



FISH AND WILDLIFE COMMISSION AMENDMENT

FWP proposal to be amended: Fall 2026–Winter 2027 Furbearer and Wolf Trapping and Hunting Seasons and Quotas

Commissioner: Susan Kirby Brooke, Region 3

Date Received by Commission Liaison: Amendment #1 - August 3, 2026 - 8:43 a.m.

Proposed Amendment: I move the Fish and Wildlife Commission adopt the following amendment to the regulations of the Fall 2026–Winter 2027 Furbearer and Wolf Trapping and Hunting Seasons and Quotas.

Amend the regulations as follows:

- In Wolf Management Units 313 and 316 reduce the bag limit to one wolf per licensed hunter.
- In Region 3, reduce the bag limit to 5 wolves per licensed hunter.

Requested by FWP: ☐ YES ☒ NO (check one)

Rationale and Background: Wolf Management Units 313 and 316 are very small hunting districts and 313, in particular, has a human population concentration which can easily access this area. Many years multiple wolves have been harvested by a single hunter. This proposal to the regulations would allow opportunity for 3 different hunters to harvest a wolf.

For Region 3, FWP has recommended a quota of 33. With the current bag limit at 15 wolves per hunter there is a chance 3 hunters could meet or exceed the quota in one day. This change would reduce the number to 5 thus allowing multiple hunters an opportunity to harvest a wolf.



Department Response:

The department does not anticipate any substantive change to harvest as a result of the proposed amendment. Only a single wolf was harvested in WMU 316 in 2024 and 2025, although the quota of 3 was exceeded by 1 in WMU 313 in 2024 and the quota of 3 was met in 2025. No hunter has harvested more the 5 wolves in Region 3 during 2024 or 2025.

For clarity, the department is recommending a bag limit of 10 wolves for hunters and 10 wolves for trappers for 2026. Even in 2025, when the bag limit was 15 per person statewide for hunters and trappers, at least 5 of those harvests for hunting and for trapping had to occur in Regions 1 or 2.

