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*Dear Interested Parties:*

The Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW) has published a Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (DSEIS) titled, 2009-2015 Game Management Plan. This Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement is presented to the public and other agencies.

**Major Changes Proposed in this Supplemental EIS**

Changes to the 2003-09 Game Management Plan Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) are proposed to update the plan for 2009-15. Strategies that have been accomplished or are no longer a priority have been deleted. New issues, objectives, and strategies are proposed based on public and staff comments gathered over the past several months.

Significant new issues include: hunting near urbanizing areas; improved communications and outreach by the department; re-introduction of antelope; and wolf re-colonization. These new issues with corresponding objectives and strategies have been added to the original 2003-09 issues. Many of the original issues have been updated or modified based on new information and research, changing priorities, or emphasis.

WDFW believes this SEIS will assist decision makers to identify the key environmental issues, and options associated with this action. Comments received from agencies and interested parties during public review of this draft document, will be considered and incorporated into the Final SEIS. WDFW thanks every citizen and agency for his or her thoughtful comments and input into this process.

Sincerely,

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Agency Responsible Official  
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## FACT SHEET

**Title:** 2009-15 Game Management Plan Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (DSEIS)

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**Location:** Statewide

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**Notice of Availability:** The DSEIS is available for download and comment beginning on April 28, 2008 at WDFW's website at: [wdfw.wa.gov/wlm/game/management/2009-2015](http://wdfw.wa.gov/wlm/game/management/2009-2015)  
Comment form is also available on this website.  
Comments can also be sent to the SEPA Contact address listed above.

**Comments Due:** MAY 30, 2008

**Original EIS:** 2003-09 Game Management Plan Environmental Impact Statement (EIS)  
11/2002 is available on line at: [wdfw.wa.gov/wlm/game/management/2009-2015](http://wdfw.wa.gov/wlm/game/management/2009-2015)

**Copies are available for review at:** WDFW headquarters and regional offices.

A limited supply of CD copies are also available by calling WDFW at (360) 902-2515. Written requests for a copy of the DSEIS should be addressed to WDFW, Attention SEPAdesk, Habitat, 600 Capitol Way N., Olympia, WA. 98501-1091, or via email at: [SEPAdesk@dfw.wa.gov](mailto:SEPAdesk@dfw.wa.gov).

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**DSEIS** 2009-15 Game Management Plan Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement  
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**Date Final Action is planned:**

The 2009-15 Game Management Plan:

- Finalize: May 2008 - June 2008
- Review/Approval: June 2008 - August 2008

**Commission Action is planned:** Present to Commission August 2008

**Background Data and Materials Referenced in the DSEIS are Available at:**

Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife  
Wildlife Program  
Natural Resources Building, 5th Floor  
1111 Washington Street East  
Olympia, WA 98501-1091

**Licenses Required:** None required

**Distribution List:**

Notice of the availability of this DSEIS is posted on the WDFW SEPA website:

<http://wdfw.wa.gov/hab/sepa/sepa.htm> and [wdfw.wa.gov/wlm/game/management/2009-2015](http://wdfw.wa.gov/wlm/game/management/2009-2015)

Copies have been sent to all local government planning departments (city and county); affected Tribes; all state and federal agencies with jurisdiction; selected environmental organizations; and interested parties.