

**8. PILOT DEER AND ELK CONFLICT RESOLUTION PROGRAM IN
REGION 3 – BREIFING**

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Meeting: November 2-3, 2007

Agenda Item 8: Pilot Deer and Elk Conflict Resolution Program in Region 3 – **Briefing**

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Background:

This is a Commission request from the January 12-13, 2007 meeting to provide an update on the progress and status of the pilot deer and elk conflict resolution program in Region 3.

Due to increasing agricultural damage and deteriorating landowner relations, a pilot program for deer and elk conflict resolution was initiated in Region 3 during 2006. As part of the new program, responsibilities for addressing crop damages caused by deer and elk were transferred from the Enforcement Program to the Wildlife Program in Kittitas, Yakima, Benton, and Franklin Counties. Two Deer and Elk Conflict Specialists were hired last fall.

Policy Issue(s) you are bringing to the Commission for consideration:

N/A

Public involvement process used and what you learned:

N/A

Action requested (identify the specific Commission decisions you are seeking):

None, this is a briefing only.

Draft motion language:

N/A

Justification for Commission action:

N/A
