

## Agenda Item 18

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**WAC 232-28-273 2009-2011 Moose, bighorn sheep, and mountain goat seasons and permit quotas**

### **Supplemental Recommended Adjustments**

The following adjustments are proposed since the Code Reviser (CR 102) filing and are NOT included in your notebook language.

#### **Page 2**

Change the MH footnote from:

<sup>“MH</sup>This is a damage hunt administered by a WDFW designated hunt master. Only master hunters may apply, except master hunters who have harvested a moose previously in Washington state may not apply; these hunts will not affect accumulated points; and any weapon may be used. Successful applicants will be contacted on an as-needed basis to help with specific sites of moose damage on designated landowner's property. Not all successful applicants will be contacted in any given year depending on moose damage activity for that year.”

To:

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The reason for the change is to clarify that Master Hunters may apply even if they have harvested a moose previously in Washington State and the Master Hunt program may be used for nuisance activity as well as damage.

**Page 5**

Delete the last sentence under bag limit:

Bag Limit: One (1) adult goat of either sex with horns four (4) inches or longer. WDFW urges hunters to refrain from shooting nannies with kids. ~~Permit hunters may start hunting Sept. 1 with archery equipment.~~

**Page 9**

Insert superscript "b" after table heading "Permit Season"

**Page 10**

Insert footnote "b" as follows: "<sup>b</sup>Permit hunters may start hunting Sept. 1 with archery equipment."

The reason for the changes on pages 5, 9, and 10 is because the language associated with the archery component of the goat season was incorrectly placed under the Bag Limit heading, but belongs as a part of the permit season table.

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#### **SUMMARY OF SUPPLEMENTAL WRITTEN PUBLIC INPUT**

Supplemental public comments were not captured in the original summary of written comments. Each comment may be representative of multiple like comments.

<b>COMMENTS</b>	<b>AGENCY RESPONSE</b>
Eliminating the Swakane sheep hunt- Vehicle/sheep collisions are on an upswing. Why eliminate this hunt only to let vehicles kill more sheep. I guess my years of applying for this hunt (I have the maximum # of points available) are useless now.	Given the level of mortality to the Swakane herd the Department prefers to close the unit to hunting until the vehicle collision issue is resolved and the herd begins to rebound.
Please require applicants to have any valid big game license prior to applying for a special permit and restrict non-residents to 5%.	The Department will be considering options to address the low odds of drawing permits prior to the 2010 drawing. Thank you for your comment.
I support allowing the director to open/close goat subpopulations as needed.	Thank you for your comment.
Please close Lake Ann and Artist Point/Heather Meadows area on Mt. Baker to goat hunting	Thank you for your comment. The Department prefers to use Director authority to allow the local District Biologist working with other state/federal landowners to determine if areas need to be closed to protect from overharvest.
No to ewe sheep tags. If there are a surplus of sheep in an area they could be transplanted to other areas in need.	The Department only recommends ewe tags when there are no options for relocation.
If you want to give a Master hunter a Moose tag is fine but the "once in a lifetime" should not be waived. Hard enough to draw these tags	The once in a lifetime is waived for the Master Hunter permits.