MONTANA FISH, WILDLIFE & PARKS
HUNTING SEASON/QUOTA CHANGE SUPPORTING INFORMATION

Species: Mule Deer
Region: 3
Hunting District: 339
Year: 2027

1. **Describe the proposed season/quotas changes and provide a summary of prior history (i.e., prior history of permits, season types, etc.).**

   This proposal is to reinstate an archery season for either-sex white-tailed deer on the General Deer License; this season was inadvertently omitted in the 2026 regulations.

2. **What is the objective of this proposed change? This could be specific harvest amount or resulting population level or number of game damage complaints, etc.**

   Return to status quo and fix an error.

3. **How will success of this proposal be measured? This could be annual game or harvest surveys, game damage complaints.**

   N/A

4. **What is the current population's status in relation to the management objectives? (i.e., state management objectives from management plan if applicable; provide current and prior years of population survey, harvest, or other pertinent information).**

   N/A

5. **Provide information related to any weather/habitat factors, public or private land use or resident and nonresident hunting opportunity that have relevance to this change (i.e., habitat security, hunter access, vegetation surveys, weather index, snow conditions, temperature/precipitation information).**

   N/A

6. **Briefly describe the contacts you have made with individual sportsmen or landowners, public groups or organizations regarding this proposal and indicate their comments (both pro and con).**

   This error was not discovered until archery season began. Notifications that the archery season was not authorized by the Commission has been communicated to hunters in the field opportunistically. The assumption is that the error can be corrected and returned to status-quo for the 2027 season.

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