WACs 220-410-050, 220-410-060, 220-413-180, and 220-415-040

Hunting Boundaries and Equipment

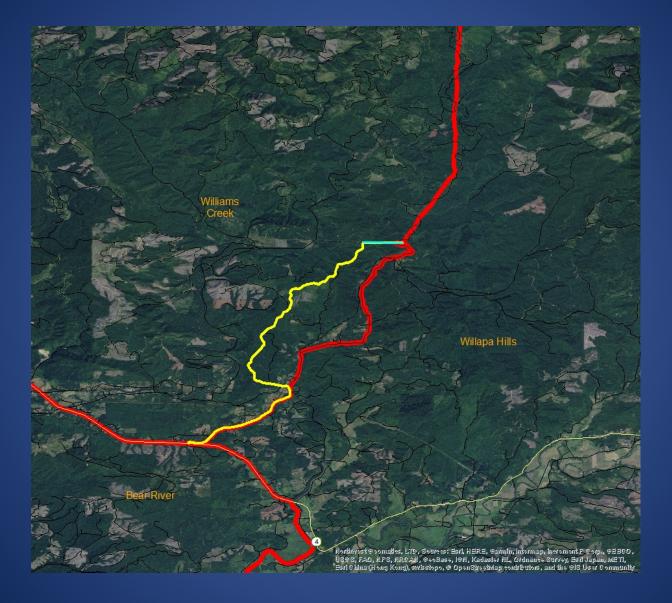


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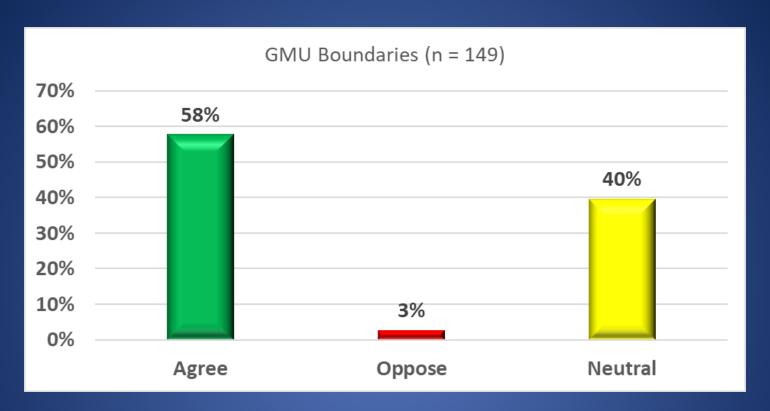
GMU Boundary Descriptions – Region 5 WAC 220-410-050 Region 6 WAC 220-410-060

- Propose adjusting GMU 673 (Williams Creek) boundary to align with Weyco 5800 line instead of Weyco 5000 line (Deep River main line).
- Proposed adjustment would align the boundary with a road that is more representative of a boundary proposed by local staff in the early 2000s.
- Necessitates changes to boundary language for neighboring GMU 506 (Willapa Hills).

GMU 673



Public Comment



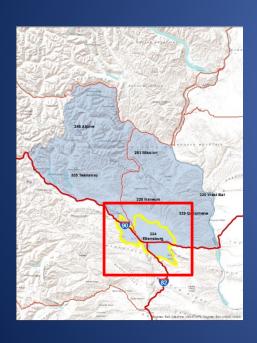
 None of the comments received were directly related to the proposal.

Special Closures and Firearm Restriction Areas WAC 220-413-180

- Remove reference to the "wooden towers" for the Columbia River Restricted Hunting Area boundary description.
 - The wooden towers referenced in this boundary description were torn down in November, but the powerlines referenced still remain.
- Administrative change to correct the spelling of Newberry (currently Newbury) Hill Road to avoid confusion for hunters.

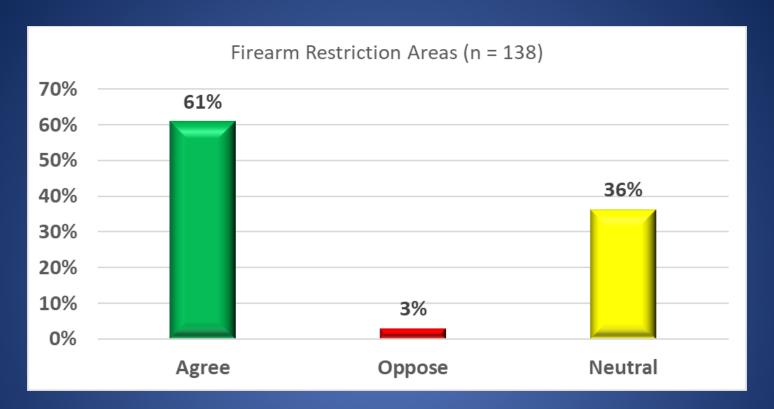
Recommended Adjustment

 Delete Kittitas County and associated reference to GMU 334 from the list of Firearm Restriction Areas





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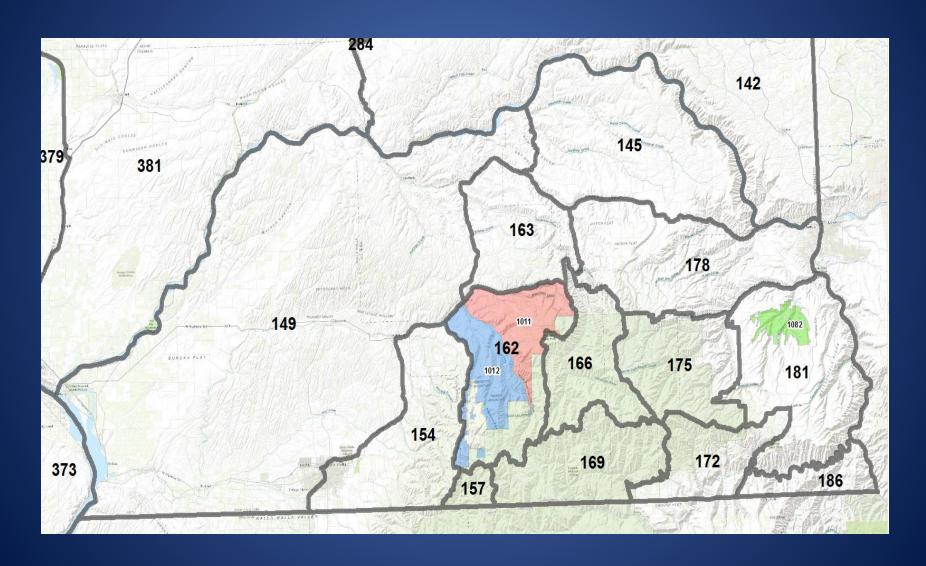
- One comment felt the language used should read "the Hanford Town Site".
- One comment advocated for marking the boundary.

Elk Area Descriptions WAC 220-415-040

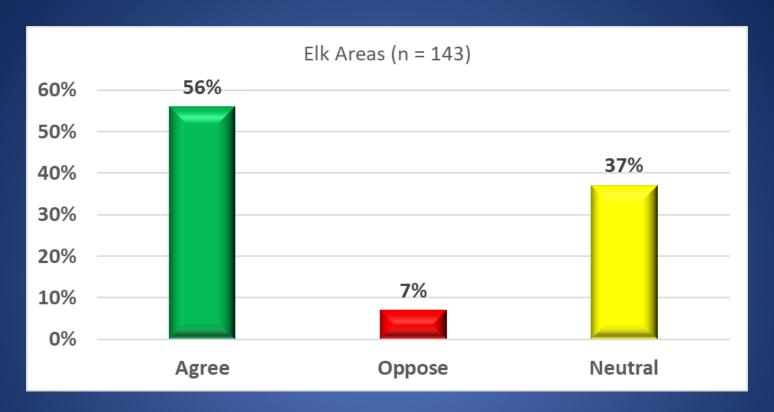
- Eliminate the following Elk Areas in the Blue Mountains.
 - No. 1011 (Columbia County)
 - No. 1012 (Columbia County)
 - No. 1082 (Asotin County)

 Elk numbers and damage complaints have declined substantially and the Elk Areas have not been used for many years.

Elk Areas 1011, 1012, 1082



Public Comment



 One comment supported the removal of these elk areas, while the other comment was opposed.

Questions?

