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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name: **brian**
City/Town: **Butte**
State/Province: **MT**

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

I agree with this proposal especially for the archery permits. This will help with overcrowding on general units

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name: Matt Cashell
City/Town: Hamilton
State/Province: MT

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

This will have an adverse affect on hunting pressure in HD 270, which has an unlimited archery and general season permit for brow-tined bulls. Hunters that receive the permit will be unable to hunt other districts, and be forced to hunt both the archery and general seasons in the district. Some hunters may elect not to apply for the 270 permit with this change, but many will still get it for the chance of late season migrating elk. However, they will be concentrated in 270 for archery season and the early weeks of general season because they can't hunt the other areas they traditionally hunted at those times in the seasons. This additional pressure will undoubtedly increase the harvest of subadult bulls in the district, lowering bull-to-cow ratio, which is the exact opposite result intended by the move to a permit in the district to begin with.

This change may make sense for some trophy limited areas that will have limited pressure due to limited permits, but not the unlimited 270 permit.

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name: Dorian Boling
City/Town: Libby
State/Province: MT

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

I do not support this, if you have a limited permit, you should have to be limited to that area to harvest a animal

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name: Dave Shimek
City/Town: Shepherd
State/Province: MT

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

What the hell is this even saying? Commas matter. What is brow-tined bull-antlerless elk? Try writing this so someone can understand the proposal. This really shows the amount of thought you all have put into the proposal when it can't even be read and understood.

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Please provide the following information:

Name: Richard A Schneider
City/Town: Ekalaka
State/Province: MT

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

Good idea, hopefully this can reduce hunting pressure in some HD's

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Please provide the following information:

Name: Russell Schaeffer
City/Town: Lewistown
State/Province: MT

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

Pick your hd for bull elk.

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name: Dan Gagner
City/Town: Helena
State/Province: MT

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

I'm not in favor of limiting special permit holders to that unit. I've always enjoyed the flexibility to hunt general units with a limited permit, especially when my non-resident friends and family aren't able to draw limited permits as often.

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Please provide the following information:

Name: Andrew Lam
City/Town: Helena
State/Province: MT

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

I support permit holders being limited to only the dates on the permit.

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name: Joseph Allan Renenger
City/Town: EAST HELENA
State/Province: MT

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

This proposal will have negative effects on hunters and elk numbers throughout Montana. It will limit hunters who draw elk permits in areas of the state they do not reside. Hunters often put in for tags in an area far from home to experience a unique and exciting hunt outside of their normal hunting areas. This proposal will force a successful applicant to give up hunting throughout the remainder of the season their tag is allotted for. Many hunters are not able to take off an entire 5-week rifle season or 6-week archery season (or both) to hunt the district their tag is good for. Elk hunting is more difficult than mule deer hunting and often takes many hunts to be successful. As such, the permit system that is currently working for mule deer, should not be transferred to elk. A hunter could fail on their one opportunity to hunt in their permit area and no longer be able to hunt for antlered elk in other areas.

FWP currently allots a specific number of brow-tined bull (or either-sex) permits for each district based on the number of brow-tined bull elk they would like to see harvested. They take into account the success rate of hunters. This could increase the success rate of hunters as they are forced to only hunt in their specific district without venturing into other areas. The hunter will spend more time in these areas trying to be successful in the only area they are allowed to hunt bull elk. FWP will need to re-evaluate the number of permits given in each district based on the new hunter success or there could be a major effect on the number and age of bulls in limited draw districts. The idea of hunters focusing in on the area could be the goal of this proposal, however it should not be applied to all antlered elk permits.

It may also continue to worsen the issue of elk over-population objectives in many districts. While this proposal specifically states that a hunter may still harvest an antlerless elk outside of the district where the permit is valid, many hunters will limit the amount of effort spent in these areas if not able to kill a bull elk. Many of the districts that are over-objective allow either-sex hunting throughout the season, which encourage many hunters to hunt the districts with the chance of harvesting a bull elk. Although, many of the hunters who dream of killing a bull are more than satisfied to kill an antlerless elk if the opportunity arises. This proposal will reduce hunter effort in areas that over-objective as permit holders will not be willing to hunt these areas if there is zero chance that they can harvest a bull. This seems to be very counter-productive to FWP's current direction in reducing elk to population objectives.

This specifically will affect districts that allow large numbers of archery hunters and the districts that have extremely limited permits. These areas will see an increase in hunter pressure as hunters are unable to hunt elsewhere. These areas could also see an increase in the harvest of bull elk. Many of these districts are currently being managed with the potential for trophy bull elk. There are very limited rifle tags given out and very liberal amounts of archery permits. The increased hunter effort will result in higher harvest of bull elk in these areas, that are not necessarily over-objective and could negatively effect the quality of bulls.

Finally, this proposal should not be approved as currently written. It is a blanket proposal to cover the entire state with many downsides. The only upsides would be to force hunters to put in more effort in the districts that are over-objective. This proposal could have equally the opposite effect as it will discourage hunters from hunting outside of their permit district and not put in any effort in areas that are over-objective. This proposal should not be approved at all or at best should be amended to only apply to hunting districts that will be allowing unlimited permits. Thanks for your time.

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name:	Vince Cebuhar
City/Town:	Billings
State/Province:	MT

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

I support this proposal of making permits valid only within the HD on the permit.

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name: Samuel Huseby
City/Town: Laurel
State/Province: MT

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

This is a terrible proposal. Many permits cover entire season from Archery to end of General. This limits the opportunity to hunt elsewhere with a General Tag for reasons of travel, time off work, and cost.

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Please provide the following information:

Name: Chad Rauthe
City/Town: Kalispell
State/Province: MT

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

I would not like this proposal to be implemented, it will restrict an otherwise good hunting season Montana already had in place.

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name: Robert Titus
City/Town: MISSOULA
State/Province: MT

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

Yes

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Please provide the following information:

Name: Nick Trott
City/Town: Glasgow
State/Province: MT

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

FWP:

I oppose the proposed changes to the 900-20 limited archery elk permit regulations in HDs 401, 403, 411, 426, 447, 450, 455, 530, 580, 500, 502, 520, 557, 570, 702, 704, and 705; from limited permits to unlimited permits or unlimited permits on public lands and general license on private lands.

And I oppose eliminating the limited archery elk permits in HD 417.

These proposed changes will not contribute to lowering elk populations; they will only lower elk populations on public lands and will increase populations on private lands where elk are harbored.

These proposed changes in regulations only cater to nonresident land owners and private land outfitters that harbor elk. Eliminating the limited archery elk permits, with the nonresident cap of 10% of the total number of permits, is what nonresident land owners and private land outfitters have lobbied for. Outfitter clients and nonresident land owners will not have to draw a permit for a trophy elk hunt.

The reason for the limited archery elk permits was to eliminate crowding in the Missouri River Breaks and the other 23 HDs with limited rifle elk permits. Non residents were taking 55% to 65% of the bulls.

Please keep the limited archery elk permits.

Thank you

Nick Trott

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name: **raymond wedde**
City/Town: **helena**
State/Province: **MT**

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

(example) If I got drawn for a Permit and wasn't able to hunt the area until the second week of hunting and wanted to hunt an area closer to home that is open for general season that is either-sex the first week.
I should be able to try to get a antlered animal in that general area.

For Area's that are Permit hunting only.

If you have a general hunting license you should be able to hunt what ever HD is open for General season and the opportunity for that HD.

Suggest removing the wording (Holders may not hunt Antlered Bull Elk in any other HD or any other portion of the HD during these described season dates)

(Example)Only valid in HDs 411 and 535.
Permit must be used with a valid General Elk License. Holders may not hunt Antlered Bull Elk in any other HD or any other portion of the HD during these described season dates

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name: Matt Voigt
City/Town: Great Falls
State/Province: MT

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

I am against the proposal to relegate one to only elk hunting in the District they drew a permit for. As a hunter who enjoys travelling throughout the State of MT seeking different opportunities, I would not want to be exclusively focused in on one HD all season long. Most folks who draw hard to get permits (Elkhorns or Breaks) are going to hunt their District most of the season anyway. If a person draws an archery permit in the Breaks but still wants to hunt close to home in the Little Belts during the 5 week season they should be able to exercise that option.

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name: Jeremy DeHerrera
City/Town: BILLINGS
State/Province: MT

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

I strongly agree with this and hope this passes. I also think we need to add this to many units for mule deer to. This will help with the overcrowding of several units and allow game to mature and stay on public land without all the pressure. Please do not allow the unlimited archery permit in the units proposed.

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name: Jess Wagner
City/Town: Lewistown
State/Province: MT

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

I support this proposal to make a permit holder hunt only on the district identified on their permit.

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name: Alex Dado
City/Town: McAllister
State/Province: MT

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

I support this proposal.

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name: **matthew konitz**
City/Town: **Billings**
State/Province: **MT**

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

I have lived in Montana for my entire life. thats 45 years. I love to hunt. Especially elk hunting. It disappoints me to know that the Montana FWP director thinks the landowners have some special right to hunt elk. Landowners do not own the wildlife. They should have to get elk licenses just like everyone else. Over the counter or in a drawing. Do whats fair. Today billionaires buy ranches in prime elk hunting districts. Is the opportunity to hunt trophy elk only for the rich? If landowners are upset with elk herds on their property then they should allow hunters on their property. That is a simple solution in my opinion. Unfortunately, many landowners do not want people on their property for various reasons. But I feel it is up to them to decide if they want large elk herds on their property or allow hunters to harvest the elk. But do not give landowners special rights to hunt trophy elk. Make it fair to every Montanan.

Secondly, I fail to see how there is an overpopulation of elk. I know countless elk hunters who end up empty handed after trying hard to get an elk during hunting season. I elk hunt a lot and its not like they are everywhere. And I've heard for over decades now how wolves have cut down elk numbers. I certainly believe this given the amount of times I have spotted wolf tracks while out hunting. If the large herds are on private land then let the landowners decide if they want hunters on their land to harvest the elk. Simple solution.

I don't know what the perfect solution is but all I ask is that the MT FWP make it fair to ALL Montana residents to get a bull elk license. Not just wealthy land owners who want trophy elk all to themselves.

Elk hunting is part of the reason I love living in Montana. I have two daughters and I want them to have the same opportunities I have had to hunt elk when they get older.

Thank you for you for your time and consideration.

Matt Konitz
406-698-6692

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name: Aaron Paulsen
City/Town: Helena
State/Province: MT

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

I like the idea. Opens up more opportunities to use bonus points and get to hunt trophy areas

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name: Kristopher George
City/Town: Great Falls
State/Province: MT

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

I do not support

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name: Michael Lucas
City/Town: Lewistown
State/Province: MT

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

I am in favor of this. It will lead to more thoughtful use of drawing system and reduce tags being drawn by people that will not use them.

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name: **Russell Cordum**

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

I agree with this, thanks

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name: **Russell Cordum**

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

I agree with this, thanks

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name: Tom Lipko
City/Town: Poplar
State/Province: MT

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

I oppose these changes and support leaving the regulations the same as last year.

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name: Andrew Reuterskiold
City/Town: Roundup
State/Province: MT

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

I agree with this change

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name: Dillon Downs
City/Town: Bozeman
State/Province: MT

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

If this is for special permits only I am in favor, given that it doesn't affect the general tag. I have stopped applying for special mule deer tags because of this limitation and its impact on not getting a general tag.

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Q1 Respondent skipped this question

Please provide the following information:

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

No

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name: Brian Gothard
City/Town: Pioneer
State/Province: CA

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

Seems like your disregarding science and killing public land hunting in Montana. Seems like you'll be encouraging more out of state companies to make land grabs now too so they can control hunting in the state. This is a terrible idea.

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name: Derrick Mueller
City/Town: Great Falls
State/Province: MT

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

I am in favor of this proposal, similar to the unlimited mule deer permits in western and central Montana. Being able to accurately track hunter numbers and days in these units should prove to be valuable information to FWP.

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name: Matt Todd
City/Town: Philipsburg
State/Province: MT

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

This elk permit proposal is a terrible idea. There is no elk management reason to even propose something like this. Limited draw permits for elk are currently in place to control the number of hunters allowed to harvest either-sex elk or brow-tined bull - antlerless elk in the HD that have those elk management objectives. Resident hunters currently enjoy the flexibility of being able to hunt elk in many different HD's in a season under the general elk permit all season long. This is just an attempt to be like some other State and put money in someone's pocket. If this were to be implemented, it will have adverse effects to the Montana elk hunter.

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name:	Matt Salvi
City/Town:	Shepherd
State/Province:	MT

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

This proposal is very important and needs to be implemented. It will help with controlling the overcrowding issues that some hunters complain about. It will spread folks out between these districts. The reason it will accomplish this is because it would make hunters have to really think about and be committed to hunt a certain area. There will be no more "well I'll apply for my archery permit in 410, 417, 411, etc etc. and MAYBE go hunt for a few days, but really I'm going to do most of my hunting in a general district somewhere else." NO MORE of that, that is what is making the overcrowding an issue. I guarantee you that when this proposal is put into place that districts like 410, 417, 411, etc will have a very reasonable (if not lower) amount of applicants applying for their permit. Again, this proposal is very important and I hope to see you move forward with it.

Thank you.

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name: **Brody Chapman**
City/Town: **Monticello**
State/Province: **MN**

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

I believe this is a common sense change that could do a little to help alleviate hunter crowding issues and make permits easier to get for the people that will actually use them.

I'm sure some hunters who want everything and are unwilling to compromise for the greater good will not like this but IMO it is a small sacrifice that makes sense.

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name: **Drew Huls**
City/Town: **Corvallis**
State/Province: **MT**

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

Please do not make this change:

- Takes away opportunity for hunters. I usually put in for the 270 unlimited tag but hunt in the neighboring districts first as a lot of elk early season are in those districts then migrate into 270 later. I have in the past drawn tags for across the state, but still enjoyed having the opportunity to hunt close to home with family those seasons as not every week could I afford the 8 plus hour drive.
-Enforcement is difficult. I don't see how your law enforcement officers will be able to vet in the field whether someone is following this regulation.

It sure seems like the goal is to simplify our states regulations. I don't believe drawing a permit should take away your opportunity to hunt over the counter units. Adding in more rules doesn't do anything for your already overworked wardens to attempt to enforce it and it does nothing in working towards the goals of simplicity and opportunity.

#36

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name: Kyle Reedy
City/Town: Great Falls
State/Province: MT

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

I personally feel that if I would draw a limited entry permit, I would hunt that area a lot since that's where I was putting in for. But if seasonal weather hasn't brought elk into the unit or whatever other factor is limiting me seeing elk in that draw unit, I would like to still be able to look elsewhere with my general license.

For example, the sun river game range has been pretty void of elk the last two seasons and I'm not willing to pay what the Cobb ranch asks to pursue an elk on their land. But if I drew that tag and no elk migrated in and I wouldn't have any other opportunity to pursue an elk I would feel disappointed.

So, I oppose limiting hunters to only the unit they have drawn for the dates on the tag.

#37

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name: **Joel LaLiberty**
City/Town: **Belgrade**
State/Province: **MT**

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

I am opposed to the proposal to limit elk permit holders to only harvest elk in that specific hunting district. This would severely limit hunters that are able to hunt with family and friends across multiple districts due to individual locations across Montana. Montana covers a very large geographical area and many Montanans have family and friends spread across the state. Limiting animal harvest opportunities would gut family and friend hunting traditions and opportunities. I also believe that this proposal would cause overcrowding and concentrate hunters in both permit and non-permit hunting districts. There doesn't seem to be a good or valid reason for this proposal. Further, it adds another level of complexity to the regulations and I understand the overarching goal is to simplify the regulations. If the proposal must move forward then the only possible way it could be beneficial would be to apply it to limited permit districts only and not to the unlimited permit districts.

#38

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name: Mike and Aleta Kantor
City/Town: Missoula
State/Province: MT

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

I am a Montana hunter. I generally oppose any regulations which encourage us down the slippery slope of commercializing or privatizing wildlife. Therefore, licensing proposals which favor commercial outfitters and large landowners over the average Montana hunter are not acceptable to me. Wildlife belong to all of us.

#39

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name: zachary knodel
City/Town: COLUMBIA FALLS
State/Province: MT

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

It works with antlered mule deer hunting. Make it work for elk hunting. I am in favor of this. I feel the overall hunting experience in general HD's would dramatically increase with this proposal. Possibly even bettering the experience in permit HD's as well, as this may steer people away from applying for permits due to being restricted to that one particular HD.

#40

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name: Jon Von Eschen
City/Town: Great Falls
State/Province: MT

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

I am extremely in favor of limiting either-sex Elk permit holders to hunting only within the designated HD that their permit is valid for. I believe this will better allow FWP to have a more accurate picture of hunter numbers and hunter pressure for these districts. It may also help alleviate hunting pressure in General units, as I know that I have historically had an archery only either sex permit in eastern MT but there were weekends where I hunted closer to home in a general district instead because I didn't want to drive 4 hours each way. Please approve this proposal.

#41

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name: Kyle Wengerd
City/Town: Noxon
State/Province: MT

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

I do not support the change to limiting to only hunt one unit in archery season

#42

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name: Brett Hyde
City/Town: Gallatin Gateway
State/Province: MT

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

This is a horrible confusing idea. Again it will not help to reduce the population by making permits valid for male animals. Antlerless permits on private land is the answer.

#43

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name: James Paul
City/Town: Great Falls
State/Province: MT

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

I strongly disagree with this proposal.

#44

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name: Steve Brown
City/Town: Stevensville
State/Province: MT

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

I do not support this proposal for a number of reasons.

First, anyone who draws a limited permit is likely going to focus their efforts in that HD anyway as these tags are exceedingly difficult to draw, making the rule unnecessary. Folks that do not hunt in the limited area after drawing the permit generally have extraordinary circumstances that affect their ability to travel to these areas and should not be further restricted by not being able to hunt elk anywhere else in the State.

Second, Unlimited permits are not generally "trophy" areas and treating them as such will diminish the ability to manage the populations where, in most places, the elk numbers are already over objective.

Third, managing for "trophy elk" through a limited draw system diminishes the hunting experience and the value of the elk. What is it that makes a large animal a "trophy" other than they are a rare occurrence on the landscape. The draw system has taken that status away from the elk and made the permit the rare occurrence, and for many it is a once in a lifetime occurrence. If you truly wanted to extend the opportunity for a trophy experience to everyone it would be better accomplished through antler restrictions along the lines of 5 point or better on one side. That would allow the young bulls a chance to mature and more mature bulls means more opportunity for a trophy bull.

#45

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name: Ronald G Schott
City/Town: Ennis
State/Province: MT

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

Not needed

#46

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name:	David Knoop
City/Town:	Billings
State/Province:	MT

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

I am against several of the proposals in particular the idea of adding additional bull tags to limited entry units, this will have little impact on the population and only help a select few. I do not understand the science behind this approach.

Also the shoulder season are not working, we cannot manage elk that are inaccessible to the public. With the current shoulder season structure we have seen minimal population impact and more elk driven onto private lands where they are inaccessible to the general public. The answer is simple, ranchers need to allow access to these "problem" elk, until that is fixed we will continue to have issues. Please stop catering to wealthy ranchers that already have the solution in place which is to provide access to hunt cow elk. Currently several outfitters are selling shoulder season hunts, so know they are profiting off of these "problem" elk?

Outside of the proposal to limit hunters to the district they have a tag for, I see no logic behind any of these proposals. Shorter seasons or staggered seasons like Colorado does would make a significant impact on hunter pressure on public land as well as help keep elk on public,

#47

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name: Schuyler Watt
City/Town: Great Falls
State/Province: MT

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

Spreading out pressure seems like a good plan in general, so I support this proposal.

#48

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name: Caleb Lucy
City/Town: Bozeman
State/Province: MT

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

I respectfully and fully oppose this change. Thank you.

#49

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name: TROY PAULSON
City/Town: Bozeman
State/Province: MT

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

I am in favor of this proposal

#50

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name: Shawn Dean
City/Town: Burlington
State/Province: KY

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

Can't believe you haven't done this already. Hard to manage individual herds using statewide methodologies. There's an easy middle ground here where they can be good for a few HDs, like Colorado does

#51

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name: Samuel Norden
City/Town: Bozeman
State/Province: MT

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

Opposed

#52

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name: Dean Blomquist
City/Town: Ryegate
State/Province: MT

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

I do not support limiting special permits to hunting only in the designated district. Montanans have enjoyed liberal opportunities and I see no biological reason to make this change.

#53

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name: T.H.Gibson
City/Town: Bozeman
State/Province: MT

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

It doesn't appear to me that this proposal has been fully and properly vetted with the sportsmen/women of MT. I've seen some reference to the permit changes in recent weeks, but without any real dialog of the pros and cons of the proposal from hunters and large land owners. While we all try to support good interactions with large private land holders, I don't want the proposal to lend itself to creating a sub-industry of pay-to-hunt options when our public game moves to private land from hunting pressure, allowing the land owners to capitalize on the game presence. I'd like to see an open and honest series of public discussions so that the pros and cons from both sides can be put on the table in a balanced and factual way.

#54

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name: Bruce McGee
City/Town: LAUREL
State/Province: MT

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

As usual with FWP this proposal is difficult to understand and makes it easy to make a mistake to bring the law. This sets up the public elk hunter for failure. From my experience with FWP to fail and break the law is more important to FWP then for a sportsman to have any kind of success in the field. I oppose this change.

#55

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name: **Henry D McHenry**
City/Town: **Missoula**
State/Province: **MT**

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

As a public land hunter, I really appreciate the motivation to improve opportunity and access for elk hunting. But it seems like you're thinking about it backwards. Making either-sex/antlerless tags valid on public land only improves hunting on private land. You know this. It doesn't matter what you call it--permit, B license, whatever it may be. Reducing cow tags and restricting their use to public pushes elk to private land, and in most units will not reduce populations. If you're saying we have too many elk, that must mean that we aren't shooting enough of them. My thought then is that we should pressure elk to public land by increasing opportunities on private land. Thanks for your time and effort.

#56

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name: Jared Larsen
City/Town: Missoula
State/Province: MT

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

Oppose. Making already confusing regulations even more confusing.

#57

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name: Raymond Wedde
City/Town: Helena
State/Province: MT

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

Would like the description for the permits to be changed on elk and deer
Where it says you can't hunt any antlered deer/elk in any other HD.
Should be able to use general license to hunt antlered deer/elk in an open general area open for antlered deer/elk

#58

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name: **Josh Scoggins**
City/Town: **Hamilton**
State/Province: **MT**

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

I do not support limiting antlered elk hunting to only the one drawn permit district. I obtain a 270 bull tag every year, as it is close access to my home and allows me more hunting opportunities. However, I also make several multi day trips to other parts of the state to hunt elk as well. Allowing hunters to hunt other districts eases hunter congestion/pressure, but also interjects money into the local economies. I stay at hotels, eat at restaurants, and buy gas when in these other parts of the state; as do countless other in state hunters. If I am limited to only one district for hunting I, like many others, will no longer be traveling to these areas and in turn boosting their economy.

#59

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name:	Remi Warren
City/Town:	Reno
State/Province:	NV

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

I disagree with this proposal. It has many negative effects limiting where tag holders can hunt and increases pressure in permit areas.

#60

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name: **Keith Mullan**
City/Town: **Hamilton**
State/Province: **MT**

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

The state wide proposal for a limit to hunting districts based off of permits will not reduce over crowding. 270 is a prime example of a permit only HD.

The commissions decisions are based on a crap management plan (16 years old) and have yet to come up with a new plan. There should be absolutely no changes until that plan is in place.

I do not believe our governor will follow this rule as he is already a known poacher. Why would anyone else follow these rules since the rules do not apply to him. He has poached a spike and taken a wolf without proper certification. The rules obviously do not apply to any changes this commission makes.

#61

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name: Jacob Emrich
City/Town: Great Falls
State/Province: MT

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

Do not like it

#62

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name: **KENNETH C PALAGI**
City/Town: **Great Falls**
State/Province: **MT**

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

I can not agree with this proposal for archery seasons. Say a hunter draws a 410-21 permit, then that is the only place they can hunt archery for the year? Yet reduction to 1500 permits for 410 really is not going to lessen current pressure during the archery season. It can be a long travel distance to get to a specific area and not like most folks can just take the whole archery season to go hunt only one area. Again, like 410-21, take a week off work, travel an entire day both ways and with weekends out 9 days you have 7 hunt days. If not successful in that week then you would not be allowed to slip into the mountains in your backyard per-se on other weekends for the entire rest of archery season. Awfully restrictive on the archery hunter it seems. Also if go hunting there and pressure is high you can't move to say the Little Belts to find some space. Your only option is to pack up and go home. Better pick the right week for vacation. This proposal will create fewer archery hunting days by hunters each year I believe, which eventually could push archery hunters to quit the season completely. Now for rifle season getting a good bull permit and concentrating on that area is something hunters already pretty much do, so making it the rule should not affect hunters anyhow.

#63

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name: Scott Hanson
City/Town: Libby
State/Province: MT

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

I support a first and only for all species. A hunter that draws a general season or archery season permit for elk in the breaks should be limited to only that season and HD. Likewise a hunter that draws a mule deer permit should be limited to only mule deer and only that HD, if someone is fortunate enough to draw a limited mule deer permit, they should not have the opportunity to hunt whitetail at all on their A tag. I also support no option for a second choice for an unlimited permit area on the application, each hunter should only have the ability to apply for 1 permit, if you don't draw a limited permit you don't get the backup of an unlimited, this should apply to all species.

#64

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name: David W.
City/Town: Billings
State/Province: MT

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

I think this is an interesting concept that could help reduce pressure in select units and possibly disperse hunters across the state.

#65

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name: **steve hallgren**
City/Town: **Bonner**
State/Province: **MT**

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

So if I am reading this correct I live in Missoula and apply yearly for a breaks either sex elk permit, if I were to draw a permit under your new proposal I would be restricted to hunting for Bull elk only in that unit for which I drew. So if I am unable to make that long journey to hunt or only get a few days off from work to go there I would be penalized from hunting bull elk near my home for that season, thiis sounds totally unfair to the common hunter of Montana I feel this should be struck down as a proposal.

#66

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name:	Fred Jakubowski
City/Town:	Townsend
State/Province:	MT

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

I do not support this idea. In most cases permit holders likely do hunt in the permit area but having the option to hunt elsewhere if opportunity arises is desirable.

#67

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name: Zack Boughton
City/Town: Bozeman
State/Province: MT

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

I am against restricting archery hunters to their permit area during the archery season. This would remove hunting opportunity in their local area when small periods of time, such as after work hunts, are available. I think we should allow permit holders to hunt any otc area if they choose during the same season dates as the permit.

#68

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name: Joe Carr
City/Town: Missoula
State/Province: MT

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

I agree with this proposal. This ensures that individuals that draw a permit utilize the permit and do not take "opportunity" away from hunters that did not draw the permit by hunting another hunting district.

#69

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name: **Jack McCormick**
City/Town: **BUTTE**
State/Province: **MT**

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

I'm choosing to comment on the whole plan that you have submitted for comment in this section rather than repeat myself in each proposal. Please consider my comments to be applicable to every one of your proposals. These changes are not addressing the problems. They are poorly thought out and researched. They are not in the best interest of public hunting or hunters! Dp some work before you try to make these kind of wholesale changes!

#70

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name: Josh Baltz
City/Town: Libby
State/Province: MT

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

Yes! Absolutely support this proposal. This will help with the extreme over-crowding on public lands. We have limited resources and tens of thousands of new Montana residents every year crowding in to the general license areas.
Please approve and implement this proposal! Also, its time to consider reducing the amount of general license HD's. Its just too crowded!

#71

COMPLETE

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Please provide the following information:

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

Yes!!! Fully support!

#72

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name: Andrew McKean
City/Town: Glasgow
State/Province: MT

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

I strongly support this proposal.

#73

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Q1 Respondent skipped this question

Please provide the following information:

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

Support this concept to assist with fairness and to distribute permits to those that are fully engaged to hunt these special opportunities. Would also request that applications are limited to first and only choice.

#74

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name: Eric Meredith
City/Town: East Helena
State/Province: MT

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

If a limited bull elk permit is drawn by a hunter then that hunter should only be able to hunt Bull elk within that hunting district for the entire duration that the permit is valid for. This is a good thing and will focus the hunters that have drawn a special permit to that area. If they do not want to be focused to that hunting district, don't apply for the permit.

#75

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name: Marcus Hockett
City/Town: BOZEMAN
State/Province: MT

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

I support this proposal. I think this will help spread out hunting pressure across units.

#76

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Q1 Respondent skipped this question

Please provide the following information:

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

This is a good idea

#77

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name: Stephanie Prater
City/Town: Lewistown
State/Province: MT

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

I strongly favor hunt your permit. I think it will assist in dispersing pressure and get more permits in hunter's hands who are committed to harvesting an elk in the designated area.

#78

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name: Richard Schwalbe
City/Town: Big Sky
State/Province: MT

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

Applying increase to PRIVATE LANDS ONLY (in HD535)

1. Has serious political overtones implying that the wealthy have special privileges, exacerbating the rich/poor divide. It looks like corruption.
 2. Appears to be an "end-around" to the proposal removed from the December 14, 2021 agenda as the result of substantial public backlash.
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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name: Pat Van Eimeren
City/Town: Whitefish
State/Province: MT

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

I am opposed to this as there is no rational as to why this regulation is needed. Where is the background information?

#80

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name: Sam Allred
City/Town: Belgrade
State/Province: MT

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

Hi - I'm not a fan of this permit proposal to limit the general elk license to be by permit for a designated hunting district. please leave the general elk license as it is - good for use in any open hunting district per that districts regs. thanks, Sam

#81

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name: Blake Gustovich
City/Town: Helena
State/Province: MT

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

I believe in unlimited cow hunting on private land. However I think we need to not hunt cows on public. I would agree if the cow hunting was on private land only.

#82

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name: Steve Kamps
City/Town: Ovando
State/Province: MT

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

I do not support this as it makes it hard for the working class hunters and hunters with families who have limited time to travel to a distant HD they drew a limited permit in and hunt there and only there. These hunters need to be able to slip away for an evening here and there when the opportunity arises and hunt near home. This proposal is aimed at helping people who live close to a limited permit hunting area and hurting those who do not. Not good for Montana.

#83

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name: Ronald G Schott
City/Town: Ennis
State/Province: MT

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

wouldn't make much difference in hunting pressure

#84

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name: Eric
City/Town: Libby
State/Province: MT

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

Leave everything alone please

#85

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name:	Mike Mershon
City/Town:	Billings
State/Province:	MT

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

I support this proposal.

#86

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name: Jeremy Hogsett
City/Town: Roberts
State/Province: MT

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

Do NOT do this for residents.

#87

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name: Jeff Watkins
City/Town: Missoula
State/Province: MT

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

I support the changes to make the permits valid only for the district.

#88

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name: John Lengyel
City/Town: Hamilton
State/Province: MT

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

I am in favor of this proposal - I feel it will decrease hunting pressure in the "General" areas by removing the Lottery Winners.

#89

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name: Kurt Rued
City/Town: Bozeman
State/Province: MT

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

I SUPPORT Permits for either-sex elk or brow-tined bull-antlerless elk will limit the holder to hunting for antlered elk within only the designated HD for the period identified on the permit. This is a good idea, and long overdue. It should result in better drawing odds for those very interested in hunting these locations and is a good start to managing hunter densities.

#90

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name: Charles Emmons
City/Town: Hamilton
State/Province: MT

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

A permit is valid for only that specific HD. A permit should not restrict you from being able to hunt other general HD with your general tag. Montana's hunting is about opportunity's and this takes that away. I do not approve

#91

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name: BRIAN B MCCULLOUGH
City/Town: Helena
State/Province: MT

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

eliminate spike bulls from either sex elk permits. goal is to increase branch antlered elk opportunity for all hunters who draw permit. Let spike bulls grow to branch antlered bulls before they are harvested statewide.

#92

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name: Luke Colberg
City/Town: Bozeman
State/Province: MT

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

I would like to oppose all of the regulation changes with regards to elk in Montana. The issue is that the elk management plan is from 2005 and out of touch with the current landscape. The FWP director keeps claiming that we have to make changes. That's fallacious. It would be better to maintain the status quo for a year or two while a new elk management plan is drafted and then make regulation changes. The current proposals are based on outdated information or not scientifically based at all, and for that reason I oppose all of the proposed elk regulation changes.

#93

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name: Cole Dallaserra
City/Town: Butte
State/Province: MT

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

I think the foundation of this proposal is good, but I feel that there are ultimately some potential adverse consequences that could be a result that could really hurt opportunities particularly for MT residents and youth hunters. The two reasons I do not support this proposal as a blanketed approach is:

1. Several of the coveted areas that currently have permits are migrational areas such as the Sun River WMA and Beartooth WMA. If we experience a drought year and don't see the usual migration, those permit holders could be really hamstrung in their opportunities. At least if they could still hunt their usual areas they still could have a meaningful opportunity. It is a double edge sword of luck to draw a coveted tag and experience a drought year, but it would be even more unlucky to draw, experience a drought, and not have the ability to hunt elsewhere.
2. I think it is good to encourage youth sportsmen and they should share in the excitement of potentially having the chance of drawing a coveted tag. After all, they are the future of our heritage. Most of these hunters are dependent upon resources from family members and timing in their schedule. Most likely they are putting in with the intentions to hunt that area solely, but circumstances often change by the time permits are drawn from when the actual hunting season arrives. Maybe you are on a high school football team that makes a deep championship run that extends deep in to the season and your time gets limited to travel to and hunt these areas (Say you live in Butte and drew a breaks tag) at least you could still hunt local. There are several other scenarios but I think that makes the point. By limiting our youth it may discourage them from participating in the draw and I don't feel that is at our best interests.

Additionally, there are several archery permit proposals being vetted at the same time. Depending on how those work out, this proposal could have some unintended adverse consequences such as promoting congregation of hunters that could result in user conflicts.

#94

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name: Chris Griffiths
City/Town: Columbia falls
State/Province: MT

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

I support this

#95

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name: Chris Griffiths
City/Town: Columbia falls
State/Province: MT

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

I support this

#96

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name: Scott Vollmer
City/Town: Gallatin Gateway
State/Province: MT

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

Dear Commissioners,

I fully support the requirement that the successful applicant of a special elk permit can hunt only in the district for which the permit is valid during the dates the permit is valid. Essentially, this would make these permits "1st and only choice". Under the current system we have, as many as 22 percent of the people who draw limited elk permits do not use them, electing instead to hunt on their general tag in other districts. This displacement of hunters exacerbates crowding throughout the state as a whole. It makes good common sense to require hunters to be committed to the district they are applying for, effectively spreading hunting pressure throughout the state. Likewise, requiring hunters to commit to a district provides more stable and reliable spending patterns for gateway communities that rely on the spending that these hunters bring into their communities, especially rural communities. I urge you to adopt this "1st and only choice" provision for special limited elk permits. Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

Scott Vollmer
MOGA Director at Large

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name: **Jerry Davis**
City/Town: **Helena**
State/Province: **MT**

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

I believe this is a good idea who's time has come. Hunter numbers are increasing and we all have to limit ourselves so that other Montanans can also enjoy the sport, or we jeopardize losing them.

#98

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name: Marvin mace
City/Town: Helena
State/Province: MT

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

I don't understand the reasoning behind this,it makes no sense to me. We as sportsman should be able to explore new areas and enjoy new opportunities ,after the elk have left public land and moved to private where they stay for the rest of the season, essentially our hunting season is over after opening day. That's not how you manage elk if you want to get the the numbers down

#99

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name: Jeff Darrah
City/Town: Stevensville
State/Province: MT

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

I agree with limiting the holder for either-sex elk or brow-tined bull-antlerless elk to hunting for antlered elk within only the designated HD for the period identified on the permit. I think this will make hunters choose an area and it may help reduce crowding in popular areas.

#100

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name: Kenneth Johnson
City/Town: Butte
State/Province: MT

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

I feel this is a bad regulation. For example if a youth hunter hunts with several different adults and he draws a tag for area380. It limits him to hunting with others in a general area which in turn deters him from hunting which goes against us trying to increase youth hunting. Also if a hunter draws a area380 elk permit the area is very weather dependent and can make harvesting an elk difficult and you take away the hunters ability to hunt elk in another area to harvest an elk to feed his family. I also feel the state is fringing on a hunters right of choice in were he can hunt elk.

#101

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name: Matthew Strauch
City/Town: Chester
State/Province: MT

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

Changes to Montana's elk hunting regulations SHOULD NOT be made until a more current elk management plan is drafted.

#102

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name: **Cody Lengyel**
City/Town: **Hamilton**
State/Province: **MT**

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

I am in favor of making a HD permit valid for that area ONLY and not allowing hunting in general areas for hunters that hold an elk permit. For example, if I hold the 270 elk tag, I should be able to hunt elk in 270 ONLY, and not be able to use my elk tag in any other general HD.

#103

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name:	Jake Schwaller
City/Town:	Billings
State/Province:	MT

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

The Montana Chapter of Backcountry Hunters & Anglers, on behalf of our 3,000+ dues-paying members, submits these comments regarding the statewide 2022/2023 elk permit proposal.

Forcing hunters to 'pick your district' may have the added benefit of spreading out pressure, but it will come at the cost of many Montana hunters' traditions and hunting heritage. In terms of a justified management tool, we cannot support or oppose this proposal as it's unclear what the changes to harvest rates and elk concentrations on public/private will be. For these reasons, we remain neutral on the statewide elk permit proposal.

Respectfully,

Jake Schwaller
Montana Chapter of BHA Board Member
montana@backcountryhunters.org

#104

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

City/Town: **Missoula**
State/Province: **MT**

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

I agree with having to only hunt the unit that the elk permit is in. This will help disperse hunters in the long run. Great idea.

#105

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name: Sean Benton
City/Town: Missoula
State/Province: MT

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

I oppose these changes, pending a new Elk Management plan.

#106

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name: **Travis Tennison**
City/Town: **Kalispell**
State/Province: **MT**

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

Sorry wrong area for this but it would be nice to purchase all types of licenses at the beginning of the year when you purchase a sportsman license. For instance your trapping license is for sale starting the following month?

#107

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name: Charlie Talarico
City/Town: Missoula
State/Province: MT

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

I d would like to see more people more spread out but I like increased opportunities.

#108

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name: **John Herzer**
City/Town: **Missoula**
State/Province: **MT**

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

Neutral. This is a tough one -not black and white as the other sweeping elk reg change proposals. On the one hand, it should benefit those who apply for the tags in that the result would likely be a higher "quality" hunt (ie. fewer hunters, less pressure, better potential results). On the other hand this really limits perhaps the single most important issue with MT elk archery hunting - the ability to hunt a diversity in landscapes. Bottom line is if this fails to serve a greater good then it probably should be tabled.

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name: Dustin Fisk
City/Town: Bozeman
State/Province: MT

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

I oppose this proposal.

#110

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name: Michael Prater
City/Town: Lewistown
State/Province: MT

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

I am in favor of "hunt your permit" on all special either sex/brow tined bull. I believe this will help spread out hunter pressure.

#111

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name: Guy Stickney
City/Town: Miles City
State/Province: MT

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

I support this proposal however I don't think it goes far enough. I would like to see any archery permit drawn be your bull or buck opportunity for the season. You could still hunt antlerless hunts during other season dates. Demand for limited permits is skyrocketing. This would help quell the demand for some of these permits. Plummeting draw odds is only going to get worse so this would be a proactive step to offset this problem.

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name: **Larry D Rattray**
City/Town: **Proctor**
State/Province: **MT**

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

I am not sure what you are trying to accomplish. Are you trying to imitate Washington with the license only being valid for the archery season? If you are making a permit valid for cows in more of the shoulder seasons but not valid for a bull after the general season, I can see some merit to that.

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name: **Larry D Rattray**
City/Town: **Proctor**
State/Province: **MT**

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

One thing I did not find a place to comment on is the combining of districts. A few years ago they lumped the B tags for several districts. One I found very interesting was where they took 11 districts and made it one permit. They had districts that never had a extra permit and included them with areas that had hundreds of permits. Thus an area with no permits the previous year could suddenly have

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name: Brian Robbins
City/Town: Anaconda
State/Province: MT

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

Opposed to changes until a new EMP is in place. Reasons are as follows if you choose to read further. As a lifelong Montana Resident with 40 years of hunting, every year for the last several years seems to get just a little worse when it comes to hunting public land. Elk numbers on Public land have been on a dramatic downward spiral in recent years and these proposals do nothing to reverse that trend. I would argue the majority of these elk proposals will only further the decline of elk on public lands. While I've struggled to find the right words to express my comments, I've read Helena Hunters and Anglers Comments as well as Montana Wildlife Federation. I believe they are spot on and I agree with them regarding elk management in Montana.

#115

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name: **Paul Kemper**
City/Town: **Bozeman**
State/Province: **MT**

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

I support this proposal, but only if a 10% cap on non-residents remains for hunting licenses. Otherwise, what were once special opportunities for residents who contribute to our great state year-round will be decimated by unrelenting out-of-state pressure. Once again, no changes should be made until we have an updated elk management plan.

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name: **thomas liddicoet**
City/Town: **Corvallis**
State/Province: **MT**

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

The above paragraph is extremely confusing It does not actually say that if you draw a permit you cant hunt antlered elk anywhere else. What it says is that the permit is only valid for location and time on the permit. I think I know what you are trying to say because I attended on of the public comment sessions However the above paragraph does not say that. In any event this should not apply to the only unlimited zone in the state, 270. 270 should be a general season hunt no permit required. the conditions that existed when the unlimited permit was enacted are no longer present.

#117

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name:	Jim Mogen
City/Town:	Bozeman
State/Province:	MT

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

I oppose the proposal the ELK Permit Proposal that states “permits for either-sex elk or brow-tined bull-antlerless elk will limit the holder to hunting for antlered elk within the designated HD for the period identified on the permit.”

Reason: Resident Montana public-land hunters are already facing increased hunting pressure and overcrowding from non-residents and an overall increase in hunters. Having an abundance of public land opportunities available to general tag holders is a big part of what makes Montana unique and special, at least for resident hunters – having the option to pack up and move to another spot if the current area is overcrowded is extremely important to most of us. A quality hunting experience is important to a lot of us and some of us are willing to move around to get that.

Another point - Montana is a really big state and most of western Montana is a general license area, meaning we don't need “permits” to hunt there, just general licenses. Many resident hunters enjoy weekend outings to local general-license hunting spots while still planning longer hunting trips to distant permit areas, areas where distance, time and money may limit us to a single hunting trip per season. By making us choose, this proposal would eliminate weekend opportunities for many permit holders and substantially diminish inflow to local economies that benefit from local weekend hunters - Ennis, MT being a good example. I've hunted elk for more than 30 consecutive years in the mountains around Ennis while still holding an archery permit for eastern MT. I can't afford to travel east more than once or twice a season, nor do I have the time to, but I can hunt near my home every weekend and when I do, I stop in Ennis every time to fill up and buy snacks or grab some dinner or supplies or whatever. Multiply that times the thousands of permit holders in western Montana and I think that should be an eye-opener. This proposal would deprive local economies, take weekend opportunities away, and essentially shorten our season from six weeks to 10 days or so.

Finally, hunting and sharing a hunting camp with friends and family, getting to share those moments in the outdoors, has always been a huge part of what makes hunting so special. However, most permits are awarded under a limited draw system, meaning your chance of drawing is not guaranteed and often very low, and the chance of a partner, let alone several friends or family members, also drawing the permit is much lower if possible at all. Again, not only would this proposal eliminate weekend outings on large tracks of general-license public land for permit holders, but it would also eliminate opportunities to hunt with friends and family.

I suggest limiting this proposal to non-resident hunters. This would give FWP better-control of the annual wave of non-resident hunters while still allowing residents to roam. Most non-resident hunters are destination hunters anyway, with no desire to waste their valuable hunting time running around a state they're unfamiliar with.

Thank you for your consideration,
Jim Mogen

#118

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name: Mitchell Thompson
City/Town: Helena
State/Province: MT

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

This should not happen. Most folks only get a limited amount of time for hunting. This will limit the opportunity for people to shoot the animal they are after.

#119

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name: **Matt Morris**
City/Town: **Belgrade**
State/Province: **MT**

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

These changes appear to greatly limit the available regions that a person may hunt with a general license regardless previous of brow tine or anterless regulations. As a person who has family in multiple regions this would limit our ability to hunt different areas with each other. Private land is available however public land is the more prevalent space that is hunted. Limiting the area that you can use a general tag is extremely restricting to the lifelong residents of the state. They have always been able to hunt wherever they have wanted with the exception of draw units that were in place to build populations so that one day it might not be a draw unit and everyone could hunt that area again after a sustaining population had been created. It also appears that there is a push to simplify hunting districts by making larger areas to hunt; unfortunately this seems like something done in an effort to appease those in oppsosition to having to choose a smaller district to hunt in if they are only able to choose one. In an effort to effectively make these changes I believe that changes need to be made more concisely, precisely, and in a volume that is digestible for the general public. In essence these changes are too aggressive with trial and error in a smaller test sample.

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name: **Whitney Tawney**
City/Town: **Bozeman**
State/Province: **MT**

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

Dear Fish and Wildlife Commissioners -

Please reject the substantive elk and "simplification" changes and direct FWP to work with stakeholders to develop meaningful regulations that address actual problems.

We need proposals based on science. Please vote no and work with stakeholders to create a fair and transparent process.

Thank you for your service,
Whitney Tawney (Bozeman, MT)

#121

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Q1 Respondent skipped this question

Please provide the following information:

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

I think this is a good idea as long as there's ABSOLUTELY no boundary expansions. Boundaries have to stay somewhat small, they could actually be a little bit smaller than they are to be able to keep track of where and when animals were shot. Hunters should be required by 2 weeks after the season (whatever season) to email FWP, sex, specious ,and , district. Or call and leave a voicemail. If they don't, when they go to buy a tag the next year it's extra \$2 per tag.

This is an idea coming from someone who is going on 50yrs old and third generation born and raised in Montana.

I want my animals to eventually come back by the time I'm old. This state is a far cry from what it was when I was young. Too many hunter's. We need smaller districts and shorter seasons.

Thank you

#122

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name:	Lance Morlock
City/Town:	Kalispell
State/Province:	MT

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

Keep limited to residents only. Reduce or forbid non resident

#123

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name: Wesley Sherman
City/Town: Stevensville
State/Province: MT

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

I support the idea of restricting successful permit applicants to only hunting the designated hunting district for which their permit is valid. This has been implemented with mule deer as far back as I can remember, and I believe implementing this restriction will help slightly with overcrowding.

Although it is not listed or is unclear in the proposal, I propose the following suggestions:

- If an applicant is successful for an Archery Only permit, that applicant should not be allowed to hunt antlered elk under the General Elk License during the firearm season. This would do one of two things:
 - o Lessen the overcrowding issue in the general units if the applicant was successful in acquiring an archery only permit.
 - o Lessen the overcrowding issue in the limited permit hunting district as an applicant does not want to lose his/her ability to hunt the general units.
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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name: Shawn Moody
City/Town: Kalispell
State/Province: MT

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

Opposed

#125

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name: **Allie Bean**
City/Town: **Missoula**
State/Province: **MT**

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

I am a little confused by the wording of this proposal- does it mean that a general license would not be allowed to be used in a hunting district where a permit was valid? Ex, currently HD 270 requires a permit to hunt and is not open to general license hunting.

IF so, that sounds very limiting, and I would like to understand the science behind that proposal. I don't always know where the elk are going to be, and I like to be able to switch my spots without having to worry about whether I have a permit to hunt in a place.

I am happy with a lot of the other proposed changes, though. Thank you for the opportunity to comment!

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name: **william j mcglynn**
City/Town: **MISSOULA**
State/Province: **MT**

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

Giving more tages to landowners who dont allow public access to overpopulated elk herds privitizes and commercilizes our wildlife. Block Managment has been extremely important to allow hunters like myself access to lands to procur sustinanace for my family. "If you're not willing to address the fact that the over-commercialization of wildlife is the problem, and they don't want more objectives they want more elk. Then in the after-season, their elk go graze public lands and then are driven back on private lands where they can sell for \$20,000," (Brad Molner).

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name: Ian Wargo
City/Town: Kalispell
State/Province: MT

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

This is one of the few proposals in the current regulation changes that appears to have merit. This has the potential to allow FWP officials to better distribute hunting pressure across the state by ensuring pressure is limited to the district where on has a special tag. Probably worth a try. Thanks

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name: Michael Kubas
City/Town: Great Falls
State/Province: MT

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

This proposal has the potential to be beneficial to better spread out hunting pressure; However, I do not support this proposal until the we have updated elk objective numbers.

#129

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name: J Barr
City/Town: Victor
State/Province: MT

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

This proposal unduly restricts access to hunting opportunities. This is especially true for districts where hunters MUST draw a permit in order to hunt, such as 270. Specifically with this district, as a guaranteed draw, it must be a hunter's first, and only permit application and does not provide any opportunity to apply elsewhere. Furthermore, as noted is a previous proposal to open more hunting to assist with overpopulation, this type of restriction will lessen opportunities to hunt in those overpopulated areas. This proposal should be removed altogether.

#130

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name: Sean
State/Province: MT

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

I agree with having to only hunt the unit that the elk permit is in. This will help disperse hunters in the long run.

#131

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name: D.J. Zor
City/Town: Columbia Falls
State/Province: MT

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

Neutral. While I certainly enjoy the freedom of hunting a HUGE variety of landscapes, there may be some reduced pressures felt by hunting designated HD's only.

#132

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name: Brian Scott
City/Town: GLEN
State/Province: MT

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

I am ok with this. Mainly I want the shoulder season stopped!

#133

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name: Paul Dinkins
City/Town: Bozeman
State/Province: MT

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

Dear FWP commissioners,
Please vote no on this proposal. This one is confusing to me. As a management tool, it's aims are dubious with no scientific basis for suggesting it will do anything but limit opportunities for Montana public land hunters, while having no effect on large landowners and outfitters. Similarly it will do nothing to achieve elk population objectives.

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name: Brian Barbaree
City/Town: Columbia Falls
State/Province: MT

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

Just reading this proposal is confusing. Please do not make the regulations more confusing by adding this.

#135

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name:	Chris Griffiths
City/Town:	Columbia falls
State/Province:	MT

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

I support

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name:	Randy Hodges
City/Town:	Stevensville
State/Province:	MT

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

I support the proposal to make bull permits valid in only the unit where a hunter holds a permit. I think this will help with crowding issues in certain units.

I would also support the proposal if it included seasons outside of the permit dates. I.E. not able to hunt general elk in region 3 due to holding an archery season permit for a breaks unit.

#137

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name: THOMAS PUCHLERZ
City/Town: Stevensville
State/Province: MT

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

I oppose this proposal in that it restricts hunter opportunity. In a state as big as ours and individual may draw a coveted tag a long way from hunting areas closer to home. Time and resources to be devoted to hunting a specific area may be limited for some individuals and not allowing them to hunt closer to home after an unsuccessful hunt in a limited entry area is overly restrictive. I believe in general that those that draw a limited tag will focus their time, energy and effort in that unit. Seems to me like a solution for a problem that doesn't exist.

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name: THOMAS PUCHLERZ
City/Town: Stevensville
State/Province: MT

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

I oppose this proposal in that it restricts hunter opportunity. In a state as big as ours and individual may draw a coveted tag a long way from hunting areas closer to home. Time and resources to be devoted to hunting a specific area may be limited for some individuals and not allowing them to hunt closer to home after an unsuccessful hunt in a limited entry area is overly restrictive. I believe in general that those that draw a limited tag will focus their time, energy and effort in that unit. Seems to me like a solution for a problem that doesn't exist.

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name: **Hunter Johnstone**
City/Town: **Missoula**
State/Province: **MT**

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

Special permits should limit hunters to only pursue bulls in the area the permit is valid for. I support this idea.

#140

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name: Randy Newberg
City/Town: Bozeman
State/Province: MT

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

I support this proposal to make either-sex or brow-tine bull-antlerless elk permits valid for antlered elk within only the designated HD for the period identified on the permit.

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name: **KARSON ROSANDER**
City/Town: **BILLINGS**
State/Province: **MT**

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

I oppose the proposal.

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name: ELIZABETH MCFARLAND
City/Town: OTTER
State/Province: MT

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

NO

VERY CONFUSING

#143

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name:	Gary Carter
City/Town:	Missoula
State/Province:	MT

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

I support consolidating districts and simplifying the regs.

I would prefer to see more archery only options and more antlerless elk opportunities during rifle season on public lands.

I am opposed to any more antlerless tags for private land owners or expansion of existing shoulder seasons. This has been tried and shown it doesn't work. All that does is provide easy and profitable elk for the most fortunate land owners.

The claim that there are "too many elk" is a falsehood. Who says there's too many elk in MT? I've lived and hunted in MT my entire life and I've never heard anyone other than FWP and wealthy land owners say there are too many elk. I especially do not hear this from other hunters.

Here's some facts:

MT total area - 93,155,800 acres

MT public land - ~32,473,220 acres

MT elk according to FWP - ~ 170,000

vs.

CO total area - 66,387,200 acres

CO public land - ~ 26,458,890 acres

CO elk according to CWP 2019 - ~ 282,000

MT has more land and more public land than CO, yet only has only 61% of the number of elk. HOW IS THAT TOO MANY??

My guess is that FWP is taking its marching orders from a very small minority of land owners that are well connected and have deep pockets. They should be thankful they own land in MT and have the privilege of having elk on their property, but because they don't want to lose a little money, they're unwilling to deal with the problems of elk on their land with their own money. Wrong solution to a problem that isn't a problem for 99.99999% of MT citizens. If these land owners don't want elk on their land, they can spend their own money on fences to keep them out or allow easy public access for hunters. Or maybe FWP should stop all predator hunting on those private lands so that predators will naturally reduce the herds on those lands. That won't happen because the land owners don't like predators either.

This is not a problem to begin with and the proposed "solutions" are hand-outs to the most privileged. If FWP wants to continue to operate, they need to remember who they work for. FWP works for all the citizens of MT, not just a few well connected and wealthy land owners. I don't have any ill will against anyone for having wealth or owning a lot of land, but I do not like those that do using their wealth or status as land owners to make all other citizens of MT lose hunting opportunities.

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name: Marcus Svee
City/Town: Corvallis
State/Province: MT

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

I know that this proposal gives many people heartache, but I see that we need to spread out the hunting pressure through out the State - and this proposal could help.

I support this proposal.

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name: Andrew Derickson
City/Town: Augusta
State/Province: MT

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

I support this proposal

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name: ARTHUR ROSANDER
City/Town: COLSTRIP
State/Province: MT

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

I oppose this proposal.

#147

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Q1

Please provide the following information:

Name:	Tavis P Campbell
City/Town:	Missoula
State/Province:	MT

Q2

Please comment on the proposed 2022–2023 elk permit proposal:

I support the focus of population control efforts on the antlerless portion of the elk population. But How does giving away bull permits to wealthy landowners resolve their elk over-population complaints? Landowners should have to get a permit/license just like the rest of the general public. In the USA we do not condone, and have repeatedly resisted a “royalty model for wildlife” – by virtue of the United States Constitution, the U.S. Supreme Court ruled that it is the People who are the sovereign, not a privileged few. It is widely understood that wildlife is to be held in Trust for the People, and that is the government’s obligation and responsibility. I am opposed to proposals to double the bull/either-sex elk quotas for several limited entry districts that are over objective for elk. The focus needs to be exclusively on cow elk harvest in these HDs
