

Block Management Program Update

FWP Upland Game Bird Enhancement Program Advisory Council

March 2024



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How is Montana Hunter Access Funded?

- \$55 from Season NR-UGB; \$25 from 3-day NR-UGB
- Super Tag Lottery Chances
- 28.5% from NR Big Game Combo
- 28.5% from NR Deer/Elk Only
- 28.5% of Native MT License
- \$2 Resident/\$10 NR-Base Hunting License
- Pittman-Robertson Federal Funds
- Limited permit drawing refunds (new in 2022)
- Outfitter preference point (portions)
- Small Grants/Donations
- Home to Hunt License
- General License
- General Fund (tax credit- unlocking public lands)



FWP Primary Hunting Access Efforts

- Block Management
- Elk Hunting Access Agreements
- Public Access Land Agreements
- Regional Access Projects
- Livestock Loss Reimbursement
- Biennial Rule- RMA
- Access Public Lands
- Unlocking Public Lands
- Landowner Relations
- Private Land/Public Wildlife Advisory Committee
- Others



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UNLOCKING PUBLIC LANDS
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**PRIVATE LAND/
PUBLIC WILDLIFE
COUNCIL**

ASK FOR ACCESS

TO **HUNT & FISH**
ON **PRIVATE LAND**

#ask4access

a friendly reminder from 

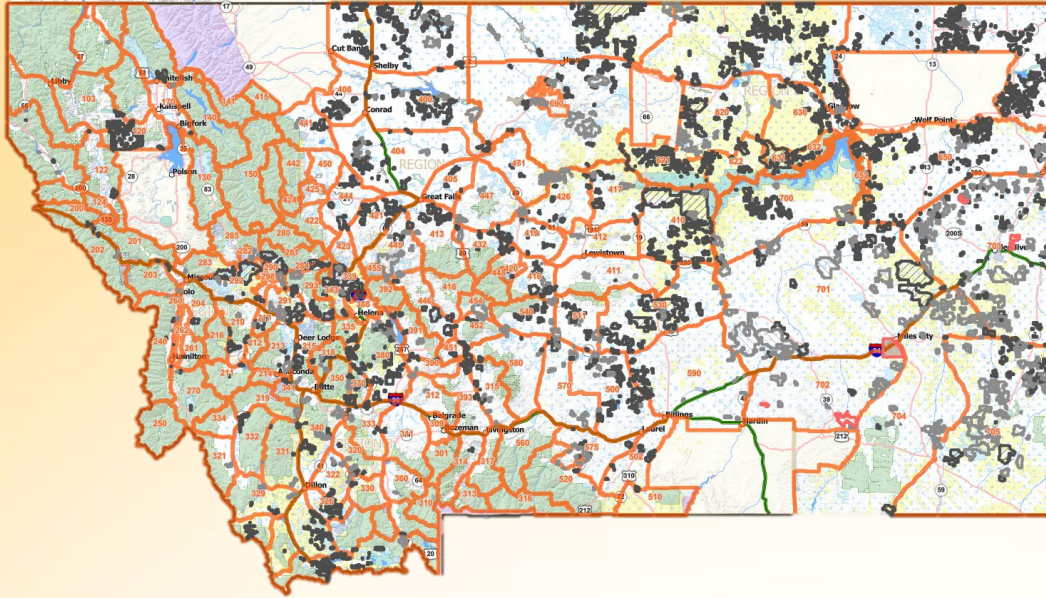


RESPECT
Land
Landowners
Wildlife
Pass it on.



MONTANA FWP





2023 Summary

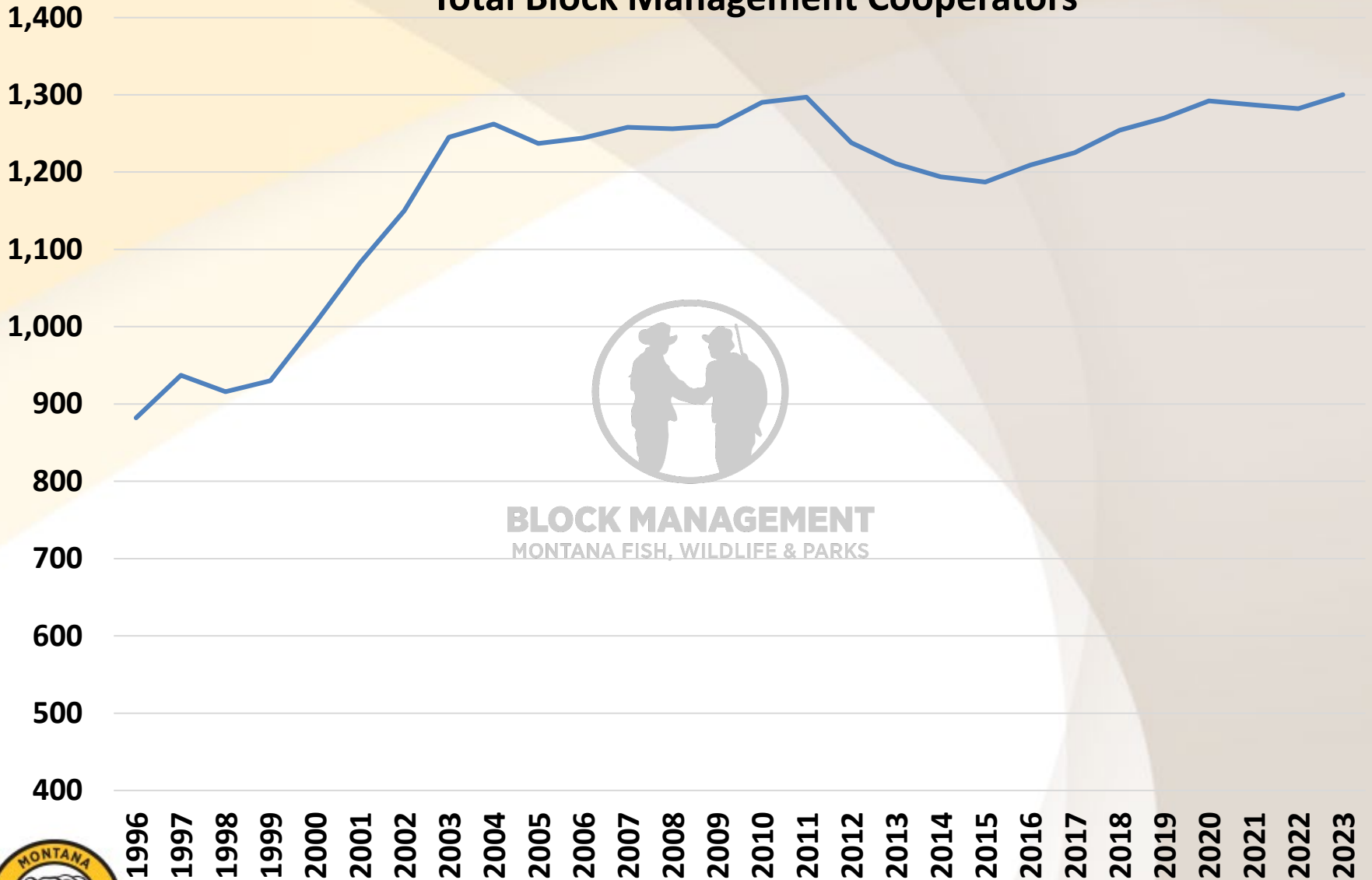


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- 1,300 cooperators
- \$11.7 million paid to cooperators
- 6.88 million acres enrolled
- New payment structure for 2023
- Opens 620,000 acres of inaccessible public land



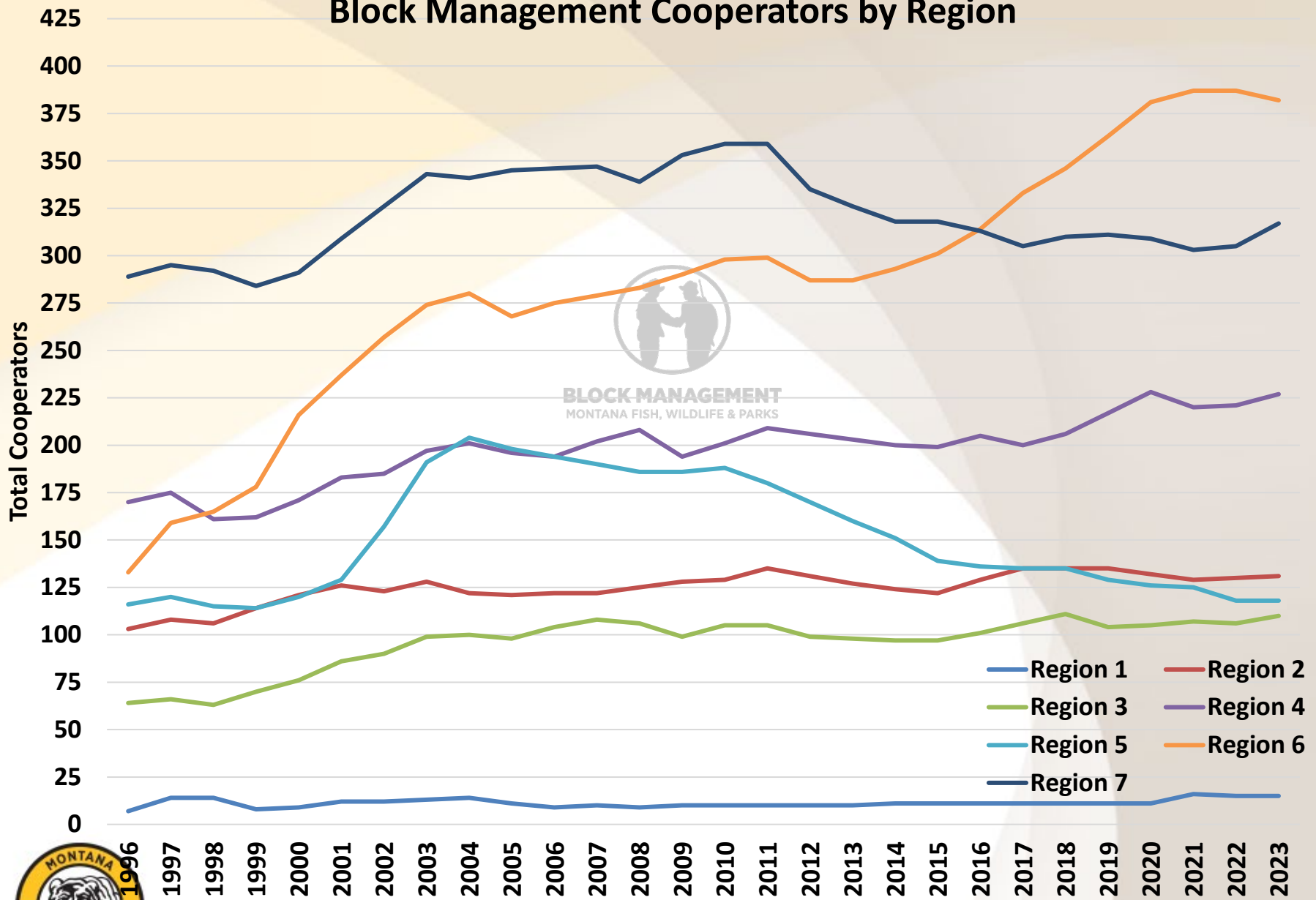
Total Block Management Cooperators



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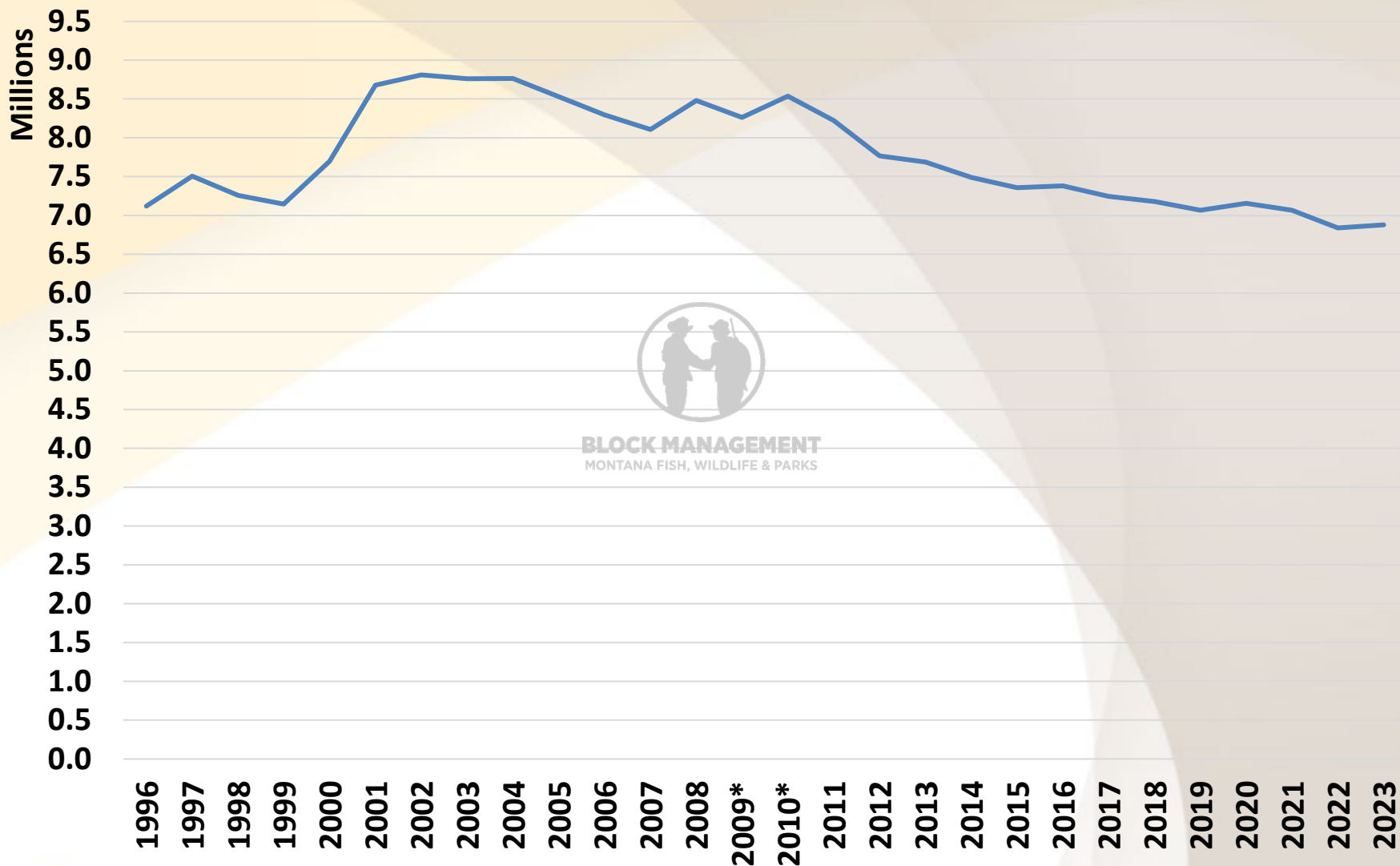
Block Management Cooperators by Region



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Total Acres



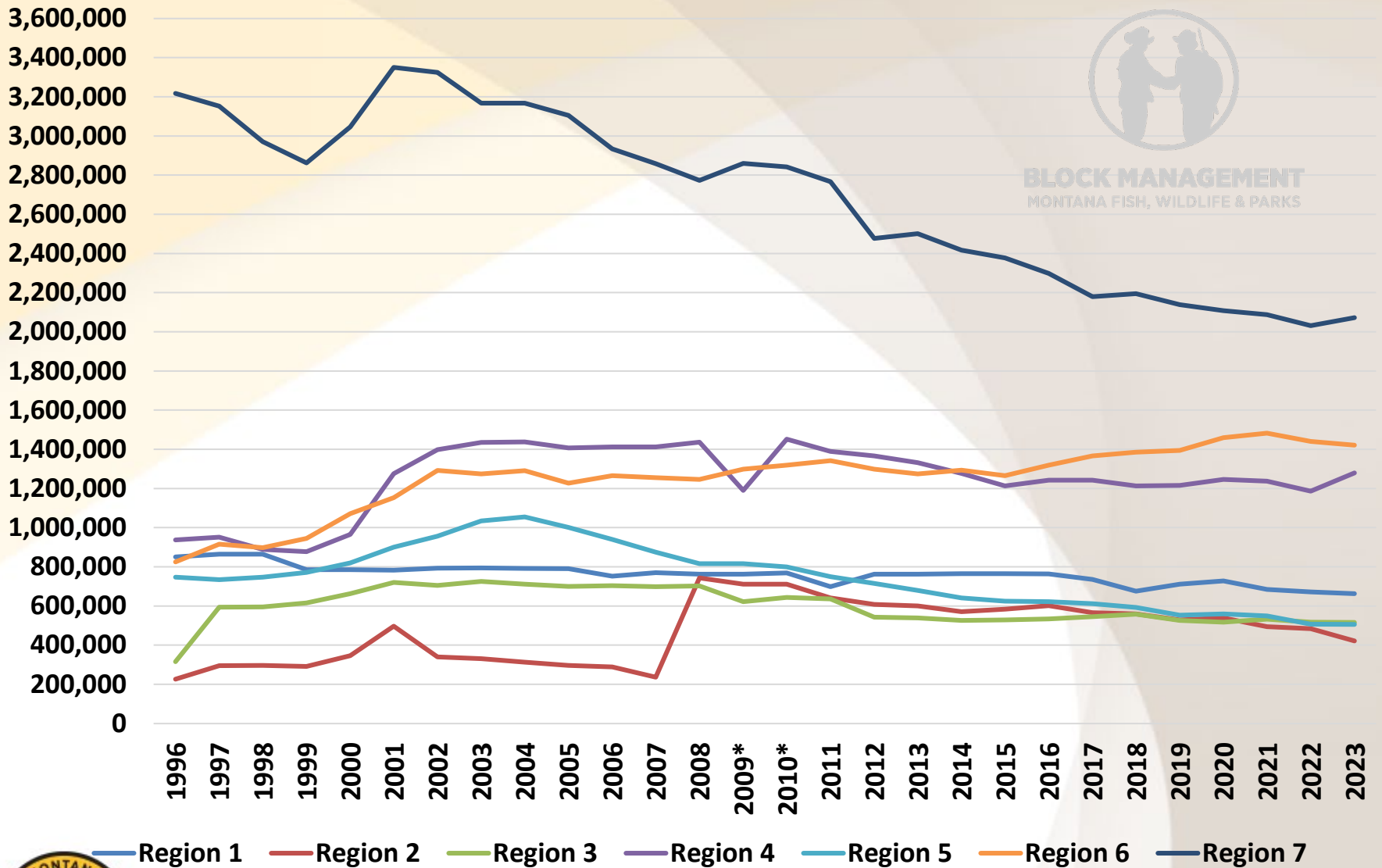
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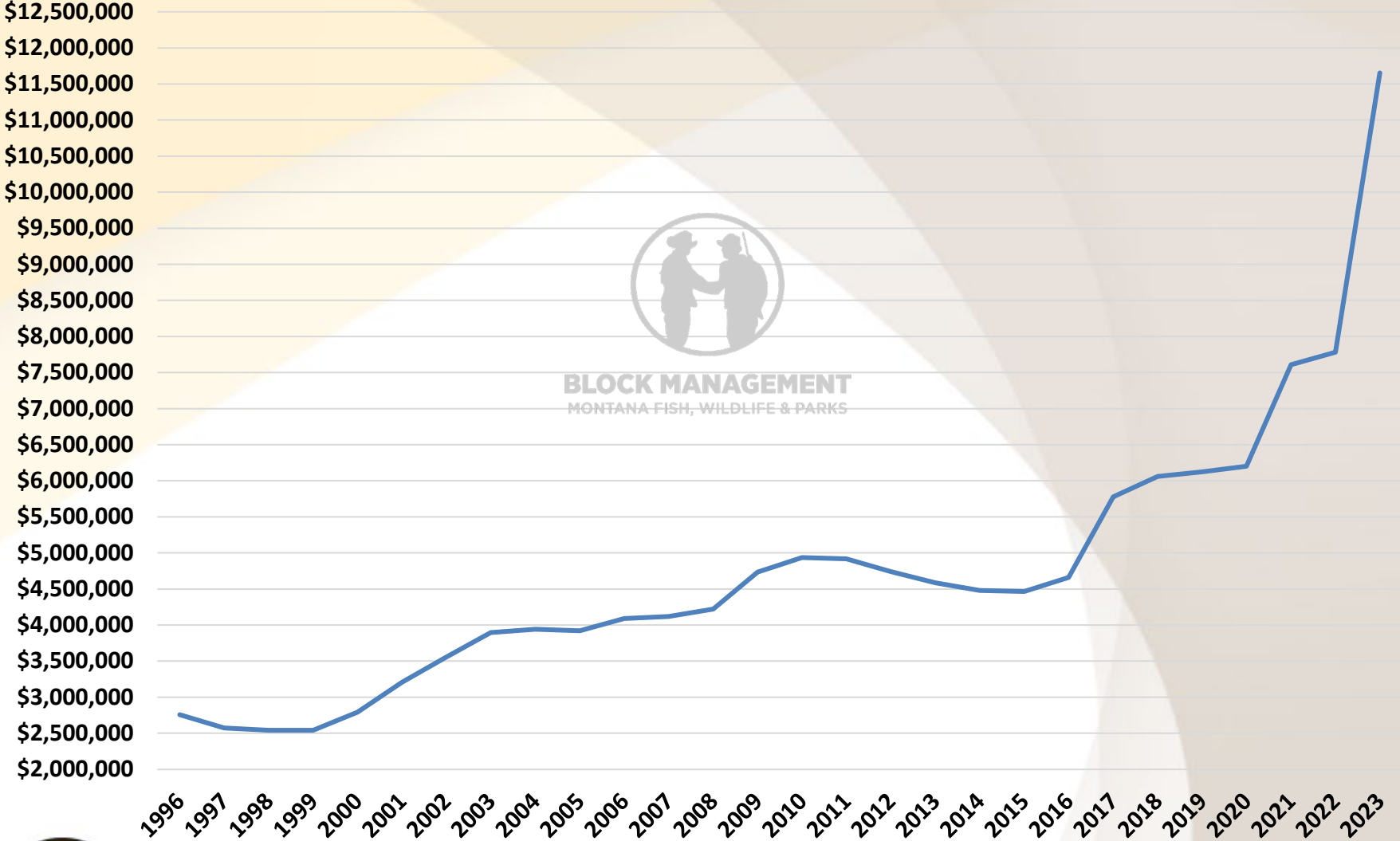
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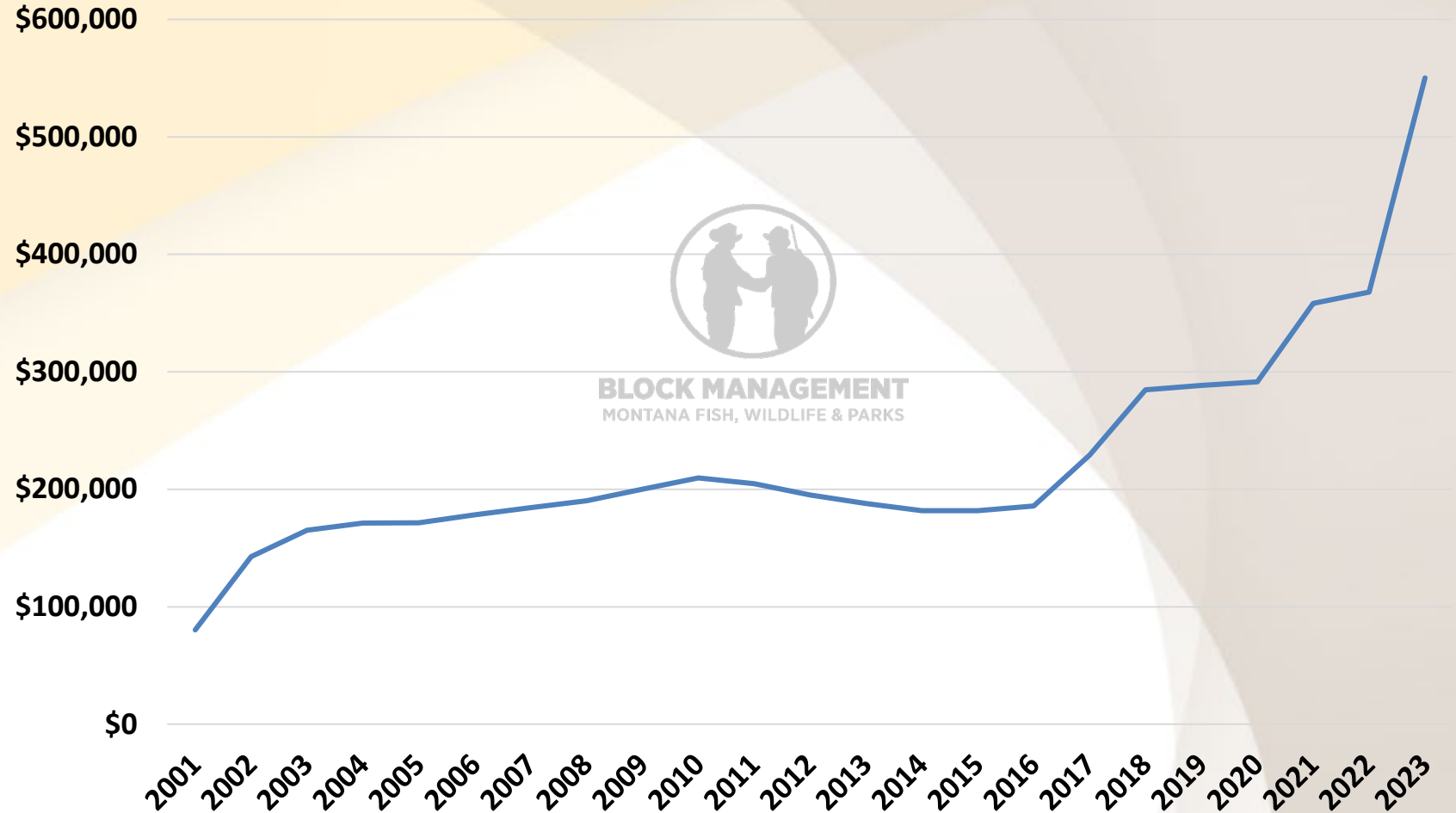
Block Management Total Payments by Year



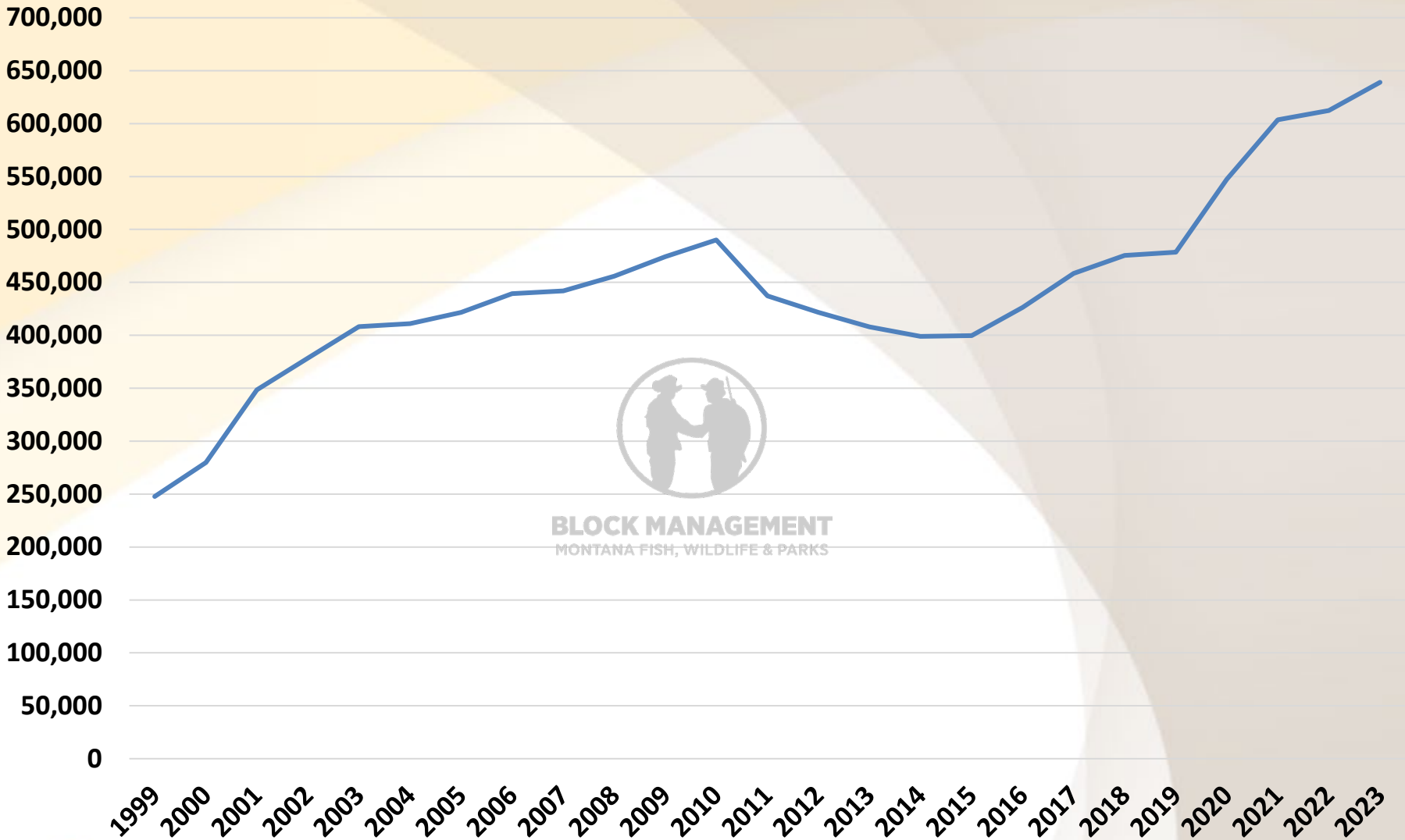
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Total Weed Management Incentive Payments



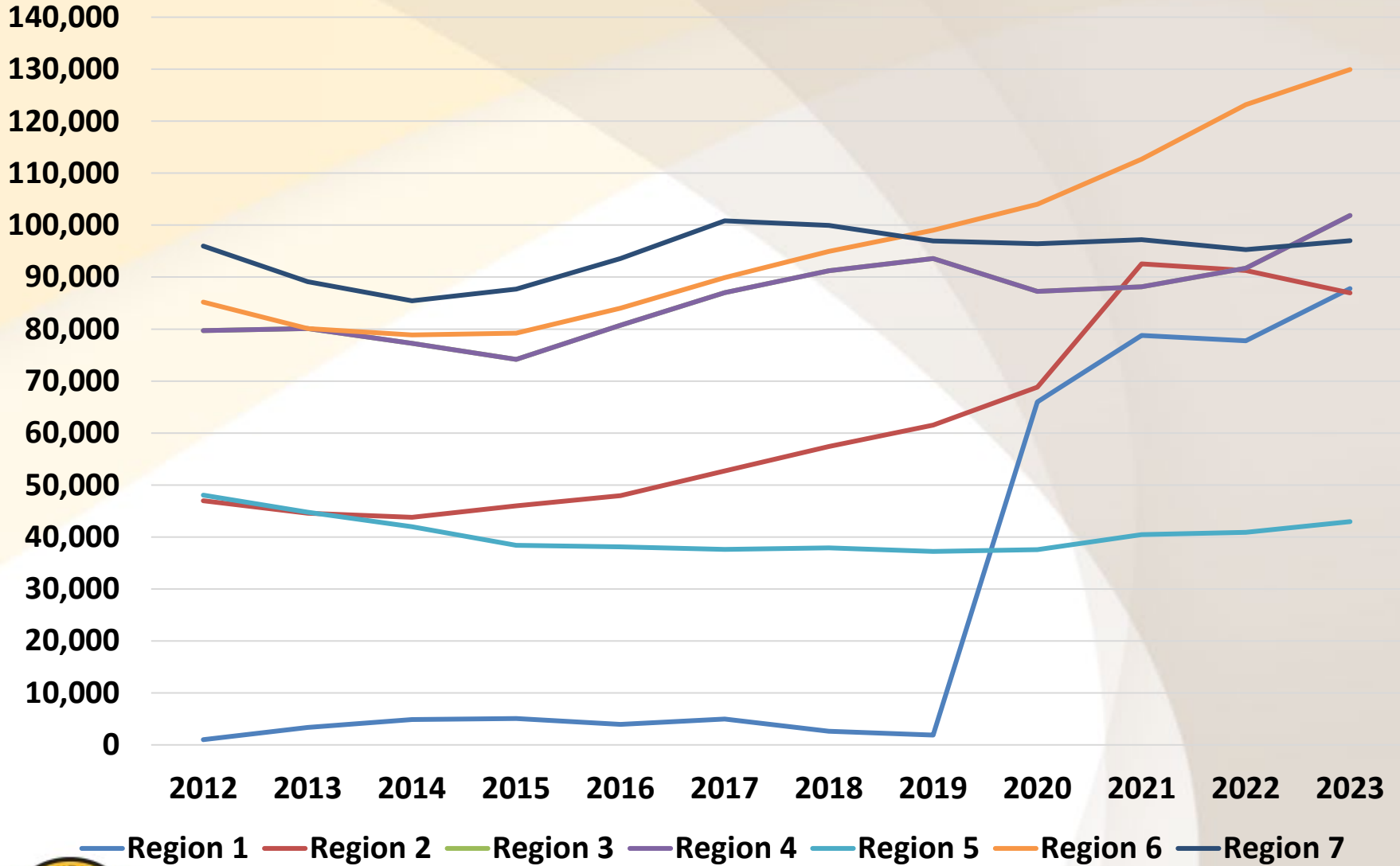
Total Contracted Hunter Days



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Hunter Days by Region



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