NDOW Bighorn Sheep and Mountain Goat Plan Team Meeting



Tuesday, 10/26/21 – 8 am – 5 pm & Wednesday, 10/27/21 8 am – 1 pm Clark County Shooting Complex, 11357 N. Decatur Blvd, Las Vegas, NV Education Court Rooms C, D, and E

- Welcome, Logistics, Introductions, General Thoughts
- The 2 kick-off meetings involved reviewing other jurisdictional plans and some good overarching plan structure and processes discussions. Let's review each of these and make a team decision on how to proceed:
 - Primary and secondary audiences?
 - Separate out historical and current bighorn ecology, conservation, and management into a Biological Bulletin "type" publication. Also a separate "bulletin" on Nevada mountain goats?
 - Two separate Management Plans for bighorn sheep and mountain goat? Do we call them Strategies?
 - Regarding process, it was suggested that we make every effort to discuss and brainstorm major topics among entire team in person, realizing that a few members may not make every meeting. Then, if needed, we can assign specific tasks and roles for individuals or a committee can work on and then bring back to the entire team for review.
- Jump right into some timely and key topics involving herd and harvest management:
 - Management Ram Hunts Needs, Purpose, Objectives, Regulatory Structure
 - Billy Only Mountain Goat Hunt Need, Purpose, Objectives, Regulatory Structure
 - For both we will review all NRS, NAC, and Commission Regulations associated with season and quota setting and develop draft language and sideboards
- Brainstorm on Herd Objectives Needs, Framework, Run through several Scenarios, Pros and Cons for identifying objectives for every herd in plan vs. only the Framework/Method to calculate/develop objectives, Timeline or Sideboards that define when objectives must be reevaluated
- How in depth shall Water Development Chapter be? Identify major topics and issues to address in plan. How best to structure the long list of guzzler attributes/processes that are key to responsible and efficient use of guzzlers to support bighorn herds.
- If we have time, begin developing framework for Health and Disease Assessment and Management Chapter; identify key topics and processes to include; identify key data, metrics, test results tables, maps to include

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