modern	Youth	Oct. ((14-31)) 13-31	Antlerless	GMU 554	10
Toutle	Modern	Youth	Oct. ((14-31)) 13-31	Antlerless	GMU 556	10
Lewis River	Modern	Youth	Oct. ((14-31)) 13-31	Antlerless	GMU 560	5
Washougal	Modern	Youth	Oct. ((14-31)) 13-31	Antlerless	GMU 568	10
Siouxon	Modern	Youth	Oct. ((14-31)) 13-31	Antlerless	GMU 572	5
Wind River	Modern	Youth	Oct. ((14-31)) 13-31	Antlerless	GMU 574	10
West Klickitat	Modern	Youth	Oct. ((14-31)) 13-31	Any buck	GMU 578	5
West Klickitat	Modern	Youth	Oct. ((14-31)) 13-31	Antlerless	GMU 578	10
Pysht	Modern	Youth	Nov. ((1-15)) 1-14	Any buck	GMU 603	5
Olympic	Modern	Youth	Oct. ((7-31)) 6-31	Any deer	GMU 621	((25)) 10
Coyle	Modern	Youth	Oct. ((9-31)) 8-31	((Antlerless)) Any deer	GMU 624	((15)) 10
Kitsap	Modern	Youth	Oct. ((9-31)) 8-31	Any deer	GMU 627	10
Mason	Modern	Youth	Nov. ((1-15)) 1-14	Any deer	GMU 633	((20)) 10
Skokomish	Modern	Youth	Oct. ((9-31)) 8-31	((Antlerless)) Any deer	GMU 636	((40)) 5
Wynoochee	Modern	Youth	Oct. ((9-31)) 8-31	((Antlerless)) Any deer	GMU 648	((15)) 12
Satsop	Modern	Youth	Oct. ((7-31)) 8-31	((Antlerless)) Any deer	GMU 651	((15)) 10
Mashel	Modern	Youth	Oct. ((7-31)) 6-31	Antlerless	GMU 654	15
North River	Modern	Youth	Oct. ((7-31)) 6-31	Antlerless	GMU 658	10
Minot Peak	Modern	Youth	Oct. ((9-31)) 8-31	((Antlerless)) Any deer	GMU 660	((40)) 6
Minot Peak	Modern	Youth	Nov. ((1-15)) 1-14	Any buck	GMU 660	((40)) 4
Capitol Peak	Modern	Youth	Oct. ((9-31)) 8-31	((Antlerless)) Any deer	GMU 663	((40)) 8
Skookumchuck	Modern	Youth	Oct. ((7-31)) 6-31	Antlerless	GMU 667	15
Skookumchuck	Modern	Youth	Oct. ((7-31)) 6-31	Any buck	GMU 667	20
East Okanogan	Muzzleloader	Youth	Sept. ((30-Oct-8)) 29 - Oct. 7	Antlerless	GMU 204	((40)) 5
Wannacut	Muzzleloader	Youth	Sept. ((30-Oct-8)) 29 - Oct. 7	Antlerless	GMU 209	5
Pogue	Muzzleloader	Youth	Sept. ((30-Oct-8)) 29 - Oct. 7	Antlerless	GMU 233	((40)) 5
Chiliwist	Muzzleloader	Youth	Sept. ((30-Oct-8)) 29 - Oct. 7	Antlerless	GMU 239	((40)) 5
Alta	Muzzleloader	Youth	Sept. ((30-Oct-8)) 29 - Oct. 7	Antlerless	GMU 242	5
Mission	Muzzleloader	Youth	Sept. ((30-Oct-8)) 29 - Oct. 7	Antlerless	GMU 251	3
Whitcomb	Muzzleloader	Youth	Nov. 1-13	Antlerless	Deer Area 3071	5
Paterson	Muzzleloader	Youth	Nov. 1-13	Antlerless	Deer Area 3072	5
Region 5	Modern	Youth with mentor	Aug. 1, ((2017)) 2018 - Mar. 31, ((2018)) 2019	Antlerless	Designated Areas in Region 5	10 ^{HC}

Senior 65+						
Hunt Name	Weapon/Tag	Hunters	Hunt Dates	Special Restrictions	Boundary	Permits
Sherman	Modern	65+	Oct. 13-26	White-tailed, antlerless	GMU 101	5
Kelly Hill	Modern	65+	Oct. 13-26	White-tailed, antlerless	GMU 105	10
Douglas	Modern	65+	Oct. 13-26	White-tailed, antlerless	GMU 108	10
Aladdin	Modern	65+	Oct. 13-26	White-tailed, antlerless	GMU 111	10
Selkirk	Modern	65+	Oct. 13-26	White-tailed, antlerless	GMU 113	15
49 Degrees North	Modern	65+	Oct. 13-26	White-tailed, antlerless	GMU 117	25
Huckleberry	Modern	65+	Oct. 13-26	White-tailed, antlerless	GMU 121	50
Washtucna	Modern	65+	Oct. 13-23	Antlerless	GMUs 139, 142, 284, 381	20
Blue Mtns. Foothills	Modern	65+	Oct. ((14-24)) 13-23	Antlerless	GMUs 145, 149, 154, 163, Deer Area 1010, 178	30
East Okanogan	Modern	65+	Oct. ((14-24)) 13-23	Antlerless	GMU 204	((30)) 5
Wannacut	Modern	65+	Oct. ((14-24)) 13-23	Antlerless	GMU 209	5
Sinlahekin	Modern	65+	Oct. ((14-24)) 13-23	Antlerless	GMU 215	((45)) 5
Chewuch	Modern	65+	Oct. ((14-24)) 13-23	Antlerless	GMU 218	5
Pearygin	Modern	65+	Oct. ((14-24)) 13-23	Antlerless	GMU 224	((40)) 5
Gardner	Modern	65+	Oct. ((14-24)) 13-23	Antlerless	GMU 231	5
Pogue	Modern	65+	Oct. ((14-24)) 13-23	Antlerless	GMU 233	((20)) 5
Chiliwist	Modern	65+	Oct. ((14-24)) 13-23	Antlerless	GMU 239	((45)) 5
Alta	Modern	65+	Oct. ((14-24)) 13-23	Antlerless	GMU 242	((45)) 5
Chiwawa	Modern	65+	Oct. ((14-24)) 13-23	Antlerless	GMU 245	5
Entiat	Modern	65+	Oct. ((14-24)) 13-23	Antlerless	GMU 247	5
Swakane	Modern	65+	Oct. ((14-24)) 13-23	Antlerless	GMU 250	5
Mission	Modern	65+	Oct. ((14-24)) 13-23	Antlerless	GMU 251	5
Bridgeport	Modern	65+	Oct. ((14-24)) 13-23	Antlerless	GMUs 248, 260	((40)) 5
Palisades	Modern	65+	Oct. ((14-24)) 13-23	Antlerless	GMUs 266, 269	((40)) 5
Rattlesnake Hills	Modern	65+	Oct. ((14-24)) 13-23	Antlerless	GMU 372	10
Horse Heaven Hills	Modern	65+	Oct. ((14-24)) 13-23	Antlerless	GMU 373	10
((Kahlotus	Modern	65+	Oct. 14-24	Antlerless	GMU 381	10))
East Klickitat	Modern	65+	Oct. ((14-24)) 13-23	Antlerless	GMU 382 (except CLOSED in Deer Area 5382)	5
((Grayback	Modern	65+	Oct. 14-24	Antlerless	GMU 388	5))
North Issaquah	Any	65+	Oct. 13-31 and Nov. 15-18	Antlerless	Deer Area 4541	10
Lincoln	Modern	65+	Oct. ((14-31)) 13-31	Antlerless	GMU 501	5
Stella	Modern	65+	Oct. ((14-31)) 13-31	Antlerless	GMU 504	5
Mossyrock	Modern	65+	Oct. ((14-31)) 13-31	Antlerless	GMU 505	15
Stormking	Modern	65+	Oct. ((14-31)) 13-31	Antlerless	GMU 510	5
South Rainier	Modern	65+	Oct. ((14-31)) 13-31	Antlerless	GMU 513	5
Packwood	Modern	65+	Oct. ((14-31)) 13-31	Antlerless	GMU 516	5
Winston	Modern	65+	Oct. ((14-31)) 13-31	Antlerless	GMU 520	5
Yale	Modern	65+	Oct. ((14-31)) 13-31	Antlerless	GMU 554	5
Toutle	Modern	65+	Oct. ((14-31)) 13-31	Antlerless	GMU 556	10
Lewis River	Modern	65+	Oct. ((14-31)) 13-31	Antlerless	GMU 560	5
Washougal	Modern	65+	Oct. ((14-31)) 13-31	Antlerless	GMU 568	5
Siouxon	Modern	65+	Oct. ((14-31)) 13-31	Antlerless	GMU 572	5
Wind River	Modern	65+	Oct. ((14-31)) 13-31	Antlerless	GMU 574	5
West Klickitat	Modern	65+	Oct. ((14-31)) 13-31	Antlerless	GMU 578	5
Olympic	Modern	65+	Oct. ((14-31)) 13-31	Antlerless	GMU 621	((25)) 10
Coyle	Modern	65+	Oct. ((14-31)) 13-31	Antlerless	GMU 624	((45)) 10

Senior 65+						
Hunt Name	Weapon/Tag	Hunters	Hunt Dates	Special Restrictions	Boundary	Permits
Kitsap	Modern	65+	Oct. ((44-31)) <u>13-31</u>	Antlerless	GMU 627	10
Mason	Modern	65+	Oct. ((44-31)) <u>13-31</u>	Antlerless	GMU 633	((20)) <u>10</u>
((Skokomish	Modern	65+	Oct. 14-31	Antlerless	GMU 636	40))
Wynoochee	Modern	65+	Oct. ((44-31)) <u>13-31</u>	Antlerless	GMU 648	10
Satsop	Modern	65+	Oct. ((44-31)) <u>13-31</u>	Antlerless	GMU 651	((45)) <u>5</u>
Mashel	Modern	65+	Oct. ((44-31)) <u>13-31</u>	Antlerless	GMU 654	15
North River	Modern	65+	Oct. ((44-31)) <u>13-31</u>	Antlerless	GMU 658	10
Minot Peak	Modern	65+	Oct. ((44-31)) <u>13-31</u>	Antlerless	GMU 660	10
Capitol Peak	Modern	65+	Oct. ((44-31)) <u>13-31</u>	Antlerless	GMU 663	((45)) <u>12</u>

Hunters with Disabilities						
Hunt Name	Weapon/Tag	Hunters	Hunt Dates	Special Restrictions	Boundary	Permits
Washtucna	Modern	Hunter with Disability	Oct. 13-23	Antlerless	GMUs 139, 142, 284, 381	<u>20</u>
Blue Mtns. Foothills	Modern	Hunter with Disability	Oct. ((44-24)) <u>13-23</u>	Antlerless	GMUs 145, 149, 154, 163, Deer Area 1010, 178	20
East Okanogan	Modern	Hunter with Disability	Oct. ((44-24)) <u>13-23</u>	Antlerless	GMU 204	((30)) <u>5</u>
Wannacut	Modern	Hunter with Disability	Oct. ((44-24)) <u>13-23</u>	Antlerless	GMU 209	5
Sinlahekin	Modern	Hunter with Disability	Oct. ((44-24)) <u>13-23</u>	Antlerless	GMU 215	((45)) <u>5</u>
Chewuch	Modern	Hunter with Disability	Oct. ((44-24)) <u>13-23</u>	Antlerless	GMU 218	5
Pearrygin	Modern	Hunter with Disability	Oct. ((44-24)) <u>13-23</u>	Antlerless	GMU 224	((40)) <u>5</u>
Gardner	Modern	Hunter with Disability	Oct. ((44-24)) <u>13-23</u>	Antlerless	GMU 231	5
Pogue	Modern	Hunter with Disability	Oct. ((44-24)) <u>13-23</u>	Antlerless	GMU 233	((20)) <u>5</u>
Chiliwist	Modern	Hunter with Disability	Oct. ((44-24)) <u>13-23</u>	Antlerless	GMU 239	((45)) <u>5</u>
Alta	Modern	Hunter with Disability	Oct. ((44-24)) <u>13-23</u>	Antlerless	GMU 242	((45)) <u>5</u>
Chiwawa	Modern	Hunter with Disability	Oct. ((44-24)) <u>13-23</u>	Antlerless	GMU 245	3
Entiat	Modern	Hunter with Disability	Oct. ((44-24)) <u>13-23</u>	Antlerless	GMU 247	3
Mission	Modern	Hunter with Disability	Oct. ((44-24)) <u>13-23</u>	Antlerless	GMU 251	3
Saint Andrews	Modern	Hunter with Disability	Oct. ((44-24)) <u>13-23</u>	Antlerless	GMU 254	5
Bridgeport	Modern	Hunter with Disability	Oct. ((44-24)) <u>13-23</u>	Antlerless	GMUs 248, 260	5
Palisades	Modern	Hunter with Disability	Oct. ((44-24)) <u>13-23</u>	Antlerless	GMUs 266, 269	5
Beezley	Modern	Hunter with Disability	Oct. ((44-24)) <u>13-23</u>	Antlerless	GMU 272	10
Ritzville	Modern	Hunter with Disability	Oct. ((44-24)) <u>13-23</u>	Antlerless	GMU 284	10
Horse Heaven Hills	Modern	Hunter with Disability	Oct. ((44-24)) <u>13-23</u>	Antlerless	GMU 373	10
Kahlotus	Modern	Hunter with Disability	Oct. 28 - Nov. 5	Antlerless	GMU 381	10
East Klickitat	Modern	Hunter with Disability	Oct. ((44-24)) <u>13-23</u>	Antlerless	GMU 382 (except CLOSED in Deer Area 5382)	5
((Grayback	Modern	Hunter with Disability	Oct. 14-24	Antlerless	GMU 388	5))
North Issaquah	Any	Hunter with Disability	Oct. 13-31 and Nov. 15-18	Antlerless	Deer Area 4541	<u>10</u>
Green River	Modern	Hunter with Disability	Oct. 20-26	Any buck	GMU 485	<u>5</u>

Hunters with Disabilities						
Hunt Name	Weapon/Tag	Hunters	Hunt Dates	Special Restrictions	Boundary	Permits
Lincoln	Modern	Hunter with Disability	Oct. ((44-31)) <u>13-31</u>	Antlerless	GMU 501	2
Stella	Modern	Hunter with Disability	Oct. ((44-31)) <u>13-31</u>	Antlerless	GMU 504	2
Mossyrock	Modern	Hunter with Disability	Oct. ((44-31)) <u>13-31</u>	Antlerless	GMU 505	3
Stormking	Modern	Hunter with Disability	Oct. ((44-31)) <u>13-31</u>	Antlerless	GMU 510	2
South Rainier	Modern	Hunter with Disability	Oct. ((44-31)) <u>13-31</u>	Antlerless	GMU 513	2
Packwood	Modern	Hunter with Disability	Oct. ((44-31)) <u>13-31</u>	Antlerless	GMU 516	2
Winston	Modern	Hunter with Disability	Oct. ((44-31)) <u>13-31</u>	Antlerless	GMU 520	2
Yale	Modern	Hunter with Disability	Oct. ((44-31)) <u>13-31</u>	Antlerless	GMU 554	2
Toutle	Modern	Hunter with Disability	Oct. ((44-31)) <u>13-31</u>	Antlerless	GMU 556	3
Lewis River	Modern	Hunter with Disability	Oct. ((44-31)) <u>13-31</u>	Antlerless	GMU 560	1
Washougal	Modern	Hunter with Disability	Oct. ((44-31)) <u>13-31</u>	Antlerless	GMU 568	5
Siouxon	Modern	Hunter with Disability	Oct. ((44-31)) <u>13-31</u>	Antlerless	GMU 572	2
Wind River	Modern	Hunter with Disability	Oct. ((44-31)) <u>13-31</u>	Antlerless	GMU 574	1
West Klickitat	Modern	Hunter with Disability	Oct. ((44-31)) <u>13-31</u>	Antlerless	GMU 578	2
Olympic	Modern	Hunter with Disability	Oct. ((44-31)) <u>13-31</u>	Antlerless	GMU 621	((45)) <u>5</u>
Kitsap	Modern	Hunter with Disability	Oct. ((44-31)) <u>13-31</u>	Antlerless	GMU 627	5
Mason	Modern	Hunter with Disability	Oct. ((44-31)) <u>13-31</u>	Antlerless	GMU 633	((40)) <u>5</u>
Skokomish	Modern	Hunter with Disability	Oct. ((44-31)) <u>13-31</u>	Antlerless	GMU 636	5
Satsop	Modern	Hunter with Disability	Oct. ((44-31)) <u>13-31</u>	Antlerless	GMU 651	5
Mashel	Modern	Hunter with Disability	Oct. ((44-31)) <u>13-31</u>	Antlerless	GMU 654	10
North River	Modern	Hunter with Disability	Oct. ((44-31)) <u>13-31</u>	Antlerless	GMU 658	5
Minot Peak	Modern	Hunter with Disability	Oct. ((44-31)) <u>13-31</u>	Antlerless	GMU 660	5
Capitol Peak	Modern	Hunter with Disability	Oct. ((44-31)) <u>13-31</u>	Antlerless	GMU 663	5
Skookumchuck	Modern	Hunter with Disability	Oct. ((44-31)) <u>13-31</u>	Antlerless	GMU 667	10
Fall River	<u>Modern</u>	<u>Hunter with Disability</u>	Oct. <u>13-31</u>	<u>Antlerless</u>	<u>GMU 672</u>	<u>5</u>
Fall River	Modern	Hunter with Disability	Nov. ((1-15)) <u>1-14</u>	Any buck	GMU 672	((40)) <u>6</u>
Wind River	Archery	Hunter with Disability	Sept. ((1-29)) <u>1-28</u>	Antlerless	GMU 574	1
West Klickitat	Archery	Hunter with Disability	Sept. ((1-29)) <u>1-28</u>	Antlerless	GMU 578	1
East Okanogan	Muzzleloader	Hunter with Disability	Sept. ((30-Oct-8)) <u>29 - Oct. 7</u>	Antlerless	GMU 204	5
Sinlahekin	Muzzleloader	Hunter with Disability	Sept. ((30-Oct-8)) <u>29 - Oct. 7</u>	Antlerless	GMU 215	5
Gardner	Muzzleloader	Hunter with Disability	Sept. ((30-Oct-8)) <u>29 - Oct. 7</u>	Antlerless	GMU 231	5
Chiwawa	Muzzleloader	Hunter with Disability	Sept. ((30-Oct-8)) <u>29 - Oct. 7</u>	Antlerless	GMU 245	3
Entiat	Muzzleloader	Hunter with Disability	Sept. ((30-Oct-8)) <u>29 - Oct. 7</u>	Antlerless	GMU 247	3
Mission	Muzzleloader	Hunter with Disability	Sept. ((30-Oct-8)) <u>29 - Oct. 7</u>	Antlerless	GMU 251	3

Hunters with Disabilities						
Hunt Name	Weapon/Tag	Hunters	Hunt Dates	Special Restrictions	Boundary	Permits
Saint Andrews	Muzzleloader	Hunter with Disability	Sept. ((30-Oct-8)) 29 - Oct. 7	Antlerless	GMU 254	5
Bridgeport	Muzzleloader	Hunter with Disability	Sept. ((30-Oct-8)) 29 - Oct. 7	Antlerless	GMUs 248, 260	5
Palisades	Muzzleloader	Hunter with Disability	Sept. ((30-Oct-8)) 29 - Oct. 7	Antlerless	GMUs 266, 269	5
Olympic	Muzzleloader	Hunter with Disability	Sept. ((30-Oct-8)) 29 - Oct. 7	Antlerless	GMU 621	5
Mason	Muzzleloader	Hunter with Disability	Sept. ((30-Oct-8)) 29 - Oct. 7	Antlerless	GMU 633	5
Wynoochee	Muzzleloader	Hunter with Disability	Sept. ((30-Oct-8)) 29 - Oct. 7	Antlerless	GMU 648	5
Mashel	Muzzleloader	Hunter with Disability	Sept. ((30-Oct-8)) 29 - Oct. 7	Antlerless	GMU 654	10
North River	Muzzleloader	Hunter with Disability	Sept. ((30-Oct-8)) 29 - Oct. 7	Antlerless	GMU 658	5
Capitol Peak	Muzzleloader	Hunter with Disability	Sept. ((30-Oct-8)) 29 - Oct. 7	Antlerless	GMU 663	((40)) 8
Skookumchuck	Muzzleloader	Hunter with Disability	Sept. ((30-Oct-8)) 29 - Oct. 7	Antlerless	GMU 667	10

Master Hunter - Only master hunters may apply. Weapon must be consistent with weapon/tag restriction noted for hunt. Additional weapon restrictions may be conditioned by the hunt coordinator for each hunt. For those hunts requiring the purchase of a master hunter second tag, one deer may be killed in the unit under the authorization of the special permit.

Hunt Name	Weapon/Tag	Requirements	Hunters	Hunt Dates	Special Restrictions	Boundary	Permits
Region 1	Any/2nd deer tag	Master Hunter deer tag required	Master Hunter	Aug. 1, ((2017)) 2018 - March 31, ((2018)) 2019	Antlerless	Designated Areas in Region 1	30 ^{HC}
Region 1	Archery/2nd deer tag	Master Hunter deer tag required	Master Hunter	Aug. 1, ((2017)) 2018 - March 31, ((2018)) 2019	Antlerless	Designated Areas in Region 1	20 ^{HC}
Region 2	Any/2nd deer tag	Master Hunter deer tag required	Master Hunter	Aug. 1, ((2017)) 2018 - March 31, ((2018)) 2019	Antlerless	Designated Areas in Region 2	10 ^{HC}
Region 3	Any/2nd deer tag	Master Hunter deer tag required	Master Hunter	Aug. 1, ((2017)) 2018 - March 31, ((2018)) 2019	Antlerless	Designated Areas in Region 3	40 ^{HC}
Region 5	Any/2nd deer tag	Master Hunter deer tag required	Master Hunter	Aug. 1, ((2017)) 2018 - March 31, ((2018)) 2019	Antlerless	Designated Areas in Region 5	10 ^{HC}
Region 6	Any/2nd deer tag	Master Hunter deer tag required	Master Hunter	July 1, ((2017)) 2018 - March 31, ((2018)) 2019	Antlerless	Designated Areas in Region 6	((20)) 10 ^{HC}

Hunter Education Instructor Incentive Permits

- Special deer permits will be allocated through a random drawing to those hunter education instructors who qualify.
 - Permit hunters must use archery equipment during archery seasons, muzzleloader equipment or archery equipment during muzzleloader seasons, and any legal weapon during modern firearm seasons. Hunter orange is required during modern firearm seasons.
 - Except for online class incentive permits and chief instructor incentive permits, qualifying hunter education instructors must be certified and have been in active status for a minimum of three consecutive years, inclusive of the year prior to the permit drawing.
 - Permittees may purchase a second license for use with the permit hunt only.
- Qualified hunter education instructors may only receive one incentive permit each year.

Area	Dates	Restrictions	GMUs	Permits
Region 1	All general season and permit seasons established for GMUs included with the permit. Not eligible for seasons and permits for auction hunts; raffle hunts; and hunts for master hunters, youth hunters, hunters with disabilities, or hunters 65 years and older, unless the hunter education instructor legally qualifies for such hunts.	Any white-tailed deer	Any 100 series GMU EXCEPT GMU 157	2
Region 2		Any white-tailed deer	GMUs 204, 215, 233, 239	1
Region 2		Any white-tailed deer	GMUs 218, 224, 231, 242	1
Region 2		Any deer	GMUs 218, 231	1
Region 2		Any deer	GMUs 245, 247	1
Region 2		Any deer	GMU 290	1
Region 3		Any deer	GMUs 335-368	2
Region 4		Any deer	Any 400 series GMU EXCEPT GMUs 485 and 490	2
Region 5		Any deer	((382, 388,)) All 500 series GMUs EXCEPT GMU 522	4
Region 6		Any deer	((GMUs 654, 660, 672, 673, 684)) Any 600 series GMU	2

[Statutory Authority: RCW 77.04.012, 77.04.020, 77.04.055, 77.12.047, 77.12.150, 77.12.240, 77.12.800, 77.32.090. WSR 17-10-076 (Order 17-10), amended and recodified as § 220-415-030, filed 5/3/17, effective 6/3/17. Statutory Authority: RCW 77.04.012, 77.04.020, 77.04.055, 77.12.047, 77.12.150, 77.12.240, 77.12.800, 77.32.090, and 77.32.155. WSR 16-12-087, § 232-28-359, filed 5/31/16, effective 7/1/16. Statutory Authority: RCW 77.04.012, 77.04.055, 77.12.047, 77.12.150, and 77.12.240. WSR 15-10-059 (Order 15-98), § 232-28-359, filed 4/30/15, effective 5/31/15. Statutory Authority: RCW 77.12.047, 77.12.240, and 77.32.070. WSR 14-10-019 (Order 14-95), § 232-28-359, filed 4/25/14, effective 5/26/14; WSR 13-11-078 (Order 13-94), § 232-28-359, filed 5/16/13, effective 6/16/13. Statutory Authority: RCW 77.12.047. WSR 12-11-005 (Order 12-70), § 232-28-359, filed 5/2/12, effective 6/2/12.]

RECOMMENDED ADJUSTMENTS

The department recommends the following adjustments since the Code Reviser filed (CR-102). The adjustments are included in your notebooks.

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- Change: Under the Quality category, Modern Firearm, change the permit numbers for the following hunts:
 - Chiwawa, change the number of permits from 19 to 20;
 - Slide Ridge, change the number of permits from 7 to 8;
 - Desert, Oct. 20-28, change the number of permits from 14 to 18;
 - Quilomene, change the number of permits from 13 to 17;
 - Teanaway, change the number of permits from 21 to 24;
 - Alkali, change the number of permits from 4 to 8.

Rationale: These permit changes are adjustments resulting from the special permit allocation formula.

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- Change: Under the Quality category, Archery, change the permit numbers for the following hunts:
 - Chiwawa, change the number of permits from 7 to 8;
 - Desert, Sept. 1-Oct. 5, change the number of permits from 12 to 10;
 - Desert, Nov. 24-Dec. 9, change the number of permits from 12 to 10;
 - Naneum, change the number of permits from 8 to 7;
 - Quilomene, change the number of permits from 6 to 9.

Rationale: These permit changes are adjustments resulting from the special permit allocation formula.

- Change: Under the Quality category, Muzzleloader, change the permit numbers for the following hunts:
 - Teanaway, change the number of permits from 3 to 5;
 - Quilomene, change the number of permits from 1 to 2.

Rationale: These permit changes are adjustments resulting from the special permit allocation formula.

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- Change: Under the Bucks category, Modern Firearm and Archery, change the permit numbers for the following hunts:
 - Ritzville, Modern, change the number of permits from 9 to 7;
 - Ritzville, Archery, change the number of permits from 21 to 22;
 - Alkali, Archery, change the number of permits from 2 to 3.

Rationale: These permit changes are adjustments resulting from the special permit allocation formula.

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- Change: Under the Youth category, Modern Firearm:
 - For the Simcoe hunt, change the Special Restriction from Antlerless to Any Deer.

Rationale: This change was an adjustment agreed upon with the stakeholders involved with this Wildlife Area. The change provides more opportunity for youth hunters drawing this permit.

Summary of Public Comments Received During the Official Comment Period and WDFW Response:

WAC 220-415-030 2018 Deer special permits.

Supporting Comments:

There were 29 comments in support of the proposals. There was no common theme to any of the supporting comments.

Opposing, Neutral, and Other Comments:

There were 49 comments in opposition to the proposals. No main theme emerged. There were a handful of comments opposed to issuing antlerless special permits for white-tailed deer in northeast Washington. There were some comments questioning the amount of antlerless mule deer opportunity in north central Washington. Additional opposition comments thought seasons were too long or too short; that the timing of seasons needed to be changed; that certain user groups were receiving preferential treatment; and that overall season structures were way too liberal or way too conservative; or they expressed concerns about the management of species other than deer.

Direction and Rationale:

There was no main theme to the comments. Some criticisms come from a misunderstanding of the calendar date adjustments that influence the seasons' timing and length, and how tightly scheduled all of the deer and elk seasons are. The remainder of the comments are similar to the type routinely received by the department as we go through each rule-making process. Field staff are making hunting season recommendations they feel will maximize hunting opportunity without having a negative impact on the deer populations. The department will move forward with the recommendations, which include the recommended adjustments, to the Fish and Wildlife Commission.



PROPOSED RULE MAKING

CR-102 (August 2017) (Implements RCW 34.05.320) Do NOT use for expedited rule making

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WSR 18-03-177

Agency: Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW)

Original Notice

Supplemental Notice to WSR _____

Continuance of WSR _____

Preproposal Statement of Inquiry was filed as WSR 17-24-106 on December 6, 2017 ; 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).

Proposal is exempt under RCW _____.

Title of rule and other identifying information: (describe subject)

WAC 220-400-050 Requirements for sealing of pelts and collection of biological information for river otter, cougar, lynx, and bobcat.

WAC 220-410-040 Game management units (GMUs) boundary descriptions-Region four.

WAC 220-410-050 Game management units (GMUs) boundary descriptions-Region five.

WAC 220-412-070 Big game and wild turkey auction, raffle, and special incentive permits.

WAC 220-412-080 Special hunting season permits.

WAC 220-412-100 Landowner hunting permits.

WAC 220-413-030 Importation and retention of dead nonresident wildlife.

WAC 220-413-070 Hunting with aid of aircraft, boats or other vehicles.

WAC 220-413-100 Mandatory report of hunting activity.

WAC 220-413-180 Special closures and firearm restriction areas.

WAC 220-414-060 Muzzleloading firearms.

WAC 220-414-080 Hunting—Hunter orange clothing requirements.

WAC 220-415-010 Deer area descriptions.

WAC 220-415-020 2015-2017 Deer general seasons and definitions.

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WAC 220-415-070 2017 Moose seasons, permit quotas, and areas.

WAC 220-415-080 2018 Spring black bear seasons and regulations.

WAC 220-415-090 2015-2017 Fall black bear hunting seasons and regulations.

WAC 220-415-100 2016-2017 and 2017-2018 Cougar hunting seasons and regulations.

WAC 220-415-120 2017 Bighorn sheep seasons and permit quotas.

WAC 220-415-130 2015-2017 Mountain goat seasons and permit quotas.

WAC 220-416-010 2015-16, 2016-17, 2017-18 Small game and other wildlife seasons and regulations.

WAC 220-416-060 2017-2018 Migratory waterfowl seasons and regulations.

WAC 220-440-030 Public Safety Cougar Removals.

Hearing location(s):

Date:

Time:

Location: (be specific)

Comment:

March 15-17, 2018

8:00 a.m.

Red Lion Hotel
1225 N. Wenatchee Avenue
Wenatchee, WA 98801

Date of intended adoption: April 12-14, 2018 (Note: This is **NOT** the effective date)

Submit written comments to:

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By (date) March 7, 2018

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

WAC 220-400-050 Requirements for sealing of pelts and collection of biological information for river otter, cougar, lynx, and bobcat.

The purpose of the proposal is to simplify the sealing requirements for bobcat and cougar pelts by aligning the date for sealing bobcat with the last date of trapper reporting and by requiring cougar pelt sealing to occur within 72 hours of harvest. The proposed changes align the dates for pelt sealing each species, regardless of method or reporting of harvest.

WAC 220-410-040 Game management units (GMUs) boundary descriptions-Region four.

The purpose of the proposal is to clarify boundary language as it pertains to Game Management Unit 485 Green River. The existing language can be somewhat complicated. The proposed changes take advantage of the well-marked boundaries of the watershed which are identical to the GMU boundary.

WAC 220-410-050 Game management units (GMUs) boundary descriptions-Region five.

The purpose of the proposal is to clarify boundary language as it pertains to Game Management Units 522 Loo Wit and 560 Lewis River. The proposed changes clarify directional movements on established roads that make up the boundaries.

WAC 220-412-070 Big game and wild turkey auction, raffle, and special incentive permits.

This proposal replaces GMU 172 with GMU 169 for the Rocky Mountain bighorn sheep raffle permit holder.

WAC 220-412-080 Special hunting season permits.

This proposal revises wording in the "once in a lifetime" part of special hunting permits for moose, to reflect the proposed change in hunt categories from "any moose" to "antlered bull moose." Any "point" accumulated under the "any moose" category will be transferred to the "antlered bull moose" category.

Additionally applicants for special hunting season permits will be required to either complete hunter education prior to submitting a permit application, or be exempt from the hunter education requirement.

WAC 220-412-100 Landowner hunting permits.

This proposal modifies hunt dates on properties enrolled in WDFW's Landowner Hunting Permit (LHP) program for the 2018 hunting seasons. These sites offer special hunting opportunities to the public through permits issued by WDFW, raffles, or selection by the landowner.

WAC 220-413-030 Importation and retention of dead nonresident wildlife.

The proposal will ban the importation and retention of specific parts of dead nonresident wildlife that could contain Chronic Wasting Disease (CWD) from Montana. Specific circumstances are fully set forth in WAC 220-413-030 to include the state of Montana.

WAC 220-413-070 Hunting with aid of aircraft, boats or other vehicles.

The purpose of this proposal is to add unmanned aircraft to the rule that restricts the use of aircraft, boats, or other types of vehicles to hunt, spot, or harass wildlife.

WAC 220-413-100 Mandatory report of hunting activity.

The proposal will change the reporting deadline for brant, sea duck, and snow goose to March 20 following the season for which the harvest card was issued, and adds a harvest report card requirement for the SW Canada Goose special species authorization.

WAC 220-413-180 Special closures and firearm restriction areas.

The purpose of the proposal is to modify restrictions in the Special Closures and Firearm Restriction rule by:

Adding mountain goat as an exception to the hunting restriction in GMU 522.

Clarifying and adding exceptions to the firearm restriction that exists in a portion of GMU 652.

Removing a firearm restriction area in Kitsap County that is no longer needed.

WAC 220-414-060 Muzzleloading firearms.

The purpose of the proposal is to eliminate the restriction that disallows the use of primers, designed for modern cartridges in the firearms ignition system, during muzzleloader hunting seasons. Such a rule change will allow more technologically advanced muzzleloaders to be used during muzzleloader seasons.

WAC 220-414-080 Hunting—Hunter orange clothing requirements.

This proposal adds turkey to the hunter orange rule and requires turkey hunters that are hunting during a modern deer or elk firearm season to wear florescent orange.

WAC 220-415-010 Deer area descriptions.

The purpose of the proposal is to eliminate the three Deer Areas surrounding Spokane and the Colfax Deer Area that are either ineffective or no longer needed and add the North Issaquah Deer Area in King and Snohomish Counties to help mitigate deer conflict issues. Deer Areas allow the department to focus deer hunting pressure on a smaller scale than the Game Management Unit. Deer Areas help expand hunting opportunity that would normally not be available. Deer Areas also help accommodate wildlife conflict mitigation using hunting as a tool.

WAC 220-415-020 2015-2017 Deer general seasons and definitions.

The purpose of this proposal is to retain general season deer hunting opportunity for 2018-2020. In addition, the purpose of the proposal is to balance the hunting opportunity between user groups. The proposal also increases the opportunity when deer populations allow, and reduces the opportunity when declining deer numbers warrant a change.

WAC 220-415-030 2017 Deer special permits.

The purpose of this proposal is to retain special permit deer hunting opportunity for 2018. In addition, the purpose of the proposal is to balance the hunting opportunity between user groups. The proposal also increases the opportunity when deer populations allow, and reduces the opportunity when declining deer numbers warrant a change.

WAC 220-415-040 Elk area descriptions.

The purpose of the proposal is to add new Elk Areas or adjust the boundaries of existing Elk Areas. Elk Areas allow the department to focus elk hunting pressure on a smaller scale than the Game Management Unit. Elk Areas help expand hunting opportunity that would normally not be available. Elk Areas also help accommodate wildlife conflict mitigation using hunting as a tool.

WAC 220-415-050 2015-2017 Elk general seasons and definitions.

The purpose of this proposal is to retain general season elk hunting opportunity for 2018-2020. In addition, the purpose of the proposal is to balance the hunting opportunity between user groups. The proposal also increases the opportunity when elk populations allow, and reduces the opportunity when declining elk numbers warrant a change.

WAC 220-415-060 2017 Elk special permits.

The purpose of this proposal is to retain elk special permit hunting opportunity for 2018. The purpose is also to balance the elk hunting opportunity between user groups. The proposal also increases elk hunting opportunity when elk populations allow, and reduces elk hunting opportunity when declining elk numbers warrant a change.

WAC 220-415-070 2017 Moose seasons, permit quotas, and areas.

The purpose of this proposal is to remove hunt category "any moose," replacing it with "any antlered bull moose;" require successful moose hunters to submit an incisor tooth by mail to WDFW for ageing; add "or archery" to the list of permitted weaponry for moose hunting in the Parker Lake special hunt area; and changes in permit levels.

WAC 220-415-080 2018 Spring black bear seasons and regulations.

The purpose of the proposed amendments is to align the rules with the appropriate season dates; require a bear identification test for hunters that will hunt within grizzly bear recovery areas as identified by the department; expand the biological samples that may be collected by the department; and include results for failure to report or comply with the conditions of the rule.

WAC 220-415-090 2015-2017 Fall black bear hunting seasons and regulations.

The purpose of the proposed amendments is to align the rules with the appropriate season dates; remove game management units that do not have resident bear populations; require a bear identification test for hunters that will hunt within grizzly bear recovery areas as identified by the department; expand the biological samples that may be collected by the department; and include results for failure to report or comply with the conditions of the rule.

WAC 220-415-100 2016-2017 and 2017-2018 Cougar hunting seasons and regulations.

The purpose of the proposed amendments is to align the rules with the appropriate season dates; align the cougar season with the license year and thereby minimize potential confusion by hunters; and align the late cougar season start date with the closing date of the general deer and elk seasons for modern firearm and muzzleloader with the exception of a few Master Hunter antlerless elk seasons that continue into January.

WAC 220-415-120 2017 Bighorn sheep seasons and permit quotas.

The purpose of the proposal is to initiate modest ewe (bighorn sheep female) harvests in two separate areas of the Lincoln Cliffs bighorn sheep populations. Additionally, increase harvest of both rams and ewes in the Chelan Butte population.

WAC 220-415-130 2015-2017 Mountain goat seasons and permit quotas.

The purpose of the proposal is to require holders of mountain goat hunting permits to pass an online test of their ability to distinguish mountain goats by gender (i.e., billy vs. nanny) before they would be allowed to purchase their mountain goat hunting license; establish new mountain goat hunting seasons in Mt. Margaret back-country, and Mt. St. Helens South (one permit in each area); and split the existing Goat Rocks mountain goat hunt area into two contiguous areas.

WAC 220-416-010 2015-16, 2016-17, 2017-18 Small game and other wildlife seasons and regulations.

The purpose of the proposal is to make date adjustments related to calendar changes; extend the fall turkey season in GMUs 101-154 and 162-186; remove the draw permits from Klickitat County and opens GMUs within that county to general season hunting; and prohibit night hunting in GMUs that fall within the lynx management zones as identified by the department.

WAC 220-416-060 2017-2018 Migratory waterfowl seasons and regulations.

The purpose of the proposal is to specify legal season dates and bag limits for the 2018-2019 season.

WAC 220-440-030 Public Safety Cougar Removals.

This proposal changes the current Public Safety Cougar Removal from a hunting opportunity authorizing the use of hounds, when certain conditions are met, to a permit program to provide training opportunities for owners of "working dogs" who are often summoned by WDFW Law Enforcement to assist in resolving wildlife conflict issues. If approved, this new program will allow working dogs and their owners the non-lethal pursuit of cougars under the conditions of a training permit.

Reasons supporting proposal:

WAC 220-400-050 Requirements for sealing of pelts and collection of biological information for river otter, cougar, lynx, and bobcat.

The proposed amendments will make the sealing requirements consistent for each species and thereby easily understood by user groups. The proposed changes will also make managing cougar hunt unit closures more efficient and timely.

WAC 220-410-040 Game management units (GMUs) boundary descriptions-Region four.

The proposed amendments will make the boundaries more discernable for hunters. The proposed changes will also make enforcement of hunting season rules and trespass rules more straightforward.

WAC 220-410-050 Game management units (GMUs) boundary descriptions-Region five.

The proposed amendments will make the boundaries more discernable for hunters. The proposed changes will also make enforcement of hunting season rules more straightforward.

WAC 220-412-070 Big game and wild turkey auction, raffle, and special incentive permits.

The proposed amendments will redirect hunters from a small herd that has few mature rams to a herd that can more easily support removal of a large-sized ram.

WAC 220-412-080 Special hunting season permits.

The proposed amendments will maintain consistency with proposed changes in the WAC 220-415-070 and requirements elsewhere in WAC that applicants for special permits possess the necessary qualifications to hunt under that permit should they be drawn.

WAC 220-412-100 Landowner hunting permits.

Several years ago, the Fish and Wildlife Commission developed a policy to expand the private lands available to the general public for hunting. One of the programs that was authorized is the Landowner Hunting Permit Program. This program encourages landowners to provide opportunity to the general hunter in exchange for customized hunting seasons and the ability to generate funding to offset the cost of providing public access.

WAC 220-413-030 Importation and retention of dead nonresident wildlife.

Because Montana has identified chronic wasting disease in wild free ranging deer, the department seeks to mitigate the risk to public health and safety by adding the state of Montana to WAC 220-413-030.

WAC 220-413-070 Hunting with aid of aircraft, boats or other vehicles.

Small unmanned aircraft have become a part of modern culture. Unmanned aircraft use is pervasive. In the same spirit of hunting ethics that inspired the Fish and Wildlife Commission to promulgate a rule that restricts the use of vehicles, aircraft, or boats to hunt or harass wildlife, the department feels that unmanned aircraft should be specifically called out and added to this rule.

WAC 220-413-100 Mandatory report of hunting activity.

Two proposed amendments of WAC 220-416-060 require changing the February 15 deadline date. The proposal to move 12-days of the snow goose hunting season in Goose Management Area 1 (Skagit and Snohomish Counties) would have the goose season ending at the end of February (February 27, 2019). Additionally, the requirement of a mandatory harvest report for goose hunting in Goose Management Area 2-Coast and Inland (Clark, Cowlitz, Grays Harbor, Pacific, and Wahkiakum Counties) has to accommodate goose hunting seasons that can extend to March 10 in some years. To minimize confusion, all waterfowl-related reporting deadlines would be changed to March 20.

WAC 220-413-180 Special closures and firearm restriction areas.

Reasons for supporting the rule include expanding mountain goat hunting opportunity; accommodating both firearm restriction needs and wildlife conflict mitigation; and adding flexibility to hunting seasons when restrictions are no longer necessary.

WAC 220-414-060 Muzzleloading firearms.

The Fish and Wildlife Commission requested that the department reach out to the hunting public and get their opinion on the use of modern cartridge primers on muzzleloading firearms during muzzleloader season. Deer and elk hunters were polled, and the majority of the respondents were in favor of allowing the more modern primers.

WAC 220-414-080 Hunting—Hunter orange clothing requirements.

This proposal is meant to increase safety. Turkey seasons in the past did not overlap with modern deer or elk firearm seasons. New proposals to control growing turkey populations make it necessary to overlap those seasons. This recommended rule adjustment provides consistency. All other species hunters are already required to wear hunter orange during modern deer or elk firearm season. This proposal adds turkey hunters to that list.

WAC 220-415-010 Deer area descriptions.

The proposed amendments will allow the department to use hunting as a management tool and expands deer hunting opportunity.

WAC 220-415-020 2015-2017 Deer general seasons and definitions.

This proposal provides for recreational deer hunting opportunity and protects deer from overharvest. The proposal would maintain sustainable general deer hunting season opportunities for 2018-2020. In addition, the proposal allows for the use of hunting as a management tool, helps address deer agricultural damage problems, and provides for deer population control when needed.

WAC 220-415-030 2017 Deer special permits.

This proposal provides for recreational deer hunting opportunity and protects deer from overharvest. The proposal would also maintain sustainable deer special permit hunting season opportunities for 2018. The proposal helps address deer agricultural damage problems and provides for deer population control when needed.

WAC 220-415-040 Elk area descriptions.

The proposed amendments allow the department to use hunting as a management tool and expands elk hunting opportunity.

WAC 220-415-050 2015-2017 Elk general seasons and definitions.

The proposal provides for recreational elk hunting opportunity and protects elk from overharvest. The proposal would maintain sustainable general elk hunting season opportunities for 2018-2020. The proposal helps address elk agricultural damage problems and provides for elk population control when needed.

WAC 220-415-060 2017 Elk special permits.

This proposal provides for recreational elk hunting opportunity and protects elk from overharvest. The proposal would maintain sustainable elk special permit hunting opportunity for 2018. The proposal helps address elk agricultural damage problems and provides for elk population control when needed.

WAC 220-415-070 2017 Moose seasons, permit quotas, and areas.

We expect the moose population in Northeastern Washington to stabilize or decline over the next few years. Being able to predict whether males (bulls) or females (cows) will be taken in any given hunt is important to managers. Almost all holders of "any moose" permits attempt to take bulls. Accumulated points held in the "any moose" category would be transferred to the new "any antlered bull moose" category; the definition of "antlered bull moose" would require the presence of "visible antlers." Public support for this proposal was high.

Models currently under development by WDFW to understand moose population trajectory require knowing the age of harvested moose. WDFW currently requests successful hunters to extract a tooth and send it to WDFW in a supplied envelope. However, compliance with the currently voluntary request is variable, and response is likely biased. Incorporating this request in rule should increase compliance, increasing the accuracy and precision of our monitoring models.

In response to a hunter's question from 2017, we realized that, unlike other 'muzzleloader hunts' offered for other species, we had not indicated that 'archery' – considered a lesser-capable weapon – could also be used in the muzzleloader season. WDFW received approval from The United States Air Force on this change.

Recent work has strongly suggested that moose have begun declining in abundance in most areas. We also received considerable support from the public for reducing "Youth only" hunts. Most of these specific changes reduce "antlerless moose" permits, particularly in WDFW District 2, where harvest rates have been relatively high. In response to suggestions from Enforcement, we would eliminate the Master Hunter moose permits, which have only been used a handful of times in the past decade, due to the difficulty of finding an appropriate situation. This would reduce expectation among Master Hunters for an opportunity, which, in reality, has rarely been realized.

WAC 220-415-080 2018 Spring black bear seasons and regulations.

The proposed amendments will announce the appropriate season dates, assist in lessening the likelihood of incidental take of grizzly bear, bring awareness to hunters, create stewardship of resources managed by other government agencies, and provide the department with the ability to collect biological samples which further assist managing bear populations.

WAC 220-415-090 2015-2017 Fall black bear hunting seasons and regulations.

The proposed amendments will announce the appropriate season dates, assist hunters by providing opportunities where they exist, assist in lessening the likelihood of incidental take of grizzly bear, bring awareness to hunters, create stewardship of resources managed by other government agencies, and provide the department with the ability to collect biological samples which further assist managing bear populations.

WAC 220-415-100 2016-2017 and 2017-2018 Cougar hunting seasons and regulations.

The proposed amendments will announce the appropriate season dates; assist in minimizing disturbance to ungulates that are already stressed from winter and birthing; minimize confusion and burden on hunters to buy two licenses; allow hunters who are deer and elk hunting to take a cougar through December 15 without having to call the toll free line to determine if the area is open or not; provide the department an earlier timeframe to manage the harvest guidelines; and attempt to minimize potential of exceeding the harvest guidelines.

WAC 220-415-120 2017 Bighorn sheep seasons and permit quotas.

Where bighorn sheep graze frequently on private, agricultural lands, public tolerance for them can be compromised. Because we have no current place to translocate these sheep, a ewe-only hunt is recommended.

The Chelan Butte bighorn sheep population has also grown, providing opportunity for hunters interested in taking rams (we propose a split season, early and late). Because this herd is situated close to small farms and rural residences, the risk of contact between bighorns and domestic sheep and goats is high. One action the department can take to manage this risk is to halt the slow down or halt the growth of the herd through increased provision of ewe permits.

WAC 220-415-130 2015-2017 Mountain goat seasons and permit quotas.

Mountain goat populations are sensitive to harvest of females, but identification of gender in the field is difficult. The department currently provides training videos and pamphlets to successful applicants for mountain goat hunting permits, but has no way of ensuring that these materials are used. The department proposes adding an online gender identification test that permit holders would be required to pass before being allowed to purchase a mountain goat hunting license. A passing score would be 80%, and permit holders could re-take the test as often as needed until they achieved a passing score.

We now have reliable surveys indicating that goats inhabiting the Mt. St. Helens and Mt. Margaret areas are sufficiently abundant to sustain a conservative hunt. Thus, new hunts are proposed in this area.

The conflict reduction hunt in the East Olympic Mountains remains in the proposed WAC revision as of 12/20/2017, but we hope to remove it prior to the March Commission meeting if we have more certainty that the multi-agency translocation project will commence in 2018. If agencies are moving goats from the Olympic Mountains, it would be inappropriate to provide hunters with the expectation that there would be goats for hunters to pursue in those same places.

The department's data suggests that mountain goat hunting in the Goat Rocks area has been sustainable, but almost all mountain goats taken have come from the more accessible portions of the area. Splitting the existing hunt area in two (and allocating permits approximately proportionally) would distribute harvest pressure more evenly among goats in the greater population.

WAC 220-416-010 2015-16, 2016-17, 2017-18 Small game and other wildlife seasons and regulations.

Annual shifts in the calendar require adjustment.

Turkey populations in those GMUs are high, causing crop and property damage. The proposed change will lengthen the fall season to facilitate additional turkey harvest and help mitigate those problems.

The turkey population in Klickitat County is doing well enough to support a general season hunting opportunity. In the past hunting in those GMUs were by draw permit only. The recommended change will do away with the draw permits and opens those GMUs to general season hunters.

A bobcat hunter mistakenly harvested a collared lynx at night last year. It is very difficult to differentiate the two species with artificial light or night vision equipment. The recommended rule change will help conserve the few lynx that exist in the lynx management zones by making it illegal to night hunt in the GMUs that fall within those zones.

WAC 220-416-060 2017-2018 Migratory waterfowl seasons and regulations.

Waterfowl seasons and regulations are developed based on cooperative management programs among states of the Pacific Flyway Council and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, considering population status and other biological parameters. The rule establishes waterfowl seasons and regulations to provide recreational opportunity, control waterfowl damage, and conserve the waterfowl resources in Washington.

WAC 220-440-030 Public Safety Cougar Removals.

WDFW is often called upon to address wildlife conflict issues involving cougar and other species of wildlife. The issues include both public safety and the protection of property. This commonly requires assistance from local citizens who own working dogs (commonly known as hounds), that are especially capable of, and trained for, the detection, tracking, and treeing cougar. Due to broad hunting restrictions, working dogs are limited in access to training opportunities. Working dogs must be kept in peak physical condition in order to be effective. Young dogs require training in order to be of use. The current Public Safety Cougar Removal program was implemented as a pilot and has not been effective in addressing its original intent. Both the Law Enforcement and the Wildlife Programs support this concept. Representatives from The Humane Society of the United States and Conservation Northwest have been involved in creating this proposal and are in support.

Statutory authority for adoption: RCW 77.04.012, 77.04.013, 77.04.020, 77.04.055, 77.12.020, 77.12.040, 77.12.047, 77.12.150, 77.12.210, 77.12.240, 77.12.320, 77.12.570, 77.12.800, 77.15.245, 77.32.007, 77.32.050, 77.32.070, 77.32.090, 77.32.370, and 77.32.530.

Statute being implemented: RCW 77.04.012, 77.04.013, 77.04.020, 77.04.055, 77.12.020, 77.12.040, 77.12.047, 77.12.150, 77.12.210, 77.12.240, 77.12.320, 77.12.570, 77.12.800, 77.15.245, 77.32.007, 77.32.050, 77.32.070, 77.32.090, 77.32.370, and 77.32.530.

Is rule necessary because of a:

- Federal Law? Yes No
Federal Court Decision? Yes No
State Court Decision? Yes No

If yes, CITATION:

Agency comments or recommendations, if any, as to statutory language, implementation, enforcement, and fiscal matters: None.

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Is a school district fiscal impact statement required under RCW 28A.305.135? Yes No

If yes, insert statement here:

The public may obtain a copy of the school district fiscal impact statement by contacting:

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Is a cost-benefit analysis required under RCW 34.05.328?

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

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No: Please explain: The rule proposal does not require a cost-benefit analysis and does not affect hydraulics.

Regulatory Fairness Act Cost Considerations for a Small Business Economic Impact Statement:

This rule proposal, or portions of the proposal, **may be exempt** from requirements of the Regulatory Fairness Act (see chapter 19.85 RCW). Please check the box for any applicable exemption(s):

This rule proposal, or portions of the proposal, is exempt under RCW 19.85.061 because this rule making is being adopted solely to conform and/or comply with federal statute or regulations. Please cite the specific federal statute or regulation this rule is being adopted to conform or comply with, and describe the consequences to the state if the rule is not adopted.

Citation and description:

This rule proposal, or portions of the proposal, is exempt because the agency has completed the pilot rule process defined by RCW 34.05.313 before filing the notice of this proposed rule.

This rule proposal, or portions of the proposal, is exempt under the provisions of RCW 15.65.570(2) because it was adopted by a referendum.

This rule proposal, or portions of the proposal, is exempt under RCW 19.85.025(3). Check all that apply:

RCW 34.05.310 (4)(b)
(Internal government operations)

RCW 34.05.310 (4)(e)
(Dictated by statute)

RCW 34.05.310 (4)(c)
(Incorporation by reference)

RCW 34.05.310 (4)(f)
(Set or adjust fees)

RCW 34.05.310 (4)(d)
(Correct or clarify language)

RCW 34.05.310 (4)(g)
((i) Relating to agency hearings; or (ii) process requirements for applying to an agency for a license or permit)

This rule proposal, or portions of the proposal, is exempt under RCW 19.85.025 (4).

Explanation of exemptions, if necessary: Proposed rule does not affect small businesses.

COMPLETE THIS SECTION ONLY IF NO EXEMPTION APPLIES

If the proposed rule is **not exempt**, does it impose more-than-minor costs (as defined by RCW 19.85.020(2)) on businesses?

No Briefly summarize the agency's analysis showing how costs were calculated. _____

Yes Calculations show the rule proposal likely imposes more-than-minor cost to businesses, and a small business economic impact statement is required. Insert statement here:

The public may obtain a copy of the small business economic impact statement or the detailed cost calculations by contacting:

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