

Ascher, Debra

Subject: FW: deer hunting changes

From: Grant [<mailto:grntjones@aol.com>]
Sent: Monday, June 01, 2015 5:54 PM
To: Ascher, Debra
Subject: Re: deer hunting changes

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Grant Jones
11838 Hardscrabble
Deadwood, SD. 57732

From: grntjones@aol.com [<mailto:grntjones@aol.com>]
Sent: Sunday, May 31, 2015 12:23 PM
To: wildinfo@state.sd.us.
Subject: deer hunting changes

1. Cross bow: I think you should be able to archery hunt deer with a cross bow, just like a compound bow.

Many other states have already made this adjustment and with good results.

I don't think a special handicap permit should be required.

2. I think the out of state, Non-resident, license fee for archery should be greatly reduced. Easily cut by 2/3.

An \$75 fee is much more in line.

3. I think more resident firearm licenses should be made available in the Black Hills region.

There is already a very healthy deer population and when the fawns are born, we will have way too many deer. They will be a hazard to the roads and lessen the chance for herd survival next winter.

The increase in available licenses could maybe be antlerless only.

It will bring more resident hunters back into deer hunting within the Black Hills.

Ascher, Debra

Subject: FW: Input

From: John Simpson [<mailto:jrsimpson@pie.midco.net>]

Sent: Friday, May 29, 2015 4:04 PM

To: GFP Wild Info

Subject: Input

For the record I would like to express opposition to 2 proposals up for consideration at the upcoming GF&P Commission meeting:

1 – I'm not convinced the special antlerless season after Christmas needs to be eliminated statewide. Perhaps antlerless deer numbers in some units could still justify a season. Would suggest taking a strong look at this option.

2 – Regarding nonresident waterfowl licenses, for reasons far too numerous to list here I strongly oppose item #'s 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 unless licenses come from present allocation, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, and 12. Hope to provide background in personal testimony.

Pierre, SD

Ascher, Debra

Subject: FW: West sully co

From: jason west [mailto:jjw_jjw@hotmail.com]

Sent: Monday, June 01, 2015 5:02 PM

To: Ascher, Debra

Subject: RE: West sully co

West sully county West Ranches

[Onida](#), South Dakota

> -----Original Message-----

> From: Jason West [mailto:jjw_jjw@hotmail.com]

> Sent: Saturday, May 30, 2015 4:37 PM

> To: GFP Wild Info

> Subject: West sully co

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> Our mule deer numbers are still declining. Cut down the tags and regulate your archery hunting on public lands better. A special unit needs to be made in west sully co from Peoria flats to potter co line using 1804 as it's east boundary. Make this a special archery unit and start controlling the public better. More antlered tag restrictions and lessen the doe harvest. Thank you Jason J. West

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> Sent from my iPhone

Ascher, Debra

Subject: FW: Deer proposal comments

From: Dean Scheele [<mailto:dscheele@firstglencoe.org>]

Sent: Tuesday, June 02, 2015 3:03 PM

To: GFP Wild Info

Subject: Deer proposal comments

To Whom it may concern,

I am personally opposed to ending the late antlerless season. It is the only time I can get out to your fine state to hunt deer. I only take one doe, even when we could take 2 so I am kind of doing some self management. Please consider leaving that season open for people like me with limited resources and time.

Thank you for allowing us an opportunity to comment.

Sincerely,

Dean Scheele
Principal
First Lutheran School
Glencoe, MN

Ascher, Debra

Subject: FW: deer

From: jayprice46@gmail.com [<mailto:jayprice46@gmail.com>]

Sent: Tuesday, June 02, 2015 6:41 AM

To: Ascher, Debra

Subject: Re: deer

My city is new underwood south dakota

From: Jay Price [<mailto:jayprice46@gmail.com>]

Sent: Sunday, May 31, 2015 6:35 AM

To: GFP Wild Info

Subject:

I am a rancher and the deer population in southern meade county needs a big rest the oct. blizzard and the common flu the herd had was not good.

Ascher, Debra

Subject: FW: Proposed Deer Season Changes

From: Mark Swenson [<mailto:swensonmark2003@yahoo.com>]

Sent: Tuesday, June 02, 2015 12:54 PM

To: Ascher, Debra

Subject: Re: Proposed Deer Season Changes

Debra:

Reside in Sioux Falls, SD. Hunt in Brule County.

Thanks

Mark

From: Mark Swenson [<mailto:swensonmark2003@yahoo.com>]

Sent: Tuesday, June 02, 2015 10:22 AM

To: GFP Wild Info

Subject: Proposed Deer Season Changes

I've observed a distinct drop off in deer numbers and fully support dropping the nine day antlerless season. I'm happy to be contacted for further comment if you wish.

Mark Swenson
cell #605-212-1665

Ascher, Debra

Subject: FW: Corson, Dewey, ziebach

-----Original Message-----

From: Craig [<mailto:danelboones@yahoo.com>]

Sent: Tuesday, June 02, 2015 10:14 AM

To: GFP Wild Info

Subject: Corson, Dewey, ziebach

I hunt nearly everyday of the firearms deer seasons. I took up muzzleloading to offer me even more time in the fields.

I love the early openings in said counties and have had tags in all of them save Gregory co. I see these early opening counties as a bonus for those serious deer hunters who are willing to do their research and spend their time and money to try new areas that don't conflict with their close or convenient counties.

I hunted ziebach for the first time this last season and drove from Pierre everyday after working short days and leaving at noon. I spent thousands in gas, maintenance snacks, sodas, etc... Just to hunt/learn ziebach. After being successful in Stanley Co in two days, I was able to resume my trips to Ziebach. This is money that would go to other states if I have no place to hunt here.

Mellette is an option, but good for only three huntable days before regular west river seasons open and I have not been impressed by the public lands for deer there due in part to locals driving their lands and corralling deer before they cross onto public lands.

Changing the dates in said counties would mean I would need to investigate earlier seasons in other states.

Instead of punishing serious trophy deer hunters, I think more counties should be made available to early openers instead of eliminating the ones we have. Maybe adding counties to that list that don't sale all of their available tags year after year due to lack of nearby populations or ?

And maybe considering turning more GPAs into limited number tag areas like little Moreau. Maybe even turning some GPAs and WIAs into shotgun only that have homes bordering them.

I see this proposal as a move that removes money from SD and gives it to other states.

David Craig Burnett Pierre SD

Sent from my iPad

Ascher, Debra

Subject: FW: End doe season

-----Original Message-----

From: Mick Trask [<mailto:dakotatrophytaxidermy@hotmail.com>]

Sent: Tuesday, June 02, 2015 10:14 AM

To: Ascher, Debra

Subject: Re: End doe season

Wasta South Dakota

Sent from my iPhone

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> -----Original Message-----

> From: Mick Trask [<mailto:dakotatrophytaxidermy@hotmail.com>]

> Sent: Sunday, May 31, 2015 10:56 AM

> To: GFP Wild Info

> Subject: End doe season

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> I completely support ending the doe season in January, and or end it on mule deer does anytime. There's a pasture of state land that borders Us and last year there was 13 does and a yearling buck living on it, when season was over there was 1 doe and her fawn. How can there ever be good hunting on state ground if people kill every deer. Please end the doe seasons until the population gets higher. Thanks

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> Mick Trask

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> Sent from my iPhone

Ascher, Debra

From: michael meyer <nehunter01@yahoo.com>
Sent: Sunday, May 31, 2015 7:31 AM
To: GFP Wild Info
Subject: nine day season at 1st of the year.

I ask that you keep this nine day season at the 1st of the year because where I hunt there is plenty of deer. During the kill off after the flood, this area did not get hit like the rest of the state. Another thing is it gives one a chance to fill their freezer with meat. I am not a horn hunter. I hunt for the meat. I like the meat and many like the jerky that I make some of it out of. The brats I make are very good as well. The thing is you need to consider is that stopping this season really messes a lot of things up. I know you think you are doing the right thing but this is all about money. The power of the all mighty dollar. If it were about anything else I might be able to understand. I ask that you reconsider your proposal and do it for the right reasons. This extra season gives me a chance to get a deer that I need to fill my freezer. I like the meat and so do my friends. Once again please reconsider what you are thinking. Ask the hunters and landowners before you consider doing this. Send out questioners or send out emails after the season and ask questions before doing this. That makes the most sense of all. In order to get responses, if a person does not respond they do not get a tag the next year. Fruit for thought. Please do not take away this nine day season, PLEASE.

Mike Meyer
705 ELM
Springfield, SD 57062

Ascher, Debra

From: Cheryl Braun <ctbw8289@venturecomm.net>
Sent: Saturday, May 30, 2015 9:35 AM
To: GFP Wild Info
Subject: East River Deer Hunting

Yes, remove the nine day antlerless deer season for ALL types of hunting beginning after Christmas! We have a decline of deer population in our area and the shooting of the pregnant does is a very poor management practice. In Roberts county some of the zones need to be redrawn also; the Sisseton Hills and area East of Rosholt are grouped together. While there are lots of deer in the Sisseton Hills, here East of Rosholt numbers are down yet the licenses are the same.

Cheryl Braun
10419 SD Hwy 127
Rosholt SD 57260

Ascher, Debra

From: janet hanson <jannie4511@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, May 29, 2015 6:49 PM
To: GFP Wild Info
Subject: East River Deer hunting (non-resident)

Hello,

My name is Janet Hanson, from Minnesota. I own 80 acres in Marshall County north of Lake City.

I use it for cattle grazing, duck hunting and deer hunting. For the past three years I have been unable to deer hunt on my land. The deer population has been down. No non-residents have been allowed to purchase a deer hunting license.

For years, non-residents have been sold two doe tags with their license. That seems, to me, to be very extravagant! One tag would have been enough. How can you keep a herd producing a safe amount of young if you are allowing people to kill off the breeders?

The deer population has also been depleted by coyotes, and very harsh winters! I would like to be able to hunt deer on my land. I hope that you will change the regulations to only one doe with every license sold, to non-residents, not two!!!

Also, the cost is another factor! Why is it so extremely expensive for non-residents? I am a land owner and still have to pay high prices for a license. I pay my taxes on the land I own but cannot get a cheaper license. To me, that is not fair!

I love my land. Some day I may build on it and be a resident of South Dakota.

I can't believe that you can discourage people, who own property and help to maintain the great state of South Dakota, by not allowing them to use their land for hunting and stick them outrageous prices for licenses.

Thank you listening to my plea. I await your vote.

Sincerely, Janet Hanson
5325 North Arm Drive
Minnetrista, MN 55364

Ascher, Debra

Subject: FW: FW: Deer proposal comments

From: joe wolfe [<mailto:joewolfeavol@gmail.com>]

Sent: Saturday, May 30, 2015 1:07 PM

To: Ascher, Debra

Subject: Re: FW: Deer proposal comments

Joe Wolfe, 1812 Glen Oaks Lane, Dyersburg, Tenn. 38024,

From: joe wolfe [<mailto:joewolfeavol@gmail.com>]

Sent: Wednesday, May 27, 2015 11:24 PM

To: GFP Wild Info

Subject: Deer proposal comments

I strongly oppose the possible deletion of the antler less seasons, particularly in the West River areas. I have a good friend living in Watertown, S.D., with whom I served during the Vietnam War. We were both assigned to the same Marine Regiment (3rd), in I Corp, SVN, and later on the Naval Base in Memphis, TN. I try to come to SD each fall to hunt with him, as sort of reunion. Due to the fact that I am on a limited income, and also precluded by my wife's resistance to hunting trophies, I simply hunt for the meat provided by a successful kill, and for my friend's companionship. I cannot now, nor will I be able to in the future, afford a buck license. Striking the antler less provision would essentially terminate my SD hunting trips.

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Subject: FW: Deer proposal comments

From: Chip O'Malley [<mailto:chipo@itctel.com>]

Sent: Sunday, May 31, 2015 11:03 AM

To: Ascher, Debra

Subject: Re: Deer proposal comments

Wentworth, SD. 57075

From: Chip O'Malley [<mailto:chipo@itctel.com>]

Sent: Tuesday, May 26, 2015 12:26 PM

To: GFP Wild Info

Subject: Deer proposal comments

I think the changes to east and west river deer are great. I thought the 9 day antlerless season should never existed to begin with.

Thank You
Chip O'Malley

Ascher, Debra

Subject: FW: Deer proposal comments

From: Harvey Freeman [<mailto:hfreeman@swiftel-bmu.com>]

Sent: Monday, June 01, 2015 8:59 AM

To: Ascher, Debra

Subject: RE: Deer proposal comments

Garretson, SD

From: Harvey Freeman [<mailto:hfreeman@swiftel-bmu.com>]

Sent: Friday, May 22, 2015 10:10 AM

To: GFP Wild Info

Subject: Deer proposal comments

I agree with the closing of the antlerless rifle season after Christmas. It's about time it was closed. I have never liked it. With deer numbers so low, it should have been done years ago. The rifle season is long enough and some buck have dropped their horns by then. I am an avid rifle and archery hunter. I also think the antlerless archery season should end on December 31.

Ascher, Debra

Subject: FW: Nine day antlerless season comments

-----Original Message-----

From: Chip&Glory [<mailto:boulais@nrctv.com>]

Sent: Saturday, May 30, 2015 7:23 AM

To: Ascher, Debra

Subject: Re: Nine day antlerless season comments

Charles Boulais, Mina, SD

> -----Original Message-----

> From: nrctv.com, boulais

> Sent: Wednesday, May 27, 2015 10:35 PM

> To: GFP Wild Info

> Subject: Nine day antlerless season comments

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> Please consider reducing the nine day antlerless season to only the last

> six days of

> December. Also end the muzzle loader and archery deer seasons on December

> 31. This would reduce some of the stress on the deer herd from hunting in

> the historically coldest weather of the winter. Students and military

> personnel home for the holidays would still have an opportunity to hunt.

> Dedicated sportsmen would have ample time to experience the hunt during

> these revised seasons.

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Ascher, Debra

From: Dennis M. Jones <dmjones@sio.midco.net>
Sent: Monday, June 01, 2015 9:03 PM
To: GFP Wild Info
Subject: Season Proposals

Dear Game Commision,

It is my understanding that recomendations have been proposed to the commison by a non-resident committee, especially for northeastern South Dakota.

Non-resident hunting is a great money maker for GFP and businesses, (license fees and motel, cafes and gas-stations). For South Dakota sportsman it is the decline of everything it use to be for South Daktoa True Fisherman and Hunters.

The Walleye fishing at DryLake, Enemy Swim, Missouri River and the other NE Lakes is terrible. I counted over a hundred boats on Dry Lake one day last year and most were from Minnesota and Iowa. This year Dry Lake is fished out. Mainly all Northern Pike left now.

The goose hunting in the Britton, Lake City area is a paid hunter only sport. Try to find a spot were a farmer will let you go hunt without paying. Check with the Guy Farms and others around Lake City, and those who complained geese are eating all their crops.

The Deer hunting in the Black Hills is not what it use to be because you let meat hunters shoot to many does. The pheasant hunting is terrible because of over hunting, to many predators, farming techniques and poor management.

I grew up hunting in South Dakota and things have really changed.

Please don't buy into public pressure to over hunting. It is the GFP responsibility to protect our wildlife, forget the politics. Your cost need to be controlled and maybe the State of South Dakota needs to collect money to help the GFP Budget when times are tough.

Thanks for hearing my feelings,

**Dennis M. Jones
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Sioux Falls, SD 57108**