

# 2021/2022 Boundary Change Master List

Deer/Elk

Region 1

HD 101 (new)

Reason for Change/Description of the Change: Proposed boundary combination based on 2021 regulations simplification, combine current HD 101 and HD 109 into one district and simplify boundary description between new HD 101 and new HD 103.

FROM: Those portions of Lincoln and Flathead Counties lying within the following-described boundary: Beginning near Kooconusa Marina where USFS Road 835 (Cripple Horse Creek Road) meets the east shore of Lake Kooconusa, then northerly along said shore to the Canadian border, then easterly along said border to the Lincoln-Flathead County Line, then southerly along said line to USFS Road 379 (Russky Creek Road), then southerly along said road to USFS Road 900 (Stillwater River Road), then southwesterly along said road to US Highway 93, then northerly to USFS Road 315 (Sunday Creek Road), then southerly along said road to USFS 3520, then southwesterly along said road to USFS Road 36, then south to USFS Road 835, and westerly to the point of origin.

TO: Those portions of Lincoln and Flathead Counties lying within the following-described boundary: Beginning near Kooconusa Marina the mouth of Cripple Horse Creek, where USFS Road 835 (Cripple Horse Creek Road) meets the east shore of Lake Kooconusa, then northerly along said shore to the Canadian border, then easterly along said border to the Lincoln-Flathead County Line, then southerly along said line to USFS Road 379 (Russky Creek Road), then southerly along said road to USFS Road 900 (Stillwater River Road), then southwesterly along said road to US Highway 93, then northerly to USFS Road 315 (Sunday Creek Road), then southwesterly along said road to USFS 3520 (Basin Creek Road), then southwesterly along said road to USFS Road 36 (Wolf Creek Road), then south on said road to USFS Road 835 (Cripple Horse Creek Road), and westerly along said road to where it meets the east shore of Lake Kooconusa, the point of beginning.

HD 102 (eliminate)

Reason for Change/Description of the Change: Combine HD 102 and HD 103 into one district.

REMOVE: Those portions of Lincoln and Flathead counties lying within the following-described boundary: Beginning on the Flathead National Forest Boundary at Spring Creek Campground on US Highway 93, then in a southerly and westerly direction along said boundary to the divide between Sunday and Martin Creeks, Tepee Mtn, Sanders Mtn, and Grubb Mtn to USFS Road 6799 (Elbow Creek Road), then southerly along said road to County Road 543 (Little Bitterroot Lake/Pleasant Valley Road), then southerly along said road to US Highway 2, then easterly along said route to junction with West Spring Creek Road, then north on said road to Farm-to-Market Road, then north on said road to junction of US Highway 93, then along US Highway 93 to the Flathead National Forest boundary at the Spring Creek Campground, the point of beginning.

HD 103 (new)

Reason for Change/Description of the Change: Proposed as part of the 2021 Regulations Simplification, combine HD 102 and HD 103 into one district.

FROM: Those portions of Lincoln and Flathead Counties lying within the following-described boundary: Beginning where State Route 37 crosses the south shore of the Kootenai River at Libby, then southerly along said route to US Highway 2 in Libby, then southerly and easterly along said highway to Marion and USFS Road 543 (Little Bitterroot Lake Road), then northwesterly along said road to the junction of West Spring Creek Roads, then north on said road to Farm-to-Market Road, then north on said road to the junction of US Hwy 93, then along US Hwy 93 to the USFS Road 315 Sunday Creek Road, and follow said road to the junction with Basin Creek. At said junction with Basin Creek Road, stay southerly along USFS Road 3520, along the south side of Sunday Creek until the road crosses Sunday Creek. At said creek crossing, continue southerly and westerly until you cross Twin Meadows Creek and follow ridge southerly. At junction with USFS Road 5302, continue northerly on Road 3520 along Twin Meadows Creek to the junction with USFS Road 36, Wolf Creek Road. Continue southerly on USFS Road 36 Wolf Creek Road until the intersection with USFS Road 835, Cripple Horse Road. Follow USFS Road 835, Cripple Horse Road westerly along said road to the mouth of Cripple Horse Creek and the east shoreline of Lake Koocanusa, then southerly along said shoreline to Libby Dam and the east shoreline of the Kootenai River, then south and west along said shoreline to State Route 37 Bridge at Libby, the point of beginning.

TO: Those portions of Lincoln and Flathead Counties lying within the following-described boundary: Beginning where State Route 37 crosses the south shore of the Kootenai River at Libby, then southerly along said route to US Highway 2 in Libby, then southerly and easterly along said highway to the junction of West Spring Creek Road, then north on said road to Farm-to-Market Road, then north on said road to the junction of US Hwy 93, then north along US Hwy 93 to USFS Road 315 (Sunday Creek Road), then southwestly along said road to USFS Road 3520 (Basin Creek Road), then southwestly along said road to USFS Road 36 (Wolf Creek Road), then south on said road to USFS Road 835 (Cripple Horse Road), then westerly along said road to where it meets the east shore of Lake Koocanusa, near the mouth of Cripple Horse Creek, then southerly along said shore to Libby Dam and the east shore of the Kootenai River, then south and west along said shore to State Route 37 Bridge at Libby, the point of beginning.

HD 109 (eliminate)

Reason for Change/Description of the Change: Combine HD 101 and 109 into one district.

REMOVE: That portion of Lincoln County lying within the following-described boundary: Beginning at the junction of the USFS Road 900 (Stillwater River Road) and US Highway 93, then northerly along said highway to the Canadian border, then easterly along said border to the Lincoln-Flathead County Line, then southerly along said line to Russky Creek Road 379, then southerly along said road to the USFS Road 900 (Stillwater River Road), then southwesterly along said road to US Highway 93, the point of beginning.

HD 121 and HD 200 (new)

Reason for Change/Description of the Change: Boundary clarification. USFS Trail 635 used in legal description does not exist and can only be found on historic USGS maps. This creates an issue for defining a legal description and is a source of confusion for the public on where the boundary is. Redefining the boundary to follow Sievers Ridge to its termination with Mosquito Creek road allows for a clearer definition with minimal changes to bounding districts.

FROM: That portion of Sanders County lying within the following-described boundary: Beginning where the Sanders-Lincoln County line intersects the Idaho border, then south and southeasterly along said border to the Kootenai-Lolo National Forest boundary in Section 34, T22N, R32W, then easterly along said boundary through Emma Peak, Helwick Peak and Mosquito Peak to USFS Trail 635, then easterly along said trail to the Mosquito Creek Road, then easterly along said road to State Route 200, then southeasterly along said route through Thompson Falls to the Thompson Falls River Bridge, then northeasterly up the Thompson River to USFS Trail 433, then northerly up said trail to Marmot Peak, then westerly along said trail to Mt. Headley and USFS Trail 528, then northerly up said trail to the Vermillion River Divide, then northerly along said divide to the Sanders-Lincoln County Line in Section 19, T25N, R28W, then westerly along said county line to the Idaho border, the point of beginning.

TO: That portion of Sanders County lying within the following-described boundary: Beginning where the Sanders-Lincoln County line intersects the Idaho border, then south and southeasterly along said border to the Kootenai-Lolo National Forest boundary in Section 34, T22N, R32W, then easterly along said boundary through Emma Peak, Helwick Peak and Mosquito Peak, then easterly along said boundary on Sievers Ridge, then continuing easterly along said ridge leaving the Kootenai-Lolo National Forest boundary, then continuing easterly along Sievers Ridge to its termination at the junction with the Mosquito Creek Road in Section 22, T22N, R30W, then easterly along said road to State Route 200, then southeasterly along said route through Thompson Falls to the Thompson Falls River Bridge, then northeasterly up the Thompson River to USFS Trail 433, then northerly up said trail to Marmot Peak, then westerly along said trail to Mt. Headley and USFS Trail 528, then northerly up said trail to the Vermillion River Divide, then northerly along said divide to the Sanders-Lincoln County Line in Section 19, T25N, R28W, then westerly along said county line to the Idaho border, the point of beginning.

HD 123 (eliminate)

Reason for Change/Description of the Change: Combine HD 123, HD 124 and HD 200 into one district.

REMOVE: That portion of Sanders County lying within the following-described boundary: Beginning where State Route 200 meets the Mosquito Creek Road, then westerly along said road at USFS Trail 635, then westerly along said trail to Mosquito Peak, then westerly from said peak through the Helwick, Emma, Beaver Peak divide to the Montana-Idaho border in Section 34, T22N, R23W, then southerly along said border to the Sanders-Mineral County line, then easterly along said line to Greenwood Hill and the junction of USFS Trail 398, then northerly on said trail to Penrose Peak, then northerly from said peak along the Penrose-Cherry Peak divide to the junction of USFS Trail 1130, then northerly along said trail to Eddy Mountain, then northerly from said mountain along the Outlaw Lake Trail to Outlaw Creek, then northerly down said creek to the Clark Fork River, then westerly along the northern shore of said river to the Thompson River, then up said river to the Thompson River Bridge and State Route 200, then westerly along said route through Thompson Falls to the Mosquito Creek Road, the point of beginning.

HD 124 (eliminate)

Reason for Change/Description of the Change: Combine HD 123, HD 124 and HD 200 into one district.

REMOVE: That portion of Sanders County lying within the following-described boundary: Beginning at the confluence of the Flathead River and the Clark Fork River, then southwesterly up said river to USFS Trail 1714, then northerly along said trail to USFS Road 7592, then north and westerly along said road to USFS Trail 404, then westerly along said trail through Combest Peak to the Sanders-Mineral County line, then westerly along said line to Greenwood Hill and the junction of USFS Trail 398, then northerly on said trail to Penrose Peak, then northerly from said peak along the Penrose-Cherry Peak divide to the junction of USFS Trail 1130, then northerly along said trail to Eddy Mountain, then northerly from said mountain along the Outlaw Lake Trail to Outlaw Creek, then northerly down said creek to the Clark Fork River, the easterly along the northern shore of the Clark Fork River to the confluence of the Flathead River and the Clark Fork River, the point of beginning.

## Region 2

### HD 200 (new)

Reason for Change/Description of the Change: To simplify regulations by reducing number of hunting districts, combine HD 123, HD 124 and HD 200 into one district and clarify boundary between new HD 200 and HD 121.

FROM: Those portions of Mineral and Sanders Counties lying within the following-described boundary: Beginning at St. Regis, then in a northwesterly direction along Interstate 90 to the Montana-Idaho border, then northerly along said border to the Mineral-Sanders County Line, then in an easterly and southerly direction along said county line (C-C Divide) to USFS Trail 404 near Combest Peak, then easterly on said trail to the Miller Creek Loop USFS Road 7592, then easterly on said road to its junction with USFS Trail 1714, then southerly on said trail to the Clark Fork River, then upstream to Interstate 90 bridge at St. Regis, the point of beginning.

TO: Those portions of Mineral and Sanders Counties lying within the following-described boundary: Beginning at St. Regis, then in a northwesterly direction along Interstate 90 to the Montana-Idaho border, then northerly along said border to the intersection of the Cabinet and Thompson Falls Ranger District Boundaries, then easterly along said boundary to Mosquito Peak, then easterly along said boundary on Sievers Ridge, then continuing easterly along said ridge leaving the Kootenai-Lolo National Forest boundary, then continuing easterly along Sievers Ridge to its termination at the junction with the Mosquito Creek Road in Section 22, T22N, R30W, then easterly along said road to State Route 200, then southeasterly along said highway to the Thompson River Bridge, then south along the Thompson River to its junction with the Clark Fork River, then easterly along said river to its junction with the Flathead River, then upstream along the Clark Fork River to the Interstate 90 bridge at St. Regis, the point of beginning.



Portion of HD 200 Mullan Gulch Area

Reason for Change/Description of the Change:

REMOVE: That portion of Mineral County lying within the following-described boundary: Beginning in St. Regis at the junction of Interstate 90 and Montana State Highway 135, then northeasterly on State Route 135 to USFS Road 4227 (the Mayo Gulch Road), then northwesterly along Mayo Gulch Road to USFS Trail 218, then northwesterly along said trail to USFS Road 3800 (Camel's Hump Road), then to Lookout and USFS Road 3800, then southwesterly on said road to the Old Mullan Road, then westerly on the Old Mullan Road to Twelvemile Creek Road and USFS Road 352, then southwesterly on the Old Mullan Road/Twelvemile Creek Road to the Henderson Exit of Interstate 90, then southeasterly on Interstate 90 to St. Regis and junction with State Route 135, the point of beginning.

HD 201

Reason for Change/Description of the Change: Statewide direction to simplify regulations by reducing number of hunting districts. Within this larger boundary change there is also a very minor adjustment in the wording around what used to be described as Harpers Bridge, which was not a definable feature on the map. The description has been changed to a more definable boundary from Big Flat road to Deep Creek to the Clark Fork.

FROM: Those portions of Mineral, Missoula and Sanders Counties lying within the following-described boundary: Beginning at the Flathead Indian Reservation Boundary near Evaro, then south along US Highway 93 to its junction with Interstate 90, then northwesterly along said route to the first bridge over Clark Fork River west of Frenchtown (second bridge east of Alberton), then northwest along Clark Fork River to St. Regis, then easterly along said river downstream to Cascade Campground, then south along USFS Trail 242 to Ninemile-Seigel Creek Divide (Sanders-Mineral County Line), then easterly along said divide crossing Seigel Pass to the Flathead Indian Reservation Boundary, then south easterly along said reservation boundary and divide to Evaro, the point of beginning.

TO: Those portions of Mineral, Missoula and Sanders Counties lying within the following-described boundary: Beginning at the Flathead Indian Reservation Boundary near Evaro, then easterly and northeasterly along said boundary to the Rattlesnake Wilderness boundary near Gold Creek, then southerly along said boundary to the Rattlesnake National Recreation Area boundary, then following said boundary southerly past Sheep Mountain to the intersection with Wisherd Ridge, then following said ridge southeasterly to Lockwood Point, then following Tamarack Creek southeasterly to where it joins US Highway 200, then west along said highway to its junction with Interstate 90, then northwesterly along said interstate to the Clark Fork River, then easterly along the south side of said river to Deep Creek, then west up said creek to County Route 30 (Big Flat road), then southerly along said road to its junction with US Highway 93, then south along said highway to the junction with Carlton Lake Road, then west along said road to Old U.S. Highway 93, then briefly north along said highway to Carlton Creek, then west along said creek to Carlton Lake Trail No. 326, then northeasterly along said trail to the Lolo and Bitterroot National Forest Boundary,, then southerly along said boundary to the Idaho border, then north and northeasterly along said border to the junction with the Elk Meadows Road (FS 451), then north along said road to the junction with the West Fork Butte Road (FS 37), then northerly along said road to the junction with Highway 12, then east along said road to the intersection with County Road 489 (Petty Creek - Grave Creek Road), then north along said road to the junction with the Clark Fork River, then downstream along the Clark Fork River to Cascade Campground, then south along USFS Trail 242 to Ninemile-Siegel Creek Divide (Sanders-Mineral County Line), then easterly along said divide crossing Siegel Pass to the Flathead Indian Reservation Boundary, then southeasterly along said reservation boundary and divide to Evaro, the point of beginning.

HD 202

Reason for Change/Description of the Change: Statewide direction to simplify regulations by reducing number of hunting districts

FROM: Those portions of Missoula and Mineral Counties lying within the following-described boundary: Beginning at Superior, then south east along the west and south side of the Clark Fork River to Fish Creek, then east along said creek to USFS Road 344, then east along said road to USFS Road 343, then south along said road to the Lolo Creek-Fish Creek Divide, then south along USFS Road 343 to US Highway 12, then west along said highway to the Montana-Idaho border (Lolo Pass), then northwest along said border to Lookout Pass, then east on Interstate 90 to St. Regis and the Clark Fork River, then southeast along the Clark Fork River to Superior, the point of beginning.

TO: Those portions of Missoula and Mineral Counties lying within the following-described boundary: Beginning at Superior, then south east along the west and south side of the Clark Fork River to County Road 489 (Petty Creek - Grave Creek Road), then south along said road to Highway 12, then west along Highway 12 to the West Fork Butte road (FS 37), then southerly and southeasterly along said road to Elk Meadows road (FS 451), then south along said road to the Idaho border, then westerly and northwesterly along said border to Lookout Pass, then east on Interstate 90 to St. Regis and the Clark Fork River, then southeast along the Clark Fork River to Superior, the point of beginning.

HD 203

Reason for Change/Description of the Change: Regulations simplification.

REMOVE: Those portions of Missoula and Mineral Counties lying within the following-described boundary: Beginning at Lolo, then westerly along US Highway 12 to USFS Road 343 (Fish Creek Road), then north along said road to USFS Road 344 then west along said road to Fish Creek, then west along said creek to the Clark Fork River, then east along the west and south side of said river to the second bridge on Interstate 90 east of Alberton (first bridge west of Frenchtown), then easterly along the west and south side of said river to the old Harpers Bridge and County Road 30 (Big Flat Road), then southerly along said road to its junction with the Blue Mountain Road, then south along said road to its junction with US Highway 93, then south along said highway to Lolo, the point of beginning.

Portion of HD 203 East

Reason for Change/Description of the Change: Regulations simplification.

REMOVE: That portion of Missoula County lying within the following described boundary: Beginning at Lolo, then westerly along US Highway 12 to County Road 489 (Grave Creek and Petty Creek Roads), then north along said road to the Clark Fork River, then east along the west and south side of said river to the second bridge on Interstate 90 east of Alberton (first bridge west of Frenchtown), then easterly along the west and south side of said river to the old Harpers Bridge and County Road 30 (Big Flat Road), then southerly along said road to its junction with the Blue Mountain Road, then south along said road to its junction with US Highway 93, then south along said highway to Lolo, the point of beginning.

HD 240

Reason for Change/Description of the Change: Regulations simplification. Exclude Lolo drainage from 240 and add into 201, which has more similar ecosystem/wildlife populations.

FROM: Those portions of Missoula and Ravalli Counties lying within the following described boundary: Beginning at Lolo at the junction of US Highway 12 and US Highway 93, then south on said highway to its junction with Bowman Road (County Road 5800) near the river bridge north of Hamilton, then west along said road to its junction with Ricketts Road (County Road 6200), then southerly along said road to its junction with County Road 531, then southerly along said road (West Bridge Road west to Westside Road, then south) to the Roaring Lion Road, then east along said road to its junction with US Highway 93, then south along said highway to its junction with the Conner Cutoff Road (Road 9830) south of Conner, then west along said road to its junction with the West Fork Bitterroot Road, then southwest on said road to its junction with Trapper Creek, then northwest and west up said creek to the Montana-Idaho border, then northward along said border to US Highway 12 at Lolo Pass, then easterly along said highway to its junction with US Highway 93 at Lolo, the point of beginning.

TO: Those portions of Missoula and Ravalli Counties lying within the following described boundary: Beginning at the intersection of Carlton Creek Road and US Highway 93 north of Florence, then south along said highway to its junction with Bowman Road (County Road 5800) near the river bridge north of Hamilton, then west along said road to its junction with Ricketts Road (County Road 6200), then southerly along said road to its junction with County Road 531, then southerly along said road (West Bridge Road west to Westside Road, then south) to the Roaring Lion Road, then east along said road to its junction with US Highway 93, then south along said highway to its junction with the Conner Cutoff Road (Road 9830) south of Conner, then west along said road to its junction with the West Fork Bitterroot Road, then southwest on said road to its junction with Trapper Creek, then northwest and west up said creek to the Montana-Idaho border, then north along said border to the Lolo-Bitterroot National Forest boundary (the ridge to Bass Peak, which separates the South Fork Lolo Creek drainage and Bitterroot River drainages), then northeast along said boundary to the Carlton Lake Trail No. 326, then south along said trail to Carlton Creek, then east along said creek to Old US Highway 93, then briefly south along said highway to Carlton Creek Road, then east along said road to U.S. Highway 93, the point of beginning.

Reason for Change/Description of the Change: To align with same adjustment in HD 201.

FROM: Those portions of Missoula and Ravalli Counties lying within the following-described boundary: Beginning at Lolo, then north on US Highway 93 to the Blue Mountain Road, then west and northerly along said road to Big Flat Road (Missoula County Route 30), then northerly along said road to Harper's Bridge, then westerly down the west shoreline of said river to the first Interstate 90 bridge west of the Ninemile Interchange, then easterly along Interstate 90 to its intersection with US Highway 93 at Missoula, then southerly along said route to the Miller Creek Road, then south on said road to the Trails End Road, then southerly and westerly on said road to Oral Zumwalt Way, then follow a line directly West to the easternmost bank of the Bitterroot River, then south along said bank to its junction with Woodchuck Creek, then east along said creek to the Lower Woodchuck/Eightmile Creek Road, then south along said road to its junction with the eastside Highway (State Routes 203, 268, and 269), then south on said highway to its junction with US Highway 93 at Hamilton, then south on said highway to its junction with Skalkaho Highway (State Route 38), then south along said route to its junction with Sleeping Child Road (State Route 501), then south along said route to its junction with Old Darby Road (County Road 87), then south along said road to its junction with US Highway 93 at Como, then north along said highway to its junction with the Roaring Lion Road, then west along said road to its junction with Westside Road (County Road 531), then northerly along said road (north to West Bridge Road, then east) to its junction with Ricketts Road (County Road 6200), then northerly along said road to its junction with Bowman Road (County Road 5800), then east along said road to its junction with US Highway 93 near the river bridge north of Hamilton, then north along said highway to Lolo, the point of beginning.

TO: Those portions of Missoula and Ravalli Counties lying within the following-described boundary: Beginning at Lolo, then north on US Highway 93 to the Blue Mountain Road, then west and northerly along said road to Big Flat Road (Missoula County Route 30), then northerly along said road to Deep Creek, then east along said creek to the Clark Fork River, then westerly along the south shore of said river to the first Interstate 90 bridge west of the Ninemile Interchange, then easterly along Interstate 90 to its intersection with US Highway 93 at Missoula, then southerly along said route to the Miller Creek Road, then south on said road to the Trails End Road, then southerly and westerly on said road to Oral Zumwalt Way, then follow a line directly West to the easternmost bank of the Bitterroot River, then south along said bank to its junction with Woodchuck Creek, then east along said creek to the Lower Woodchuck/Eightmile Creek Road, then south along said road to its junction with the eastside Highway (State Routes 203, 268, and 269), then south on said highway to its junction with US Highway 93 at Hamilton, then south on said highway to its junction with Skalkaho Highway (State Route 38), then south along said route to its junction with Sleeping Child Road (State Route 501), then south along said route to its junction with Old Darby Road (County Road 87), then south along said road to its junction with US Highway 93 at Como, then north along said highway to its junction with the Roaring Lion Road, then west along said road to its junction with Westside Road (County Road 531), then northerly along said road (north to West Bridge Road, then east) to its junction with Ricketts Road (County Road 6200), then northerly along said road to its junction with Bowman

Road (County Road 5800), then east along said road to its junction with US Highway 93 near the river bridge north of Hamilton, then north along said highway to Lolo, the point of beginning.



HD 281

Reason for Change/Description of the Change: Create larger district and standardize hunting regulations across new district 281.

FROM: Those portions of Powell and Lewis and Clark Counties lying within the following described boundary: Beginning at Rogers Pass on State Route 200, then southwest on said route to the Landers Fork River Bridge, then northeasterly up Landers Fork to its intersection with the Great Falls to Ovando powerline, then westerly along said powerline to its intersection with the Beaver Creek Road, then southerly along said road to State Route 200, then west along said route to Monture Creek Road 89, then north on said road to the Monture Creek Campground, then north on Monture Creek Trail 27 to Falls Creek Trail 16, then easterly along said trail through Camp Pass to Lake Creek Trail 61 near Lake Otatsy, then southeasterly along said trail to the North Fork Blackfoot Trailhead, then north on North Fork Blackfoot Trail 32 to the Scapegoat Wilderness Boundary, then southeast along said boundary to Arrastra Mountain, then northeasterly along Scapegoat Wilderness Boundary to Red Mountain, then northeasterly on Red Mountain-Ringeye Creek Trail 423 to its junction with Webb Lake Trail 481, then east along said trail to its junction with Heart Lake-Bighorn Creek Trail 478 near Heart Lake, then north along said trail to Landers Fork River, then southeasterly along said river to Falls Creek (of the Landers Fork River), then northeasterly along said creek to the Continental Divide, the southeast along said divide to Rogers Pass, the point of beginning.

TO: Those portions of Powell and Lewis and Clark Counties lying within the following described boundary: Beginning at Rogers Pass on State Route 200, then southwest on said route to the Landers Fork River Bridge, then southwesterly along the Landers Fork River to its confluence with the Blackfoot River, then westerly down said river to the section line between Sections 20 and 21, (T14N, R8W), then southerly along said line to the southeast corner of Section 20, then westerly along the southern boundary of Sections 20 and 19 to its intersection with the Stemple Pass-Poorman Creek Road, then south and southeast on said road to McClellan Gulch southwest corner of Section 16 (T13N, R8W), then south along said gulch to its junction with Jefferson Creek Road in the southwest corner of Section 32 (T13N, R9W) (USFS road #1834), then west and south along said road to its junction with the US Forest Service ownership boundary, then generally west to its junction with Nevada-Ogden Road, then north to its intersection with State Route 200, then west along said route to Monture Creek Road 89, then north on said road to the Monture Creek Campground, then north on Monture Creek Trail 27 to Falls Creek Trail 16, then easterly along said trail through Camp Pass to Lake Creek Trail 61 near Lake Otatsy, then southeasterly along said trail to the North Fork Blackfoot Trailhead, then north on North Fork Blackfoot Trail 32 to the Scapegoat Wilderness Boundary, then southeast along said boundary to Arrastra Mountain, then northeasterly along Scapegoat Wilderness Boundary to Red Mountain, then northeasterly on Red Mountain-Ringeye Creek Trail 423 to its junction with Webb Lake Trail 481, then east along said trail to its junction with Heart Lake-Bighorn Creek Trail 478 near Heart Lake, then north along said trail to Landers Fork River, then southeasterly along said river to Falls Creek (of the Landers Fork River), then northeasterly along said creek to the Continental Divide, the southeast along said divide to Rogers Pass, the point of beginning.

HD 283

Reason for Change/Description of the Change: Regulations simplification.

REMOVE: That portion of Missoula County lying within the following described boundary: Beginning at Missoula, then northwest along Interstate 90 to US Highway 93, then north on said highway to the Flathead Indian Reservation boundary near Evaro, then northeast along said boundary to the Gold Creek-Boles Creek divide Section 11 NE 1/4, T15N, R17W, then southeast along said divide to Gold Creek Peak, then northeast along the Boles Creek-Belmont Creek divide to Game Ridge, then southeast along said ridge (Clearwater-Blackfoot Divide) to Blanchard Pt., then northeast and southeast along Blanchard-Woodchuck Divide to State Route 200, Section 8 NW 1/4, T14N, R14W, then west along said route to its junction with Interstate 90 near Milltown, then west along said interstate to Missoula, the point of beginning.

## Portion of HD 283 Rattlesnake Wilderness

Reason for Change/Description of the Change: Regulations simplification.

REMOVE: That portion of Missoula County lying within the following described boundary: Beginning at the junction of USFS Road 2120 (Mineral Peak Road) and the Rattlesnake Wilderness Boundary in Section 5, T14N, R17W, then westerly/southwesterly along said road to Forest Service Trail 511, then southerly along said trail to its junction with Trail 514, then westerly along said trail to its junction with USFS Road 99 (Rattlesnake Road), then southwesterly along said road to its junction with the South Zone Boundary (no firearms zone), then northwesterly along said zone boundary to the northwestern corner of Section 14, T13N, R19W and the Rattlesnake Wilderness Boundary, then northerly along said Wilderness Boundary to its junction with the Flathead Indian Reservation Boundary, then easterly along said boundary to the hydrologic divide between Gold Creek and Rattlesnake Creek (west of Gold Creek Lake), then southeasterly along said divide to the junction with Trail 504, then southerly along said trail to its junction with USFS Road 99 (Rattlesnake Road), then southerly along said road to its junction with Trail 52, then easterly along said trail to the Rattlesnake Wilderness Boundary, then southeasterly along said boundary to Forest Road 2120 (Mineral Peak Road) in Section 5, T14N, R17W, the point of beginning.

Portion of HD 283 West of Rattlesnake Creek & Rattlesnake Wilderness/Recreation Area

Reason for Change/Description of the Change: Regulations simplification.

REMOVE: Those portions of Missoula County lying within the following described boundary: Beginning in Missoula where Rattlesnake Creek crosses Interstate 90, then northwest along said interstate to US Highway 93, then north on said highway to the Flathead Indian Reservation boundary near Evaro, then northeast along said boundary to the Rattlesnake Wilderness boundary, then south on said boundary to the South Zone boundary (no firearms zone), then west and southerly along said boundary to Rattlesnake Creek, then southwesterly along said Creek to Interstate 90, the point of beginning.

HD 284

Reason for Change/Description of the Change: Regulations simplification.

REMOVE: That portion of Lewis and Clark County lying within the following-described boundary: Beginning at State Route 200 at its intersection with the section line between Sections 28 and 29, T14N, R9W, then easterly up State Route 200 to its intersection with the Beaver Creek Road, then northerly along said road to its intersection with the Great Falls to Ovando powerline, then easterly along said powerline to its intersection with the Landers Fork of the Blackfoot River, then southwesterly down the Landers Fork to its confluence with the Blackfoot River, then westerly down said river to the section line between Sections 20 and 21, T14N, R8W, then southerly along said line to the southeast corner of Section 20, then westerly along the southern boundary of Sections 20 and 19 to its intersection with the Stemple Pass-Poorman Creek Road, then south along said road to the northeast corner of Section 1, T13N, R9W, at the junction with the Herrin Lakes Road, then northwesterly along said Herrin Lakes Road to its intersection with the Dalton Mtn Road, then northwesterly along said road to its junction with the Sauerkraut Road; then westerly along said road to the section line between Sections 28 and 29, T14N, R9W, then north along said section line to its intersection with State Route 200, the point of beginning. NOTE: Within the above-described boundary Section 24, T14N, R9W, is closed to big game hunting.

Portion of HD 293 South

Reason for Change/Description of the Change: Regulations simplification.

REMOVE: Those portions of Powell and Lewis and Clark Counties lying within the following described boundary: Beginning at the junction of State Route 141 and the Ogden Mountain Road (USFS Road #1163), then north along said Road appx. 1 mile to the US Forest Service ownership boundary, then south and east along said boundary to Ophir Creek Road (USFS #136), then northeast along said Road to the Continental Divide, then south along the Continental Divide to Highway 12 at MacDonald Pass, then west along said highway to State Route 141, then northwest along said route to the Ogden Mountain Road (USFS Road #1163), the point of beginning.

## HD 285

Reason for Change/Description of the Change: Simplify regulations by combining HDs 283 East and HD 285. Creates new HD 285.

FROM: Those portions of Missoula and Powell Counties lying within the following-described boundary: Beginning at the junction of State Route 83 and State Route 200, then southwest along State Route 200 to the Woodchuck-Blanchard Divide, Section 8 SW 1/4, T14N, R14W, then northwest along said divide to Blanchard Pt. and Game Ridge, then northwest along said ridge to the Boles Creek- Belmont Creek Divide, then southwest along said divide to Gold Creek Peak, then northwest along the Boles Creek-Gold Creek Divide to the Flathead Indian Reservation boundary, Section 11 NE 1/4, T15N, R17W, then north along said boundary to the Swan-Clearwater Divide, then northeast along said divide, crossing State Route 83, to Wolverine Peak, then southeast along the Flathead-Blackfoot River Divide to Youngs Pass then east along the watershed divide to Center Creek Trail 463, then east along said trail to Monture Creek Trail 27, then south along said trail to the Monture Creek Campground, then south along Monture Creek Road 89 to State Route 200, then approximately 6 miles west along said route to its junction with the Woodworth Road, then 4.5 miles north on said road to the southern edge of T16N (where the boundary of the Blackfoot-Clearwater WMA crosses Woodworth Road), then east 0.4 miles along said posted boundary, then north 0.5 miles along said posted boundary, then east 0.5 miles along said posted boundary, then north 1.5 miles along said posted boundary to the Seeley-Monture road (USFS Road 477), then four miles northwest on said road to Cottonwood Creek, then south along said creek to Woodworth Road (near the Missoula-Powell County line), then west on said road to its junction with State Route 83, then south on said route to its junction with State Route 200, the point of beginning.

TO: Those portions of Missoula and Powell Counties lying within the following-described boundary: Beginning at the junction of State Route 83 and State Route 200, then southwest along State Route 200 to the Wishard Ridge (Twin Creek and Wishard Gulch divide) at Section 9 NW 1/4, T13N, R17W, then northwest along said divide to Sheep Mountain, then northeast along the ridge dividing Twin Creeks and the East Fork of Rattlesnake Creek to the West Fork of Gold Creek- East Fork of Rattlesnake Creek Divide, then northwest along said divide to the Rattlesnake Wilderness boundary, then northeasterly along said divide to the Flathead Indian Reservation boundary, then north along said boundary to the Swan-Clearwater Divide, then northeast along said divide, crossing State Route 83, to Wolverine Peak, then southeast along the Flathead-Blackfoot River Divide to Youngs Pass then east along the watershed divide to Center Creek Trail 463, then east along said trail to Monture Creek Trail 27, then south along said trail to the Monture Creek Campground, then south along Monture Creek Road 89 to State Route 200, then approximately 6 miles west along said route to its junction with the Woodworth Road, then 4.5 miles north on said road to the southern edge of T16N (where the boundary of the Blackfoot-Clearwater WMA crosses Woodworth Road), then east 0.4 miles along said posted boundary, then north 0.5 miles along said posted boundary, then east 0.5 miles along said posted boundary, then north 1.5 miles along said posted boundary to the Seeley-Monture road (USFS Road 477), then four miles northwest on said road to Cottonwood Creek, then south along said creek to Woodworth Road (near the Missoula-Powell County line), then west on said road to its

junction with State Route 83, then south on said route to its junction with State Route 200, the point of beginning.



## HD 291

Reason for Change/Description of the Change: Simplifies current regulations by combining HD 291 with similarly managed HDs 298 and south portion of 293. The proposed change will eliminate a hunting district and a district portion.

FROM: That portion of Powell County lying within the following-described boundary: Beginning at the junction of State Route 271 (Drummond-Helmville Road) and Interstate 90, then easterly along said interstate to its junction with US Highway 12 at Garrison, then easterly along said route to its junction with State Route 141 at Avon, then north along said route to its junction with Cottonwood Meadows Road (1/4 mile northwest of Nevada Lake), then northwest on said road to its junction with Braziel Creek Road (BLM Road 2864), then south on said road to the northern boundary of BLM Section 22, T12N, R10W, then west along said section line to the southeast corner of Section 16, T12N, R10W, then north along the eastern boundary of said section to its northeast corner, then west along the northern boundaries of Sections 16, 17, and 18 to the northwest corner of Section 18, T12N, R10W, then south along said section boundary to the northeast corner of Section 24, T12N, R11W, then west along said section's northern boundary to its northwest corner, then south along said section's boundary to its southwest corner, then west along the northern boundary of Section 26, T12N, R11W, to its junction with Cottonwood Creek, then north along said creek to its junction with Route 271, then south along said route to its junction with Interstate 90, the point of beginning.

TO: 291 East Garnet Range: That portion of Powell County lying within the following-described boundary: Beginning at the junction of State Route 271 (Drummond-Helmville Road) and Interstate 90, then easterly along said interstate to its junction with US Highway 12 at Garrison, then easterly along said route to its intersection with the US Highway 12 at Garrison, then easterly along said route to its intersection with the US Forest Service District boundary at T9N R6W S2, then north and west along said boundary to its junction with Nevada-Ogden Road (USFS Road #1163), then north along said road to its junction with State Route 200, then west along said road to its junction with State Route 141, then south along said road to its junction with State Route 271 (Drummond-Helmville Road), then west to its junction with Ovando-Helmville County Road, then northwest along said road its junction with State Route 200, then west along said road to its junction with River Junction County Road, then south along said road to the Scotty Brown Bridge and the Blackfoot River, then southeast along said river to its confluence with Lobe Creek, then southeast down said creek to the DNRC/private land boundary, then southeast, south, and west along said boundary to the Bureau of Land Management (BLM)/Private land boundary, then south and east along said boundary (including a small portion of private land in Section 17, T13N, R12W) to the northeast corner of Section 15 (T13N, R12W), then generally southwest along the BLM/Private land boundary to the southeast corner of the SW 1/4 Section 12 (T12N, R13W), then west along said boundary to the BLM/Powell/Granite County line at Section 9 (T12N, R13W), then southeast along said County Line to its junction State Route 271, then south along said road to its intersection with Interstate 90, the point of beginning.

HD 298

Reason for Change/Description of the Change: Regulations simplification.

REMOVE: Those portions of Powell County lying within the following described boundary: Beginning at the junction of Route 271 (Drummond-Helmville Road) and the Powell/Granite County Line, then northwest on said County Line to its intersection with Bureau of Land Management (BLM) boundary in Section 9 (T12N, R13W), then east along said boundary to the southeast corner of the SW 1/4 Section 12 (T12N, R13W), then generally northeast along the BLM /private land boundary to the northeast corner of Section 15 (T13N, R12W), then west and north along the said boundary (including a small portion of private land in Section 17, T13N, R12W) to the MT Dept. of Natural Resources and Conservation DNRC)/ private land boundary, then east, north and northwest along the DNRC/ private land boundary to Lobe Creek, then northwest down said creek to its confluence with the Blackfoot River, then northwest down said river to Scotty Brown Bridge and the County Road, then north on said Road to its junction with State Route 200, then east on said Route to its junction with the Helmville-Ovando County Road, then southeast along said road to its junction with Route 271 at Helmville, then east along said route to its junction with State Route 141, then north along said route to its junction with State Route 200, then east along said route to its junction with the Ogden Mountain Road (USFS Road #1163), then south along said Road to its junction with Route 141, then southeast along said Route to its junction with Cottonwood Meadows Road (1/4 mile northwest of Nevada Lake), then northwest on said Road to its junction with Braziel Creek Road (BLM Road #2864), then south on said Road to the northern boundary of BLM Section 22 (T12N, R10W), then generally west along the northern boundary of BLM land (including DNRC section 16) to its junction with Cottonwood Creek (along the north boundary of BLM Section 26, T12N, R11), then northwest down said Creek to its junction with Route 271, then southwest along said Route to the point of beginning.

## Region 3

### HD 300 name change to HD 303

Reason for Change/Description of the Change: No change to district boundaries or species harvest structure is proposed. This would only assign a new hunt district number to this district. Renaming D/E HD 300 to HD 303 is expected to improve the reliability of hunter survey data. Currently an unknown proportion of hunters appear to use HD 300 to refer to Region 3 in general. This inflates deer and elk hunter and harvest statistics by an unknown amount.

Boundary description of new HD 303 is the same as the description of what was previously HD 300.

That portion of Beaverhead County lying within the following-described boundary: Beginning at the junction of Interstate 15 and the Big Sheep Creek Road south of Dell, then southwesterly along said road to Meadow Creek, then westerly along said creek to the Montana-Idaho border, then southeasterly along said border to Italian Peak, then northeasterly along said border to Interstate 15 at Monida, then northerly along said interstate to the junction with the Big Sheep Road south of Dell, the point of beginning.

## HD 301 Hyalite-Portal - Hyalite-Portal-Spanish Peaks

Reason for Change/Description of the Change: Regulations simplification. Combine HD 301 with the south portion of HD 311 and a small portion of HD 360. New HD will be named HD 301.

FROM: Beginning at Bear Canyon Interchange/Interstate 90, easterly along Interstate 90 to Trail Creek Road, then southerly up said road to the Goose Creek Road, then southerly up said road to the Gallatin-Yellowstone Divide near the Old Cooper Reservoir, then south along said divide to Eaglehead Mountain, then in a northerly and westerly direction along the Portal-Porcupine Creeks and the Porcupine-Levinski Creeks divide to the Gallatin River near the mouth of the West Fork, then west along the West Fork of the Gallatin River to its intersection with Highway 64, then west and north along Highway 64 to the Gallatin-Madison watershed divide then along the Gallatin-Madison divide to Red Knob Mountain, then westerly down Trail Creek to the intersection with the Montana Power Canyon Road in Beartrap Canyon, then southerly along said road to its intersection with the North Shore County Road (at Ennis Lake) then west along said county road to its intersection with Route 84 at Norris, then east along Route 84 to the Gallatin River then south on the Gallatin River to Gallatin Gateway, then east on Gallatin Gateway Road to US Highway 191, then south on US Highway 191 to Cottonwood Road, then southeast to intersection of Cottonwood and Enders Roads, continuing southeast from that intersection along Cottonwood Rd, north to South 19th, then east on South 19th to Nash Rd, then east on Nash Rd to Sourdough Canyon Rd, then south on Sourdough Canyon Rd. to the national forest boundary, then east along said boundary to boundary of State Land Sections 4, 3, 34, 35 and 1 to Bear Canyon Rd, then northerly on Bear Canyon Road, to point of beginning.

TO: Beginning at Bear Canyon Interchange/Interstate 90, easterly along Interstate 90 to Trail Creek Road, then southerly up said road to the Goose Creek Road, then southerly up said road to the Gallatin-Yellowstone Divide near the Old Cooper Reservoir, then south along said divide to Eaglehead Mountain, then in a northerly and westerly direction along the Portal-Porcupine Creeks and the Porcupine-Levinski Creeks divide to the Gallatin River confluence with the West Fork, then west along the West Fork of the Gallatin River to its intersection with Highway 64, then west and north along Highway 64 to the Gallatin-Madison watershed divide then along the Gallatin-Madison divide to Red Knob Mountain, then westerly down Trail Creek to the intersection with Ennis Lake Road in Beartrap Canyon, then southerly along said road to its intersection with the North Ennis Lake Road then west along said county road to its intersection with US Highway 287 at McAllister, then northerly along Highway 287 to its intersection with Route 84 at Norris, then east along Route 84 to the Gallatin River then south on the Gallatin River to Gallatin Gateway, then east on Gallatin Gateway Road to US Highway 191, then south on US Highway 191 to Cottonwood Road, then southeast to intersection of Cottonwood and Enders Roads, continuing southeast from that intersection along Cottonwood Rd, north to South 19th, then east on South 19th to Nash Rd, then east on Nash Rd to Sourdough Canyon Rd, then south on Sourdough Canyon Rd. to the national forest boundary, then east along said boundary to boundary of State Land Sections 4, 3, 34, 35 and 1 to Bear Canyon Rd, then northerly on Bear Canyon Road, to point of beginning.

## HD 302

Reason for Change/Description of the Change: Regulation simplification. Combine HD 302 with the eastern portion of HD 328. New HD name, HD 302. This change will not affect seasons for mule deer, elk, or mountain lion.

FROM: That portion of Beaverhead County lying within the following-described boundary: Beginning at the junction of Route 324 and Interstate 15, then westerly along said route to the Medicine Lodge-Big Sheep Road, then southerly along said road to Hildreth Creek, then westerly along said creek to the Montana-Idaho border, then southerly along said border to the headwaters of Meadow Creek, then easterly along said creek to the Medicine Lodge-Big Sheep Road, then northeasterly along said road to Interstate 15 at Dell, then northerly along said interstate to its junction with Route 324, the point of beginning.

TO: The portion of Beaverhead County lying within the following-described boundary: Beginning at the junction of Route 324 and Interstate 15, then westerly along said route to Bannock Pass on the Montana Idaho border, then to the south-west along the Montana-Idaho border to the headwaters of Meadow Creek, then easterly along said creek to the Medicine Lodge-Big Sheep Road, then notheasterly along said road to Interstate 15 at Dell, then northerly along said interstate to its junction with Route 324, the point of beginning.¶

## HD 310

Reason for Change/Description of the Change: HD 310 has a wintering elk population that is chronically below objective. HD 310 has a restrictive regulation (bulls only) whereas neighboring districts allow more liberal harvest (bulls and antlerless). Recent GPS collar data from research work shows where the HD 310 elk herd used areas outside the old HD 310 boundaries. This boundary change will better encompass the areas used by the HD 310 elk herd, will protect the reproductive segment of this herd under the restrictive season type of HD 310, and should therefore encourage population growth of this below-objective herd.

Combine HD 360 and HD 362 (except for a portion of HD 360 that is proposed to be combined with HD 310 and a portion of HD 360 that is proposed to be combined with proposed HD 301.)

~~Combine HD 310 with the south portion of HD 362. New HD name will be HD 310.~~

FROM: Those portions of Gallatin and Madison Counties lying within the following-described boundary: Beginning at the intersection of Buck Creek and the Gallatin River, then up Buck Creek to the Madison-Gallatin Rivers divide, then south and east along said divide to the Yellowstone National Park Boundary, then northerly along said boundary to its intersection with the Gallatin-Yellowstone Rivers divide, then in a northerly direction along said divide to Eaglehead Mountain, then in a westerly and northerly direction along the Portal Creek-Porcupine Creek divide and along the Porcupine Creek-Levenski Creek divide to the Gallatin River near the mouth of West Fork of the Gallatin River, then southerly up the Gallatin River to Buck Creek, the point of beginning. NOTE: The Gallatin Special Management Area (Bacon Rind and Buffalo Horn Units) are closed to all deer and elk hunting except Elk hunting by special permit only.

TO: Those portions of Gallatin and Madison Counties lying within the following-described boundary: Beginning at the confluence of the West Fork of the Gallatin River with the Gallatin River at Big Sky, then in an easterly direction along Levinski Ridge and the Portal Creek-Porcupine Creek divide to Eaglehead Mountain, then south along the Gallatin and Yellowstone River divide to the Yellowstone National Park Boundary, then south along the Yellowstone National Park Boundary to the Madison/Gallatin Rivers divide, then west and then north along the Madison/Gallatin Rivers divide to the headwaters of Buck Creek, then north and east along the First Yellow Mule Creek, then north and east along the South Fork of the Gallatin River to its confluence with the West Fork of the Gallatin River, then east along the West Fork of the Gallatin River to its confluence with the Gallatin River, the point of the beginning. NOTE: The Gallatin Special Management Area (Bacon Rind and Buffalo Horn Units) are closed to all deer and elk hunting except Elk hunting by special permit only.

## HD 311

Reason for Change/Description of the Change: Regulations simplification. Combine the north portion HD 311 and the northeast portion of HD 333. New HD name will be HD 311. The south portion of old HD 311 is proposed to be combined with HD 301 (see HD 301 proposal.)

FROM: Those portions of Madison, Gallatin, Jefferson and Broadwater Counties lying within the following-described boundary: Beginning at the intersection of US Highway 287 and Route 84 at Norris, then northerly along said highway to Interstate 90 near Three Forks, then southeasterly along said interstate to Heeb Road, then south on Heeb Road to Amsterdam Road, then east on Amsterdam Road to Linney Road, then south on Linney Road to Cameron Bridge Road, east on Cameron Bridge Road to River Road, south on River Road to Highway 84, east on Highway 84 to Shedd's Bridge, south along the Gallatin River, along its western most channels to its intersection with Dudley Creek-West Fork Gallatin divide near Big Sky junction (US Highway 191 and Route 64), then northwesterly up said divide to Wilson Peak, then northwesterly along Hellroaring Creek-West Fork Gallatin-Spanish Creek divide, then along the Madison-Gallatin Rivers divide and the Madison River-Cherry Creek divide to Red Knob Mountain, then westerly down Trail Creek to the intersection with the Montana Power Canyon Road in Beartrap Canyon, then southerly along said road to its intersection with the North Shore County Road (at Ennis Lake), then west along said county road to its intersection with US Highway 287 at McAllister, then northerly along said highway to its intersection with Route 84 at Norris, the point of beginning.

TO: Those portions of Madison, Gallatin, Jefferson and Broadwater Counties lying within the following-described boundary: Beginning at the intersection of US Highway 287 and Route 84 at Norris, then northerly along said highway to its junction with Route 359, then north and west along said route to Interstate 90 near Cardwell, then easterly along said interstate to Heeb Road, then south on Heeb Road to Amsterdam Road, then east on Amsterdam Road to Linney Road, then south on Linney Road to Cameron Bridge Road, east on Cameron Bridge Road to River Road, south on River Road to Highway 84, then west along Highway 84 to the point of beginning.

HD 314

Reason for Change/Description of the Change: Regulations simplification. Remove 'north' and 'south' portions of HD 314.

REMOVE: That portion of HD 314 north of the following boundary: From the intersection of Big Creek and the Yellowstone River, then west up said creek to its headwaters, then west to Eaglehead Mountain.



HD 319

Reason for Change/Description of the Change: Regulations simplification. Combine HD 319 and HD 341. New HD name will be HD 319.

FROM: Those portions of Silver Bow and Deer Lodge Counties lying within the following-described boundary: Beginning at the junction of Interstate 15 and Route 43, then westerly along said route to a point directly opposite the confluence of Pintlar Creek with the Big Hole River (Deer Lodge-Beaverhead County line), northwesterly along the Deer Lodge-Beaverhead County line to the Continental Divide at West Pintlar Peak then northeasterly along the Continental Divide to Route 274, then southerly along said route to American Creek, then southeasterly up said creek to the Continental Divide, then easterly along said divide to Fleecer Ridge at Burnt Mountain, then southerly along Fleecer Ridge to USFS Road 96 (Divide Creek Road) then easterly along said road to Interstate 15, then southerly along said interstate to its junction with Route 43, the point of beginning.

TO: Those portions of Silver Bow and Deer Lodge Counties lying within the following-described boundary: Beginning at the junction of Interstate 15 and Route 43, then westerly along said route to a point directly opposite the confluence of Pintlar Creek with the Big Hole River (Deer Lodge-Beaverhead County line), northwesterly along the Deer Lodge-Beaverhead County line to the Continental Divide at West Pintlar Peak then northeasterly along the Continental Divide to Route 274, then northerly along said route to Route 1, then easterly along said route to Interstate 90, then easterly along said interstate to Interstate 15, then southerly along said interstate to its junction with Route 43, the point of beginning.

## HD 320 & 333

Reason for Change/Description of the Change: Regulations simplification. Combine HD 320 with the south portion of HD 333. New HD name will be HD 320.

FROM: Those portions of Madison and Jefferson Counties lying within the following-described boundary: Beginning at the junction of Montana Highway 287 and U.S. Highway 287 at Ennis, then westerly along same Montana Highway 287 to Twin Bridges, then northerly along Route 41 and Route 55 to the intersection with Interstate 90 at Whitehall, then easterly along Interstate 90 to the intersection with route 359 at Cardwell, then southeasterly along route 359 to the intersection with U. S. Highway 287, then southernly along U. S. Highway 287 to Ennis, the point of beginning.

TO: Those portions of Madison and Jefferson Counties lying within the following-described boundary: Beginning at the junction of Montana Highway 287 and U.S. Highway 287 at Ennis, then westerly along same Montana Highway 287 to Twin Bridges, then northerly along Route 41 and Route 55 to the intersection with Interstate 90 at Whitehall, then easterly along Interstate 90 to the intersection with route 359 at Cardwell, then southeasterly along route 359 to the intersection with U. S. Highway 287, then southernly along U. S. Highway 287 to Ennis, the point of beginning. Plus the portion of HD 333 outside the northeast portion east of State Highway 359, south of Interstate 90, and west of U. S. Highway 287.

HD 321 & 334

Reason for Change/Description of the Change: Regulation simplification. Combine HD 321 and HD 334. New HD name will be HD 321.

FROM: That portion of Beaverhead County lying within the following-described boundary: Beginning at Wisdom and Route 278, then southerly along said route to the Jackson-Skinner Meadows Road, then southerly along said road to the Big Hole-Bloody Dick Divide, then westerly along said divide to the Montana-Idaho border and Continental Divide, then northerly and northeasterly along said divide to the Beaverhead-Deer Lodge County line at West Pintler Peak, then southeasterly along said line to a point on Highway 43 directly opposite the confluence of Pintler Creek with the Big Hole River, then southerly along said route to Route 278 at Wisdom, the point of beginning. Note

TO: That portion of Beaverhead County lying within the following-described boundary: Beginning at Wisdom and Route 278, then southerly along said route to the Jackson-Skinner Meadows Road, then southerly along said road to the Big Hole-Bloody Dick Divide, then westerly along said divide to the Montana-Idaho border and Continental Divide, then northerly and northeasterly along said divide to the Beaverhead-Deer Lodge County line at West Pintler Peak, then southeasterly along said line to a point on Highway 43 directly opposite the confluence of Pintler Creek with the Big Hole River, then southerly along said route to Route 278 at Wisdom, the point of beginning. Plus that portion of Beaverhead County lying within the following described boundary: Beginning at Wisdom and Route 43, then westerly along Route 43 to the Continental Divide, then northerly and northeasterly along said divide to the Beaverhead-Deer Lodge County line at West Pintler Peak, then southeasterly along said line to a point on Route 43 directly opposite the confluence of Pintler Creek with the Big Hole River, then southerly along Route 43 to Route 278 at Wisdom, the point of beginning.

## HD 322

Reason for Change/Description of the Change: Regulation simplification. Combine HDs 322, 323, 324, 325, 326, 327, 330. New HD name will be HD 322. Wall Creek Special Hunt portion from HD 323 will be maintained for elk.

FROM: Those portions of Beaverhead and Madison Counties lying within the following-described boundary: Beginning at the junction of Route 41 and the Sweetwater Road, then easterly along said road to the Ruby River Road, then northerly down said road to Montana Highway 287 at Alder, then northwesterly along said highway to Route 41 at Twin Bridges, then southerly along said route to the junction of the Sweetwater Road, the point of beginning.

TO: Those portions of Madison and Beaverhead Counties lying within the following-described boundary: Beginning at Twin Bridges, southeasterly along Montana Highway 287 to the intersection with U. S. Highway 287 at Ennis, then southerly along [U. S. Highway 287](#) [the east bank of the Missouri River](#) to the intersection with Route 87, then southernly along Route 87 to the Montana-Idaho border, then westerly along the Montana-Idaho border to the intersections with Interstate 15 at the Monida Pass, then northerly along Interstate 15 to the intersection with Route 41 at Dillon, then northerly along Route 41 to Twin Bridges, the point of beginning.

### HD 323

Reason for Change/Description of the Change: Regulation simplification. Combine HDs 322, 323, 324, 325, 326, 327, 330. New HD name will be HD 322. Portion of HD 323 known as Wall Creek Special Hunt area would be maintained.

REMOVE HD 323.

### HD 324

Reason for Change/Description of the Change: Regulation simplification. Combine HDs 322, 323, 324, 325, 326, 327, 330. New HD name will be HD 322.

REMOVE HD 324.

### HD 325

Reason for Change/Description of the Change: Regulation simplification. Combine HDs 322, 323, 324, 325, 326, 327, 330. New HD name will be HD 322.

REMOVE HD 325.

### HD 326

Reason for Change/Description of the Change: Regulation simplification. Combine HDs 322, 323, 324, 325, 326, 327, 330. New HD name will be, HD 322.

REMOVE HD 326

### HD 327

Reason for Change/Description of the Change: Regulation simplification. Combine HDs 322, 323, 324, 325, 326, 327, 330. New HD name, HD 322.

REMOVE HD 327.

### HD 330

Reason for Change/Description of the Change: Regulation simplification. Combine HDs 322, 323, 324, 325, 326, 327, 330. New HD name, HD 322.

REMOVE HD 330.

HD 328

Reason for Change/Description of the Change: Regulations simplification. Eliminate HD 328 based on it being broken into two with the western portion being combined with HD 329 and the eastern portion being combined with HD 302.

REMOVE: That portion of Beaverhead County lying within the following-described boundary: Beginning at the Montana-Idaho Border at Lemhi Pass, then easterly along the Lemhi Pass Road to Route 324, then easterly along said route to Medicine Lodge-Big Sheep Road, then southerly along said road to Hildreth Creek, and then westerly along said Creek to the Montana-Idaho border, then northwesterly along said border to Lemhi Pass, the point of beginning.

## HD 329 & 328

Reason for Change/Description of the Change: Regulation simplification. Combine HD 329 and the western portion of HD 328 New HD name, HD 329. This is proposed to simplify regulations and not for biological reasons. However, GPS data from cow elk collared in Montana and Idaho show that elk freely move between HD 329 and the west half of HD 328. This is further supported by ground and aerial observations that show seasonal movement between these two areas. This change, coupled with the expansion of HD 302, will eliminate HD 328.

FROM: That portion of Beaverhead County lying within the following-described boundary: Beginning at the junction of Route 324 and Interstate 15, then westerly along Route 324 to Lemhi Pass Road, then westerly along said road to the Montana-Idaho border at Lemhi Pass, then northerly along said border to the Bloody Dick-Big Hole Divide, then easterly along said divide to the Skinner Meadows-Jackson Road, then northerly along said road to Route 278 near Jackson, then easterly along said route to Interstate 15, then southerly along said interstate to Route 324, the point of beginning.

TO: That portion of Beaverhead County lying within the following-described boundary: Beginning at the junction of Route 324 and Interstate 15, then westerly along Route 324 to the Montana-Idaho border at Bannock Pass, then northerly along said border to the Bloody Dick-Big Hole Divide, then easterly along said divide to the Skinner Meadows-Jackson Road, then northerly along said road to Route 278 near Jackson, then easterly along said route to Interstate 15, then southerly along said interstate to Route 324, the point of beginning.

## HD 331 & 332

Reason for Change/Description of the Change: Regulation simplification. Combine HD 331 and 332. New HD name will be HD 331.

FROM: Those portions of Beaverhead, Deer Lodge, Silverbow and Madison County lying within the following-described boundary: Beginning at the junction of Route 278 and Interstate 15, then westerly and north for the length of Route 278 to Junction of Route 278 and Route 43 in Wisdom, MT. Continuing north and easterly along Route 43 to Interstate 15 at Divide, then south along said interstate to Route 278, the point of beginning.

TO: Those portions of Beaverhead, Deer Lodge, Silverbow and Madison County lying within the following-described boundary: Beginning at the junction of Route 278 and Interstate 15, then westerly and north for the length of Route 278 to Junction of Route 278 and Route 43 in Wisdom, MT. Continuing north and easterly along Route 43 to Interstate 15 at Divide, then south along said interstate to Route 278, the point of beginning. Plus those portions of Beaverhead, Silver Bow and Deer Lodge Counties lying within the following-described boundary: Beginning at Wise River, then southerly on the Wise River-Grasshopper County Road to Route 278, then westerly on said route to Route 43 at Wisdom, then northerly and easterly along said route to Wise River, the point of beginning.



HD 332

Reason for Change/Description of the Change: Regulations simplification. Eliminate HD 332 as it is being combined with HD 331.

REMOVE: Those portions of Beaverhead, Silver Bow and Deer Lodge Counties lying within the following-described boundary: Beginning at Wise River, then southerly on the Wise River-Grasshopper County Road to Route 278, then westerly on said route to Route 43 at Wisdom, then northerly and easterly along said route to Wise River, the point of beginning.

## HD 333

Reason for Change/Description of the Change: Regulations simplification. Eliminate HD 333. Move the northeast portion of HD 333 east of state highway 359, south of I-90 and west of US highway 287 to HD 311. Remove the remainder of HD 333 by combining it with 320.

REMOVE: Those portions of Madison, Gallatin and Jefferson Counties lying within the following-described boundary: Beginning at the junction of Interstate 90 and Route 55 at Whitehall, then southerly along said route to its intersection with the Waterloo Parson's Bridge Road (also known as Guy George Bridge), then southeasterly along said road to the Mill Canyon Road, then easterly on said road and USFS Trail 89 (Mill Canyon Trail) to the South Boulder-Jefferson River Divide, then southerly and easterly along said divide and South Boulder-Ruby River Divide and Madison-Ruby River Divide to Ramshorn Mountain, then easterly down South Meadow Creek to its junction with US Highway 287, then northerly along said highway to its junction with Interstate 90 (near Three Forks), then westerly along said interstate to its junction with Route 55 at Whitehall, the point of beginning.

HD 334

Reason for Change/Description of the Change: Regulation simplification. Eliminate HD 334. Combine HD 334 and HD 321. New HD name will be HD 321.

REMOVE: That portion of Beaverhead County lying within the following described boundary: Beginning at Wisdom and Route 43, then westerly along Route 43 to the Continental Divide, then northerly and northeasterly along said divide to the Beaverhead-Deer Lodge County line at West Pintler Peak, then southeasterly along said line to a point on Route 43 directly opposite the confluence of Pintler Creek with the Big Hole River, then southerly along Route 43 to Route 278 at Wisdom, the point of beginning.

HD 341

Reason for Change/Description of the Change: Regulation simplification. Eliminate HD 341. Combine HD 341 and HD 319. New HD name will be HD 319.

REMOVE: Those portions of Silver Bow and Deer Lodge Counties lying within the following-described boundary: Beginning at the junction of Interstate 90 and Interstate 15 near Rocker, then southerly along said Interstate to its junction with USFS Road 96 (Divide Creek Road), then westerly along said road to Fleecer Ridge, then northerly along said ridge to the Continental Divide at Burnt Mountain, then westerly along said divide to the head of American Creek, then northwesterly down said creek to Route 274, then northerly along said route to Route 1, then easterly along said route to Interstate 90, then easterly along said interstate to Interstate 15, the point of beginning.

## HD 343 & 293

Reason for Change/Description of the Change: Boundary: Regulations simplification. Combine HD 343 with the eastern portion of HD 293. New HD name will be HD 343. Because we're recommending retention of HD 339, which in the 2005 Elk Plan includes an objective for a minimum average age of 5.5 years for bull elk harvested with a limited Either-sex Elk Permit, and HD 388 for safety reasons, we recommend retention of HD 343 combined with the eastern portion of HD 293. These HDs are within the same Elk Management Unit.

FROM: That portion of Lewis and Clark County lying within the following-described boundary: Beginning at Flesher Pass, then southerly along State Route 279 to its intersection with County Route 602 (the Birdseye Road, also known as Williams Street), then southerly along said route to the north boundary of Section 15, T10N, R4W, and the intersection with the property owned and administered by the Department of Defense and known as Fort Harrison in Section 15, T10N, R4W, then along the boundary of all property owned and administered by the Department of Defense known as Fort Harrison in Sections 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, and 22, T10N, R4W, to the intersection with County Route 602 (the Birdseye Road, also known as Williams Street) in Section 22, T10N, R4W, then southerly along said route to its intersection with US Highway 12, then westerly along said route to MacDonald Pass and the Continental Divide, then along said divide in a northerly direction to Flesher Pass, the point of beginning.

TO: Those portions of Powell and Lewis and Clark Counties lying within the following-described boundary: Beginning at Rogers Pass and the Continental Divide, then southerly along said divide to Flesher Pass, then southerly along State Route 279 to its intersection with County Route 602 (the Birdseye Road, also known as Williams Street), then southerly along said route to the north boundary of Section 15, T10N, R4W, and the intersection with the property owned and administered by the Department of Defense and known as Fort Harrison in Section 15, T10N, R4W, then along the boundary of all property owned and administered by the Department of Defense known as Fort Harrison in Sections 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, and 22, T10N, R4W, to the intersection with County Route 602 (the Birdseye Road, also known as Williams Street) in Section 22, T10N, R4W, then southerly along said route to its intersection with US Highway 12, then westerly along said route to MacDonald Pass and the Continental Divide, then along said divide in a northerly direction to its junction with the US Forest Service ownership boundary in Section 2, T11N, R6W, near Mullan Pass, then generally west and northwest along the US Forest Service ownership boundary to its junction with Jefferson Creek Road in the northwest corner of Section 1 (T12N, R9W) (USFS road #1834), then north and east along said road to its junction with McClellan Gulch in the southwest corner of Section 32 (T13N, R8W), then north along said gulch to its junction with the Stemple Pass-Poorman Creek Road, then northwest and north on said road to the southern boundary of Section 19, T14N, R8W, then easterly along the southern boundary of Sections 19 and 20 to the southeast corner of Section 20, then northerly along the section line between Sections 20 and 21 to its intersection with the Blackfoot River, then easterly up said river to its confluence with the Landers Fork River, then northerly along said river to the Landers Fork River Bridge, then northeast along State Route 200 to Rogers Pass, the point of beginning.

## HD 350 & 370

Reason for Change/Description of the Change: Regulations simplification. Combine HD 350 and HD 370. New HD name will be HD 350. Form east and west portions that correspond to current HDs 370 and 350, respectively. Retain current elk regulations in each portion.

FROM: Those portions of Silver Bow and Jefferson Counties lying within the following-described boundary: Beginning at Butte, then northeasterly along Interstate 15 to its junction with Route 69 at Boulder, then southerly along said route to its junction with the Boulder-Whitetail Road, then southerly along the said road to its junction with Interstate 90 at Whitehall, then westerly along said interstate to its junction with Interstate 15 at Butte, the point of beginning.

TO: Those portions of Silver Bow and Jefferson Counties lying within the following-described boundary: Beginning at Butte, then northeasterly along Interstate 15 to its junction with Highway 69 at Boulder, then southerly along said route to its junction with Interstate 90, then westerly along said interstate to its junction with Interstate 15 at Butte, the point of beginning.

Create a Portion of HD: 350-West

Reason for Change/Description of the Change: Regulation simplification

ADD: Those portions of Silver Bow and Jefferson counties lying within the following described boundary: Beginning at Butte, then northeasterly along Interstate 15 to its junction with Highway 69 at Boulder, then southerly along said highway to its junction with the Boulder-Whitetail Road, then southerly along the said road to its junction with Interstate 90 at Whitehall, then westerly along said interstate to its junction with Interstate 15 at butte, the point of beginning.

Create a Portion of HD: 350-East

Reason for Change/Description of the Change: Regulation simplification

ADD: That portion of Jefferson County lying within the following described boundary: Beginning on Interstate 90 at Whitehall, then easterly along said interstate to the Highway 69 bridge, then northerly along said Highway 69 to the Whitetail-Boulder Road, then southerly along said road to interstate 90 at Whitehall, the point of beginning.

HD 360, 301 & 362

Reason for Change/Description of the Change: Regulations simplification. Combine HD 360 and HD 362 (except for a portion of HD 360 that is proposed to be combined with HD 310 and a portion of HD 360 that is proposed to be combined with proposed HD 301. ~~Combine HD 360 (minus a small portion that is being combined with HD 301) with north portion of HD 362.~~ New HD name will be HD 360.

FROM: That portion of Madison and Gallatin Counties lying within the following-described boundary: Beginning at the intersection of Indian Creek and the Madison River, then following the east bank of said river to the bridge at Ennis on US Highway 287, then northerly along said highway to its intersection with the North Shore County Road (at Ennis Lake) at McAllister, then easterly along said county road to the mouth of Beartrap Canyon and the Montana Power Canyon Road, then northerly along said road to Trail Creek, then up Trail Creek in an easterly direction to Red Knob Mountain and the Madison-Cherry Creek Divide, then southerly along said divide and the Madison-Gallatin Rivers Divide to the Spanish Creek-West Fork Gallatin-Hellroaring Creek Divide, then easterly along said divide to Wilson Peak, then southeasterly down the Dudley Creek-West Fork Gallatin divide to the Gallatin River, then southerly up said river to the intersection with Buck Creek, then up said creek in a westerly direction to the Madison-Gallatin Rivers Divide, then southerly along said divide to Shedhorn ridge (mountain), then northwesterly down the toe of Shedhorn Ridge to Indian Creek, then westerly down said creek to its intersection with the Madison River, the point of beginning.

TO: Those portions of Madison and Gallatin Counties lying within the following-described boundary: Beginning at the junction of US Highways 287 and 191 at the Duck Creek Y, then northerly along US Highway 191 to its intersection with the Yellowstone National Park boundary, then northerly along said boundary to its intersection with the Madison-Gallatin River divide to the headwaters of Buck Creek, then north and east along the First Yellow Mule Creek to its confluence with the South Fork of the West Fork of the Gallatin River, then north and east along said river to its the West Fork of the Gallatin River, then west along the West Fork of the Gallatin River to its intersection with Highway 64, then then west and north along Highway 64 to the Gallatin-Madison watershed divide then along the Gallatin-Madison divide to Red Knob Mountain, then westerly down Trail Creek to the intersection with Ennis Lake Road in Beartrap Canyon, then southerly to its intersection with North Ennis Lake Road, then westerly along said road to its intersection with US Highway 287 at McAllister, then southerly along US Highway 287 to the bridge at Ennis over the Madison River, then southerly along the east and north bank of the Madison River to Earthquake Lake to Hebgen Lake Dam, then easterly along the north shore of Hebgen Lake to Grayling Creek, then up said creek to US Highway 287, then easterly along said highway to its junction with US Highway 191 at the Duck Creek Y, the point of the beginning.

HD 362

Reason for Change/Description of the Change: Regulations simplification. Eliminate HD 362. Combine ~~north portion of~~ HD 362 with HD 360 ~~and south portion of HD 362 with HD 310~~.

REMOVE: Those portions of Madison and Gallatin Counties lying within the following-described boundary: Beginning at the mouth of Indian Creek and the east bank of the Madison River, then southerly along the east and north bank of said river and Earthquake Lake to Hebgen Lake Dam, then easterly along the north shore of Hebgen Lake to Grayling Creek, then up said creek to US Highway 287, then easterly along said highway to its junction with US Highway 191 at the Duck Creek Y, then northerly along US Highway 191 to its intersection with the Yellowstone National Park boundary, then northerly along said boundary to its intersection with the Madison-Gallatin River divide, then westerly and northerly along said divide through Sentinel and Imp Peaks to the Shedhorn Ridge (mountain), then northwesterly down the toe of said ridge to Indian Creek, then westerly down said creek to the point where the mouth of Indian Creek and the east bank of the Madison River meet, the point of beginning.



HD 370

Reason for Change/Description of the Change: Eliminate HD 370. HD 370 is being added to HD 350.

REMOVE: That portion of Jefferson County lying within the following-described boundary: Beginning on Interstate 90 at Whitehall, then easterly along said interstate to the Route 69 bridge, then northerly along said Route 69 to the Whitetail-Boulder Road, then southerly along said road to Interstate 90 at Whitehall, the point of beginning.

## HD 380 & 390

Reason for Change/Description of the Change: Regulation simplification. Adding southeast portion of HD 380 between the Missouri River and U.S. Hwy 287 to HD 390. New name will be HD 390.

FROM: Those portions of Jefferson, Broadwater, and Lewis and Clark Counties lying within the following-described boundary: beginning at Boulder, then southerly along Route 69 to Interstate 90, then easterly along said route to the Jefferson River Bridge west of Three Forks, then northeasterly down the east bank of the Jefferson River to the Missouri River, then northerly down the east bank of said river and the east shore of Canyon Ferry Reservoir to Canyon Ferry Dam and Route 284, then southerly along said route to US Highway 12-287, then westerly along said highway to Route 518 at East Helena, then southerly along said route to the junction with Interstate 15, then southerly along said interstate to Boulder the point of beginning.

TO: Those portions of Jefferson, Broadwater, and Lewis and Clark Counties lying within the following-described boundary: Beginning at Boulder, then southerly along Route 69 to Interstate 90, then easterly along said route to its junction with U.S. Hwy 287, then northeasterly along U.S. Hwy 287 to its junction with the Missouri River near Toston, then northerly down the east bank of said river and the east shore of Canyon Ferry Reservoir to Canyon Ferry Dam and Route 284, then southwesterly along said route to US Highway 12-287, then westerly along said highway to Route 518 at East Helena, then southerly along said route to the junction with Interstate 15, then southerly along said interstate to Boulder the point of beginning.

### Portion of HD 380 North

Reason for Change/Description of the Change: Remove HD 380 North portion.

REMOVE: Those portions of Jefferson, Broadwater, and Lewis and Clark Counties lying within the following described boundary: Beginning at Canyon Ferry Dam, then southerly along the west shoreline of Canyon Ferry Reservoir to Beaver Creek, then westerly up said Creek to the intersection of USFS trail 115 and 116, then westerly along trail 115 to its intersection with trail 113, then southwesterly along said trail to USFS road 4032, then southerly along said road to USFS road 164, then westerly along said road to Interstate 15, then northerly along said Interstate to Route 518 at Montana City, then northeasterly along said route to the junction with Highway 12-287, then easterly along said route to the intersection of Route 284, then northerly and easterly along said route to Canyon Ferry Dam, the point of beginning.

### Portion of HD 380 South

Reason for Change/Description of the Change: Remove HD 380 South portion.

REMOVE: Beginning at the east bank of the Missouri River at the Highway Bridge at Toston, then south and west along US Highway 12 and 287 to the junction with the Radersburg Road (County Road 285), then west along said road through Radersburg, then north and west along said road which becomes USFS Road 424 to the National Forest Boundary, then south and west

along the National Forest Boundary to the junction with Johnny's Gulch Road (Forest Service Road 621), then northwesterly up said road to the Helena-Lewis & Clark and Beaverhead-Deerlodge National Forest boundary, then northerly along said boundary to Crow and Elkhorn Peak, then westerly along the Boulder- Missouri River divide to the National Forest Boundary, then north along said boundary to the Prickly Pear Creek Road (USFS Road #164), then northwesterly along said road to Interstate 15, then southerly along Interstate 15 to the junction with Route 69, then south and east along said route to the Interstate 90 bridge, then easterly along Interstate 90 to the Jefferson River Bridge near Three Forks Junction, then northeasterly down said river to the Missouri River, then northerly down the east bank of said river to Toston, the point of beginning.

## HD 390

Reason for Change/Description of the Change: Add southeast portion of HD 380 to HD 390. New HD name will be HD 390. Adding the southeast portion of HD 380 between the Missouri River and U.S. Hwy 287 to HD 390 is a better fit for elk management. Elk which likely originated out of HD 312 or 390 have become established in that area in recent years.

FROM: Those portions of Broadwater, Gallatin and Meagher Counties lying in the following-described boundary: Beginning at the mouth of Sixteenmile Creek and the east bank of the Missouri River, then northerly along the east bank of said river to the mouth of Greyson Creek, then easterly up said creek to its junction with the Ridge Road, then south and east along the Ridge Road to the junction of the Dry Creek Road cutoff, then southerly to the Dry Creek Road, then easterly along the Dry Creek Road to the Meagher-Broadwater County line, then southerly along said line to the Meagher-Gallatin County line, then east along said line to Sixteenmile Creek, then northeasterly along said creek to Ringling, then southerly and westerly along the Ringling-Maudlow Road to its junction with Dry Creek Road and Sixteenmile Creek at Maudlow, then westerly along said creek to the east bank of the Missouri River, the point of beginning.

TO: Those portions of Broadwater, Gallatin and Meagher Counties lying within the following-described boundary: Beginning at the junction of I-90 and the east bank of the Jefferson River near Three Forks, then west on I-90 to its intersection with U.S. Hwy 287, then north and east on U.S. Hwy 287 until its junction with the Missouri River near Toston, then northerly along the east bank of said river to the mouth of Greyson Creek, then easterly up said creek to its junction with the Ridge Road, then south and east along the Ridge Road to the junction of the Dry Creek Road cutoff, then southerly to the Dry Creek Road, then easterly along the Dry Creek Road to the Meagher-Broadwater County line, then southerly along said line to the Meagher-Gallatin County line, then east along said line to Sixteenmile Creek, then northeasterly along said creek to Ringling, then southerly and westerly along the Ringling-Maudlow Road to its junction with Dry Creek Road and Sixteenmile Creek at Maudlow, then westerly along said creek to the east bank of the Missouri River, then southerly along the east bank of said river to the mouth of the Jefferson River, then southwesterly along the east bank of the Jefferson River to the point of beginning.¶

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HD 393

Reason for Change/Description of the Change: Regulation simplification. Remove mule deer portion of HD 393 south of Willow Creek (external boundaries remain unchanged).

REMOVE: Those portions of Park County within the following described boundary: Beginning at the junction of Interstate 90 and the Yellowstone River at Livingston, then easterly down said river to its junction with US Highway 89, then northerly along said highway to the junction with Willow Creek, then westerly up said Creek to the junction of South Fork Willow Creek, then southwesterly up said Creek to the junction with the National Forest boundary at the Willow Creek-Fleshman Creek divide, then westerly and southerly along said boundary to the headwaters of Area (O'Rea) Creek at the Area (O'Rea) Creek-Fleshman Creek divide, then southeasterly down said creek to the intersection with Interstate 90, then easterly along Interstate 90 to the Yellowstone River at Livingston, the point of beginning.

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## Region 4

### HD 412

Reason for Change/Description of the Change: With expanding elk populations across central Montana, moving the portion of HD 412 south of Hanover Road, primarily farmground, into HD 419 will reflect the similarities in habitat types between that area and HD 419.

FROM: That portion of Fergus County lying within the following-described boundary: Beginning at Lewistown, then easterly along US Highway 87 (State Route 200), to its junction with State Highway 19 at Grass Range, then north along said highway to its junction with US Highway 191 at Bohemian Corner, then westerly along US Highway 191 to Hilger, then north on the Winifred Road (FAS236) approximately three miles to the junction of Salt Creek Road, then northwesterly along said road to the Plum Creek Road, then southwesterly along said road to State Route 81, then westerly along said route to the Judith River, then southerly along said river to US Highway 87, then easterly along said Highway to Lewistown, the point of beginning.

TO: That portion of Fergus County lying within the following-described boundary: Beginning at Lewistown, then easterly along US Highway 87 (State Route 200), to its junction with State Highway 19 at Grass Range, then north along said highway to its junction with US Highway 191 at Bohemian Corner, then westerly along US Highway 191 to Hilger, then north on the Winifred Road (FAS236) approximately three miles to the junction of Salt Creek Road, then northwesterly along said road to the Plum Creek Road, then southwesterly along said road to State Route 81, then westerly along said route to the Judith River, then southerly along said river to the Hanover Road (FAS426), then easterly along said route to US Highway 191, then southerly along said highway to its junction with US Highway 87, at Lewistown, the point of beginning.

HD 413

Reason for Change/Description of the Change: Regulations Simplification. Combined current HDs 413 and 432 to create a new larger HD 432.

FROM: Those portions of Cascade and Meagher Counties lying within the following-described boundary: Beginning at Ulm, then following Interstate 15 northeasterly to US Highways 87 and 89 at Great Falls, then southeast along said highways to Armington Junction US Highway 89 and 87 separate), then south on US Highway 89 to its junction with Harley Creek (two miles north of Neihart), then westerly along Harley Creek to its junction with USFS Road 839, then south on said road to its junction with USFS Road 586, then westerly along said road past Onion Park, Williams Park and Eagle Park to where said road intersects with USFS Road 6424 (South Fork Tenderfoot Creek Road), then westerly on said road and down the South Fork Tenderfoot Creek to forks of Tenderfoot Creek, then westerly down the main Tenderfoot Creek to its confluence with the Smith River, then north and down said river to Ulm, the point of beginning.~~Those portions of Cascade, Meagher and Judith Basin Counties lying within the following-described boundary: Beginning in Great Falls at the junction of US Highways 87 and 89, then southeast on US Highway 87 to Dry Wolf Creek Road near Stanford, then southward up said road, (up Dry Wolf Creek and Lyon Gulch, past Yogo Peak and Slide Rock Point) to its junction with USFS Road 487, then west on said road to U.S. Highway 89 at Kings Hill Pass, then north on said highway to its junction with Harley Creek (two miles north of Neihart), then westerly along said creek to its junction with USFS Road 839, then south on said road to its junction with USFS Road 586, then westerly on said road past Onion Park, Williams Park, and Eagle Park to its junction with USFS Road 6424 (South Fork Tenderfoot Creek Road), then westerly on said road (along the South Fork Tenderfoot Creek) to the fork of Tenderfoot Creek, then westerly along Tenderfoot Creek to its confluence with the Smith River, then north and down said river to Ulm Bridge, then northbound on Millegan Road to its junction with Interstate-15, then along Interstate-15 to its junction with US Highway 89, then eastward along said Highway to the junction of US Highway 87 and 89, the point of beginning.~~

TO: Those portions of Cascade, Meagher and Judith Basin Counties lying within the following-described boundary: Beginning in Great Falls at the junction of US Highways 87 and 89, then southeast on US Highway 87 to Dry Wolf Creek Road near Stanford, then southward up said road, (up Dry Wolf Creek and Lyon Gulch, past Yogo Peak and Slide Rock Point) to its junction with USFS Road 487, then west on said road to U.S. Highway 89 at Kings Hill Pass, then north on said highway to its junction with Harley Creek (two miles north of Neihart), then westerly along said creek to its junction with USFS Road 839, then south on said road to its junction with USFS Road 586, then westerly on said road past Onion Park, Williams Park, and Eagle Park to its junction with USFS Road 6424 (South Fork Tenderfoot Creek Road), then westerly on said road (along the South Fork Tenderfoot Creek) to the fork of Tenderfoot Creek, then westerly along Tenderfoot Creek to its confluence with the Smith River, then north and down the west bank of said river to its confluence with the Missouri River, then northwesterly along the west bank of the Missouri River to the Ulm Bridge, then northbound on Millegan Road to its junction with Interstate-15, then eastward on Interstate-15 to its junction with US Highway 89, then eastward on said Highway to the junction of US Highway 87 and 89, the point of beginning.

## HD 416

Reason for Change/Description of the Change: Combined current HDs 416 and 454 to create a new larger HD416

FROM: Southwest: Those portions of Cascade and Meagher Counties lying within the following-described boundary: Beginning at White Sulphur Springs, then northwest along Route 360 (Fort Logan-Millegan Road) to junction of said route with the Smith River, then north and downstream said river to its confluence with Tenderfoot Creek, then easterly up said creek to fork with South Fork Tenderfoot Creek, then easterly on South Fork Tenderfoot Creek, and then continuing on USFS Road 6424 (South Fork Tenderfoot) to intersection of said road with the main county road (Road 586 on Forest Service travel plan map), then easterly on said road past Eagle Park, Williams Park, and Onion Park to its junction with USFS Road 839, then north on said road to its junction with Harley Creek, then easterly along Harley Creek to its junction with US Highway 89 (two miles north of Neihart), then south on said highway to White Sulphur Springs, the point of beginning.

TO: 416 Little Belt Mountains: Southwest: Those portions of Cascade, Meagher and Judith Basin Counties lying within the following-described boundary: Beginning at White Sulphur Springs, then northwest along Route 360 (Fort Logan-Millegan Road) to junction of said route with the Smith River, then north and downstream said river to its confluence with Tenderfoot Creek, then easterly up said creek the South Fork Tenderfoot Creek, then easterly along South Fork Tenderfoot Creek to USFS Road 6424 (South Fork Tenderfoot), then south along said road to its intersection with the main county road (Road 586 on Forest Service travel plan map), then easterly on said road past Eagle Park, Williams Park, and Onion Park to its junction with USFS Road 839, then north on said road to its junction with Harley Creek, then easterly along Harley Creek to its junction with US Highway 89 (two miles north of Neihart), then south on said highway to the junction with the South Fork of the Judith River-Hoover Springs-Deadman Creek Road, then east along said road to the Spring Creek-Whitetail Cabin Road, then south along said road to Highway 12, then west along said highway to White Sulphur Springs, the point of beginning.



## HD 417

Reason for Change/Description of the Change: The objective of this proposed change is to simplify the legal descriptions of the above HDs by reducing the number of junctions and keeping boundaries to highways, major rivers, and routes. Additionally, the boundary change between HDs 417 and 426 will better reflect elk movements and distribution in the northeastern corner of HD 426/northwestern corner of HD 417.

FROM: Those portions of Fergus County lying within the following-described boundary: Beginning at Hilger, then easterly and northerly on US Highway 191 to the Missouri River, then westerly up said river to the Stafford Ferry Road, then south on said road to the Knox Ridge Road, then westerly on said road to Route 236 at Winifred, then south on said route to US Highway 191 at Hilger, the point of beginning.

TO: Those portions of Fergus County lying within the following-described boundary: Beginning at Hilger, then easterly and northerly on US Highway 191 to the Missouri River, then westerly up said river to the PN Bridge, then south on PN/Winifred Road (FAS236) to its junction with US Highway 191 at Hilger, the point of beginning.

## HD 419

Reason for Change/Description of the Change: With expanding elk populations across central Montana, moving the portion of HD 412 south of Hanover Road, primarily farm ground, into HD 419 will reflect the similarities in habitat types between that area and HD 419.

FROM: Those portions of Judith Basin and Fergus Counties lying within the following-described boundary: Beginning at Geysers, then north on the Geysers-Geraldine Road to Arrow Creek, then down said creek to Route 230, then south along said route to Route 81, then easterly along said route through Denton to the Judith River, then southwesterly up said river to US Highway 87 (near Hobson), then northwesterly along said highway to Geysers, the point of beginning.

TO: Those portions of Judith Basin and Fergus Counties lying within the following-described boundary: Beginning at Geysers, then north on the Geysers-Geraldine Road to Arrow Creek, then down said creek to Route 80, then south along said route to Route 81, then easterly along said route through Denton to the Judith River, then southwesterly up said river to the Hanover Road (FAS426), then easterly along said route to US Highway 191, then southerly along said highway to its junction with US Highway 87 at Lewistown, then westerly along said highway to Geysers, the point of beginning.

HD 421

Reason for Change/Description of the Change: Combining HDs 421 and 423

FROM: Those portions of Cascade and Lewis and Clark Counties lying within the following-described boundary: Beginning at Cascade, then west along Interstate-15 to the bridge over Lyons Creek, then up said creek and the North Fork of Lyons Creek to the Continental Divide, then northwest along said divide to Highway 200 at Rogers Pass, then northeasterly along said route to its intersection with Interstate-15 at Vaughn, then south and west along said Interstate to Cascade, the point of beginning.

TO: Those portions of Cascade and Lewis and Clark Counties lying within the following-described boundary: Beginning at Cascade, then west along Interstate-15 to the bridge over Lyons Creek, then up said creek and the North Fork of Lyons Creek to the Continental Divide, then northwest along said divide to Highway 200 at Rogers Pass, then northeasterly along said route to its intersection with Interstate-15 at Vaughn, then south and west along said Interstate to Cascade, the point of beginning.

HD 422

Reason for Change/Description of the Change: HD 422/444 Boundary Change

FROM: That portion of Lewis and Clark county lying within the following-described boundary: Beginning at the Continental Divide at Rogers Pass, then northwesterly along said divide to the head of the South Fork of the Sun River, then northerly down said river to USFS trail 248, then easterly along said trail to USFS trail 212, then southeasterly along said trail to USFS trail 232 (Crown Creek trail), then easterly along said trail to USFS Trail 270 (Crown Mountain trail), then northerly along said trail to Ford Creek, then down Ford Creek to the USFS boundary, then northerly along said boundary to the Benchmark road, then northerly and easterly along said road to Augusta and FAS 434, then southerly along said road to the Dearborn River approximately two miles southeast of Bean Lake, then southeasterly along said river to State Route 200 approximately seven miles southwest of Bowmans Corner, then southwesterly along said route to the Continental Divide at Rogers Pass, the point of beginning.

TO: That portion of Lewis and Clark county lying within the following described boundary: Beginning at the Continental Divide at Rogers Pass, then northwesterly along said divide to the head of the South Fork of the Sun River, then northerly down said river to USFS trail 248, then easterly along said trail to USFS trail 212, then southeasterly along said trail to USFS trail 232 (Crown Creek trail), then easterly along said trail to USFS Trail 270 (Crown Mountain trail), then northerly along said trail to Ford Creek, then down Ford Creek to the USFS boundary, then northerly along said boundary to the Benchmark road, then northerly and easterly along said road to Augusta and FAS 434, then northerly along said route to Highway 287 (approximately  $\hat{A}$  $\frac{1}{2}$  mile), then southerly along said Highway to the junction of Highway 200 (Bowmans Corner), then southwesterly along said route to the Continental Divide at Rogers Pass, the point of beginning.

HD 423

Reason for Change/Description of the Change:

REMOVE: That portion of Lewis and Clark County lying within the following described boundary: Beginning at the intersection of US Highway 287 and State Route 200 at Bowmans Corner, then southerly along US Highway 287 to Interstate 15, then south on said interstate to the bridge over Lyons Creek, then up said creek and the North Fork of Lyons Creek to the Continental Divide, then northwest along said divide to State Route 200 at Rogers Pass then northeasterly along said route to its intersection with US Highway 287, the point of beginning.

## HD 426

Reason for Change/Description of the Change: The objective of this proposed change is to simplify the legal descriptions of the above HDs by reducing the number of junctions and keeping boundaries to highways, major rivers, and routes. Additionally, the boundary change between HDs 417 and 426 will better reflect elk movements and distribution in the northeastern corner of HD 426/northwestern corner of HD 417.

FROM: Those portions of Fergus and Judith Basin Counties lying within the following-described boundary: Beginning at Suffolk, then north following the Winifred Road (FAS 236) to Winifred, then northeasterly on the DY Trail to the Stafford Ferry Road, then northerly on said road to the Missouri River, then up said river in a westerly direction to the mouth of Arrow Creek, then up said creek to State Route 80, then south on said route to State Route 81, then easterly along said route near Denton to the Plum Creek County Road, then northerly and easterly along said road to the Salt Creek Road, then southeasterly along the Salt Creek Road to its junction with the Winifred Road (FAS 236) approximately three miles north of Hilger, then north on the Winifred Road to Suffolk, the point of beginning.

TO: Those portions of Fergus and Judith Basin Counties lying within the following-described boundary: Beginning at Suffolk, then north following the Winifred Road (FAS 236) to Winifred, then continuing northwesterly along said road (PN Road/FAS 236) to the Missouri River at PN Bridge, then westerly up said river to the mouth of Arrow Creek, then up said creek to State Route 80, then south on said route to State Route 81, then easterly along said route near Denton to the Plum Creek County Road, then northerly and easterly along said road to the Salt Creek Road, then southeasterly along the Salt Creek Road to its junction with the Winifred Road (FAS 236) approximately three miles north of Hilger, then north on the Winifred Road to Suffolk, the point of beginning.

HD 432

Reason for Change/Description of the Change:

REMOVE: Those portions of Cascade and Judith Basin counties lying within the following-described boundary: Beginning at the junction of US Highways 89 and 87 at Armington Junction, then southerly along US Highway 89 to its junction with USFS Road 487 at King's Hill Pass, then east on USFS Road 487 to its junction with USFS Road 251, then northeasterly along USFS Road 251/Judith Basin County Road 101 (Dry Wolf Creek Road) past Slide Rock Point and Yogo Peak and down Dry Wolf Creek to its junction with US Highway 87 near Stanford, then northwesterly along said highway to Armington Junction, the point of beginning.

Reason for Change/Description of the Change: Boundary Change

FROM: Those portions of Lewis and Clark and Teton Counties lying within the following-described boundary: Beginning at the intersection of the Sun River and the Forest Service boundary below Diversion Dam, then southerly along said boundary to the crest of Sawtooth Mountain, then southerly along said crest to Cutrock Creek, then westerly up said creek to the crest of Lime Ridge and the divide between Beaver Creek and Willow Creek, then southerly and westerly along said divide to Fairview Mountain, then northerly and westerly along the divide to Renshaw Mountain, then northerly along the divide between Lange Creek Drainage and the Bighead-Benchmark Creek drainages to the divide between Bighead Creek and Windfall Creek, then westerly along said divide immediately south and west of Windfall Creek to the South Fork of the Sun River, then north along the east bank of the South Fork of the Sun River (the eastern border of the Sun River Game Preserve) to its confluence with the North Fork of the Sun River, then north along the east bank of the North Fork of the Sun River (the eastern border of the Sun River Game Preserve) to Sun River Pass, then easterly and northerly along the Continental Divide to Teton Pass, then easterly down USFS Trail 114 (West Fork of the Teton Trail) to the Teton River Road, then southeasterly along said road to South Fork Teton Road turnoff, then southerly along said road to Bellview Road, then easterly along said road to Deep Creek Road, then southerly along said road to Deep Creek, then westerly along Battle Creek Road to the first road turning in a southerly and easterly direction to the bridge on the Pishkun Supply Canal (two miles west of the Pishkun Reservoir, then in a westerly direction along the Pishkun Supply Canal Road to the bridge over the Sun River below Diversion Dam, then along the Sun River to USFS boundary, the point of beginning.

TO: Those portions of Lewis and Clark and Teton Counties lying within the following-described boundary: Beginning at the intersection of the Sun River and the Forest Service boundary below Diversion Dam, then southerly along said boundary to the crest of Sawtooth Mountain, then southerly along said crest to Cutrock Creek, then westerly up said creek to the crest of Lime Ridge and the divide between Beaver Creek and Willow Creek, then southerly and westerly along said divide to Fairview Mountain, then northerly and westerly along the divide to Renshaw Mountain, then northerly along the divide between Lange Creek Drainage and the Bighead-Benchmark Creek drainages to the divide between Bighead Creek and Windfall Creek, then westerly along said divide immediately south and west of Windfall Creek to the South Fork of the Sun River, then north along the east bank of the South Fork of the Sun River (the eastern border of the Sun River Game Preserve) to its confluence with the North Fork of the Sun River, then north along the east bank of the North Fork of the Sun River (the eastern border of the Sun River Game Preserve) to Sun River Pass, then easterly and northerly along the Continental Divide to Teton Pass, then easterly down USFS Trail 114 (West Fork of the Teton Trail) to the Teton River Road, then southeasterly along said road to the US Forest Service Boundary, then southerly along said boundary to its junction with the Sun River, the point of beginning.



HD 444

Reason for Change/Description of the Change: HD 444/422 Boundary Change

FROM: Those portions of Cascade, Lewis and Clark and Teton Counties lying within the following-described boundary: Beginning at Simms, then east along Highway 200 to its junction with US Highway 89, then westerly and northerly along said highway to Choteau and US Highway 287, then southerly along said highway to Augusta and FAS 434, then southerly along said road to the intersection with the Dearborn River approximately two miles southeast of Bean Lake, then southerly along said river to State Route 200 approximately seven miles southwest of Bowman's Corner, then northeasterly and east along said route to Simms, the point of beginning.

TO: Those portions of Cascade, Lewis and Clark and Teton Counties lying within the following-described boundary: Beginning at Simms, then easterly along Highway 200 to its junction with Highway 89, then westerly and northerly along said highway to Choteau and Highway 287, then southerly along said highway to Augusta, then continuing southerly along Highway 287 to Highway 200 (Bowmans Corner), then easterly along said Highway to Simms, the point of beginning.

## HD 445

Reason for Change/Description of the Change: This change reflects two separate and unique proposed boundary changes affecting HD's 445, 455, 421 and 423. The first is to change the boundary between HD 445 and 423 from the Missouri River to Interstate-15. The second is to incorporate the Whitetail Prairie Addition of the Beartooth Wildlife Management Area into HD 455, which also includes portions of the Beartooth Wildlife Management Area. The new regulations database is unable to keep the two changes separate as is required to keep comment on the two changes separate for regulations simplification purposes. Commission ruling on the proposed changes will ultimately dictate what the final legal description for HD 445 will be. If both proposed changes are accepted, the HD 445 legal description could be written as is below. If only one proposed change is accepted, the legal description would look different depending on which is accepted and which proposed change is rejected. Both proposed changes individually simplify the hunting district boundaries in efforts to simplify the regulations.

FROM: Those portions of Cascade, Lewis and Clark, and Meagher Counties lying within the following-described boundary: Beginning at Ulm from the junction of Millegan Road and Interstate-15, then south on Millegan Road to Ulm Bridge, then southeasterly down the west bank of the Missouri River to the mouth of the Smith River, then southerly up the west bank of said river to the mouth of Two Creek, then westerly up said creek to the divide between Trout Creek and Black Canyon/Rock Creek, then westerly along said divide to the Hound Creek-Rock Creek divide then westerly along said divide to the Beaver Creek-Hound Creek divide (Meagher and Lewis and Clark County line), then westerly along said divide to the posted Beartooth WMA boundary fence near Hump Cabin, then north and west along said WMA boundary fence, or posted HD boundary, to Holter Lake, then down said lake and the east bank of the Missouri River to the Missouri River Bridge in Cascade, then west and north through Cascade to the Interstate 15 interchange, then northeasterly along said interstate to Ulm, the point of beginning..

TO: Those portions of Cascade, Lewis and Clark, and Meagher Counties lying within the following-described boundary: Beginning at Ulm, then southeasterly down the south bank of the Missouri River to the mouth of the Smith River, then southerly up the west bank of said river to the mouth of Two Creek, then westerly up said creek to the divide between Trout Creek and Black Canyon/Rock Creek, then westerly along said divide to the Hound Creek-Rock Creek divide then westerly along said divide to the Beaver Creek-Hound Creek divide (Meagher and Lewis and Clark County line), then westerly along said divide to the posted Beartooth WMA boundary fence near Hump Cabin, then north and west along said WMA boundary fence, to Holter Lake, then down said lake and the east bank of the Missouri River to Rock Creek near Wolf Creek Bridge, then north along said creek to its intersection with Interstate-15, then on Interstate 15 to the intersection of Interstate 15 and Milligan Road, the point of beginning.

HD 450

Reason for Change/Description of the Change: Boundary change

FROM: That portion of Teton County lying within the following-described boundary: Beginning at Choteau then westerly along US Highway 89 to its junction with the Teton River Road, then westerly along said road to its junction with the Bellview School Road, then southerly along said road to Deep Creek Road, then southerly along said road to Deep Creek and Old Battle Creek Road, then southwesterly along said road to Battle Creek, then southeasterly to the bridge across the Pishkun Canal, two miles west of Pishkun Reservoir, then westerly along the Canal Road to the bridge over the Sun River, then down said river to the bridge on US Highway 287, then northerly on said highway, to Choteau, the point of beginning.

TO: That portion of Teton County lying within the following-described boundary: Beginning at Choteau then westerly along US Highway 89 to its junction with the Teton River Road, then westerly along said road to the US Forest Service Boundary, then southerly along said boundary to its junction with the Sun River, then eastly along said river to its junction with the bridge on Highway 287, then northly along said Highway to Choteau, the point of beginning.

HD 454

Reason for Change/Description of the Change:

REMOVE: Those portions of Meagher and Judith Basin Counties lying within the following-described boundary: Beginning at the junction of US Highways 89 and 12 east of White Sulphur Springs, then east along US Highway 12 to the Spring Creek-Whitetail Cabin Road, then northerly along said road to the junction with the South Fork of the Judith River-Hoover Springs-Deadman Creek Road, then northwesterly along said road to US Highway 89, then southerly on said highway to US Highways 89 and 12 junction, the point of beginning.

HD 455

Reason for Change/Description of the Change: Regulations simplification

FROM: Those portions of Cascade and Lewis and Clark Counties lying within the following-described boundary: Beginning at the mouth of Meriwether Canyon on the east side of the Missouri river, then northeasterly up the Meriwether Canyon-Mann Gulch divide to the Meriwether Canyon-Willow Creek divide, then northeasterly along said divide to Willow Mountain, then southeasterly along Slip Gulch-Meriwether Canyon-Big Log Gulch divide to Bear Prairie, then northeasterly along Candle Gulch-Hunters Gulch divide to Candle Mountain, then easterly along Willow Creek-Hunters Gulch-Moors Creek divide to Moors Mountain, then northeasterly along the Willow Creek-Elkhorn Creek-Porcupine Creek divide to the Beartooth Wildlife Management Area boundary, then east along said boundary to the east boundary fence of the Beartooth Wildlife Management Area near Hump Cabin, then north and west along said boundary fence, or posted HD boundary, to Holter Lake, then southerly up said lake and the east shore of the Missouri River to the mouth of Meriwether Canyon, the point of beginning.

TO: Those portions of Cascade and Lewis and Clark Counties lying within the following-described boundary: Beginning at the mouth of Meriwether Canyon on the east side of the Missouri river, then northeasterly up the Meriwether Canyon-Mann Gulch divide to the Meriwether Canyon-Willow Creek divide, then northeasterly along said divide to Willow Mountain, then southeasterly along Slip Gulch-Meriwether Canyon-Big Log Gulch divide to Bear Prairie, then northeasterly along Candle Gulch-Hunters Gulch divide to Candle Mountain, then easterly along Willow Creek-Hunters Gulch-Moors Creek divide to Moors Mountain, then northeasterly along the Willow Creek-Elkhorn Creek-Porcupine Creek divide to the Beartooth Wildlife Management Area boundary, then east along said boundary to the east boundary fence of the Beartooth Wildlife Management Area near Hump Cabin, then north and west along said boundary fence to Holter Lake, then southerly up said lake and the east shore of the Missouri River to the mouth of Meriwether Canyon, the point of beginning.

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HD 500

Reason for Change/Description of the Change: Regulation simplification.

REMOVE: Those portions of Golden Valley, Stillwater, Sweet Grass, Wheatland and Yellowstone Counties lying within the following-described boundary: Beginning at Columbus, then north along Route 306 to Rapelje, then west approximately 18 miles on the Gibson Road to its junction with South Shawmut Road, also signed as 12E116S, then north along South Shawmut Road to Shawmut, then east along US Highway 12 to Lavina, then south along State Route 3 to Interstate 90 at Billings, then west along said interstate to Columbus, the point of beginning.

HD 510

Reason for Change/Description of the Change: Regulation simplification.

REMOVE: That portion of Carbon County lying within the following-described boundary: Beginning at Belfry, then south along State Route 72 to its junction with the Clarks Fork Yellowstone River, then south along the east bank of said river to the Wyoming border, then east along said border to Bighorn Lake (Yellowtail Reservoir), then northeast along the west shore of Bighorn Lake to the Carbon County-Bighorn County line, then west along said line to the Bowler-Sage Creek Road, then west and south along said road to the Bowler-Bridger Road, then west and north along said road to US Highway 310, then northwest along said highway to State Route 72 south of Bridger, then south along said route to Belfry, the point of beginning.

HD 511

Reason for Change/Description of the Change: Regulation simplification.

REMOVE: Those portions of Wheatland, Fergus, and Golden Valley Counties lying within the following-described boundary: Beginning at Harlowton, then northerly along US Highway 191 to its junction with Meadow Creek near Garneil, then northeasterly along Meadow Creek to the Snowy Mountain Divide, then easterly along said divide to its intersection with the Red Hill Road, then southerly along said road to Rothiemay Road, then southerly along said road to Ryegate and US Highway 12, then westerly along said highway to Harlowton, the point of beginning.



## HD-515 Painted Robe

Reason for Change/Description of the Change: Combined districts 500 and 570 into new district 515.

ADD: Those portions of Golden Valley, Stillwater, Sweet Grass, Wheatland and Yellowstone Counties lying within the following-described boundary: Beginning at Harlowton, then east along US Highway 12 to Lavina, then south along State Route 3 to Interstate 90 at Billings, Then westerly along said route to the Yellowstone River Bridge near Columbus. Then westerly along the north bank of the Yellowstone River to US Highway 191, then north on said highway to Harlowton, the point of beginning.

HD 520

Reason for Change/Description of the Change: Regulation simplification.

REMOVE: Those portions of Carbon, Stillwater and Sweet Grass Counties lying within the following described boundary: Beginning at Belfry, then west along Route 308 to Red Lodge, then northwest along State Route 78 to its intersection with Route 419, then southwest along said route to its intersection with Route 425, one mile southwest of Fishtail, then south along Route 425 to the Fiddler Creek (Bedford School) Road then west and north along said road to its intersection with Route 419 at Dean, then west along said route to the Main Stem Stillwater River, then northeast down said river to the Spring Creek Road bridge, then north and west along the Spring Creek Road 1.1 mile to the Stockade Road, the northwesterly along said road to the Main Bridger Creek Road, then southwest up said road to the Gallatin National Forest boundary, then south along said boundary approximately one-half mile to the boundary between the Gallatin and Custer National Forests, then south along said boundary to the Park County line approximately one mile southeast of Timberline Mountain, then east along the Park County line to a point one-half mile north of Granite Peak, then south to Granite Peak on the Custer-Gallatin National Forest boundary, then southerly and easterly along said boundary to the Montana-Wyoming border, then east along said border to the east bank of the Clark's Fork Yellowstone River, then north along the east bank of the Clark's Fork to State Route 72, then north along said route to Belfry, the point of beginning.

HD 525

Reason for Change/Description of the Change: Regulations simplification.

ADD: HD 525 Beartooth/Absaroka: Those portions of Carbon, Stillwater, Sweet Grass and Park Counties lying within the following described boundary: Beginning at Red Lodge, then south along U.S. Highway 212 to the Montana/Wyoming border, then west along said border to then west along said border to the Clark Fork Yellowstone - Rock Creek divide west of Glacier Lake, then westerly and northerly along said divide to its intersection with the Park County-Stillwater County line near Granite Peak, then westerly along said line to its intersection with the Stillwater-Slough Creek divide approximately one mile southeast of Timberline Peak, then northwesterly along said divide to the Boulder-Slough Creek divide at Columbine Pass, then northerly along the Boulder-West Fork Stillwater divide to the head of the East Boulder River, then north along the East Boulder- Main Boulder divide to the north end of Contact Mountain, then south and west off said mountain to the Main Boulder River bottom at a point across the river from Falls Creek, then west and south up Falls Creek to its headwaters at the Main Boulder - West Boulder divide, then south along said divide to Boulder Mountain, then westerly and northerly along the West Boulder River - Yellowstone River divide to Elephant Head Mountain and the headwaters of Mission Creek, then northerly down said creek the Yellowstone River, then east down the north bank of said river to its confluence with Bridger Creek, then southerly along said creek to its intersection with the Bridger Creek - Stockade Road, then southerly and easterly along said road to its intersection with the Spring Creek Road, then easterly along said road to its intersection with the Stillwater River, then westerly along said river to its intersection with State Highway 419 at Nye, then easterly along said highway to its intersection with the Fiddler Creek Road at Dean, then northerly and easterly along said road to its intersection with State Highway 419 one mile west of Fishtail, then northeasterly along said highway to its intersection with State Highway 78, then southerly and easterly along said highway to Red Lodge, the point of beginning.

HD 530

Reason for Change/Description of the Change: Regulation simplification.

REMOVE: Those portions of Fergus, Golden Valley, Musselshell and Petroleum Counties lying within the following-described boundary: Beginning at Ryegate, then north along the Rothiemay Road to Red Hill Road, then north along said road to South Fork Flatwillow Creek, then easterly along said creek to Flatwillow Creek, then easterly along said creek to US Highway 87, then southerly along said highway to Route 244, then northerly along said route to Winnett, then east along State Route 200 to the Musselshell River, then south along the east bank of said river to US Highway 12, then west along said highway to Ryegate, the point of beginning.

## HD-535 Southern Snowy Mountains

Reason for Change/Description of the Change: Similar habitat types according to mule deer AHM plan and regulation simplification.

ADD: Those portions of Wheatland, Fergus, Golden Valley, Musselshell and Petroleum Counties lying within the following described boundary: Beginning at Harlowton, then northerly along US Highway 191 to its junction with Meadow Creek near Garneil, then northeasterly along Meadow Creek to the Snowy Mountain Divide, then easterly along said divide to its intersection with the Red Hill Road, then north along said road to South Fork Flatwillow Creek, then easterly along said creek to Flatwillow Creek, then easterly along said creek to US Highway 87, then southerly along said highway to Route 244, then northerly along said route to Winnett, then east along State Route 200 to the Musselshell River, then south along the east bank of said river to US Highway 12, then west along said highway to Harlowton, the point of beginning.

HD 555

Reason for Change/Description of the Change: Regulation simplification.

ADD: Hunting District 555 – Pryors/Cottonwood Triangle: Those portions of Carbon County lying within the following described boundary: Beginning at Red Lodge, then east along State Highway 308 to its intersection with State Highway 72 at Belfry, then northerly along said highway to its intersection with State Highway 310 south of Bridger, then south along said highway to its junction with the Bowler/Sage Creek road, then east along said road to its intersection with the Carbon County/Bighorn County line, then east along said county line to the west shore of Bighorn Lake, the south along said shore to the Montana/Wyoming border, then west along said border to its intersection with U.S Highway 212, then north along said highway to Red Lodge the point of beginning.

HD 560

Reason for Change/Description of the Change: Regulation simplification.

REMOVE: Those portions of Park and Sweet Grass Counties lying within the following-described boundary: Beginning at Big Timber, then east along Interstate 90 to the Bridger Creek Road, then south along said road past West Bridger, East Bridger and Blind Bridger Creeks, continuing up Main Bridger Creek Road to the Gallatin National Forest boundary, then south along said boundary approximately one-half mile to the boundary between the Gallatin and Custer National Forests, then west and south along said boundary to the Slough Creek-East Fork Boulder Divide near Columbine Pass, then southwest along said divide and northwest along the Boulder River-Buffalo Fork Divide through Boulder Pass, then northwest along the Boulder-Hellroaring Creek Divide past Crow Mountain, then north and west along the Boulder-Mill Creek Divide to Mt. Cowan, then north along the Yellowstone River-West Boulder River Divide to Elephant Head Mountain, then north down Mission Creek to the Yellowstone River, then east down the north bank of said river to US Highway 191, then south along said highway to Interstate 90 at Big Timber, the point of beginning.

HD 565

Reason for Change/Description of the Change: Create new district from existing district portion.

ADD: HD 565 Upper Boulder: Those portions of Park and Sweet Grass Counties lying within the following-described boundary: Beginning at the mouth of Falls Creek on the Main Boulder River, then west and south up said Creek to its headwaters at the Main Boulder River-West Boulder River divide, then south along said divide to Boulder Mountain, then south along the Main Boulder River-Mill Creek divide through Silver Pass and The Pyramid to Crow Mountain, then south and east along the Main Boulder River-Hellroaring Creek divide through Boulder Pass and Shepherder Peak, then south and east along the Main Boulder River-Buffalo Fork divide, then north and east along the East Fork of the Main Boulder River-Slough Creek divide to Columbine Pass and the boundary between the Gallatin and Custer National Forests, then north along said boundary to the head of the East Boulder River, then north along the East Boulder River-Main Boulder River divide to the north end of Contact Mountain, then south and west off said Mountain to the Main Boulder River bottom at a point across the River from Falls Creek, the point of beginning.



HD 570

Reason for Change/Description of the Change: Regulation simplification.

REMOVE: Those portions of Golden Valley, Stillwater, Sweet Grass and Wheatland Counties, lying within the following-described boundary: Beginning at Harlowton, then east along US Highway 12 to Shawmut, then south along the South Shawmut Road, also signed as 12E116S, to the Gibson Road, then east along said road (approximately 18 miles) to Rapelje, then south along Route 306 to Columbus, then west along Interstate 90 to Big Timber, then north along US Highway 191 to Harlowton, the point of beginning.

HD 575

Reason for Change/Description of the Change: Regulation simplification.

**FROM:** Those portions of Carbon, Stillwater, Sweet Grass and Yellowstone Counties lying within the following-described boundary: Beginning at Laurel, then south along US Highway 212 to Red Lodge, then northwest along State Route 78 to its intersection with Route 419, then southwest along said route to its intersection with Route 425, one mile southeast of Fishtail, then south along said route to the Fiddler Creek (Bedford School) Road. then west and north along said road to its intersection with Route 419 at Dean, then west along said route to the Main Stem Stillwater River, then northeast down the Stillwater River to the Spring Creek Road bridge, then north and west along the Spring Creek Road 1.1 mile to the Stockade Road, then northwesterly along said road to the Main Bridger Creek Road, then north along said road to Interstate 90, then east along said interstate to Laurel, the point of beginning.

**TO:** Those portions of Carbon, Stillwater, Sweet Grass and Yellowstone Counties lying within the following described boundary: Beginning at Laurel, then west along Interstate 90 to the Yellowstone River Bridge near Columbus, then west along the north bank of the Yellowstone River to its confluence with Bridger Creek, then southerly along said creek to its intersection with the Bridger Creek - Stockade Road, then southerly and easterly along said road to its intersection with the Spring Creek Road, then easterly along said road to its intersection with the Stillwater River, then westerly along said river to its intersection with State Highway 419 at Nye, then easterly along said highway to its intersection with the Fiddler Creek Road at Dean, then southerly and easterly along said road to its intersection with Route 425, then easterly along said route its intersection with Route 419 one mile southwest of Fishtail, then easterly along said route to its intersection with State Highway 78, then southerly and easterly along said highway to its intersection with U.S. Highway 212 at Red Lodge, then northerly along said highway to Laurel, the point of beginning.

Portion of HD 580 South of Sweet Grass Crk

Reason for Change/Description of the Change: Regulation simplification.

REMOVE: That portion of HD 580 south of the following boundary: From the intersection of US Highway 191 to Sweet Grass Creek, then westerly up said creek to the confluence of the Middle Fork and South Forks of Sweet Grass Creek, then southerly and westerly up the Middle Fork of Sweet Grass Creek to the point where the creek crosses USFS Trail 123, then following USFS Trail 123 to the Crazy Mountain divide above Campfire Lake

Portion of HD 590 north of Yellowstone River

Reason for Change/Description of the Change: Regulation simplification.

REMOVE: That portion of HD 590 north of the following boundary: From the intersection of State Route 310 and the Yellowstone River at Custer Bridge, then westerly along the north shore of the Yellowstone River to State Highway 3 at Billings.

Portion of HD 590 south of Yellowstone River

Reason for Change/Description of the Change: Regulation simplification.

REMOVE: That portion of HD 590 south of the following boundary: From the intersection of State Route 310 and the Yellowstone River at Custer Bridge, then westerly along the north shore of the Yellowstone River to State Highway 3 at Billings.

## Region 6

### HD 622

Reason for Change/Description of the Change: Elk from HD 622 typically winter in the portion of HD 631 being added to HD 622. This change will help allocate those elk counted on winter surveys to the HD they are in during the fall, which in turn impacts how elk populations relate to population objectives.

FROM: Those portions of Valley and Phillips Counties lying within the following-described boundary: Beginning at the mouth of Timber Creek on Fort Peck Reservoir, then north up Timber Creek to the Bill Anderson Ranch, then north along the Saco-Bill Anderson Road to the Larb Creek-Content Road, then northwesterly along said road to Content Road, then southerly along said road to Sun Prairie Road, then southerly along said road to First Creek Hall Road, then northwesterly along said road to First Creek Hall, then westerly along said road to the Midale Road, then southerly along said road to the Charles M. Russell National Wildlife Refuge (CMR) Boundary Road 212, then easterly along said road to CMR Road 201, then southeasterly along said road to CMR Road 219, then southwesterly along said road to Fort Peck Reservoir, then easterly along said reservoir to the mouth of Timber Creek, the point of beginning.

TO: Beginning where the Charles M. Russell National Wildlife Refuge (CMR) Road 425 meets Fort Peck Reservoir, then north said road until Burke Ranch Road, then north on said road until Willow Creek Road, then northeasterly on said road to Ridge Road, then north along said road to Triple Crossing Access Road, then west along said road to Larb Creek Road, then north along said road to Larb Creek-Content Road, then northwesterly along said road to Content Road, then southerly along said road to Sun Prairie Road, then southerly along said road to First Creek Hall Road, then northwesterly along said road to First Creek Hall, then westerly along said road to the Midale Road, then southerly along said road to the CMR Boundary Road 212, then easterly along said road to CMR Road 201, then southeasterly along said road to CMR Road 219, then southwesterly along said road to Fort Peck Reservoir, then easterly along said reservoir to where CMR Road 425 meets the reservoir, the point of beginning.

HD 630

Reason for Change/Description of the Change: Combining HD 630, 631 and 632 into one District HD 630 and adjusting the border with HD 622

FROM: Those portions of Phillips and Valley Counties lying within the following-described boundary: Beginning at a point where the Larb Creek Road joins US Highway 2 at Saco, then south along said highway to Triple Crossing Road, then easterly along said road to Ridge Road, then southerly on said road to Stonehouse Road, then southeasterly along said road to Willow Creek Road, then northeast along said road to State Route 24, then southeasterly along said route to the Missouri River at Fort Peck Dam, then northeasterly down said river to the Milk River, then north along said river to Porcupine Creek, then north up said creek to US Highway 2, then northwesterly along said highway to the Larb Creek Road at Saco, the point of beginning.

TO: Those portions of Valley and Phillips Counties lying within the following-described boundary: Beginning at a point where the Larb Creek Road joins US Highway 2 at Saco, then south along said road to Triple Crossing Access Road, then east along said road to Ridge Road, then south along said road to Willow Creek Road, then southwestly along said road to Burke Ranch Road, then south along said road to Charles M Russel National Wildlife Refuge (CMR) Boundary Road 425, then south along said road to the point where the road meets Fort Peck Reservoir, then easterly along said reservoir to Fort Peck Dam and State Route 24, then easterly along said route to the Missouri River at Fort Peck Dam, then northeasterly down said river to the Milk River, then north along said river to Porcupine Creek, then north along said Creek to US Highway 2, then northwesterly along said highway to the Larb Creek Road at Saco, the point of beginning.

HD 631

Reason for Change/Description of the Change: Regulations simplification.

REMOVE: That portion of Valley County lying within the following-described boundary: Beginning at the junction of Triple Crossing and Saco-Bill Anderson Road, then easterly along Triple Crossing Road to the Ridge Road, then southerly on said road to the Stonehouse Road, then southeasterly on said road to Willow Creek Road, then southwesterly along said road to Murray Ranch Road (Wittmayer), then southerly along said road to the Charles M. Russell National Wildlife Refuge (CMR) boundary and CMR Road 513, then southeasterly along said road to the Fort Peck Reservoir, then westerly along north shore of said reservoir to Timber Creek, then north along said creek to the Saco-Bill Anderson Road, then north along said road to the Triple Crossing Road, the point of beginning.



HD 632

Reason for Change/Description of the Change: Regulations simplification.

REMOVE: That portion of Valley County lying within the following described boundary: Beginning at Fort Peck Dam and State Route 24, then northwesterly along said route to Willow Creek Road, then westerly along said road to Murray Ranch Road (Wittmayer), then southerly along said road to the Charles M. Russell National Wildlife Refuge (CMR) boundary and CMR Road 513, then southeasterly along said road to the Fort Peck Reservoir, then easterly along north shore of said reservoir to the Fort Peck Dam and State Route 24, the point of beginning.

