

Here are the recommendations that we approved other than the Department's Recommendations.

6. Resident Elk-Antlered-Any Legal Weapon Depredation Hunt 4102

LC agrees with NDOW but adds discussion on possible future adoption of a "management-type" hunt such as a "5-Point or less" bull hunt that targets the younger, more resident elk which do the majority of the damage. It also addresses the "trophy hunt" that this particular hunt has become.

7. Resident Elk-Antlered-Any Legal Weapon Hunt 4151

LC would recommend an additional "Spike-Only" Hunt in 231,241,242. This is based on the probability of a higher bull tag quota for 2009. Over the last few years, the overall trophy quality in 231, 241, 242 has dropped. With the probability of a higher tag quota and the desire to improve the overall trophy quality while addressing the Elk Plan Population we would like to add this additional "Spike-Only" hunt. The alternative recommendation is, the trophy bull hunt, 4151, will occur from November 4-18, and the added "Spike-Only" hunt would occur during the late cow elk hunt, November 20-January 1. This provides both opportunity and trophy-type hunts in addition to addressing age structure, population, harvest objectives, and overall hunt quality.

8. Same as #7 above.

13. Resident Elk-Antlerless-Any Legal Weapon Hunt 4181

LC would recommend this hunt to end October 14 instead of October 19. The hunt would still be a full two weeks, (same as 08). This action would increase the quality of the Mule Deer Hunt in 231 by decreasing overlap period of the two hunts. The Mule Deer hunt in 231, (1331) starts on October 5. This change would provide for an overlap period of only 9 days instead of 14.

30. Resident and Non-Resident Mule Deer-Antlered-Longbow Archery Hunt 1341

LC would recommend this hunt actually start on August 8 instead of August 1 in Units 231, 241-245, and 221-223. (One week later) Antler growth on Mule Deer has one more week to reach full growth, the season is still nearly a full month long which allows for ample hunter opportunity, and it gives those who hunt the Archery Cow Hunt (4111) a week "alone" without Mule Deer archery hunter congestion.

35. LC Recommends 8/1-12/31 for Heritage Big-Game Tags, and 3/15-5/5 for Turkey Tags.

36. LC agrees with NDOW recommendations. Discussion on the \$500 Mt. Lion "bounty" would negatively publicize Nevada's Big Game Management approach to Mt. Lions, and the overall herd management objectives would be sacrificed. LC also believes the money needed for the "bounty" could be better spent.

Other recommendations:

-Possibly return to the Unit Harvest management for Mt. Lions instead of the current Regional Management.

-Create the definition of "5-Point or less" for Bull Elk -Management Hunts.