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Q2

Please provide comment on the recommendation to Develop User Friendly and Effective Methods to Collect Data.

How about mandatory online harvest reporting? I mean it is 2022....Once again the random manual telephone calls from FWP are a complete joke. How can you possibly manage elk with that kind of random and incomplete data? The questions are short, non-detailed and completely random and at the mercy of people actually answering the phone. Montana is SO far behind most other states it is embarrassing and FWP should be ashamed of themselves.

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Q2

Please provide comment on the recommendation to Develop User Friendly and Effective Methods to Collect Data.

Harvest reporting should be REQUIRED in order to purchase a license the following year. Decisions made without this data are just educated guesses. No other recommendations should be implemented until this data is analyzed after several years of data collection. Make it available on the app and website.

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Q2

Please provide comment on the recommendation to Develop User Friendly and Effective Methods to Collect Data.

As TSD said, the proposal is pretty vague.

Some of us do not (and perhaps, will not) use social media.

Not sure what all data folks desire to collect, but some of us don't care to share anything about our hunting with anyone. I can be pretty vague when someone asks, "Where . . . ?" And if it's a stranger asking, might be inclined to answer that, "It is none of your business."

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Please provide comment on the recommendation to Develop User Friendly and Effective Methods to Collect Data.

Aren't we doing most of this already. Seems like a waste of time and money.

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Q2

Please provide comment on the recommendation to Develop User Friendly and Effective Methods to Collect Data.

I don't see an issue with the recommendation. It's always a good idea to be transparent and develop trust with the public.

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Please provide comment on the recommendation to Develop User Friendly and Effective Methods to Collect Data.

Its a must to Establish mandatory Elk, Deer, Antelope harvest reporting system for accurate management data. New Mexico, Nevada, and Utah have mandatory harvest reporting. If you don't report on there online computer program each year you are not illegible for any big game control draws the following. Call them those states, no need to reinvent the wheel on this!

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Contact info (optional)

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Q2

Please provide comment on the recommendation to Develop User Friendly and Effective Methods to Collect Data.

As a Montana resident hunter I do agree with the recommendation to develop user friendly and effective methods to collect data. I believe these items can always be improved.

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Q2

Please provide comment on the recommendation to Develop User Friendly and Effective Methods to Collect Data.

Online mandatory harvest reporting should be implemented. It's 2022, if someone doesn't know how to use, or have a friend or family use a computer.....tough I say.

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Q2

Please provide comment on the recommendation to Develop User Friendly and Effective Methods to Collect Data.

I support this.

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Please provide comment on the recommendation to Develop User Friendly and Effective Methods to Collect Data.

Please please look into this, data collection need to be very transparent and the results understood by sportsman

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Please provide comment on the recommendation to Develop User Friendly and Effective Methods to Collect Data.

This would be good.

I have been hunting since the mid 60's and have only been "surveyed" 5 times. How many elk have I harvested and where? This info would probably help management.

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Please provide comment on the recommendation to Develop User Friendly and Effective Methods to Collect Data.

Make mandatory reporting for all big game animals.

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Please provide comment on the recommendation to Develop User Friendly and Effective Methods to Collect Data.

I support this recommendation as transparency creates trust.

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Q2

Please provide comment on the recommendation to Develop User Friendly and Effective Methods to Collect Data.

I support most of this recommendation. FWP needs to eliminate the current system of random phone calls to collect data on hunter effort and harvest success. This is the 21st century. Allow (or better, mandate) harvest reporting online. Allow hunters to self report days hunted, which districts they hunted, and report lack of a harvest. Surely these tools will result in more complete data than the current system. I recognize the challenge of changing harvest data collection methods and how it may correlate to the past method, but we need to modernize harvest (or lack of) reporting.

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Please provide comment on the recommendation to Develop User Friendly and Effective Methods to Collect Data.

We need to bring harvest reporting into the 21st century. No one answers calls they dont recognize anymore, this is not and effective way to survey hunters. Please go to a voluntary, or required, hunter harvest reporting system through an app, website, call-in phone #, and whatever other means necessary. Alaska does it, they enforce it, and they sure don't have internet all across their state.

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Please provide comment on the recommendation to Develop User Friendly and Effective Methods to Collect Data.

Agree 100%

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Please provide comment on the recommendation to Develop User Friendly and Effective Methods to Collect Data.

If you want data collection it is really simple. You make all tags issued have mandatory hunter harvest reporting. Then you take that information and put it in a PDF on the website. This ways hunters can access all that information. Montana has been missing the boat on this for 20 years while other states across the west have been doing it.

You don't need to try to reinvent the wheel, just do what is proven to work. Robert Hanneman

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Q2

Please provide comment on the recommendation to Develop User Friendly and Effective Methods to Collect Data.

I feel that the more data that we have collected, the better that FWP can make smart decisions on management of our wildlife in Montana. I have participated in the phone surveys before and I'm not convinced on how effective those are or are not. I would think that computer based surveys would be a more effective way to obtain data for future use. I believe it would also be more precise and be much faster.

In one area too much data is being shared and I feel it is a detriment to the programs. That being the harvest of apex predators such as mountain lions and wolves. The public I believe does not and should not have access to exact creek and area locations on the harvests of these animals. There is no need for that and what should be shared should only include the district where the animal was harvested. Names of the hunters should also not be available. This needs to be kept internal.

I feel strongly that groups such as Foot Loose Montana and others will use this information to harass and intimidate trappers and hunters which might include theft and criminal mischief of the persons property who is participating in hunting and trapping.

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Please provide comment on the recommendation to Develop User Friendly and Effective Methods to Collect Data.

I do not mind giving input freely to fwp.

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Q2

Please provide comment on the recommendation to Develop User Friendly and Effective Methods to Collect Data.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment. I am in support of mandatory reporting so the agency and Montanans have better data.

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Q2

Please provide comment on the recommendation to Develop User Friendly and Effective Methods to Collect Data.

All that needs to be done is for FWP to show up on my phone when they call. I am going to try the electronic tag BUT I am wondering how I attach it to the carcass for the meat processor. Remember, this is the home of the FREEMEN and other conspiracy groups who are highly suspicious of government - If FWP only needs 20% usage to get good statistical data then it should work.

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Q2

Please provide comment on the recommendation to Develop User Friendly and Effective Methods to Collect Data.

Mandatory harvest reporting is long overdue. I expect FWP to make biology based decisions in regulations, not just based on social pressure. It feels as though regulations are being heavily influence by social pressure currently and have less to do with biology. Mandatory reporting is a good step in the right direction to give them accurate information to go off of.

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Q2

Please provide comment on the recommendation to Develop User Friendly and Effective Methods to Collect Data.

I support the development of required hunter harvest and to allow that via on online app. The app tag that was released this year has worked well for me and this would be the next logical step.

I think it is a waste of tax payer dollars to have people call for hunter harvest. Don't allow the person to purchase the next years tags until they have reported on the previous years. The excuse that many live in "non-digital" area is poor. They all have phones or sons/daughters or grandchildren that can help them report their harvest.

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Please provide comment on the recommendation to Develop User Friendly and Effective Methods to Collect Data.

Good proposal, make this happen and everyone will benefit.

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Contact info (optional)

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Q2

Please provide comment on the recommendation to Develop User Friendly and Effective Methods to Collect Data.

I think more data is always better. I'm in favor of this

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Please provide comment on the recommendation to Develop User Friendly and Effective Methods to Collect Data.

I think this is an idea with good possibilities but as the tech. department said it is kind of vague and needs to be fleshed out

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Please provide comment on the recommendation to Develop User Friendly and Effective Methods to Collect Data.

To expand this idea, I think that each person that harvests an animal in any season should be required to complete a short but precise harvest data form. This has been implemented in other states with great success and would be a great way for FWP biologists to understand the annual harvest and other data points on game animals. Would also allow the public to understand individual hunt unit trends such as harvest success, trophy quality, etc... when deciding on a location to hunt.

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Please provide comment on the recommendation to Develop User Friendly and Effective Methods to Collect Data.

OPPOSE:

This proposal appears to attempt to get more information on elk whereabouts to hunters that can't find elk. I do not feel that the model MT FWP biologists are currently using to account for and manage elk is flawed. What is currently in place is working. This is not a FWP problem. This appears to be hunters wanting more data to improve their success. There are already multiple platforms available to hunters to help in scouting and hunting that did not exist 10 years ago. At some point, hunters need to get boots on the ground and grind it out.

Thank you FWP for all you do and how you manage wildlife in our great state!

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Please provide comment on the recommendation to Develop User Friendly and Effective Methods to Collect Data.

I agree with this recommendation on some aspect, but it's as if the Advisory committee has never hunted or been surveyed by FWP or know what other states do. Something far more simple to get data, would be to require people complete the hunter harvest survey from the year prior to be able to purchase tags for the current year. So many volunteer hours and money is wasted on the phone calls for hunter surveys. The survey could be easily incorporated into the FWP app or it could be made available online. Other states require this type of data before you can purchase further hunting licenses.

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Q2

Please provide comment on the recommendation to Develop User Friendly and Effective Methods to Collect Data.

Harvest reporting should be mandatory as a first step. This seems like such low hanging fruit to gather more data, most other states require this so it's not a foreign concept. It is baffling that Montana does not collect this info as a mandatory requirement from hunters.

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Please provide comment on the recommendation to Develop User Friendly and Effective Methods to Collect Data.

Dear FWP and the Elk Management Citizen Advisory Group -

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on your 'Develop User Friendly and Effective Methods to Collect Data' proposal.

The Montana Chapter of Backcountry Hunters & Anglers fully supports this proposal and encourages increased utilization of FWP's mobile app when it comes to harvest data, elk movement trends, and elk counts.

However, we would ask that the department consider fair-chase principles when determining what data should be shared, specifically when it comes to elk movements and patterns during hunting season. We request that any data sharing program be rigorously developed with fair-chase principles in mind.

Finally, we would also strongly encourage the department to take this idea one step further and implement mandatory harvest reporting via their app and/or online. This is the only way to ensure the accuracy of the harvest data FWP receives, as voluntary data shared by the public would be skewed to only show data collected by those who choose to share it with FWP. There would be absolutely no way to know what the margin of error is with this kind of data. With mandatory harvest reporting, the margin of error would be significantly smaller, and the public could be put at ease knowing that FWP's decisions are based on the best science available.

Thank you again for the opportunity to comment on your 'Develop User Friendly and Effective Methods to Collect Data' proposal. We appreciate your careful consideration.

-The Montana Chapter of Backcountry Hunters & Anglers

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Please provide comment on the recommendation to Develop User Friendly and Effective Methods to Collect Data.

I have said this for years no one listens if someone harvest a animal during hunting season they must check it in to a lic provider within 24 hours simple easy for inforcment to check game and you would have a number of harvest per hunt unit and could extend hunting because of low harvest based on science not this what do you think management tp please people that have no idea. But just want to hunt elk in there spot/land and not be bothered

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Q2

Please provide comment on the recommendation to Develop User Friendly and Effective Methods to Collect Data.

Everyone in the field already has On X and their app/ computer language is way better than anything FWP has ever developed, FWP could collaborate with On X so there was a "tag my animal" button in the tool bar. FWP would see everything that was harvested and exactly where it was harvested in one quick file. They would also see where the concentration of harvest locations are. Taking a pic could be how you tag that animal and at the end of the year we could all watch a highlight video (optional).

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Q2

Please provide comment on the recommendation to Develop User Friendly and Effective Methods to Collect Data.

I support this recommendation, and it is a no-brainer that should be extended to the rest of the harvest survey. The app exists, should be utilized to its fullest, and can limit the efforts of the survey callers--of which I was one in the 2020 calling season--to license holders who do not respond on the app. More data=better data.

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Q2

Please provide comment on the recommendation to Develop User Friendly and Effective Methods to Collect Data.

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Q1

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Q2

Please provide comment on the recommendation to Develop User Friendly and Effective Methods to Collect Data.

Proper wildlife management is driven by data. I am a strong proponent of implementing a mandatory reporting system that needs to be completed by hunters at the end of each season. This would be data gold for biologists. The current random calling being done is not accurate in determining harvest data. So many states already require mandatory reporting and there is no reason Montana shouldn't too. Hunter's would never want to give away specific location data but just knowing the unit hunted, whether they were successful, and gender of animal would provide much more accurate harvest data for the biologists.

#37

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Q1

Contact info (optional)

City/Town	Clancy
State/Province	MT

Q2

Please provide comment on the recommendation to Develop User Friendly and Effective Methods to Collect Data.

Better data collection should always be encouraged. Utilizing the public in ways that will not compromise the data or fair chase standards should also be encouraged and sought out.

#38

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Q1

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Q2

Please provide comment on the recommendation to Develop User Friendly and Effective Methods to Collect Data.

Positive

#39

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Q1

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Q2

Please provide comment on the recommendation to Develop User Friendly and Effective Methods to Collect Data.

I support this proposal. I see nothing wrong with mandatory reporting.

#40

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Q1

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Q2

Please provide comment on the recommendation to Develop User Friendly and Effective Methods to Collect Data.

I do support this recommendation

#41

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Q1

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Q2

Please provide comment on the recommendation to Develop User Friendly and Effective Methods to Collect Data.

Good but hard to make it work.

#42

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Q1

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Q2

Please provide comment on the recommendation to Develop User Friendly and Effective Methods to Collect Data.

I support this proposal and urge the department to take it a step farther and implement mandatory harvest reporting. I have hunted in other states that require mandatory reporting and I don't find it to be an inconvenience. I feel that the public would be put at ease knowing the department was making decisions while using the best data possible.

#43

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Q1

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Q2

Please provide comment on the recommendation to Develop User Friendly and Effective Methods to Collect Data.

More harvest and game data is crucial for proper management, it seems like a 'no-brainer' to use the FWP app to obtain anonymized data.

#44

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Q1

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Q2

Please provide comment on the recommendation to Develop User Friendly and Effective Methods to Collect Data.

The Montana Citizen's Elk Coalition is glad to see this initiative advance. The need to collect data using modern technology, and to move towards mandatory reporting in order to increase the amount of data received as well as the quality of data received is deeply necessary. We encourage the agency to move forward with this proposal.

#45

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Q1

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Q2

Please provide comment on the recommendation to Develop User Friendly and Effective Methods to Collect Data.

I think this makes sense though user friendly and publicly accessible are always easier said than done. The first thing that comes to mind with "citizen science" and wildlife data is the INaturalist app that I know does help biologists track species range with citizen contributions. I don't know if that already existing is something that FWP can tap into and encourage people to use or if they could at least use it as a jumping off point to develop a MT wildlife specific program for citizens to engage with

#46

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Q1

Contact info (optional)

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Q2

Please provide comment on the recommendation to Develop User Friendly and Effective Methods to Collect Data.

More landowner hunter interaction on Advisory groups could be a positive rewarding plan

#47

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Q1 Respondent skipped this question

Contact info (optional)

Q2

Please provide comment on the recommendation to Develop User Friendly and Effective Methods to Collect Data.

I agree with harvest reporting. Mandatory harvest reporting can create a much more clear picture of game harvests in Montana. This can lead to better management of a species as well as provide valuable data. This recommendation seeks to improve transparency of the agency and this is a good thing for the public. Sometimes FWP doesnt make things very accessible on the website and navigating it can be very confusing. Also, better promotion of department meetings can result in better public turn out as well as a public that is better educated on issues and works with the department to solve problems. As per older hunters who do not use technology, perhaps there could be a phone number for them to call to report the harvest.

As to the citizens science, trail cameras in units with thick cover could be helpful. Yes, this would result in lots of data to sift through, but its another way to collect data. Idaho is currently looking at using trail cameras to better study elk in heavy covered habitat.

#48

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Q1

Contact info (optional)

City/Town	Columbia Falls
State/Province	MT

Q2

Please provide comment on the recommendation to Develop User Friendly and Effective Methods to Collect Data.

Stop adding more cost to outdoors, FWP is going to make it to a point that's it's unaffordable

#49

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Q1

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Q2

Please provide comment on the recommendation to Develop User Friendly and Effective Methods to Collect Data.

This might be helpful. Not a fan if it costs more money in turn raising prices.

#50

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Q1

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Q2

Please provide comment on the recommendation to Develop User Friendly and Effective Methods to Collect Data.

The Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation's (RMEF) mission is to ensure the future of elk, other wildlife, their habitat and our hunting heritage. We represent more than 225,000 members nationwide and over 14,000 members in Montana. Since its inception in 1984, RMEF has permanently conserved or enhanced more than 8.5 million acres of North America's most vital habitat for elk and other wildlife, including over 900,000 acres in Montana. As such, RMEF has a vested interest in ensuring the sustained productivity of elk and other wildlife in Montana.

RMEF recommends FWP revise data collection methods for elk counts, hunter participation, and harvest estimates to connect hunter effort, elk harvest, and population objectives at relevant spatial scales. Current elk counting methods are not sufficient to provide the level of accuracy needed to align population objectives and inform management decisions. Sightability (or other statistical) models are a more appropriate method to estimate population abundance and trends by Elk Management Unit (or another spatial scale). RMEF also recommends implementation of a mandatory harvest reporting system, which would allow for a substantial increase in data quality and quantity, along with improved data sharing and transparency.

#51

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Q1

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Q2

Please provide comment on the recommendation to Develop User Friendly and Effective Methods to Collect Data.

I support this recommendation. Perhaps a required reporting would give better numbers than just estimating how many elk were killed.

#52

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Q1

Contact info (optional)

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Q2

Please provide comment on the recommendation to Develop User Friendly and Effective Methods to Collect Data.

Support. Better data for better decision support

#53

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Q1

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Q2

Please provide comment on the recommendation to Develop User Friendly and Effective Methods to Collect Data.

I support this. I'm hoping this means mandatory reporting as well. FWP harvest surveys and statistical data is skeptical at best. Furthermore, it's 2022. It's time to utilize technology.

#54

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Q1

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Q2

Please provide comment on the recommendation to Develop User Friendly and Effective Methods to Collect Data.

While I support the idea of this effort, it starts at the top. When you have a Director that can't be trusted to tell the truth it's hard to trust anything FWP says.

#55

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Q1

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Q2

Please provide comment on the recommendation to Develop User Friendly and Effective Methods to Collect Data.

I like this idea-- whatever we can do to use modern tech to collect data and move towards mandatory reporting (and thus more accurate hunting data), we should do.

#56

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Q1

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Q2

Please provide comment on the recommendation to Develop User Friendly and Effective Methods to Collect Data.

MWF supports this. It is a necessary step toward effectively utilizing modern technology, and moving towards mandatory reporting to increase the amount and quality of data received. We encourage the agency to move forward with this proposal.

#57

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Q1

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Q2

Please provide comment on the recommendation to Develop User Friendly and Effective Methods to Collect Data.

Strongly support mandatory reporting

#58

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Q1

Contact info (optional)

Name	GP
City/Town	Dillon
State/Province	MT

Q2

Please provide comment on the recommendation to Develop User Friendly and Effective Methods to Collect Data.

Require mandatory hunter reporting. If hunter doesn't report previous year's hunt prior to a specific date then said hunter cannot purchase a hunting license

#59

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Q1

Contact info (optional)

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Q2

Please provide comment on the recommendation to Develop User Friendly and Effective Methods to Collect Data.

I believe this would be a great idea to further advance the FWP app. I feel harvest data would be far more accurate by submission on the app rather than a phone call from Helena.

#60

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Q1

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Q2

Please provide comment on the recommendation to Develop User Friendly and Effective Methods to Collect Data.

We support this proposal and any proposals that advocate for science-/data-based management decisions and greater involvement from the public and “citizen scientists.” We recommend establishing mandatory reporting requirements for all hunters in Montana as part of this recommendation.

#61

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Q1

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Q2

Please provide comment on the recommendation to Develop User Friendly and Effective Methods to Collect Data.

Need to make sure this DATA is not shared during any active hunting season as to increase the pressure on a landowner or area
Would provide a more accurate harvest report, for setting seasons and qualifying for a damage hunt, or shoulder seasons
Would Need to make sure this Data is not shared during the hunting season as to actually show correct science
Allow a extra bonus point for participating
