

GAME, FISH AND PARKS COMMISSION ACTION PROPOSAL

Deer Hunting Season Drawing Structure

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COMMISSION PROPOSAL

1. Create a combined drawing for the Black Hills, East River, West River, and Muzzleloader deer hunting seasons where each applicant may submit only one application.

2. Modify the leftover license allocation process for the seasons in the combined deer drawing:
 - a. In the second draw, an applicant may not apply for a leftover license if the applicant obtained a license for any of the Black Hills, East River, West River and Muzzleloader deer seasons in the first draw.
 - b. In the third draw, leftover licenses are no longer pooled in a combined drawing and an applicant may submit one application for each season for which they do not possess a license. Only those nonresidents without a license may apply for a license remaining in pools originally designated (8%) for nonresidents (BHD and WRD).
 - c. In the fourth draw, licenses remain segregated in their respective seasons and residents may submit up to five applications. Only those nonresidents without a license may apply for a license remaining in pools originally designated (8%) for nonresidents (BHD and WRD).
 - d. After the fourth draw, all remaining resident and nonresident licenses would be pooled and sold first-come, first-served. There will be no limit on the number of licenses that a person can acquire (like it is currently).

3. Allow applicants to use preference points for both 1st and 2nd choices in draws one through three. First draw applicants must use preference points for their first choice selection (as is currently required). An applicant who uses preference to acquire a license in a season may not purchase a preference point for that season.

4. Preference points for a combined deer drawing shall be issued without cost for any hunter that is or was age 15 or younger during the calendar year when the preference point is acquired.

5. An first-time applicant for a combined deer drawing that is or was age 15 or younger in the calendar year of the drawing shall receive a bonus preference point for that drawing.

Drawing	Resident	Nonresident
1 and 2	Maximum of 1 license in ERD, WRD, BHD, or MZD	Maximum of 1 BHD or WRD license
3	Maximum of 1 license in <u>each</u> of the WRD, ERD BHD and MZD seasons.	
4	Maximum of five additional licenses for a maximum total of nine licenses.	
<i>Leftover Resident and Nonresident Licenses Pooled</i>		
5	Unlimited. First-come, First-served	Unlimited. First-come, First-served

APPROVE _____ **MODIFY** _____ **REJECT** _____ **NO ACTION** _____