

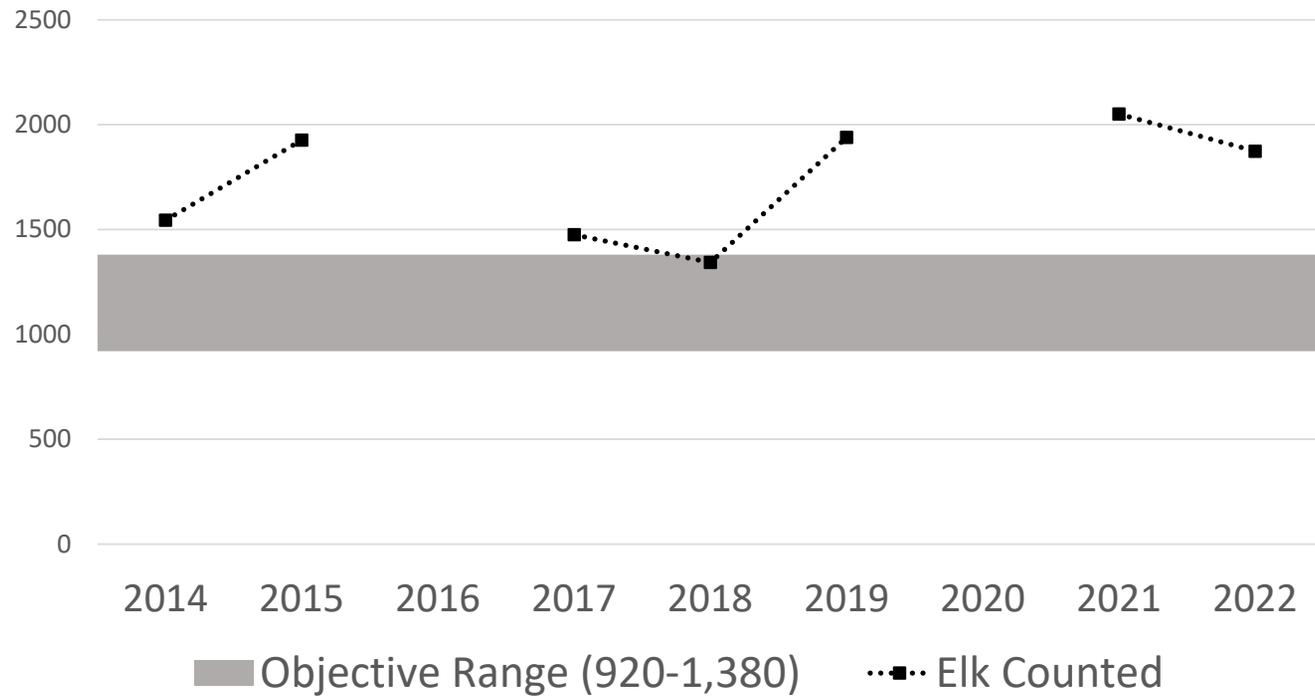
# HD 213

- Current population objectives are expressed as a desired number of elk counted, and typically include a range around that value (+/-20%). The range accounts for anticipated variability in elk counts among years. In this HD, should FWP maintain the current form of objective (point value with fixed range) or should FWP consider alternative population objective forms, like using the long-term average (5 years, 10 years) +/- 20%, or some other approach to establish a population objective?
- Elk populations are classified into objective status using annual or biennial survey data. Because there is often variation among surveys, would it be more appropriate to use individual surveys or a 3-year average of surveys to determine objective status for this HD or would you recommend some other approach?



# HD 213

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Note: boundary to HD 213 was changed in 2017 and 2020. Counts included in figure were from within the boundaries of current HD 213. Current boundary of HD 213 subsumes most winter range previously in HD 212.

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- The current objective for HD 213 is 1,150 elk (range = 920-1,380). Do you think the current population objective level should be maintained, increased, or decreased? If increased or decreased, what should the new range be?
- In HD 213, there are bull objectives to maintain a 2-year average bull:100 cow ratio of 10:100 or at least 7% bulls among observed elk and to maintain an annual bull harvest comprised of at least 50% brow-tined bulls, of which at least 10% harvested bulls are  $\geq 6$  pt. Should there be bull objectives in this HD? If so, are the current bull objectives appropriate? If not, what should they be?
- Are you satisfied with the current elk distribution in this HD? If not, would you suggest any specific objectives to address the distribution?
- What else does the Elk Management Plan need to include for this HD?

