



# RULE-MAKING ORDER

**CR-103P (May 2009)**  
(Implements RCW 34.05.360)

**Agency:** Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife

**Permanent Rule Only**

**Effective date of rule:**

**Permanent Rules 15-94**

31 days after filing.

Other (specify) \_\_\_\_\_ (If less than 31 days after filing, a specific finding under RCW 34.05.380(3) is required and should be stated below)

**Any other findings required by other provisions of law as precondition to adoption or effectiveness of rule?**

Yes  No If Yes, explain:

**Purpose:** This rulemaking modifies hunt dates and permit levels on properties enrolled in WDFW's Landowner Hunting Permit (LHP) program for the 2015-17 hunting seasons. These sites offer special hunting opportunities to the public through permits issued by WDFW, raffles, or selection by the landowner.

**Citation of existing rules affected by this order:**

Repealed:

Amended: WAC 232-28-296

Suspended:

**Statutory authority for adoption:** RCW 77.04.012, 77.04.055, 77.12.047, 77.12.150 and 77.12.240.

**Other authority :**

**PERMANENT RULE (Including Expedited Rule Making)**

Adopted under notice filed as WSR 15-04-114 on 02/03/15

Describe any changes other than editing from proposed to adopted version: See Attachment A.

If a preliminary cost-benefit analysis was prepared under RCW 34.05.328, a final cost-benefit analysis is available by contacting:

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**Date adopted:**

April 10, 2015

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**WSR 15-10-031**

**Note: If any category is left blank, it will be calculated as zero.  
No descriptive text.**

**Count by whole WAC sections only, from the WAC number through the history note.  
A section may be counted in more than one category.**

**The number of sections adopted in order to comply with:**

<b>Federal statute:</b>	New	_____	Amended	_____	Repealed	_____
<b>Federal rules or standards:</b>	New	_____	Amended	_____	Repealed	_____
<b>Recently enacted state statutes:</b>	New	_____	Amended	_____	Repealed	_____

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New	_____	Amended	_____	Repealed	_____
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**The number of sections adopted in order to clarify, streamline, or reform agency procedures:**

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**The number of sections adopted using:**

<b>Negotiated rule making:</b>	New	_____	Amended	_____	Repealed	_____
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<b>Other alternative rule making:</b>	New	_____	Amended	_____	Repealed	_____

## Attachment A

Describe any changes other than editing from proposed to adopted version:

### WAC 232-28-296:

- Under Pine Mountain Ranch:
  - The number of landowner any buck permits is increased from 2 to 3.
  - The number of youth only, any buck special hunting permits is increased from 2 to 3.
- The following sentence is added under the description of Bennett Lumber landowner hunting permits: “Holders of the ten (10) antlerless elk permits are eligible to purchase second elk tags that may only be used on lands included in the Bennett Lumber LHP.”
- The following sentence is added under the description of Columbia Plateau Wildlife Management Association landowner hunting permits: “Holders of landowner permits selected through raffle, including 13 antlerless elk and 2 any elk permits, are eligible to purchase second elk tags that may only be used on lands included in the CPWMA LHP.”

**WAC 232-28-296 Landowner hunting permits.** (1) A landowner may enter into a contract with the department and establish boundaries and other requirements for hunter access consistent with commission policy.

(2) It is unlawful for hunters to participate in landowner-permit hunts unless the hunters possess both an access permit from the landowner and a hunting permit from the department for the species covered under the landowner's contract. A violation of this section is punishable under RCW 77.15.410.

(3)(a) **Buckrun**

(i) Buckrun is located in Grant County, near the town of Wilson Creek.

(ii) Hunting on Buckrun is managed for a quality experience by scheduling hunt dates and keeping the number of hunters in the field low. Hunters with limited flexibility for hunt dates may experience scheduling problems. Hunters can generally expect one-day hunts during the permit seasons with written authorization from the Buckrun manager. All hunters must check in and out with the landowner or their designee on hunt day. Hunts (~~(will be)~~) are scheduled on a first-come basis by calling 509-345-2577 in advance.

(b) **Buckrun landowner hunting permits**

(i) Buckrun's manager will distribute Buckrun's landowner hunting permits. Buckrun may charge an access fee for these permits, but not for winning raffle permits. Only hunters possessing a modern firearm deer tag are eligible for permits on Buckrun's properties. Contact the manager at 509-345-2577 for additional information.

(ii) **Deer Seasons:**

Hunt Name	Quota	Access Season	Special Restrictions	Boundary Description
Buckrun	10	Sept. 1 - Dec. 31	Antlerless Mule Deer or any White-tailed Deer	Buckrun
Buckrun	30	Sept. 1 - Dec. 31	Any deer	Buckrun
Buckrun Raffle	10	Oct. 25 - Dec. 31	Any deer	Buckrun

(c) **Buckrun special hunting permits**

(i) Hunters must apply to the Washington department of fish and wildlife for Buckrun's special hunting permits. Only hunters possessing a modern firearm deer tag are eligible for these special permits. All hunters must check in and out with the landowner or their designee. Hunts (~~(should)~~) must be scheduled in advance by calling 509-345-2577.

(ii) **Deer Seasons:**

Hunt Name	Permit Number	Permit Season	Special Restrictions	Boundary Description
Buckrun	10	Sept. 1 - Dec. 31	Antlerless	Buckrun

(4)(a) **Silver Dollar Association**

The Silver Dollar Association is located in Yakima and Benton counties, on the western edge of the Hanford Reservation. A legal description of the property is in the contract between the Silver Dollar Association and the department.

(b) **Silver Dollar Association landowner hunting permits**

(i) The Silver Dollar Association's manager will distribute the association's landowner hunting permits. The association may charge an access fee for these permits.

(ii) Elk Seasons:

Hunt Name	Quota	Access Season	Special Restrictions	Boundary Description
Silver Dollar	24	Aug. 1 - March 31	Any Elk	Silver Dollar
Silver Dollar	8	Aug. 1 - March 31	Antlerless	Silver Dollar

(c) **Silver Dollar Association special hunting permits**

(i) Hunters must apply to the ((Washington)) department ((of fish and wildlife)) for the Silver Dollar Association's special hunting permits.

(ii) Elk Seasons:

Hunt Name	Permit Number	Weapon/Tag	Permit Season	Special Restrictions	Boundary Description
Silver Dollar	8	EF	Aug. 1 - March 31	Youth Only, Any Elk	Silver Dollar
Silver Dollar Antlerless Elk	6	EF	Aug. 1 - March 31	Youth Only, Antlerless Elk Only	Silver Dollar
Silver Dollar Antlerless Elk	2	EF	Aug. 1 - March 31	Persons of Disability Only, Antlerless Elk Only	Silver Dollar

(5)(a) **Blackrock Ranches**

Blackrock Ranches is located in Yakima County west of the Hanford Reservation. A legal description of the property is in the contract between Blackrock Ranches and the department.

(b) **Blackrock Ranches landowner hunting permits**

(i) Blackrock Ranches' manager will distribute the ranches' landowner hunting permits. Blackrock Ranches may charge an access fee for these permits.

(ii) Elk Seasons:

Hunt Name	Quota	Access Season	Special Restrictions	Boundary Description
Blackrock Ranches	6	Aug. 1 - March 31	Any Elk	Blackrock Ranches
Blackrock Ranches	2	Aug. 1 - March 31	Antlerless	Blackrock Ranches

(c) **Blackrock Ranches special hunting permits**

(i) Hunters must apply to the ((Washington)) department ((of fish and wildlife)) for Blackrock Ranches' special hunting permits. To apply, hunters must have an eastside elk tag.

(ii) Elk Seasons:

Hunt Name	Permit Number	Weapon/Tag	Permit Season	Special Restrictions	Boundary Description
Blackrock Ranches	1	EF	Aug. 1 - March 31	Any Elk	Blackrock Ranches
Blackrock Ranches	1	EF	Aug. 1 - March 31	Antlerless Only	Blackrock Ranches
Blackrock Ranches	1	EF	Aug. 1 - March 31	Youth Only, Any Elk	Blackrock Ranches
Blackrock Ranches	1	EF	Aug. 1 - March 31	Youth Only, Antlerless Only	Blackrock Ranches

(6)(a) **Pine Mountain Ranch**

The Pine Mountain Ranch is located in Yakima County 14 miles west of Yakima. A legal description of the property is in the contract between the Pine Mountain Ranch and the department.

**(b) Pine Mountain Ranch landowner hunting permits**

(i) Pine Mountain Ranch's manager will distribute the ranch's landowner hunting permits. Pine Mountain Ranch may charge an access fee for these permits.

(ii) Deer Seasons:

Hunt Name	Quota	Access Season	Special Restrictions	Boundary Description
Pine Mountain Ranch	((2)) 3	Nov. ((3)) 10 - Dec. 31	Any Buck	Pine Mountain Ranch

(iii) Elk Seasons:

Hunt Name	Quota	Access Season	Special Restrictions	Boundary Description
Pine Mountain Ranch	1	Aug. 1 - Dec. 31	Any Bull	Pine Mountain Ranch
Pine Mountain Ranch	2	Aug. 1 - Nov. ((2)) 9	Antlerless	Pine Mountain Ranch

**(c) Pine Mountain Ranch special hunting permits**

(i) Hunters must apply to the ((Washington)) department ((of fish and wildlife)) for Pine Mountain Ranch's special hunting permits.

(ii) Deer Seasons:

Hunt Name	Quota	Access Season	Special Restrictions	Boundary Description
Pine Mountain Ranch	((2)) 3	Nov. ((3)) 10 - Dec. 31	Youth Only, Any Buck	Pine Mountain Ranch

(iii) Elk Seasons:

Hunt Name	Quota	Access Season	Special Restrictions	Boundary Description
Pine Mountain Ranch	1	Aug. 1 - Dec. 31	Youth Only, Any Bull	Pine Mountain Ranch
Pine Mountain Ranch	2	Aug. 1 - Nov. ((2)) 9	Antlerless	Pine Mountain Ranch

~~(7) (a) ((4-0 Ranch~~

~~The 4-0 Ranch is located in Asotin County (GMU 172), south of Asotin. A legal description of the property is in the contract between the 4-0 Ranch and the department.~~

~~(b) 4-0 Ranch landowner hunting permits~~

~~The 4-0 Ranch's manager will distribute the ranch's landowner hunting permits. The 4-0 Ranch may charge an access fee for these permits.~~

**Deer**

Hunt Name	Quota	Access Season	Special Restrictions	Boundary Description
4-0 Ranch A	4	Oct. 4-7	Mule Deer, 3 pt. min	4-0 Ranch
4-0 Ranch C	1	Nov. 8-12	White-tailed, 3 pt. min	4-0 Ranch

**Elk**

Hunt Name	Quota	Access Season	Special Restrictions	Boundary Description
4-0 Ranch A	1	Sept. 6-9	Any Bull	4-0 Ranch
4-0 Ranch B	1	Sept. 25-28	Any Bull	4-0 Ranch
4-0 Ranch C	3	Oct. 18-21	Spike Only	4-0 Ranch

Hunt Name	Quota	Access Season	Special Restrictions	Boundary Description
4-0 Ranch D	8	Nov. 3-7	Antlerless Only	4-0 Ranch

~~(c) 4-0 Ranch special hunting permits~~

~~Hunters must apply to the Washington department of fish and wild-life for the ranch's special hunting permits. Hunters must have an Eastside Elk tag to apply for 4-0 Ranch's elk permits.~~

**Deer**

Hunt Name	Quota	Access Season	Special Restrictions	Boundary Description
4-0 Ranch A	1	Oct. 8-12	Mule Deer, 3 pt. min	4-0 Ranch
4-0 Ranch B	3	Oct. 8-12	Antlerless Mule Deer, Youth Only	4-0 Ranch
4-0 Ranch C	1	Nov. 15-19	Whitetail, 3 pt. min	4-0 Ranch

**Elk**

Hunt Name	Quota	Access Season	Special Restrictions	Boundary Description
4-0 Ranch A	1	Sept. 10-14	Any Bull	4-0 Ranch
4-0 Ranch B	1	Sept. 17-21	Any Bull	4-0 Ranch
4-0 Ranch C	4	Oct. 22-26	Spike Only	4-0 Ranch
4-0 Ranch D	4	Oct. 29 - Nov. 2	Antlerless Only	4-0 Ranch
4-0 Ranch E	4	Nov. 22-26	Antlerless Only	4-0 Ranch))

**Bennett Lumber LHP**

(i) The Bennett Lumber property is located in Asotin, Columbia, Garfield, and Walla Walla counties (GMUs 154, 162, 166, 172, and 178). A legal description of the property is in the contract between Bennett Lumber and the department.

(ii) Special hunting permits are not issued by the department for the Bennett Lumber LHP. Instead, Bennett Lumber will be enrolling in the hunt by reservation program to provide regulated public access to all of their property. The landowner and the department will develop a framework for scheduling reservation hunts on the property which will result in hunting opportunity exceeding that which otherwise would be available using the standard allocation guidelines for LHPs.

**(b) Bennett Lumber landowner hunting permits**

(i) Bennett Lumber's manager will distribute the ranch's landowner hunting permits. Bennett Lumber may charge an access fee for these permits. Holders of the 10 antlerless elk permits are eligible to purchase second elk tags that may only be used on lands included in the Bennett Lumber LHP.

**(ii) Deer Seasons:**

Hunt Name	Quota	Access Season	Special Restrictions	Boundary Description
<u>Bennett Lumber A</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>Nov. 7 - 19</u>	<u>Mule Deer, 3 pt. min</u>	<u>Bennett Lumber</u>
<u>Bennett Lumber B</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>Nov. 7-19</u>	<u>White-tailed, 3 pt. min</u>	<u>Bennett Lumber</u>

**(iii) Elk Seasons:**

Hunt Name	Quota	Access Season	Special Restrictions	Boundary Description
<u>Bennett Lumber A</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>Sept. 15-30</u>	<u>Any Bull</u>	<u>Bennett Lumber</u>
<u>Bennett Lumber B</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>Sept. 15-30</u>	<u>Antlerless</u>	<u>Bennett Lumber</u>
<u>Bennett Lumber C</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>Oct. 31 - Nov. 8</u>	<u>Antlerless</u>	<u>Bennett Lumber</u>

**(8)(a) ZMI Ranch**

ZMI Ranch is located in northern Walla Walla County near Lyons Ferry (GMU 149).

(b) **ZMI Ranch landowner hunting permits**

(i) ZMI Ranch's manager will distribute the ranch's landowner hunting permits. ZMI Ranch may charge an access fee for these permits.

(ii) **Deer Seasons:**

Hunt Name	Quota	Access Season	Special Restrictions	Boundary Description
ZMI A	3	Oct. <del>((20))</del> <u>28</u> - Nov. <del>((4))</del> <u>1</u>	3 pt. min	ZMI
ZMI B	3	Nov. <del>((15-30))</del> <u>14-30</u>	3 pt. min	ZMI

(c) **ZMI Ranch special hunting permits**

(i) Hunters must apply to the ~~((Washington))~~ department ~~((of fish and wildlife))~~ for ZMI Ranch's special hunting permits. Only hunters possessing a modern firearm deer tag are eligible for ZMI special permits. Hunters must ~~((call))~~ contact ZMI Ranch's manager to schedule a hunt time. All hunters must check in and out with the landowner or their designee on the day they hunt.

(ii) **Deer Seasons:**

Hunt Name	Quota	Access Season	Special Restrictions	Boundary Description
ZMI A	2	<del>((Dec-1-7))</del> <u>Nov. 4-8</u>	3 pt. min	ZMI
<u>ZMI B</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>Dec. 5-13</u>	<u>Antlerless</u>	<u>ZMI</u>

(9)(a) **Columbia Plateau Wildlife Management Association**

(i) The Columbia Plateau Wildlife Management Association (CPWMA) landowner hunting permit area is located in Spokane County (GMU 130) near Turnbull National Wildlife Refuge. ~~((Landowner permit hunts are primarily damage hunts but are managed for a quality experience by keeping the number of hunters in the field low.))~~ A legal description of the property is in the contract between the CPWMA and the department.

(ii) Landowner permit hunts are primarily damage hunts but are managed for a quality experience by keeping the number of hunters in the field low.

(b) **Columbia Plateau Wildlife Management Association landowner hunting permits**

(i) CPWMA's manager will distribute the association's landowner hunting permits. CPWMA will not charge an access fee for raffle permit winners. Only hunters possessing an elk tag are eligible for permits on CPWMA's properties. All successfully drawn permit applicants must have written authorization from CPWMA's manager and must check in and out with CPWMA's designee at the beginning and ending of the scheduled hunting dates. Successful applicants will receive a packet of information with forms to ~~((fill-out))~~ complete and a map showing the hunt area. These applicants must ~~((fill-out))~~ complete the forms and return them before ~~((Sept-))~~ September 30. Applicants should see CPWMA's web site at [www.cpwma.org](http://www.cpwma.org) or contact the hunt manager at 509-263-4616.  HOLDERS OF LANDOWNER PERMITS SELECTED THROUGH RAFFLE, INCLUDING 13 ANTLERLESS ELK AND 2 ANY ELK PERMITS, ARE ELIGIBLE TO PURCHASE SECOND ELK TAGS THAT MAY ONLY BE USED ON LANDS INCLUDED IN THE CPWMA LHP.

(ii) **Elk Seasons:**

Hunt Name	Quota	Access Season	Special Restrictions	Boundary Description
CPWMA	2	Jan. 1 - Mar. 31	Antlerless	CPWMA
<del>((CPWMA Raffle 1</del>	2	<u>Jan. 1-15</u>	Antlerless	CPWMA
CPWMA Raffle 2	2	<u>Jan. 16-31</u>	Antlerless	CPWMA
CPWMA Raffle 3	3	<u>Feb. 1-14</u>	Antlerless	CPWMA

Hunt Name	Quota	Access Season	Special Restrictions	Boundary Description
CPWMA Raffle 4	2	Feb. 15-28	Antlerless	CPWMA
CPWMA Raffle 5	2	Mar. 1-15	Antlerless	CPWMA
CPWMA Raffle 6	2	Mar. 16-31	Antlerless	CPWMA
CPWMA Raffle 7	2	Jan. 1-31	Any bull	CPWMA))
<u>CPWMA Raffle 1</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>Jan. 1-31</u>	<u>Antlerless</u>	<u>CPWMA</u>
<u>CPWMA Raffle 2</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>Feb. 1-29</u>	<u>Antlerless</u>	<u>CPWMA</u>
<u>CPWMA Raffle 3</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>Mar. 1-31</u>	<u>Antlerless</u>	<u>CPWMA</u>
<u>CPWMA Raffle 4</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>Jan. 1-31</u>	<u>Any elk</u>	<u>CPWMA</u>

**(c) Columbia Plateau Wildlife Management Association special hunting permits**

(i) Hunters must apply to the (~~Washington~~) department (~~of fish and wildlife~~) for CPWMA's special hunting permits. All successfully drawn permit applicants must have written authorization from CPWMA's manager and must check in and out with CPWMA's designee at the beginning and ending of the scheduled hunting dates. Successful applicants will receive a packet of required information with forms to (~~fill out~~) complete and a map showing the hunt area. These applicants must (~~fill out~~) complete the forms and return them before (~~Sept.~~) September 30. Applicants should see CPWMA's web site at [www.cpwma.org](http://www.cpwma.org) or contact the hunt manager at 509-263-4616.

**(ii) Elk Seasons:**

Hunt Name	Quota	Access Season	Special Restrictions	Boundary Description
<del>(CPWMA 1</del>	3	Jan. 1-15	Antlerless	CPWMA
CPWMA 2	2	Jan. 16-31	Antlerless	CPWMA
CPWMA 3	2	Feb. 1-14	Antlerless	CPWMA
CPWMA 4	3	Feb. 15-28	Antlerless	CPWMA
CPWMA 5	3	Mar. 1-15	Antlerless	CPWMA
CPWMA 6	2	Mar. 16-31	Antlerless	CPWMA
CPWMA 7	1	Jan. 1-31	Any bull	CPWMA))
<u>CPWMA 1</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>Jan. 1-31</u>	<u>Antlerless</u>	<u>CPWMA</u>
<u>CPWMA 2</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>Feb. 1-29</u>	<u>Antlerless</u>	<u>CPWMA</u>
<u>CPWMA 3</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>Mar. 1-31</u>	<u>Antlerless</u>	<u>CPWMA</u>
<u>CPWMA 4</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>Jan. 1-31</u>	<u>Any elk</u>	<u>CPWMA</u>