

FISH and WILDLIFE COMMISSION AGENDA ITEM COVER SHEET

Meeting Date: December 7, 2017

Agenda Item: 2018-2019 Game Damage/Management Season/Wildlife Health and Special Chronic Wasting Disease Hunt Authorization Quotas

Division: Wildlife

Action Needed: Proposed

Background

Game Damage/Management Season/Wildlife Health quotas have long been adopted for each region for deer, elk and antelope. These quotas represent authority and limits to prescribed harvest from any future game damage hunts and/or management seasons and hunts to address wildlife health issues such as brucellosis. A new and separate item included here are deer, elk and moose quotas for any Special CWD Hunts that may occur in responding to CWD detections anywhere in the state. To clarify, these quotas represent the upper limits to potential prescribed harvest—not necessarily permit/license numbers or hunter numbers.

Game Damage/Management Season/Wildlife Health maximum harvest quotas for 2018 and 2019

<u>Region</u>	<u>Deer</u>	<u>Elk</u>	<u>Antelope</u>
1	800	500	0
2	400	1000	20
3	1400	2000	200
4	750	1000	450
5	1400	600	300
6	2000	500	100
7	2000	200	500

Special CWD Hunt maximum harvest quotas for 2018 and 2019.

<u>Deer</u>	<u>Elk</u>	<u>Moose</u>
5000	1000	20

Public Involvement Process & Results

In addition to public comment at the Dec. 7 Commission meeting, public comment will run through 5 p.m., Jan. 24, 2018. Any final adoptions will take place at the Feb. 2018 Commission meeting.

Alternatives and Analysis

Proposals may be adopted as proposed, with adjustment, with additions, with deletions or no change from 2017 (status quo). Without some quota adoption, game damage hunts, management seasons and Special CWD Hunts could not proceed.

Proposed Motion

I move the Fish and Wildlife Commission adopt for public comment the 2018 and 2019 Game Damage and Management Season and Special Chronic Wasting Disease Hunt Quota authorizations as proposed by FWP.