

Meeting of the Mineral County Advisory Board to Manage Wildlife
Tuesday, May 12, 2015
6:00 PM MEETING ROOM, HAWTHORNE FIRE HOUSE

Present: Glenn Bunch, Chairman
Billie Williams Jr.
Wayne Larson
Darren Hamrey

Marlene Bunch, Recording Secretary

Also Present: Jeremy Drew, NDOW Commission Chairman
Jason Salisbury, Bio 3, Dept of Wildlife

Absent: Johnny Peterson

Meeting was called to order at the duly stated time of 6:00 PM.

A Commission Regulation 15-12, 2015 Big Game Quotas for the 2015-2016 Season – The Board will make recommendations to the Commission to establish regulations for the number of tags to be issued for mule deer, pronghorn antelope, elk, bighorn sheep, mountain goats, and black bears for the 2015 – 2016 seasons.

1 Resident Antelope Horns longer than ears - Hunt 2151,

Unit 202, 204 Recommend 7 same as last year. Agree

Unit 205-208 Dept Recommended increase of to 30 from 25 last year.

Wayne Larson stated he had a problem with that.

The biologist was questioned what constituted the change.

Jason Salisbury, stated it was a new thing that they were rounding up or rounding down. With the new guzzlers, we can pull from other areas.

Daren Hamrey stated he thinks that is too many. There are the areas that get hammered. It seems like when you are out there, people are running all over one another.

Wayne Larson thinks we should leave it the same as last year. Last year during the archery season here it rained every day. They were not coming into the water hole.

Discussion of hunting issues seen during the hunting season in this area.

Daren Hamrey made motion to reduce back to 25 on 205- 208, Wayne Larson second, Motion carried

2 Resident Antelope Horns Longer than ears – Muzzleloader Hunt 2171

No recommendation

3 Resident Antelope – Horns longer than ears – Archery Hunt 2161

Unit 205-208 the Department Recommended a reduction from 14 to 10.

Wayne Larson made motion to leave at 14. Second by Daren Hamrey.

Discussion

2 for 2 against.

Motion failed or lack of majority. It will stay with department Recommendation

4 Resident Antelope – Horns shorter than ears – Any Legal Weapon Hunt 2181

No Recommendation

5 Nonresident Antelope – Horns longer than ears – Any Legal Weapon Hunt 2251

Agree

6 Nonresident Antelope – Horns longer than ears – Archery Hunt 2261

Agree

**7 Resident Nelson (Desert) Bighorn Sheep – Any Ram – Any Legal Weapon Hunt 3151
Unit 202-204**

Wayne Larson suggested we leave it the same at 5, Darren Hamrey agreed.

Wayne Larson stated until herd disburses into areas, he thinks the numbers are there.

Jason gave update of harvest of 2.

Discussion of sheep in area.

Glenn Bunch stated he personally didn't see a problem with 7.

Billie Williams Jr stated that we have an opportunity to hunt and there is a lot of sheep.

Willie Williams moved we leave it with the Dept recommendation of 7. The motion died for lack of second.

Wayne Larson moved to reduce to 5, second by Darren Hamrey.

Those voting Aye were Wayne Larson and Darren Hamrey, Voting No was Billie Williams Jr.

Motion Carried to reduce to 5

Unit 205,

Jason Salisbury, gave update of 430 sum sheep seen. This area is 2nd or 3rd in the state for population

Darren Hamrey moved to keep the numbers as recommended.

Area 206- 208 up to 6 from 5 last year.

Discussion of sheep seen in the area.

Darren moved to keep recommendation

Board concurred

Unit 207 up to 7 from 5. Board Concurred with Dept Recommendation

Discussion of sheep seen in area.

**8 Resident Nelson (Desert) Bighorn Sheep – Any Ewe- Any Legal Weapon Hunt 3181
No Recommendation**

**9 Nonresident Nelson (Desert) Bighorn Sheep – Any Ram – Any Legal Weapon Hunt 3251
No Recommendation**

**10 Resident California Bighorn Sheep – Any Ram – Any Legal Weapon Hunt 8151
No Recommendation**

**11 Resident California Bighorn Sheep – Any Ewe – Any Legal Weapon Hunt 8181
No Recommendation**

**12 Nonresident California Bighorn Sheep – Any Ram – Any Legal Weapon Hunt 8251
No Recommendation**

**13 Resident Rocky Mountain Bighorn Sheep – Any Ram – Any Legal Weapon Hunt 9151
No Recommendation**

**14 Resident Mountain Goat – Any Goat – Any Legal Weapon Hunt 7151
No Recommendation**

**15 Resident Elk – Antlered – Any Legal Weapon Depredation Hunt 4102
No Recommendation**

**16 Resident Elk Antlerless – Any Legal Weapon Depredation Hunt 4107
No Recommendation**

**17 Resident Elk – Antlered-Any Legal Weapon Hunt 4151
No Recommendation**

- 18 Resident Elk – Antlerless Elk Management Any Legal Weapon Hunt 4481 Option for Antlered Elk Hunt 4151 No Recommendation**
- 19 Resident Elk – Antlered – Muzzleloader Hunt – 4156
No Recommendation**
- 20 Resident Elk – Antlered – Archery Hunt 4161
No Recommendation**
- 21 Resident Elk – Spike – Any Legal Weapon Hunt 4651
No Recommendation**
- 22 Resident Elk – Antlerless – Any Legal Weapon Hunt 4181
No Recommendation**
- 23 Resident Elk – Antlerless – Any Legal Weapon Hunt 4181 – Wilderness Only
No Recommendation**
- 24 Resident Elk – Antlerless Elk Management Any Legal Weapon Hunt 4481 Option for Mule Deer Hunt 1331 No Recommendation**
- 25 Resident Elk – Antlerless – Muzzleloader Hunt 4176
No Recommendation**
- 26 Resident Elk – Antlerless Elk Management Muzzleloader Hunt 4476 Option for Mule Deer Hunt 1371
No Recommendation**
- 27 Resident Elk – Antlerless – Archery Hunt 4111
No Recommendation**
- 28 Resident Elk – Antlerless Elk Management Archery 4411 Option for Mule Deer Hunt 1341
No Recommendation**
- 29 Nonresident Elk – Antlered – Any Legal Weapon Hunt 4251
No Recommendation**
- 30 Nonresident Elk – Antlered – Muzzleloader Hunt 4256
No Recommendation**
- 31 Nonresident Elk – Antlered – Archery Hunt 4261
No Recommendation**
- 32 Nonresident Elk – Antlerless – Any Legal Weapon 4281
No Recommendation**
- 33 Resident Junior Mule Deer – Antlered or Antlerless – Archery, Muzzleloader or Any Legal Weapon Hunt 1107
Area 202-205 208 Concur**
- 34 Resident Mule Deer – Antlerless – Any Legal Weapon Depredation Hunt 1101
No Recommendation
Why are we not doing 60. We had some issues with survey.**
- 35 Resident Mule Deer – Antlerless – Any Legal Weapon Hunt 1181
No Recommendation**

36 Resident Mule Deer – Antlered – Any Legal Weapon Hunt 1331

Unit 202-205 208

Jason Salisbury stated he's not seeing what CA is seeing relative to the fawn to buck ratio. Not 40% loss from January to March. Overall population is lower in the fawn ratio.

Glenn Bunch-state he didn't see why we don't leave it at 60. I don't think we impact them that much here.

Jason Salisbury stated that not in 205, but in 202 & 206 are interstate. The resident deer are getting killed. Not a lot of access that way. They are not getting into Truman

Glenn Bunch stated he thinks the success in Cory was overflow. He's been told that they might be going to let them hunt Mt. Grant. They have talked about appointing depot game wardens again.

Daren Hamrey said the Sportsman Club wrote the proposal for that. They will allow Rose Creek for the fish, but not aware of recent talk about hunt.

Discussion of hunt last year of the area on the back side of Mt. Grant.

Glenn Bunch feels they need to go back to 60. Discussion of critters seen last year. Didn't see them migrate this year do to the weather. The crossings weren't beat up. There wasn't any snow in the Sierra's to push them.

Billie Williams Jr moved to leave at 60. Died for lack of second.

Keep at dept recommendation of reduction to 55.

37 Resident Mule Deer – Antlered – Muzzleloader Hunt 1371

202-205-208 Increase form 5 to 6.

Billie Williams Jr moved to leave at 6. Daren Hamrey Second .

Motion carried unanimous

38 Resident Mule Deer – Antlered – Archery Hunt 1341

Units 201, 202, 204-208 Early 8 - Concur

Unit 201, 204 Late – Concur

Units 22, 205-208 Late Concur

39 Nonresident Mule Deer – Antlered – Any Legal Weapon Hunts 1331

Unit 202, 205-208 Concur

40 Nonresident Mule Deer – Antlered – Muzzleloader Hunt 1371

Unit 202-205-208 Concur

41 Nonresident Mule Deer – Antlered – Archery Hunt 1341

Unit 202-205-208 Concur

42 Resident and nonresident Black Bear – Either Sex – Any Legal Weapon Hunt 6151 and 6251

6151 Unit 202-204-206 41 same as last year Agree.

6251 4 & 4 Agree,

Harvest Objective is 20 - Agree

1. Any further discussion on the May 15-16, 2015 Department of Wildlife Commission Agenda

No discussion

2. Public Comment

Letter from NBU – EWE Hunt. Discussion of Cherry Mountain and Garfield Hill Guzzler.

Jason Salisbury gave update on wintering sheep.