Specific proposed changes for 2020-21 are listed below. All other season components except calendar year rotation are proposed unchanged from 2019.

Note: During its Dec. 5 meeting the Fish and Wildlife Commission voted to modify some of FWP's original proposals by removing or not implementing shoulder seasons in 18 hunting districts (HDs 390, 391, 411, 417, 419, 445, 447, 502, 510, 520, 575, 511, 530, 540, 560, 570, 580 & 590). The original FWP proposals were publicly available prior to the Dec. 5 meeting. Proposed changes to the December commission adoptions are highlighted in yellow below. NOTE: For clarification, 'dead week' is the week between the end of the general archery-only season and the start of the general rifle season.

FWP is proposing that for licenses listed in the Deer/Elk/Antelope regulations for specific hunting districts or multiple districts, the commission allow the purchase of up to three elk licenses under the following conditions:

- 1. Only one license may be valid for an antlered bull.
- 2. For any combination of three licenses, at least one license must be either purchased by surplus sale or an LPT specifically identified by the commission for use as a third-license option. Examples of such a combination include, but may not be limited to:
  - a. One A license valid for an antlered bull, one antlerless B license acquired by drawing or over-the-counter purchase, and one antlerless B license purchased through surplus sale.
  - b. One A license valid for an antlered bull and two antlerless B licenses purchased through surplus sale.
  - c. One antlerless B license acquired by drawing or over-the-counter purchase and two antlerless B licenses purchased through surplus sale.
  - d. Two unlimited antlerless B licenses purchased over-the-counter (but valid for different districts or multiple districts as outlined below) and one antlerless B license purchased through surplus sale.
  - e. Three antlerless B licenses purchased through surplus sale.
- 3. A person may purchase only one each of hunting district or multiple-district unlimited B licenses available over-the-counter (e.g. only one Region 2 unlimited 002-00, only one Region 3 unlimited 397-00), but may buy two such licenses if they are valid for different areas.
- 4. A third elk licenses could also be acquired as a specific license type identified by the commission. These would include those antlerless B licenses valid during late shoulder seasons.

### **REGION 1**

- <u>HD 121</u>: Make the 121-02 antlerless permit valid on private land in entire HD instead of only on private land in Heron Flats portion.
- HDs 130, 132, 140 & 170: Boundary change- Remove HD 132 by placing private lands from HD 132 into HD 170, and the public Forest Service lands from HD 132 into expanded HDs 130 & 140.
- HD 170: Restrict the general elk license in HD 170 to brow-tined bull only south of Lake Blane Road and east of Highway 35. The remainder of HD 170 would be valid for either sex elk on the general license.
- HD 140: Remove the 140-00 antlerless elk permit.
- HDs 141, 150 & 151: Remove antlerless elk from the archery-only season in HDs 141, 150 & 151.
- HDs 150 & 151: Combine deer/elk/lion HDs 150 & 151 into a new larger HD 150.

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#### **REGION 2**

All R2 HDs except 200, 202, 203, 240, 250, 280, 281, 282, 283, & 284: Change the 002-00 elk B license from OTC to a quota of 1500 (range 200-5000). Remove the 002-00 elk B license.

Proposed Region 2 002-00 antlerless B license season validity chart for 2020-2021.

-	<del>Early</del>	<del>Archery</del>	<del>Dead Week</del>	<del>General</del>	<del>Late</del>
HD	8/15-9/4	<del>9/5-10/18</del>	<del>10/19-10/23</del>	<del>10/23-11/29</del>	<del>11/30-1/15</del>
<del>201</del>		×		×	
<del>260</del>	×	×	×	×	×
<del>261</del>		×		×	
<del>262</del>	×	×		×	×
<del>270</del>		×		×	
<del>285</del>		×		×	
<del>290</del>	X	×	×	×	×
<del>292</del>	X	×	×	×	
<del>298</del>	×	×	X	×	X

### HD 201: Remove the 002-00 elk B license.

Allow for antlerless elk harvest during the general season for youth ages 12-15 and hunters with a PTHFV. Private land only. Not valid north and west of Deep Creek in Mineral County.

Add a new 201-01 elk B license (quota 150, range 5-400). Valid only on private lands in HDs 201 & 260 excluding Weyerhaeuser & Stimson. Not valid north and west of Deep Creek in Mineral County. Valid during the archery and general seasons.

HD 204: Add a new 204 01 elk B license with a quota of 500 (range 100 700). Private land only.

Replace the 002-00 with a new with the 262-01 B-license (unlimited, 1 per hunter, OTC valid on private land in HDs 204, 260, 261, 262, and 270). The early shoulder season would be retained but the late shoulder season would be eliminated.

- HDs 210, 211, 212 & 216: Remove these HDs and HD 214 from the 002-00 OTC B License bundle.

  Add a new 210-03 elk B license permit quota 800 (range 5-1000) valid only on private lands Aug 15-Oct 23 and valid on DNRC lands outside the National Forest boundary during the general rifle season.
- <u>HDs 211 & 214:</u> Change deer/elk/lion HDs 211 & 214 by using the road feature of the Storm Lake road and trail to separate the HDs and removing the East Fork of Rock Creek Road boundary.
- HDs 212 & 213: Change deer/elk/lion HDs 212 & 213 by using the Flint Creek Mountain watershed to separate the HDs and by removing the Racetrack Creek boundary.
   Move all Prison Ranch language, regulations, and season dates from HD 212 to HD 213

Specific proposed changes for 2020-21 are listed below. All other season components except calendar year rotation are proposed unchanged from 2019.

HD 212: Remove the 002-00 elk B license for HD 212.

Reduce the 212-00 antlerless elk permit quota and quota range from 200 (range 25-600) to 30 (range 5-50) (range 5-150).

Change the 212-00 antlerless elk permit to be valid in the entire HD.

Remove the 212-01 antlerless elk permit.

<u>HD 213:</u> Make the general elk license opportunity valid until Jan 1 on Prison Ranch Archery Equip-only Area. Valid for brow-tined bull or antlerless elk.

Replace the 002-00 elk B license with a new 213-01 elk B license with a quota of 350 (range 5-500). Only valid on private lands and the Montana State Prison Ranch. Valid Aug 15<sup>th</sup>-general season.

Change the 213-00 antlerless elk permit quota and quota range from 200 (range 5-400) to 375 (range 25-700).

Change the 213-00 antlerless elk permit to only be valid in HD 213 south of Rock Creek. Holders 16 and older may not hunt antlered elk in HD 213.

Add a new 213-02 antlerless elk permit. Quota 50 (range 5-120) only valid in portion of HD 213 south of Boulder Creek road. Holders 16 and older may not hunt antlered elk in HD 213.

- <u>HDs 213 & 217:</u> Boundary change Change HDs 213 & 217 by using section lines of Sections 21 and 16 (T9N R10W) to separate districts.
- HD 214: Add a new 214-45 brow tined bull elk permit with a quota of 30 (range 1-100).

Remove brow-tined bull elk from the general elk license opportunity.

Remove youth only and PTHFV brow tined bull or antlerless opportunity on the general license. Remove archery brow tined bull or antlerless opportunity on the general license.

General elk license: Brow-tined bull only for the archery and general seasons.

Change the quota and quota range of the 214-00 antlerless elk permit from 75 (range 5-200) to 1 (range 1-175).

Remove HD 214 from the 002-00 elk B license bundle.

HD 215: Remove antlerless elk from the general season opportunity. Allow for brow-tined bull or antlerless elk harvest with a general license during the general season for youth ages 12-15 and hunters with a PTHFV.

Add a new 215-01 antlerless elk permit with a quota of 250 (range 5-500). Holders cannot hunt antlered elk in HD 215.

Add a new 215-02 elk B license (quota 400, range 5-800). Only valid on private land and not valid east of Brown's Gulch Creek during Aug 15- archery, valid on private and DNRC outside National Forest boundary and not valid east of Brown's Gulch Creek during general.

<u>HD 217:</u> Add a new 217-02 elk B license with a quota of 400 (range 5-500). Valid only on private land. Valid Aug 15<sup>th</sup>-general season.

Change the general license opportunity to end at the end of the general season instead of Feb 15<sup>th</sup>.

Specific proposed changes for 2020-21 are listed below. All other season components except calendar year rotation are proposed unchanged from 2019.

- <u>HD 240:</u> Change antlerless elk permit 240-01 into a B license valid during the archery, general, and shoulder seasons with an end date of January 15th.
- <u>HD 260:</u> Make the 002-00 B license valid in entire HD instead of only valid in Missoula County west of Hwy 93. Remove the 002-00 B license.

Remove the 260-00 B license and replace it with the regionwide 002-00 license 262-01 B license.

Replace the 002-00 with a new with the 262-01 B-license (unlimited, 1 per hunter, OTC valid on private land in HDs 204, 260, 261, 262, and 270). Valid Sept 5-Jan 15<sup>th</sup> ArchEquip Only.

Add a new 201-01 elk B license (quota 150, range 5-400). Only valid on private lands west of Hwy 93 in Missoula County. Also valid on private lands in HD 201 as listed. Valid August 15 – September 04: ArchEquip, shotgun, traditional handgun, muzzleloader, or crossbow only. September 05 – October 23: ArchEquip only. October 24 – January 15: ArchEquip, shotgun, traditional handgun, muzzleloader, or crossbow only.

- HD 261: Remove the 002-00 B license. Replace the 002-00 with a new with the 262-01 B-license (unlimited, 1 per hunter, OTC valid on private land in HDs 204, 260, 261, 262, and 270). Valid for the archery and general seasons only.
- HD 262: Remove the 002-00 B license. Replace the 002-00 with a new with the 262-01 B-license (unlimited, 1 per hunter, OTC valid on private land in HDs 204, 260, 261, 262, and 270). Valid Aug 15<sup>th</sup> -Jan 15<sup>th</sup>.

Change the general license opportunity for antlerless elk in HD 262 to end Jan 15<sup>th</sup> instead of Feb 15<sup>th</sup>.

- HD 270: Make the 002-00 B license valid on private land in the entire HD. Remove the 002-00 B license. Replace the 002-00 with a new with the 262-01 B-license (unlimited, 1 per hunter, OTC valid on private land in HDs 204, 260, 261, 262, and 270). Valid for the archery and general seasons. Only valid north of Rye Creek.
- HD 283: Remove the 283-02 elk B license.

Remove the 283-10 elk B permit.

Remove the youth and PTHFV opportunity to harvest antlerless elk on a general license.

HD 285: Remove the 002-00 elk B license.

Add a new 285-01 elk B license Quota 30, Range (5 - 150). Only valid on private lands, excluding Weyerhaeuser, Stimson, & Nature Conservancy. Valid during the archery and general seasons.

- HDs 290 & 298: Remove the 002-00 elk B license. Replace with a new 290-01 Antlerless elk B License. Quota 300, Range (5-500). Only valid on private lands in HDs 290 & 298, excluding Weyerhaeuser, Stimson, & Nature Conservancy. Valid Aug 15<sup>th</sup>-Jan 15<sup>th</sup> excluding dead week.
- <u>HD 291:</u> Add a new 291-03 elk B license with a quota of 350 (range 5-600). Only valid on private lands 8/15-11/29.

Specific proposed changes for 2020-21 are listed below. All other season components except calendar year rotation are proposed unchanged from 2019.

- HD 292: Remove the 002-00 elk B license. Replace with a new 292-01, Quota 100, Range (5-250). Only valid on private lands, excluding Weyerhaeuser, Stimson, & Nature Conservancy lands that are within the Blackfoot watershed portion of HD 292. Valid during Aug 15<sup>th</sup>-archery season and general season.
- <u>HD 293:</u> Add a new 293-01 elk B license (quota 150, range 5-350). Only valid on private lands in the south portion of HD 293 excluding The Nature Conservancy lands from 8/15 to the end of general rifle season.

#### **REGION 3**

- HDs 300, 301, 302, 311, 312, 314, 315, 316, 317, 318, 319, 320, 321, 322, 323, 324, 325, 326, 327, 328, 329, 330, 331, 332, 333, 334, 335, 340, 341, 343, 350, 360, 361, 362, 370, 390, 391 & 393 (i.e. all HDs except 309, 310, 313, 339, 380, 388 & 392): Standardize both the Youth and PTHFV opportunity to be either-sex in both archery and general seasons.
- <u>HD 301</u>: Add a 301-01 antlerless elk B license with a quota of 50 (range 25-100) valid on private land only.
- HDs 301 & 309: Remove the 395-00 antlerless B license.
- HD 309: Extend antlerless hunting with general license from January 15<sup>th</sup> to February 15<sup>th</sup> in HD 309.
- <u>HDs 309 & 311 N of Hwy 84</u>: Add these two HDs to the 397-00 antlerless elk B license (during shoulder season, only valid north of Hwy 84 in HD 311).
- HD 311: Remove the 311-00 antlerless B license.
- <u>HDs 318, 335, 339 & 343:</u> Remove the "Holders 16 and older may not hunt antlered elk in either of these HDs" restriction on the 394-00 and 396-00 antlerless permits.
- <u>HDs 331 & 332:</u> Change the general license to brow-tined bull or antlerless elk during the initial 16 days of the general rifle season and brow-tined bull-only during the final 21 days of the general rifle season.
- <u>HD 333</u>: Remove HD 333 from the 399-00 antlerless elk B license bundle.

  Create a new elk B license 333-01 with a quota of 500 (range 100-1000). Not valid on National Forest lands.
- <u>HD 334</u>: Increase the 334-00 B license quota and quota range from 250 (range 25-250) to 350 (range 25 350).
- HDs 350 & 370: Remove the 399-01 B license that is valid in both HDs.

Add a new 350-02 B license (quota 150, range 25-300)

Add a new 370-02 B license (quota 150, range 25-300).

Change the general season in HD 350 from BTB/Antlerless to BTB.

HD 390: Remove shoulder season.

Remove from the 397-00 B license bundle.

Specific proposed changes for 2020-21 are listed below. All other season components except calendar year rotation are proposed unchanged from 2019.

Add to new 390-00 389-00 OTC B license bundle valid in HDs 390, & 391 & 393 from beginning of general rifle to Jan. 1. Not valid on Forest Service land or FWP WMAs.

<u>HD 391:</u> Change the general license opportunity from brow-tined bull and antlerless to brow-tined bull only on National Forest land and brow-tined bull or antlerless elk off National Forest land for the general season.

Allow for either-sex elk harvest with a general license for youth ages 12-15 and hunters with a PTHFV during the archery and general seasons. Not valid on National Forest Lands during the general season.

Remove shoulder season.

Add to new 390 00 389-00 OTC B license bundle valid in HDs 390, & 391 & 393 from beginning of general rifle to Jan. 1. Only valid south of Duck Cr. Not valid on Forest Service land or FWP WMAs.

Change the 391-00 elk B license to only be valid north of Duck Creek off National Forest Lands.

HD 392: Remove the general rifle season antlerless elk opportunity for youth and PTHFV hunters. Reduce the 392-00 antlerless elk licenses from 50 (range 50-250) to 25 (range 25-200). Add a new youth ages 12-15 and hunters with a PTHFV archery season on the general license for HD 392.

HD 393: Remove shoulder season hunting from the general license opportunity in HD 393.

Remove HD 393 from the 397-00 B license bundle

Add new 393-01 B license available OTC.

Add to new 390 00 389-00 OTC B license bundle valid in HDs 390, & 391 & 393 from beginning of general rifle to Jan. 1. Not valid on Forest Service land or FWP WMAs.

### **REGION 4**

- <u>All R4 HDs except HDs 410, 411, 417, 419, 445 & 455:</u> Change the 004-00 elk B license quota range from 2200-6000 to 2500-7500, quota to remain at 6000.
- <u>HDs 404, 421 & 444</u>: Change deer/elk/lion HDs 404, 421 & 444 by modifying the shared boundary of these districts.
- HD 410: Change the 410-02 elk B license to be valid only south of Valentine/Crooked Creek Rds. and not valid on the CMR Refuge. Change the 410-02 elk B license to be valid on all lands (BLM, DNRC, private), excluding the CMR National Wildlife Refuge south of Crooked Creek (Sacagawea River).

Change the quota and quota range from 300 (range 100-500) to 1000 (range 100-1200).

Increase the 410-00 elk B license quota range from 200-1000 to 100-1000 to 50-800 and reduce the quota from 800 to 100.

Change the 410-20 elk permit quota range from 50-150 to 150-300.

<u>HDs 411 & 412:</u> Change deer/elk/lion HDs 411 & 412 by making part of the western portion of current HD 411 part of HD 412.

Specific proposed changes for 2020-21 are listed below. All other season components except calendar year rotation are proposed unchanged from 2019.

<u>HD 411:</u> Make spike elk valid on the general elk license in HD 411 during the archery/general seasons.

Allow for antlerless elk harvest on general license for the archery and general seasons-Jan 15th. Not valid on National Forest Lands after the end of rifle season.

Remove from 004 00 elk B license bundle. Include in the 004-00 elk B license bundle. Valid during the archery and general seasons-Jan 15<sup>th</sup>. Not valid on National Forest lands, FWP WMAs, or CMR Refuge. Valid in all Region 4 HDs except HDs 410 and 455.

Include in 5,000 595-00 B license bundle

Eliminate the district split east and west of Red Hill Road so that 411 regulations are consistent across the entire HD.

Change the 411-00 license to be valid on National Forest lands during the archery/general/late shoulder seasons to match HDs 511 & 530 during the archery and general seasons-Jan 15<sup>th</sup>.

Increase the quota and range of the 411-00 elk B license from 400 (range 100-600) to 800 (range 100-1200).

Include in new 595-00 B license bundle (quota 5000, range 1000-10000) valid during general rifle to Jan. 1 and not valid on Forest Service land, FWP WMAs or CMR Refuge.

HD 412: Change the 004-00 elk B license to be valid only on private land for the early shoulder season.

For the early shoulder season, make the 004-00 elk B and general licenses valid only on private land. For the dead week shoulder season, make the general license valid only on private land.

Increase the quota and quota range for the 412-20 either-sex elk permit from 85 (range 25-100) to 120 (25-200).

Make spike elk valid on the general elk license in HD 412 during the archery/general seasons to be consistent with HDs 511 & 530 and proposed for HD 411.

HD 417: Add a new 417-02 elk B license with a quota of 100 (range 50-500).

Make the general and 004-00 elk B licenses only valid south of the D-Y Trail and Knox Ridge Road. Add a late shoulder season to both the general and 004-00 elk B licenses valid through January 15.

Remove from 004-00 B license bundle.

Add new 417-01 B license (quota 500, range 100-2000) valid during general rifle to Jan. 1 and not valid on Forest Service land or FWP WMAs.

Increase the 417-20 either-sex elk permit quota and quota range from 100 (range 25-200) to 200 (range 25 – 400).

HD 419: Remove from the 004-00 B license bundle.

Add a late shoulder season to the general and 004-00 Elk B licenses for HD 419, valid for antlerless elk only through January 15.

Add new 419-00 B license (quota 500, range 100-2000) valid during general rifle to Jan. 1 and not valid on Forest Service land or FWP WMAs.

<u>HDs 411, 511, & 530:</u> Increase the quota and range of the 411-00 elk B license from 400 (range 100-600) to 800 (range 100-1200).

Remove shoulder season.

Remove HD 411 from 004-00 B license bundle.

Specific proposed changes for 2020-21 are listed below. All other season components except calendar year rotation are proposed unchanged from 2019.

- HDs 420, 425 & 455: Add HD s 420, 425 & 455 to the 900-20 either-sex permit archery-only bundle. Increase the 900-20 either-sex archery permit quota from 3,700 to 4,000.
- HDs 421, 422, 423 & 444: Reduce late shoulder season antlerless elk hunting by excluding December.
- <u>HD 425:</u> Reduce the HD 425 weekly limited antlerless elk licenses from 6 weeks to 3 weeks (eliminating the 425-03, 425-04, and 425-05 permits for the last three weeks).
- HD 445: Remove shoulder season.

Remove from 004-00 B license bundle.

Add new 445 00 B license (quota 2000, range 500-5000) valid during general rifle to Jan. 1 and not valid on Forest Service land or FWP WMAs.

Maintain Status Quo 2019 season type as proposed at tentatives

HD 447: Remove shoulder season

Remove from 004-00 B license bundle for shoulder seasons.

Add new 447 00 B license (quota 500, range 100-2000) valid during general rifle to Jan. 1 and not valid on Forest Service land or FWP WMAs.

Maintain Status Quo 2019 season type as proposed at tentatives

HDs 449 & 452: Eliminate current HD 449 by combining the two HDs into a single HD452.

### **REGION 5**

All R5 HDs: Increase the 005-00 elk B license quota range from 500-2500 to 500-6000. Remove the opportunity to harvest antlerless elk during dead week.

All Region 5 HDs except HD 500: In response to commission direction: Remove shoulder seasons.

Create a new 595-00 B License bundle (quota 5,000, range 1,000 10,000 2,500, range 500-6,000) only valid general rifle to Jan 1 to Feb 15th north of Hwy 12, valid Jan 1 to Feb 1 south of Hwy 12. Not valid on USFS anywhere or FWP WMAs. Not valid south of Falls Creek in HD560 or East of Hwy 310 in HD510.

HD 500: Increase 500-20 Either-sex permit quota and range from 60, range 10-60 to 80, range 10-125.

Remove the opportunity to harvest antlerless elk during dead week on the 005-00 elk B license and on the general license.

Allow for the 005-00 elk B license and general license to be valid from Aug 15<sup>th</sup>-Feb 15<sup>th</sup>. Only valid on private lands from Aug 15<sup>th</sup>-Sept 4<sup>th</sup>.

HD 502: Remove the early and dead week shoulder season antlerless elk opportunity on the general license. Change the late antlerless elk shoulder season on the general license to be valid from Nov 30th-Jan 1.

Allow for the 005-00 elk B license to be valid from Sept 5<sup>th</sup>-Oct 18<sup>th</sup> and Oct 24<sup>th</sup> - Jan 1.

HD 510: Allow for the general elk license to be valid only west of Hwy 310 for spike and antlerless elk from Sept 5<sup>th</sup>-Oct 18<sup>th</sup> and Oct 24<sup>th</sup>-Nov 29<sup>th</sup> and for antlerless elk only from Nov 30<sup>th</sup> - Jan 1<sup>st</sup>.

Specific proposed changes for 2020-21 are listed below. All other season components except calendar year rotation are proposed unchanged from 2019.

Allow for the 005-00 elk B license to be valid from Sept 5<sup>th</sup>-Oct 18<sup>th</sup> and Oct 24<sup>th</sup> - Jan 1. Only valid west of Hwy 310.

HDs 511 & 530: Change the 411-00 to be valid from archery season-Jan 15<sup>th</sup> in these HDs.

Allow for antlerless elk harvest on the general license from the end of rifle season-Jan 15<sup>th</sup>. Remove the Aug 15<sup>th</sup>-Sept 4<sup>th</sup> and dead week opportunity. Not valid on National Forest Lands after Nov 29<sup>th</sup>. Spike bull and antlerless elk harvest would remain valid during the archery and general seasons.

Change the 005-00 to be valid from archery season-Jan 15<sup>th</sup>. Not valid on National Forest lands.

HD 520: Change the general license shoulder season antlerless elk opportunity to be valid Nov 30<sup>th</sup>-Jan 1<sup>st</sup> and only valid north and west of the West Fork of Rock Cr. Not valid on National Forest Lands or FWP WMAs. Remove the Aug 15<sup>th</sup>-Sept 4<sup>th</sup> and dead week antlerless elk opportunity.

Change the 520-00 antlerless elk license to be valid Oct 24<sup>th</sup>-Jan 1<sup>st</sup>. Only valid north and west of the West Fork of Rock Cr.

Remove the 005-00 antlerless elk opportunity for Aug 15<sup>th</sup>- Sept 4<sup>th</sup> and dead week. Allow for late season antlerless elk hunting from Nov 30<sup>th</sup>- Jan 1<sup>st</sup>. Not valid on National Forest lands or FWP WMAs after Nov 29<sup>th</sup>.

HD 540: Allow for either-sex elk harvest instead of brow-tined bull or antlerless elk only with a general license for the archery and general seasons. Allow for antlerless elk harvest from Nov 30<sup>th</sup>-Jan 15<sup>th</sup>. Not valid on National Forest lands or FWP WMAs after Nov 29<sup>th</sup>.

Change the 540-00 antlerless elk license to be valid until Jan 15th instead of Feb 15th.

Remove the 005-00 antlerless elk opportunity for Aug 15<sup>th</sup>- Sept 4<sup>th</sup> and dead week. Allow for late season antlerless elk hunting from Nov 30<sup>th</sup>- Jan 15<sup>th</sup>. Not valid on National Forest lands or FWP WMAs after Nov 29<sup>th</sup>.

HD 560: Change the general license shoulder season antlerless elk opportunity to be valid Nov 30<sup>th</sup>-Jan 1<sup>st</sup>. Not valid in that portion in the Main Boulder River drainage south of Falls Creek. Not valid on National Forest Lands. Remove the Aug 15<sup>th</sup>-Sept 4<sup>th</sup> and dead week antlerless elk opportunity.

Change the 560-00 elk B license to be valid Oct 24<sup>th</sup>- Jan 1<sup>st</sup>. Not valid in that portion in the Main Boulder River drainage south of Falls Creek.

Remove the 005-00 antlerless elk opportunity for Aug 15<sup>th</sup>- Sept 4<sup>th</sup> and dead week. Allow for late season antlerless elk hunting from Oct 24<sup>th</sup>- Jan 1<sup>st</sup>. Not valid on National Forest lands or FWP WMAs after Nov 29<sup>th</sup>.

HD 570: Remove the dead week opportunity to harvest antlerless elk on the 005-00 elk B license and on a general license.

Allow for the 005-00 elk B license and general license to be valid from Aug 15<sup>th</sup>-Feb 15<sup>th</sup>. Only valid on private lands from Aug 15<sup>th</sup>-Sept 4<sup>th</sup>.

HD 575: Change the general license shoulder season antlerless elk opportunity to be valid Nov 30<sup>th</sup>-Jan 1<sup>st</sup>. Remove the Aug 15<sup>th</sup>-Sept 4<sup>th</sup> and dead week antlerless elk opportunity.

Remove the 005-00 antlerless elk opportunity for Aug 15<sup>th</sup>- Sept 4<sup>th</sup> and dead week. Allow for late season antlerless elk hunting from Oct 24<sup>th</sup>- Feb 15<sup>th</sup>.

Specific proposed changes for 2020-21 are listed below. All other season components except calendar year rotation are proposed unchanged from 2019.

<u>HD 580:</u> Create a new permit area 580-20 (quota 80, range 50-200) by combining the 580-21 and 580-22 either-sex permit areas.

Allow for antlerless elk harvest on the general license from the end of rifle season-Jan 1<sup>st</sup>. Not valid on National Forest Lands after Nov 29<sup>th</sup>. Remove the Aug 15<sup>th</sup>-Sept 4<sup>th</sup> and dead week opportunity. Spike bull and antlerless elk harvest would remain valid during the archery and general seasons south of Sweet Grass Ck.

Change the 580-00 elk B license to be valid Sept 5th-Oct 18th and Oct 24th- Jan 1st.

Remove the 005-00 antlerless elk opportunity for Aug 15<sup>th</sup>- Sept 4<sup>th</sup> dead week. Allow for late season antlerless elk hunting from Oct 24<sup>th</sup>- Jan 1<sup>st</sup>. Not valid on National Forest lands after Nov 29<sup>th</sup>.

HD 590: Allow for antlerless elk harvest on the general license from the end of rifle season-Jan 1st.

Remove the Aug 15th-Sept 4th and dead week opportunities. Spike bull and antlerless elk harvest would remain valid during the archery and general seasons.

Remove the 005-00 antlerless elk opportunity for Aug 15<sup>th</sup>- Sept 4<sup>th</sup> and Oct 19<sup>th</sup>- Oct 23<sup>rd</sup>. Allow for late season antlerless elk hunting from Oct 24<sup>th</sup>- Jan 1<sup>st</sup>.

#### **REGION 6**

<u>HDs 611 & 670:</u> Remove the current deer/elk/lion HD 611 boundary by combining it to HD 670. An antelope change is also proposed to make deer/elk/antelope HD 670 the same.

HDs 620, 621, 622, 630, 631 & 632: Boundary change in HD 620 - Make Hwy 2 the north boundary from Dodson to Malta instead of the Milk River. Change also applies to antelope HD 620.

Remove the 698-00 antlerless elk permit. Retain the 698-00 antlerless elk permit for HDs 620, 621 & 622 off the CMR, but remove HDs 630, 631 & 632.

Remove the 620-00 antlerless elk archery B license.

Remove the 621-00 youth-only antlerless elk permits.

Change the 699-00 antlerless elk permit to be valid during the archery, general and special shoulder seasons instead of only the shoulder season. Drop HDs 630, 631 & 632 from the 699-00 B license bundle. Retain this as a shoulder-season only B license.

Remove the 631-01 youth-only antlerless elk permits.

Make the 621-01 and 622-00, 631-00, and the 632-00 elk B-licenses valid during both Archery-Only Season and General Season instead of only General Season.

<u>HDs 620, 621, 622. 630, 631 632, 680 & 690:</u> Consolidate the 621-00, 631-01 and 690-00 youth-only antlerless B licenses into a new 699-01 youth-only B license (quota 200, range 50-500).

HDs 630 & 631: Change the 631-00 elk B license quota range from 65-150 to 1-150.

HDs 640, 641, 651 & 670: Change current deer/elk/lion HDs 640, 641, 651 & 670 through consolidating HD's 640, 641 and parts of HDs 670 and 651 into one hunting district (640). This will overlap with the proposed antelope HD 640.

HD 641: Remove HD boundary 641.

HDs 650 & 651: Combine HDs 650 & 651 into HD 650 and remove HD 651 boundary. An antelope

Specific proposed changes for 2020-21 are listed below. All other season components except calendar year rotation are proposed unchanged from 2019.

change is also proposed to make deer/elk/antelope HD 650 similar.

HDs 680 & 690: Combine HDs 680 & 690 into one district (690) and remove current HD 680.

Allow antlerless elk hunting with a general license in HDs 680 & 690 (HDs proposed to be combined).

Increase the 690-21 either-sex elk permit 35 (range 15-50) to 50 (range 15-100).

Remove the 696-00 and 697-00 antlerless elk permits.

Remove the 690-00 youth-only antlerless elk permit.

Make the 690-01 antlerless elk license valid during both the general and shoulder seasons instead of only the general season.

### **REGION 7**

No proposed changes.