

# GAME, FISH AND PARKS COMMISSION ACTION PROPOSAL

## Antelope Hunting Season

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<b>Commission Meeting Dates:</b>	<b>Proposal</b>	<b>June 6-7, 2019</b>	<b>Pierre</b>
	<b>Public Hearing</b>	<b>July 8, 2019</b>	<b>Ft. Pierre</b>
	<b>Finalization</b>	<b>July 8-9, 2019</b>	<b>Ft. Pierre</b>

**COMMISSION PROPOSAL**

**Duration of Recommendation:** 2019 and 2020 hunting seasons

**Season Dates:** September 28 – October 13, 2019  
October 3 – October 18, 2020

**Open Area:** See the attached map

**Licenses:** Total of 5,009 licenses (West River: 4,921 licenses; East River: 88 licenses)

Residents: 4,235 one-tag licenses; 600 two-tag licenses

Nonresidents: 150 one-tag licenses; 24 two-tag licenses

**Requirements and Restrictions:**

1. One-half of the licenses allocated in each unit are available for landowner/operator preference.
2. Landowners not possessing a license that allows the harvest of a buck may purchase an “any antelope” or a two-tag “any antelope” + “doe/fawn antelope” license that is valid on their property only.

**Proposed changes from last year:**

1. Adjust the number of West River resident licenses from no more than 4,665 one-tag antelope licenses and no more than 300 two-tag antelope licenses to 4,235 one-tag antelope licenses and no more than 600 two-tag antelope licenses.
2. Adjust the number of East River resident licenses from no more than 100 one-tag antelope licenses to 85 one-tag antelope licenses.
3. Modify Unit 36A (Hughes County) by removing Hyde County.
4. Establish Unit 38A to include Buffalo, Hand and Hyde counties.
5. Modify Unit 50A (Mellette County) to include Todd County.

Resident Tags

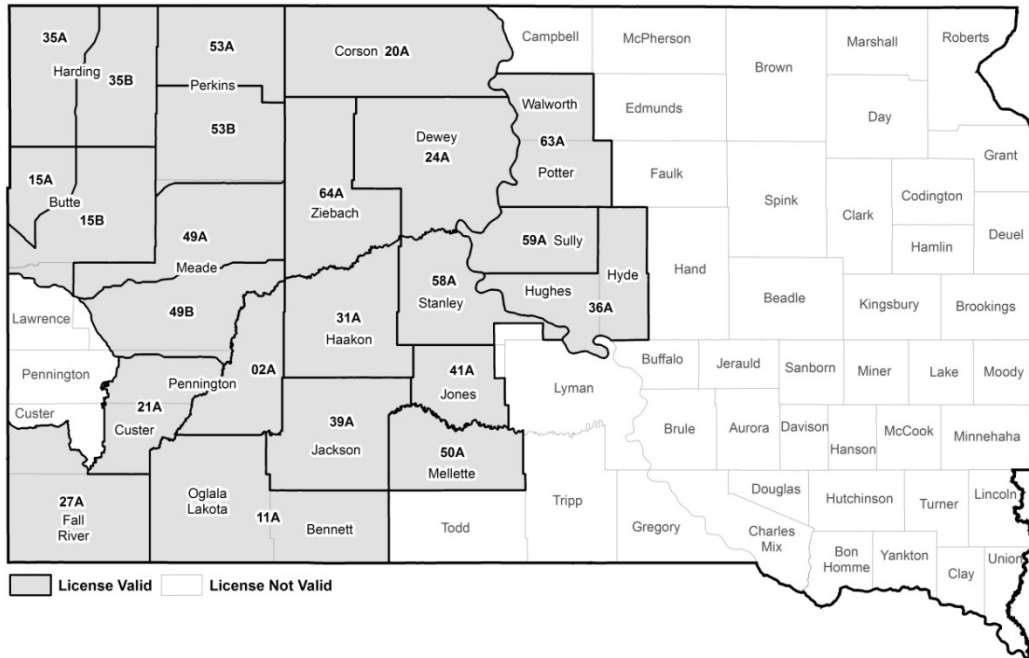
Year	Buck Tags	Doe Tags	Total Tags
2017-2018	3,865	1,400	5,265
2019-2020	3,535	1,900	5,435

**SUPPORTIVE INFORMATION**

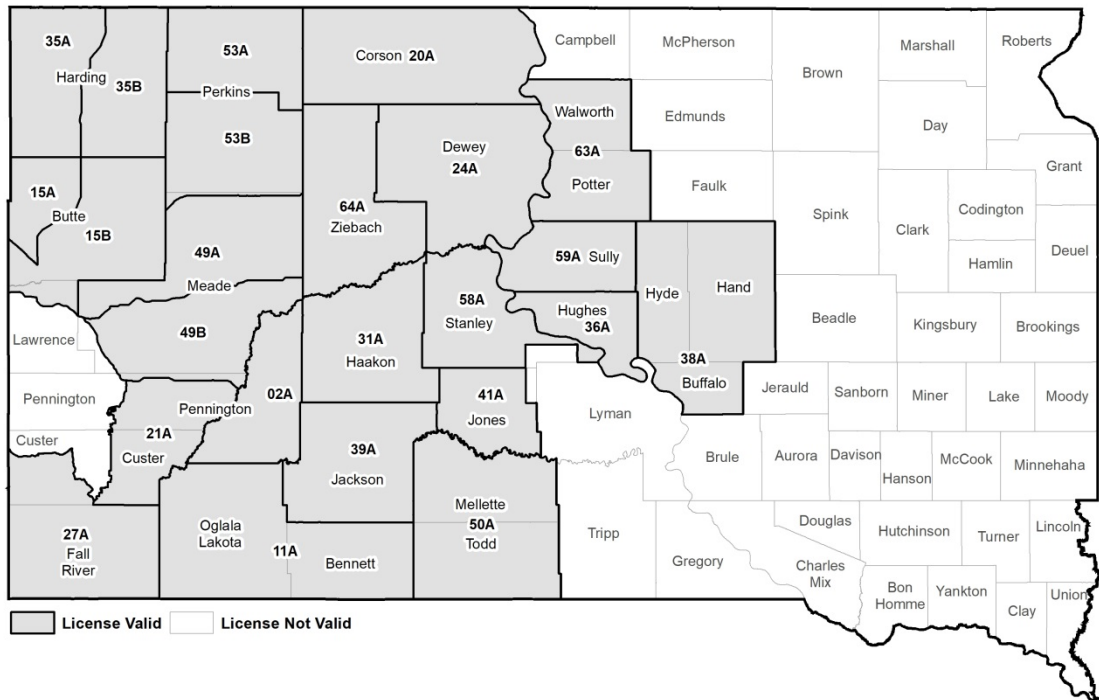
Year	Licenses Sold	Tags Issued	Bucks Harvested	Doe/Fawn Harvested	Total Harvested	Success
2014	3,052	3,052	1,770	314	2,083	66%
2015	3,322	3,322	1,910	314	2,224	64%
2016	3,328	3,328	2,112	350	2,461	70%
2017	5,432	5,933	2,692	1,093	3,784	64%
2018	5,539	6,078	2,845	1,000	3,845	63%

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**Current Unit Boundaries**



**Proposed Unit Boundaries**



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